



MOST PRECIOUS BLOOD of JESUS PARISH

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

**External Solemnity of
the Most Precious Blood
July 2, 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

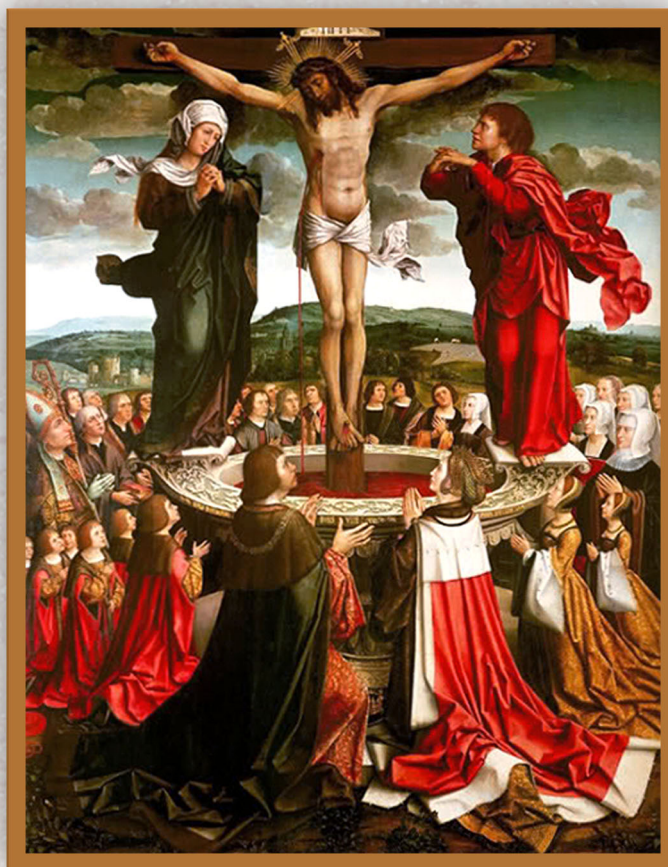
Confession Schedule

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, July 2, 2023

External Solemnity of the Most Precious Blood, 2nd Class—Red

8AM LM *Pro populo*
11AM HM Lizzanne Parker Family— Living & Deceased
(Lizzanne Parker)
Processional: *Glory Be To Jesus* pg. 63
Kyriale: *Mass VIII, Credo III*
Recessional: *Hail Jesus Hail* pg. 64

Monday, July 3, 2023

St. Irenaeus, 3rd Class—Red

12PM LM + Steve & Helen Mikus
(Connie & Andy Szafraniec)

Tuesday, July 4, 2023

Feria, 4th Class—Green

9AM LM + Carolyn Mozlack (Robin Mauser)

Wednesday, July 5, 2023

St. Anthony Mary Zaccaria, 3rd Class—White

12PM LM + Mario Giallorenzo (Ed & Fabiola Gergerich)

Thursday, July 6, 2023 *First Thursday*

VM Jesus Christ Eternal High Priest, 3rd Class—White

12PM LM + PFC Joseph Rattay-KIA & buried in France 1945
(Carol R. LeDonne)

8PM Holy Hour of Adoration

9PM Compline

Friday, July 7, 2023 *First Friday*

Ss. Cyril & Methodius, 3rd Class—White

12PM LM + John W. & Susan M. Stalter
(Jeannine M. Goelz)

7PM LM Nelleena T. Urso (Family)

Saturday, July 8, 2023

St. Elizabeth of Portugal, 3rd Class—White

9:00AM LM + John & Rose Konopelski
(Louis & June Gorski)

Sunday, July 9, 2023

6th Sunday after Pentecost, 2nd Class—Green

8AM LM Bill & Gerry Redic—45th Wedding Anniversary

11AM HM *Pro populo*

Processional: *Hail True Victim*

Kyriale: *Mass VIII, Credo III*

Recessional: *O God, Almighty Father* pg. 79

LM = Low Mass; HM = High/Solemn Mass

Our Weekly Offerings

Sunday, June 25, 2023

Offertory \$13,115.00

Parish Appeal \$20.00

Food Pantry \$10.00

Peter's Pence \$206.00

Sunday Mass Attendance: 8AM 496; 11AM 293; Total 789

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 9AM Mass. The next meeting is **Saturday, August 12th** 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. For more information, contact Jose Pinero at sursumcorda@mpboj.com or 863.450.5143.

RESPECT LIFE GROUP (RLG) The Gospel of Life is at the heart of the newly formed Respect Life Group! Every human person is created out of love by God and made in His Image and Likeness. RLG provides support to promote a culture of life! We offer three working sub-committees: *Legislation, Education, Advocacy*. Please contact Brenda Briola at respectlife@mpboj.com or 724-650-5767 with questions.

Parish Landscaping

Green-Thumbs NEEDED! Looking for landscape volunteers to assist with Flower and Plant Pruning, Watering, Weed Control, Shrub Trimming and general landscape maintenance around the Parish grounds. With warm weather upon us and new plantings striving to take root, NOW is a critical time to deliver what these new flowers and plants need. If you are able to offer time during the week, or weekend, please contact us at your earliest convenience. Our parish landscape team, led by Julie Roytas, meets on site Thursday mornings at the Church from 8AM to Noon. Many other opportunities to assist at other times of the day or week. 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.

GOSPA MISSIONS RETREAT

JOIN US, August 19th, in reviving our Faith with the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass, opportunity for confession, Rosary, & dynamic speakers! Morning refreshments & lunch will be provided. There will be religious items & books for purchase from the Gospa Missions ministry, Amazing Grace Books & Gifts. Please Register at: <https://gospa.org/pages/summer-retreat-2023>

Financial Planning Seminar

JOIN US in the Parish Center for a special financial seminar, Monday **July 24th at 7PM**. This presentation will be offered by KOC Knights (and MPBOJ parishioners) Michael Shemer, Jose Pinero and Elisha Novak. You will have the opportunity to learn of insurance and financial planning products available from Knights of Columbus financial professionals, each of whom you often see at Mass. There is no cost to attend the seminar, but please register by contacting Michael Shemer at 724-900-5192 or michael.shemer@kofc.org.

Administrative Assistant Sought

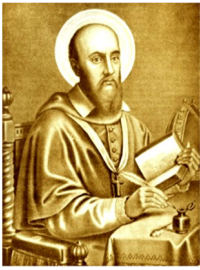
North Catholic is seeking a full-time administrative assistant with the ability to begin immediately. Qualified candidates should have a minimum of a Bachelor's degree. Office and/or school experience is preferred. Successful candidates must be able to exhibit friendly and strong customer service, organizational skills, and a willingness to assist with various duties in a school setting, working both collaboratively and in a support role. Applicants must also have a willingness to learn school software and uphold school procedures and policies. This is a full-time, twelve-month position. Hours are 7:30am – 3:30pm. Night and weekend events may be required occasionally. To apply, please send a resume and cover letter to office@northcatholic.org.

Introduction to the Devout Life

By St. Francis de Sales

The Necessity of Purging away all tendency to Venial Sins.

(Book 1, Chapter 22)



AS daylight waxes, we, gazing into a mirror, see more plainly the soils and stains upon our face; and even so as the interior light of the Holy Spirit enlightens our conscience, we see more distinctly the sins, inclinations and imperfections which hinder our progress towards real devotion. And the selfsame light which shows us these blots and stains, kindles in us the desire to be cleansed and purged therefrom. You will find then, my child, that besides the mortal sins and their affections from which your soul has already been purged, you are beset by sundry inclinations and tendencies to venial sin; mind, I do not say you will find venial sins, but the inclination and tendency to them. Now, one is quite different from the other. We can never be altogether free from venial sin,—at least not until after a very long persistence in this purity; but we can be without any affection for venial sin. It is altogether one thing to have said something unimportant not strictly true, out of carelessness or liveliness, and quite a different matter to take pleasure in lying, and in the habitual practice thereof. But I tell you that you must purify your soul from all inclination to venial sin;—that is to say, you must not voluntarily retain any deliberate intention of permitting yourself to commit any venial sin whatever. It would be most unworthy consciously to admit anything so displeasing to God, as the will to offend Him in anywise. Venial sin, however small, is displeasing to God, although it be not so displeasing as the greater sins which involve eternal condemnation; and if venial sin is displeasing to Him, any clinging which we tolerate to mortal sin is nothing less than a resolution to offend His Divine Majesty. Is it really possible that a rightly disposed soul can not only offend God, but take pleasure therein? These inclinations, my daughter, are in direct opposition to devotion, as inclinations to mortal sin are to love:—they weaken the mental power, hinder Divine consolations, and open the door to temptations;—and although they may not destroy the soul, at least they bring on very serious disease. “Dead flies cause the ointment to send forth a stinking savour,” says the Wise Man. He means that the flies which settle upon and taste of the ointment only damage it temporarily, leaving the mass intact, but if they fall into it, and die there, they spoil and corrupt it. Even so venial sins which pass over a devout soul without being harboured, do not permanently injure it, but if such sins are fostered and cherished, they destroy the sweet savour of that soul—that is to say, its devotion. The spider cannot kill bees, but it can spoil their honey, and so encumber their combs with its webs in course of time, as to hinder the bees materially. Just so, though venial sins may not lose the soul, they will spoil its devotion, and so cumber its

faculties with bad habits and evil inclinations, as to deprive it of all that cheerful readiness which is the very essence of true devotion; that is to say, if they are harboured in the conscience by delight taken therein. A trifling inaccuracy, a little hastiness in word or action, some small excess in mirth, in dress, in gaiety, may not be very important, if these are forthwith heeded and swept out as spiritual cobwebs;—but if they are permitted to linger in the heart, or, worse still, if we take pleasure in them and indulge them, our honey will soon be spoilt, and the hive of our conscience will be cumbered and damaged. But I ask again, how can a generous heart take delight in anything it knows to be displeasing to its God, or wish to do what offends Him?

Patronal Feast Celebrations



Immediately following the 8AM Mass today, Abbot Anderson will offer a conference to the faithful on the nature of *Monastic vocation and the Founding of Clear Creek Monastery* in the Parish Hall. For more information on the work being done at Clear Creek Abbey, please visit <https://clearcreekmonks.org/>. We hope to see you at the conference.

Summer Donuts & Coffee

Thanks to a gracious volunteer, Mark Graham, *Summer Donuts & Coffee* has returned, after the Sunday 8AM Mass in the school, room 101. This program will be offered every week and run through August 27th. This is a great opportunity to meet and visit with fellow parishioners, many of whom travel a significant distance to attend the Traditional Mass.

Shrines of Wisconsin

August 7 to 11th, 2023, **Mary's Travel Ministry Pilgrimage** to Shrines of Wisconsin with visits to Sorrowful Mother Shrine (Bellevue OH), Mother Cabrini Shrine (Chicago, IL), National Shrine of Our Lady of Good Help, National Shrine of St Joseph (De Pere, WI), Basilica of St Josephat (Milwaukee, WI), and visit to Notre Dame and tour of Basilica. Price of \$750 (Double Occup.) includes motor coach and 4 nights lodging. For additional information and registration, please contact Bernadette Burke 412-563-3857 or email: marystravel2@gmail.com

Harrisburg March for Life

Please join us, October 16th as we *March for Life* in Harrisburg, PA. Reserve your seats on the bus early as we are sure to fill quickly. If you cannot attend, please consider sending a donation to help sponsor other pilgrims. The projected cost of each seat is \$50.00. Please make your donation check payable to Most Precious Blood of Jesus Parish, due by July 10th. Minors must be accompanied by an adult chaperone. Please write on the memo line of your check "MFL pilgrim" or "MFL sponsor." Father Joseph Tuscan will be joining us for the day which will conclude with Mass at MPBOJ upon our return from Harrisburg. For more information please contact Jeannine Goelz at volunteer@mpboj.com or 724-272-1851.

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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