



MOST PRECIOUS BLOOD of JESUS PARISH

*A Roman Catholic Personal Parish
for the Extraordinary Form
in the Diocese of Pittsburgh.*

**Fourth Sunday
After Easter
May 7, A.D. 2023**

Mass Schedule

Sundays: 8am, 11am
Monday: 12 Noon
Tuesday: 12 Noon & 7pm
Wednesday through Friday: 12 Noon
1st Friday of Month: 12 Noon & 7pm
Saturday: 9am

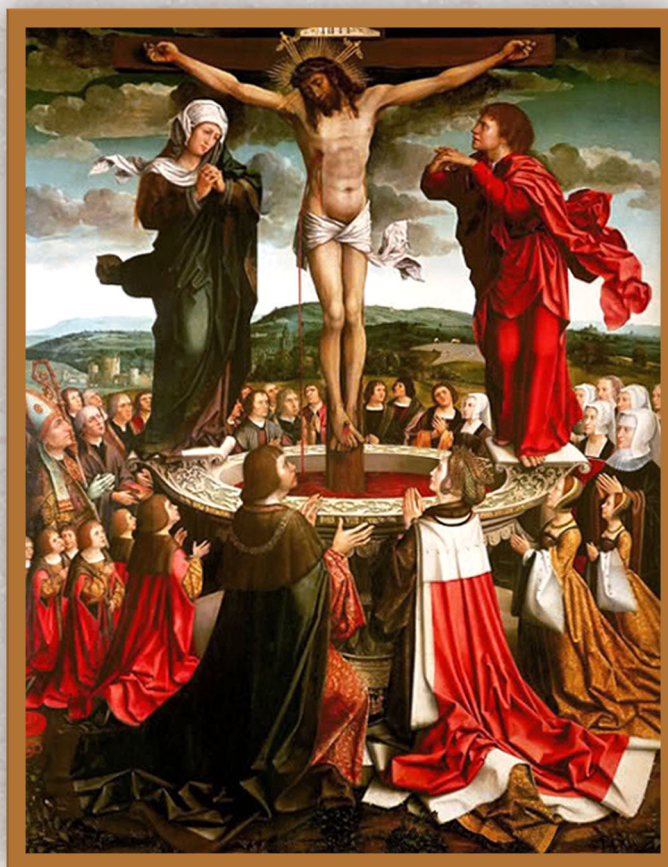
Confession Schedule

Sundays: 7-8am; 10-11am
Monday-Friday: 11:15-11:45am
Tuesdays: also 6:15-6:45pm
Saturday: 8-8:45am

Please consult the weekly bulletin for modifications to the schedule.

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Pennsylvania Childline (report suspected child abuse)
1-800-932-0313
Protection of Children and Youth (diocesan office)
1-888-808-1235



Institute of Christ the King Sovereign Priest

Veritatem Facientes In Caritate—Furthering the Truth in Charity

Liturgical Schedule

Sunday, May 7, 2023

4th Sunday after Easter, 2nd Class—White

8AM LM + John & Mary Pusateri
(Michael & Jill Garfold)
11AM HM *Pro populo*
Processional: *May Crowning Booklets*
Kyriale: *Mass I, Credo IV*
Recessional: *Regina Caeli Jubila* pg. 85

Monday, May 8, 2023

Apparition of St. Michael, 4th Class—White

12PM LM + Canon Henrique Fragelli
(Tom & Carol Nypaver)

Tuesday, May 9, 2023

St. Gregory Nazianzen, 3rd Class—White

12PM LM Canon Jacob Wells, ICKSP (Sue Sherwin)
7PM LM Spiritual & Temporal Welfare of the Losco
Family (Dr. & Mrs. R. A. Capone)

Wednesday, May 10, 2023

St. Antoninus, 3rd Class—White

Commemoration of Ss. Gordian & Epimachus

12PM LM + Fred & Alberta Yochum (Son)

Thursday, May 11, 2023

Ss. Philip & James, 2nd Class—Red

12PM LM Joseph Rikk Jr. (Maria Rikk)
8PM Holy Hour of Adoration
9PM Compline

Friday, May 12, 2023

Ss. Nereus, Achilleus, Domitilla & Pancras, 3rd Class—Red

12PM LM + Dolores Dvorak (O'Connell Family)

Saturday, May 13, 2023

St. Robert Bellarmine, 3rd Class—White

9AM LM + James & Bernice McRoy (O'Connor Family)

Sunday, May 14, 2023

5th Sunday after Easter, 2nd Class—White

8AM LM *Pro populo*
11AM HM Spiritual & Temporal Welfare of Our Children
(Mark Sikora Family)
Processional: *Good Christian Men, Rejoice and Sing* pg. 51
Kyriale: *Mass I, Credo IV*
Recessional: *Jesus Is Risen* pg. 72
LM = Low Mass; HM = High/Solemn Mass

Our Weekly Offerings

Sunday, April 30, 2023

Offertory	\$13,223.00
Parish Appeal.....	\$300.00
ICRSS Seminary Appeal	\$1,000.00
Parish Improvement.....	\$320.00
Food Pantry.....	\$1,095.00

Sunday Mass Attendance: 8AM 455; 11AM 361; Total 816

On Line Contributions

The parish utilizes Faith Direct for on-line donations, which can be made directly from your bank account or credit card. If interested in making donations in this manner, please visit <https://membership.faithdirect.net/PA678> or call 866-507-8757.

Parish Group News

CONFRATERNITY OF CHRISTIAN MOTHERS usually meets every First Saturday of the month, beginning with the 9 am Mass. The next meeting is Saturday, June 10, 2023 and the topic will be *Cultivating Christian Charity*. All adult women are welcome. Please contact christianmothers@mpboj.com for more information.

SURSUM CORDA-YOUNG ADULTS GROUP is a nationwide initiative to foster the spiritual lives of Catholic adults, AGES 18-35, at Institute apostolates. Our parish group meets 1-2 times a month for faith discussions guided by the Canons, food, and various fun activities. To sign up for the mailing list and receive notice of future events, simply text Corda to 84576 and choose "SC Pittsburgh" as the group. Please contact sursumcorda@mpboj.com with any questions. Next Events: *Lunch with Sursum Corda*, Sunday, **May 7th** - meet after 11AM Mass. *May Conference - The Holy Ghost*, Friday, **May 12th** at 6:30 PM in the School gym.

RESPECT LIFE GROUP (RLG) at MPBOJ will meet on **June 24th** (anniversary of Roe v Wade Reversal) after the 9am Mass. The Gospel of Life is at the heart of the newly formed Respect Life Group operating in three divisions of *Legislation, Education and Advocacy*. Members may expect frequent updates on Abortion, Euthanasia, Fetal Research, Vaccines, 40 Days For Life, Baby Bottle/Diaper Drives and Legislation. More information and how to sign-up can be found in RLG flyers at the entrances of the Church. Please watch for updates in the bulletin each week. For more information, please contact respect-life@mpboj.com.

Homeschool Graduation Mass

There will be a Catholic Homeschool High School Graduation Traditional Latin High Mass, diploma ceremony, and reception Saturday, July 8, 2023 starting at 11:00 am at Most Precious Blood of Jesus Parish. Families with 2023 high school graduates are invited to **register by Monday, May 22, 2023** to participate. Please email Jeannine at volunteer@mpboj.com or call 724-272-1851.

Parish Landscaping

With an early Spring comes the opportunity to prune, plant and beautify the grounds of the Parish. Our parish landscape team, led by Julie Roytas, meets weekly on Thursday mornings at the Church from 8am to Noon. Depending upon the availability of crews, projects can also be done on Saturdays after 9am Mass. Please email Julie at julier.lom@hotmail.com for information about joining the MPBOJ Landscape Team or to let her know your availability. Julie can also be reached on cell at 412-818-1393.

Men's Night

On Saturday, May 20th at 6pm the parish will host a Men's Night in the parish school building. All male parishioners aged 21+ are invited. Expect lively conversation on Catholic topics, a brief address by one of the Canons, and to get to know other men from the parish. Pizza and some beverages will be provided, but attendees are encouraged to bring snack food, drinks, or a few dollars to defray expenses. The basketball court, bowling alley, and pool table will be open. Please RSVP to mike.konopelski@gmail.com and contact Mike with questions.



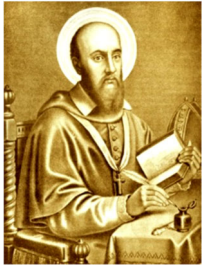
Confraternity of St. Nicholas

The MPBOJ Chapter of the Confraternity of St. Nicholas is a public association of the faithful, established canonically, who, through prayer, fasting, and good works, are dedicated to the protection of all children. Members enjoy the intercession of St. Nicholas, great wonder worker, Bishop and patron of children, as they strive to defend all children from harm. Anyone who wishes to join can do so at any time - simply go to Confraternityofstnicholas.org.

Introduction to the Devout Life

By St. Francis de Sales

Sixth Meditation - On Judgment (Part I, Chap. 14)



The Preparation

Place yourself in the Presence of God. Intreat Him to inspire you.

Considerations

1. When the time comes which God has appointed for the end of this world, and after many terrible signs and warnings, which will overwhelm men with fear,—the whole earth will be destroyed, and nothing then left.
2. Afterwards, all men, save those already risen, shall rise from the dead, and at the voice of the Archangel appear in the valley of Jehoshaphat. But alas, with what divers aspects! for some will be glorious and shining, others horrible and ghastly.
3. Consider the majesty with which the Sovereign Judge will appear surrounded by all His Saints and Angels; His Cross, the Sign of Grace to the good and of terror to the evil, shining brighter than the sun.
4. This Sovereign Judge will with His awful word, instantly fulfilled, separate the evil and the good, setting the one on His Right Hand, the other on His Left—an eternal separation, for they will never meet again.
5. This separation made, the books of conscience will be opened, and all men will behold the malice of the wicked, and how they have contemned God; as also the penitence of the good, and the results of the grace they received. Nothing will be hid. O my God, what confusion to the one, what rejoicing to the other! Consider the final sentence of the wicked. “Depart from Me, ye cursed, into everlasting fire, prepared for the devil and his angels.” Dwell upon these awful words. “Go,” He says—for ever discarding these wretched sinners, banishing them for ever from His Presence. He calls them “cursed:” O my soul, what a curse: a curse involving all other maledictions, all possible evil, an irrevocable curse, including all time and eternity; condemning them to everlasting fire. Think what that eternity of suffering implies.
6. Then consider the sentence of the good. “Come,” the Judge says—O blessed loving word with which God draws us to Himself and receives us in His Bosom. “Blessed of My Father”—O blessing above all blessings! “inherit the Kingdom prepared for you from the beginning of the world.” O my God, and that Kingdom will know no end!

Affections and Resolutions

1. Tremble, my soul, at the thought. O God, who will be my stay in that hour when the earth’s pillars are shaken?
2. Abhor your sins, which alone can cause you to be lost when that fearful day comes. Surely I will judge myself now, that I be not judged;—I will examine my conscience, accuse, condemn, punish myself, that the Judge may not condemn me then. I will confess my faults, and follow the counsels given me.

Conclusion

Thank God for having given you means of safety in that terrible Day, and time for repentance. Offer Him your heart, and ask for grace to use it well. OUR FATHER, etc. Gather your bouquet.

St Paul Street Evangelization Basic Training

Want to know what authentic, non-confrontational, joyful evangelization looks and sounds like? Then make sure to attend our upcoming diocesan workshop conducted by **St. Paul Street Evangelization** on **Saturday, June 10, 8:00am-4:00pm**. The event starts with an 8:00am Mass celebrated by Bishop Waltersheid at **St. Mary of Mercy Church in downtown Pittsburgh**. This workshop has mobilized thousands of ordinary Catholics to get out there on the streets and help God save souls. This one-day Basic Evangelization Training with SPSE is for every practicing Catholic. Registration is \$25 for lay people and free for priests and religious. Lunch and all training materials are included. You can register online at <http://stpaulse.com/mercy-pa-bet>. "

Third Annual Memorial Day Picnic

On Sunday, May 28th at 2:00 PM, join fellow parishioners for a get-together in South Park! As in previous years, festivities will take place at the Museum Building on the County Fairgrounds. “Cookout food” (hamburgers, hotdogs), water, drinks, plates, and utensils will be provided. If you are planning to attend, please bring a side dish to share (20-30 servings worth). In order to ensure that we have the right mix of sides, please plan a dish that corresponds with *Last Names* as follows:

- ◆ A-I: Starch side dish such as potato or macaroni salad
- ◆ J-Q: Fruit or vegetable side dish or salad
- ◆ R-Z: Dessert

To ensure we have enough supplies, please RSVP, either on the sign-up sheets at Church entrances or by sending an email to Tom Smith at tomsmithpittsburgh@gmail.com.

Invitation to the Unveiling

Join the Assisi Arts Community and Dry Bones Ministries on **Thursday, May 11th at 7PM** at The Port (3620 Butler St., Pgh 15201) for the unveiling of a new painting of St. Thérèse of Lisieux, entitled *The Vocation of St. Thérèse*. Commissioned for the Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Camp and Retreat Center (Volant, PA), this is an opportunity to see the painting before it is permanently installed in the OLMC Chapel. The evening will begin with an introduction by Fr. Joe Freedy (Dry Bones Ministries), followed by the unveiling of the painting and a presentation by the artist (Ann Schmalstieg Barrett), sharing insights into the inspiration and imagery within the work. Visit www.portpgh.com/therese for more information and to RSVP for the evening. Feel free to invite a friend!

Gregory the Great Academy Highlander Camp

June 24th to July 1, 2023, for rising 7th and 8th graders, join us as the woods and hills of northeastern Pennsylvania become the Scottish Highlands! Registration is available at <https://gregorythegreatacademy.org/summercamp/>. Activities include: Mass & Confession, axe-throwing competition, archery competition, knife-throwing competition, Highland games, boat building, whitewater rafting, naval battles, sunrise hikes, natural history lessons, poem and song memorization. If you have any questions email Mr. Smith at csmith@gregorythegreatacademy.com.

To All Our Guests...

The Canons and Faithful of Most Precious Blood of Jesus Parish welcome you and hope that your time in “The ‘Burgh” may be an opportunity to share in the tradition of the Roman Catholic Faith. Please enjoy the beauty of this Personal Parish, established by Bishop David Zubik on July 1, 2019 on the *Feast of The Most Precious Blood of Jesus*.

According to liturgical tradition and the Traditional Latin Mass of the Roman Rite, Holy Communion is received kneeling and on the tongue. All visitors who are not of the Catholic Faith are welcome to join us in prayer but are requested not to receive Holy Communion. Because reception of Holy Communion is the sign of Divine and Ecclesial unity, only practicing Catholics who are free of mortal sin, and have observed the Eucharistic Fast, should present themselves for Holy Communion. For those who need a low gluten Host, let an usher know as you approach the Communion rail toward the end of Communion.

To receive more information about the parish or if you desire to become a member of the Catholic Church, contact the Priory at 412-761-1508. The pastoral care of Most Precious Blood of Jesus Parish is provided by THE INSTITUTE OF CHRIST THE KING SOVEREIGN PRIEST.

Any and all contributions to the parish are warmly appreciated and tax deductible.

PARISHIONER MATERIALS/REQUESTS—At the Church entrances, there are racks containing church forms, reading materials, and prayer cards. Please feel free to take what you need, but do not leave your own materials without permission from Canon Avis. Parish events are also publicized on the bulletin boards in the side entrance and in the narthex. If you are involved in an event that you would like to publicize or schedule, please provide a copy of the notice or request to temporalaffairs@mpboj.com for approval.

BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS—Requests for proposed **bulletin announcements** must be submitted in writing to the Parish office ten days in advance of publication.

MASS INTENTIONS—*The Parish Mass Intention Registry* is currently **CLOSED**. Mass intentions are accepted during specific periods throughout the calendar year, with each period announced in the bulletin, in advance of the request period. Instructions and forms are made available at that time.

PARISH NEWS—The parish uses **Flocknote** to circulate news and information. If you'd like to sign up, please text MPBOJ to 84576 from your cell phone and follow the instructions.

Sacramental Information

Infant Baptism:

Baptism should be administered within two weeks of birth. Please call the office prior to the baby's birth to make arrangements.

Holy Matrimony:

Couples planning to marry at the parish must call the office to schedule proper instruction at least six months in advance.

Catholic Faith Formation and Spiritual needs:

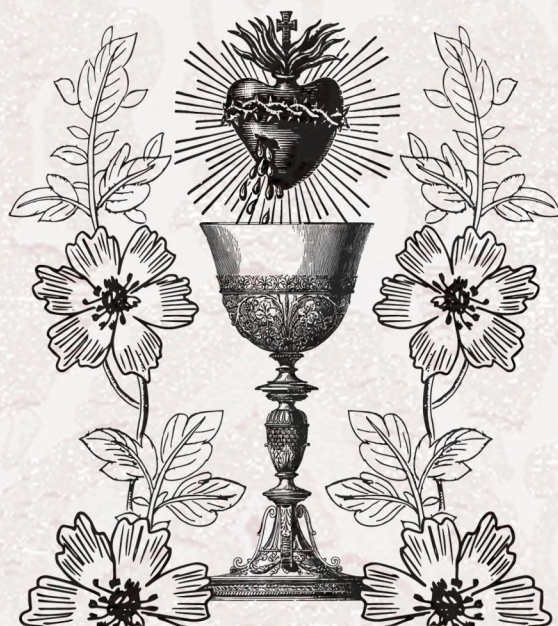
For those seeking *Catechism*, preparing for *1st Holy Communion*, *Confirmation*, needs of the sick or funeral information, please call the parish office.

Anointing of the Sick:

If you need the assistance of a priest for the dying, please contact the office at 412-761-1508. If after hours, please call and listen to the prompts and select option #1.

Certificates:

Certificates for Sacraments administered prior to July 1, 2019 are maintained by the Diocese of Pittsburgh Archives. You may reach the Diocese Archive office at 412-456-3158, or archives@diopitt.org.



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