



MOST PRECIOUS BLOOD of JESUS PARISH

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

**Sunday After
Ascension
May 21, 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

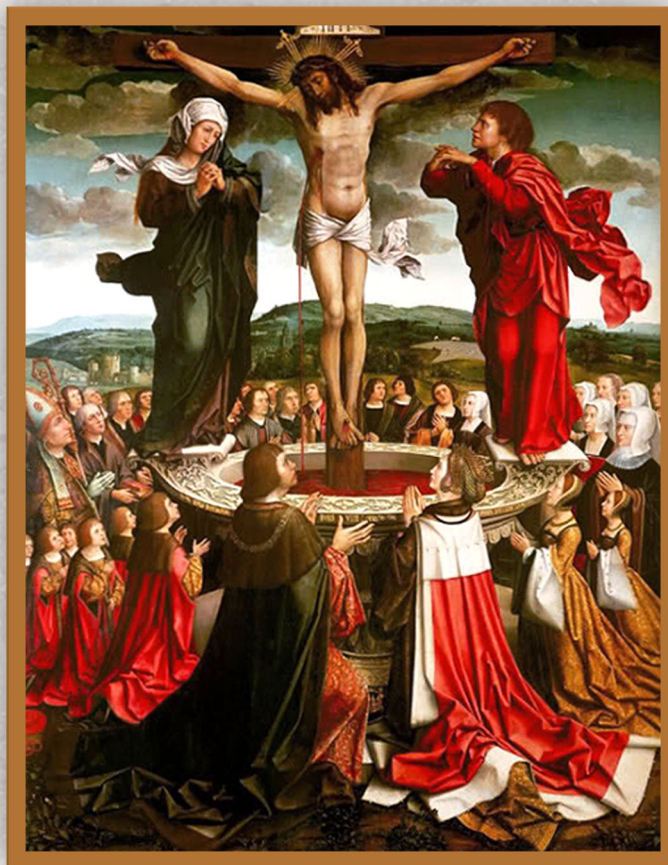
Confession Schedule

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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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 21, 2023

Sunday after Ascension, 2nd Class—White

8AM LM *Pro populo*
 11AM HM Our Parents-Spiritual & Physical Well-being
 (Marianne & Andrew Pumford)

Processional: *Hail the Day that Sees Him Rise* pg. 65

Kyriale: *Mass I, Credo IV*

Recessional: *Alleluia, Sing to Jesus* pg. 50

Monday, May 22, 2023

Votive Mass of the Holy Trinity, 4th Class—White

12PM LM + Karen Werner (Jerry & Peggy Wrabley)

Tuesday, May 23, 2023

Votive Mass of the Holy Angels, 4th Class—White

12PM LM + Carolyn G. Mozlack (Robin Mauser)

7PM LM + Albert & Roseanna Henchar

(Alice Steigerwald)

Wednesday, May 24, 2023

Votive Mass of St. Joseph, 4th Class—White

12PM LM Abbe Rodrigo Ricaldy Solorzano

(Priscilla Fello)

Thursday, May 25, 2023

St. Gregory VII, 3rd Class—White

Commemoration of St. Urban I

12PM LM Mark & Jennifer Sikora-Wedding Anniversary
 (Sikora Children)

8PM Holy Hour of Adoration

9PM Compline

Friday, May 26, 2023

St. Philip Neri, 3rd Class—White

12PM LM + Bob & Mary Ann Stroyne (Bill & Gerry Redic)

Saturday, May 27, 2023

Vigil of Pentecost, 1st Class—Violet/Red

*10AM LM + Donald O'Connor (O'Connor Family)

Sunday, May 28, 2023

Pentecost Sunday, 1st Class—Red

8AM LM + Carolyn G. Mozlack (Robin Mauser)

11AM HM *Pro populo*

Processional: *Come Holy Ghost* pg. 57

Kyriale: *Mass I, Credo IV*

Recessional: *Come Down O Love Divine* pg. 56

LM = Low Mass; HM = High/Solemn Mass

Our Weekly Offerings

Sunday, May 14, 2023

Offertory	\$11,165.00
Parish Appeal	\$2,488.00
Mother's Day	\$200.00
Catholic Relief Services	\$10.00
Memorial Day Offering	\$10.00
Food Pantry	\$35.00

Sunday Mass Attendance: 8AM 541; 11AM 363; Total 907

Faith Direct Report (April 16-30, 2023)

Offertory	\$14,578.35
Parish Appeal	\$535.00
Parish Improvement	\$616.00
ICRSS Seminary	\$1,000.00
Catholic Relief Services	\$35.00

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.

RESPECT LIFE GROUP (RLG) The Gospel of Life is at the heart of the newly formed Respect Life Group, operating in three divisions; Legislation, Education, Advocacy. The working subcommittees will meet on the following days:

Legislation: Thursday, May 25 @ 6:30pm-School, Room 102

Education: Thursday, May 25 @ 6:30pm-School, Room 101

Advocacy: Sunday, May 28 after 8:00am Mass-School, Room 102

All are welcome to attend these meetings, **no RSVP needed**. The next quarterly meeting with the entire group will be on June 24th after the 9AM Mass (the anniversary of the reversal of Roe v Wade). If there are any questions, please feel free to contact Brenda Briola at respectlife@mpboj.com or 724-650-5767

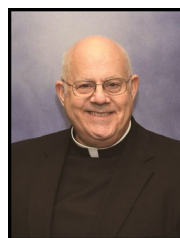
Homeschool Graduation Mass

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 julie.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.

Fr. James W. Dolan - Requiescat in Pace

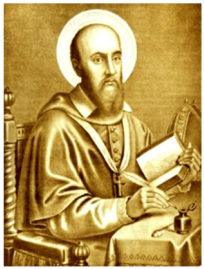


Most Precious Blood of Jesus Parish will offer a Solemn Requiem Mass for Father James Dolan on Saturday, June 17, 2023. Please watch for additional details to be announced. A gallery of photos in tribute to Fr. Dolan may be found here: <https://www.institute-christ-king.org/pittsburgh-gallery/1473-frdolan>

Introduction to the Devout Life

By St. Francis de Sales

Seventh Meditation - On Hell (Part I, Chap. 16)



The Preparation

1. Place yourself in the Presence of God.
2. Invoke His Aid.

Considerations

1. Represent to yourself a lovely calm night, when the heavens are bright with innumerable stars: add to the beauty of such a night the utmost beauty of a glorious summer's day,—the sun's brightness not hindering the clear shining of moon or stars, and then be sure that it all falls immeasurably short of the glory of Paradise. O bright and blessed country, O sweet and precious place!

2. Consider the beauty and perfection of the countless inhabitants of that blessed country;—the millions and millions of angels, Cherubim and Seraphim; the glorious company of Apostles, martyrs, confessors, virgins, and saints. O blessed company, any one single member of which surpasses all the glory of this world, what will it be to behold them all, to sing with them the sweet Song of the Lamb? They rejoice with a perpetual joy, they share a bliss unspeakable, and unchangeable delights.

3. Consider how they enjoy the Presence of God, Who fills them with the richness of His Vision, which is a perfect ocean of delight; the joy of being for ever united to their Head. They are like happy birds, hovering and singing for ever within the atmosphere of divinity, which fills them with inconceivable pleasures. There each one vies without jealousy in singing the praises of the Creator. "Blessed art Thou forever, O Dear and Precious Lord and Redeemer, Who dost so freely give us of Thine Own Glory," they cry; and He in His turn pours out His ceaseless Blessing on His Saints. "Blessed are ye,—Mine own for ever, who have served Me faithfully, and with a good courage."

Affections and Resolutions

1. Admire and rejoice in the Heavenly Country; the glorious and blessed New Jerusalem.
2. Reprove the coldness of your own heart for having hitherto so little sought after that glorious abode. Why have I so long lingered indifferent to the eternal happiness set before me? Woe is me that, for the sake of poor savorless earthly things, I have so often forgotten those heavenly delights. How could I neglect such real treasures for mere vain and contemptible earthly matters?
3. Aspire earnestly after that blessed abode. Forasmuch, O Dear Lord, as Thou hast been pleased to turn my feet into Thy ways, never will I again look back. Go forth, my soul, towards thy promised rest, journey unweariedly to that hoped-for land; wherefore shouldst thou tarry in Egypt?
4. Resolve to give up such and such things, which hinder you on the way, and to do such others as will help you thitherwards.

Conclusion

Give thanks, offer yourself, pray.

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 signup sheets at Church entrances or by sending an email to Tom Smith at tomsmithpittsburgh@gmail.com.

Visit by the Prior General

Sunday, June 11th, Most Precious Blood of Jesus Parish



will have the joy of a visit by Msgr. Gilles Wach, Founder and Prior General of the Institute of Christ the King Sovereign Priest. A Solemn Mass will be offered by Monsignor at 11am followed by a reception in the school gym. Please make plans to attend this wonderful opportunity to meet Msgr. Gilles Wach.

Talk On Communism

Our parish welcomes Dr. Paul Kengor, professor of political science at Grove City College. Dr. Kengor will speak at MPBOJ on Monday, June 12th, at 7 p.m., in the school gym. Dr. Kengor is a well-respected author and staunch Catholic, as well as a recognized authority on Ronald Reagan, the Cold War, communism, socialism, and conservatism. He will be speaking on the dangers and errors of communism in society. All are welcome to attend.

Parish Survey Update

The results of the diocesan Disciple Maker Index (DMI) survey will be available very soon. To help our parish prepare for the next steps in the pastoral planning process, an Envisioning Team was created, consisting of a small, cross-sectional group of our parishioners. The Envisioning Team will assist in reviewing and analyzing the results of the DMI Survey and developing a parish pastoral plan. To help facilitate this process, Catholic Leadership Institute (CLI) is hosting a series of pastoral planning webinars, which the Envisioning Team will attend over the summer. The parish will keep you updated as the work unfolds. Please keep the Envisioning Group in your prayers, as they begin this process.

Catechism Year Ends

Today marks the end of the 2022/2023 Catechism school year. Blessings be upon the families that send their children and Gracious Thanks to the catechists and aides that devote their time to teaching the students. Please watch for news of the next school year to appear in the bulletin toward the end of July.

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:

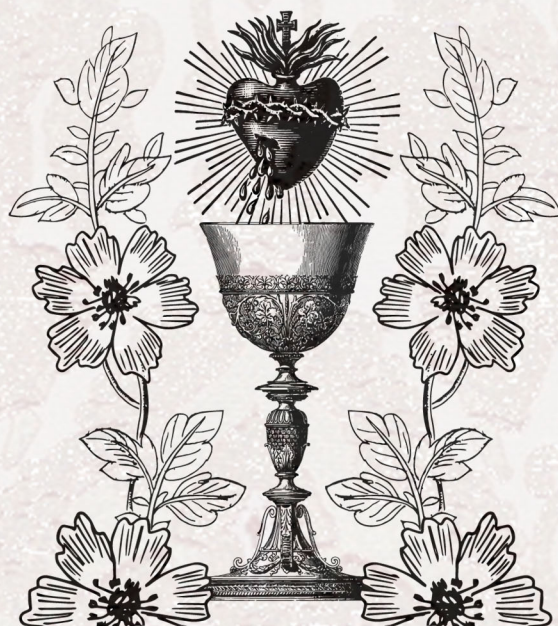
For those seeking *Catechism*, preparing for *1st Holy Communion*, *Confirmation*, needs of the sick or funeral information, please call the parish office.

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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