



MOST PRECIOUS BLOOD of JESUS PARISH

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

**14th Sunday After
Pentecost
September 3, 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

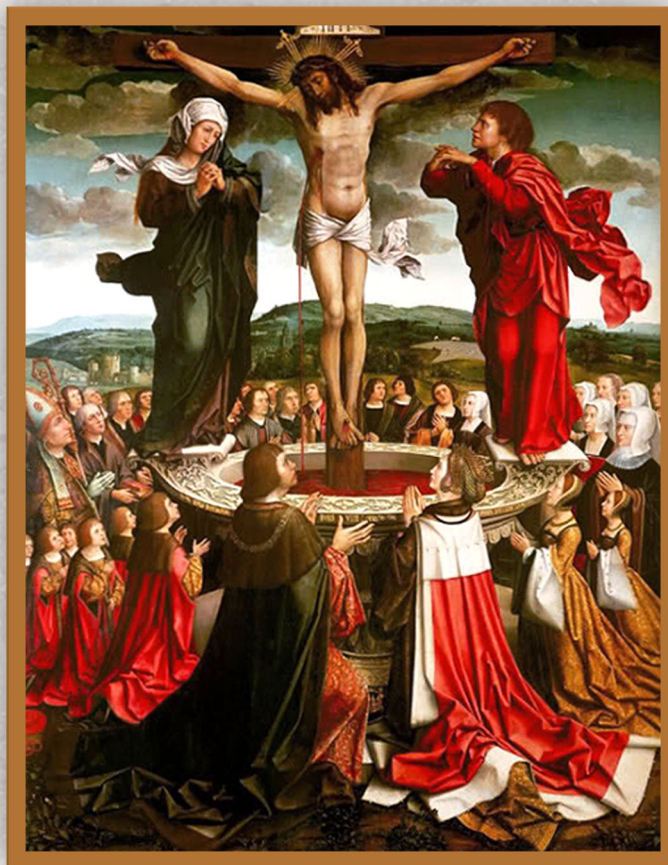
Confession Schedule

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, September 3, 2023

14th Sunday after Pentecost, 2nd Class—Green

8AM LM For Our Catechism Program, Teachers, Students and Volunteers

11AM HM *Pro populo*

Processional: *Come Holy Ghost* pg. 57

Recessional: *Holy God We Praise Thy Name* pg. 68

Monday, September 4, 2023 **Labor Day**

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

9AM LM + Parents & Grandparents (Gary Yochum)

Tuesday, September 5, 2023

St. Lawrence Justinian, 3rd Class—White

12PM LM + Victoria Briola (Brenda & Ken Briola)

7PM LM Spiritual & Temporal Welfare of Kathy Cardellini (Mylott Family)

Wednesday, September 6, 2023

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

12PM LM Spiritual & Temporal well-being of Mothers (M/M Chris Schoming)

Thursday, September 7, 2023 **First Thursday**

Votive Mass of Jesus Christ Eternal High Priest, 3rd Class—White

12PM LM + Richard W. Steigerwald (Alice Steigerwald)

Friday, September 8, 2023

Nativity of Our Lady, 2nd Class—White

Commemoration of St. Adrian

12PM LMO + Fr. Eugene Dougherty (Dr. Ammie Maravelli)

Saturday, September 9, 2023

Our Lady on Saturday, 4th Class—White

Commemoration of St. Gorgonius

9:00AM LM Private Intention (Julien DeMarco)

Sunday, September 10, 2023

15th Sunday after Pentecost, 2nd Class—Green

8AM LM *Pro populo*

11AM HM + Betty & Glenn Ludwick (Diane & Jim Mousseau)

Processional: *Faith of Our Fathers* pg. 59

Recessional: *To Jesus Christ Our Sovereign King* pg. 89

LM = Low Mass; HM = High/Solemn Mass

Our Weekly Offerings

Sunday, Aug 27, 2023

Offertory \$10,820.00

Parish Appeal..... \$395.00

Bishop's Education Fund..... \$15.00

Catholic Communication..... \$488.00

Mission Coop..... \$1,000.00

Faith Direct Report (Aug 1-15, 2023)

Offertory \$10,274.34

Parish Appeal..... \$3,280.00

Parish Improvement..... \$1,165.00

Sunday Mass Attendance: 8AM 500; 11AM 364 Total 864

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 set for **September 9th** and the topic will be *Making a Good Confession*. 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. To sign up for the mailing list and receive notice of future events, text Corda to 84576 and choose "SC Pittsburgh." 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 this new group. RLG promotes a culture of life through three working subcommittees of Legislation, Education, Advocacy. RLG's current newsletter may be found at both entrances of the church. **Upcoming L.E.A. Subcommittee Meetings:**
Legislation: Thursday, Sept 7 @ 6:30pm School, Rm 101; Our next quarterly meeting will be Thursday, **Sept 28** at 6:30pm in the School, Rm 101; All are welcome to attend these meetings NO RSVP needed. Please contact Brenda Briola at respectlife@mpboj.com or 724-650-5767 for more information.

Parish Landscaping



Some distressing news to report. Unfortunately, one of our Lace Leaf Maple Trees has suffered the loss of a major limb at the prowess of a young climber. As we continue to beautify the parish grounds for Our Blessed Lord, we rely on parents to maintain prudent supervision of their children at all times. When left unattended, accidents such as these, or worse, are obviously not the fault of the children. In this case, fortunately, the child was not

hurt. Parents with a desire to join the Landscape Team are encouraged to contact Julie Roytas at julier.lom@hotmail.com or 412-818-1393. Our parish landscape team meets at the Church on Thursday mornings from 8AM to Noon. Opportunities to assist other days or times are available.

Rosary Crusade

Please attend a Public Square Rosary Crusade to pray for the protection of children in schools across America. Join us to pray the Rosary on Saturday, **Sept 9th** at 11:45 am for a Noon start at MPBOJ Church parking lot. Please contact Mary Brodka at 724 816-5573 for more information.

Volunteers Needed

Little Sisters of the Poor are in need of volunteers to visit residents, especially those who have no family. Schedules are very flexible. For those who would like to get involved with this ministry of visiting the elderly, you are invited to a picnic on Saturday, **Sept 9th**. Please join us for Mass at 11am and picnic from Noon until 3pm. If you are planning to attend Mass, please arrive by 10:30am for a brief introduction. If you plan on attending the picnic, please contact Ray Haskins at ray_haskins@hotmail.com or 412-400-0521. Mass & picnic will be held at 1028 Benton Ave, Pittsburgh, PA 15212.

Fall Fundraising Banquet

The Women's Choice Network will host a Fall Fundraising Banquet on Thursday, **Sept 21st** from 6:30pm - 9:00pm at The Westin (1000 Penn Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA 15222). The MPBOJ Respect Life Group has filled one table & would like to fill a second. Tickets are \$30. Please contact Nikki Bruni at 412-926-9413 by **Sept 9th** if interested in attending.

Introduction to the Devout Life

By St. Francis de Sales

The Conclusion and Spiritual Bouquet

(Book 2, Chapter 7)



The meditation should be concluded by three acts, made with the utmost humility. First, an act of thanksgiving;-- thanking God for the affections and resolutions with which He has inspired you, and for the Mercy and Goodness He has made known to you in the mystery you have been meditating. Secondly, an act of oblation, by which you offer your affections and resolutions to God, in union with His Own Goodness and Mercy, and the Death and Merits of His Son. The third act is one of petition, in which you ask God to give you a share in the Merits of His Dear Son, and a blessing on your affections and resolutions, to the end that you may be able to put them in practice. You will further pray for the Church, and all her Ministers, your relations, friends, and all others, using the Our Father as the most comprehensive and necessary of prayers. Besides all this, I bade you gather a little bouquet of devotion, and what I mean is this. When walking in a beautiful garden most people are wont to gather a few flowers as they go, which they keep, and enjoy their scent during the day. So, when the mind explores some mystery in meditation, it is well to pick out one or more points that have specially arrested the attention, and are most likely to be helpful to you through the day, and this should be done at once before quitting the subject of your meditation.

Catechism UPDATE!!

Catechism classes begin again next Sunday, **Sept 10th** with 243 students enrolled in 11 classes as of late August. With the growth, especially in the lower grades, we now must have two classes each for the First and Second Grades. Our thanks to Patty Petrosky and Delaney Stull for joining the faculty and teaching these two new sections. In an effort to alleviate the parking crunch that occurs between the end of classes and the start of High Mass every week, some changes to the weekly Catechism schedule are unfortunately necessary. Classes will begin five minutes earlier, at 9:25, and will be dismissed ten minutes earlier, at 10:15. By lengthening the gap from 30 to 45 minutes, we hope the parking pressure will be reduced. On the first day, we will not have a Plenary Assembly in the gym, as has been the recent custom. Students should go directly to their classrooms for a full class session.

Parking Update!

ALL Catechism families attending 8AM Mass are asked to please vacate parking areas once Catechism classes have been dismissed at 10:15 AM. Folks arriving for 11AM Mass need access to those parking areas, often by 10:30AM or earlier. You will be rewarded for your Charity and thoughtfulness in this matter.

Permit Parking

As a reminder, parking in the back of the school is by PERMIT ONLY during the Catechism school year. If you do not have a parking permit, please do not park vehicles in the rear parking lot of the school.

Defense of the Faith Forum

The Pittsburgh Region - **Order of Malta** will host a *Defense of the Faith Forum* on **September 14th** from Noon to 7:00pm at Edgeworth Club, Sewickley, PA. JOIN Keynote speaker **Marcel LeJeune** and a panel of speakers including **Calyx, Communio, FOCUS, Preambula, Brother Andre's, Renew The I Do, Cor Ministries, Vagabond Ministries, Ann Schmalstieg Barrett from Assisi Arts Community and Beatrice Institute**. The event will include Mass and lunch, followed by panels and keynote, ending with a cocktail hour with hors d'oeuvres to meet the speakers. Tickets to the event are \$20 and may be purchased at www.MaltaForum.eventbrite.com. Space is limited!

ICK Pilgrimage to France

A new group pilgrimage, will take place in **2024** with the Institute of Christ the King Sovereign Priest. Our friends at St. Charles Catholic Pilgrimages have organized an extraordinary two-part exploration of France to be led by Canon Benoît Jayr of St. Stanislaus Oratory in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. All members of the Institute family are invited to take advantage of one or both pilgrimage opportunities. In the first pilgrimage opportunity, from **May 15-20**, pilgrims will participate in the historic Chartres Pentecost Pilgrimage. This walking pilgrimage is the largest annual traditional Catholic event in the world today, drawing more than 16,000 participants from across the globe. Pilgrims set out on a three-day trek (with two nights camping), walking from the Church of Saint-Sulpice in Paris to Notre-Dame in Chartres. In the second pilgrimage, from **May 20-31**,



pilgrims will embark on a 12-day, faith-inspiring tour of the major shrines of France, beginning in Vers sur Launette near Paris with Holy Mass in the private chapel of the Institute's Sister Adorers of the Royal Heart of Jesus and conclude with a celebration dinner at

Canon Jayr's family farm near Montauban in southwestern France. Highlights include: Daily Latin Mass with Canon Jayr; Special visit to Le Barroux Abbey for sung High Mass; Opportunities to pray in the presence of incorrupt saints such as St. Catherine Labouré, St. Vincent de Paul, St. Bernadette, and St. John Vianney; A full day in Lourdes with a visit to the miraculous baths; Visit to the tomb of St. Martin of Tours; Visit to the Holy Face Oratory in Tours; Mass at the Institute chapel in Toulouse; Visit to Carcassonne Castle with time for shopping; Visit to the tomb of St. Thomas Aquinas; Dinner in Avignon, served with local wine; Visit and dinner at the family farm of Canon Jayr. You can learn more about the three-day Chartres Pentecost Pilgrimage by contacting Mr. Lincoln Oro at lincoln.oro@sbcglobal.net. For more information and to register for the 12-day shrines of France pilgrimage, please visit www.stcharlespilgrimages.com/jayr. Please also note that there are limited spaces. To avoid disappointment, register early! Registration is on a first-come, first-served basis. For those of who are able, please consider joining us on this once-in-a-lifetime journey of faith.

Disciple Maker Index

If you missed your copy of last week's bulletin including Diocesan and MPBOJ Parish results of the Disciple Maker Survey, they are now available on the MPBOJ website. Many thanks to all survey participants for your time and effort in completing the survey.

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:

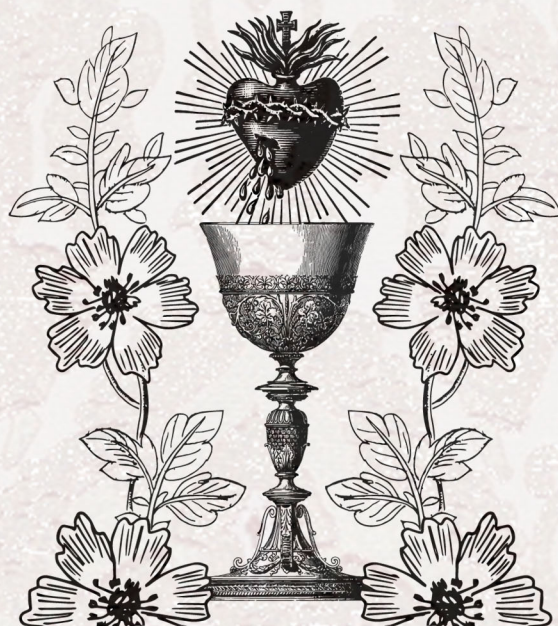
For those seeking *Catechism*, preparing for *1st Holy Communion*, *Confirmation*, needs of the sick or funeral information, please call the parish office.

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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