



MOST PRECIOUS BLOOD of JESUS PARISH

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

**4th Sunday after
Pentecost**

June 16, A.D. 2024

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

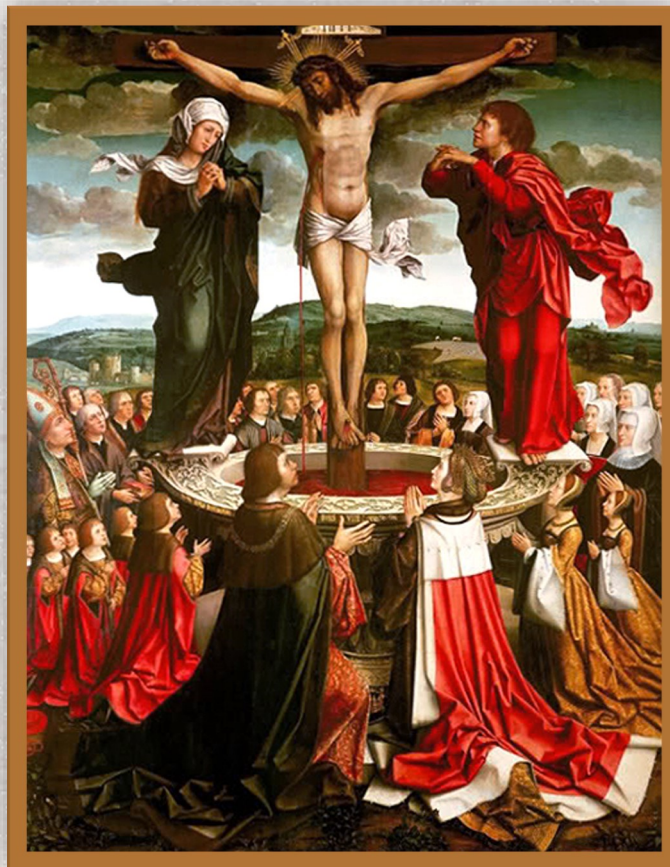
Confession Schedule

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

Please consult the Liturgical Schedule on page 2 for particular modifications to this standard 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, June 16, 2024 *Father's Day*
4th Sunday after Pentecost, 2nd Class—Green
 8AM LMO Spiritual & Temporal Welfare of Zigarovich Children (David & Susan Zigarovich)
 11AM HM *Pro populo*
 Processional: Alleluia, Sing to Jesus (pg. 50)
 Recessional: To Jesus' Heart All Burning (pg. 96)

Monday, June 17, 2024 *Infant King Novena begins*
St. Gregory Barbarigo, 3rd Class—White
 12PM LM Bill & Leanne Stickman & Family (Dan & Megan Thimons)

Tuesday, June 18, 2024
St. Ephrem, 3rd Class—White
Commemoration of Ss. Mark & Marcellian
 12PM LM Abbe Charles Outier (Sue Sherwin)
 7PM LM + Henry John Houpt, Jr. (Mary Christine Dragon)

Wednesday, June 19, 2024
St. Juliana Falconieri, 3rd Class—White
Commemoration of SS. Gervase & Protase
 12PM LM +Albert & Patricia Colonna (Muckle Family)

Thursday, June 20, 2024
St. Silverius, 4th Class—Red
 12PM LM + Roslyn Friend (Gail & Family)
 8PM Holy Hour of Adoration
 9PM Compline

Friday, June 21, 2024
St. Aloysius Gonzaga, 3rd Class—White
 12PM LMO Aul Children & Grandchildren (Jack & Mary Lou Aul & Family)

Saturday, June 22, 2024
St. Paulinus, 3rd Class—White
 9AM LM + Ron Whallin (MPBOJ Canons & Staff)

Sunday, June 23, 2024
5th Sunday after Pentecost, 2nd Class—Green
 8AM LMO *Pro populo*
 11AM HM In Thanks for Our Parish
 Processional: Come Holy Ghost
 Recessional: Holy God We Praise Thy Name

LM = Low Mass; LMO = Low Mass with Organ; HM = High/Solemn Mass

Our Weekly Offerings

Sunday, June 9, 2024
 Offertory \$9,354.00
 Parish Appeal..... \$20.00
 Food Pantry..... \$20.00
 Fathers' Day Remembrance \$803.00
Sunday Attendance: 8AM 431; 11AM 330; Total 761

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: membership.faithdirect.net/PA678 or call 866-507-8757.

Parish Group News

RESPECT LIFE GROUP (RLG) The Gospel of Life is at the heart of this group. RLG promotes a culture of life through three working subcommittees of Legislation, Education, and Advocacy. Contact Brenda Briola at respect-life@mpboj.com or 724-650-5767 for more information. Our Baby Blessing Box at MPBOJ is supporting mothers in need. **We are currently seeking donations of size 3 and 5 diapers and wipes.** Donation Bins are located at the entrances to the church. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

CONFRATERNITY OF CHRISTIAN MOTHERS usually meets every First Saturday of the month, beginning with the 9AM Mass. 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 José Piñero at 863.450.5143 or sursumcorda@mpboj.com.

Join us for Sursum Corda's first ever picnic at Brookline Memorial Park Shelter this Saturday, June 22 @ 3 p.m.! Light food and drinks will be provided, and the park has numerous options available for sports. Young adult families and children are most welcome - there is a playground adjacent to the shelter! Brookline Memorial Park Shelter, 1400 Brookline Blvd.

Save the date! Our annual Field Day will be on Saturday, July 13th - a day of sports and cookout with our fellow Sursum Cordians from other Institute apostolates. Last year we challenged the Columbus Institute apostolate to capture the flag/volleyball and it was a big success. This year we will be adding the Cleveland and Detroit Sursum Corda groups as well for a four-way meeting!

Lithuanian Citizens Society of Western Pennsylvania's St John's Day/Joninès Celebration

Saturday June 22nd at Lithuanian Country Club, 904 Coal Valley Road, Jefferson Hills. *Open to the public.*

Gate opens @ 2:00 – Entertainment starts @ 4:30 – Food served @6:00 – Bonfire at dusk

Event will be held rain or shine. No reservations required.

\$10 with a dish / \$15 without a dish / \$5 off with postcard, so bring a group!

Hamburgers & Hot dogs with admission

Entertainment: Pittsburgh accordionist Kevin Solecki – Chicago's Balzekas Museum of Lithuanian Culture's Darius & Girenas – Lithuania's trans-Atlantic flyers travelling exhibit – Silent auction – Corn hole – Volleyball

Contact Rob Medonis, 412-527-5341 or rmedonis@yahoo.com, if you want a discount postcard or have questions.

Coffee and Donuts

“Summer Coffee & Donuts” are served in the air-conditioned comfort of Room 101 of the Parish Center following the 8 a.m. Mass. This is a terrific opportunity to meet and visit with fellow parishioners. Please consider stopping by!

Upcoming Events

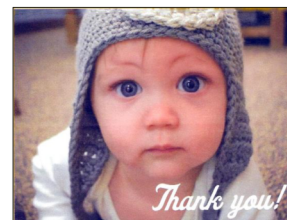
Saturday, June 22 (11 a.m.): Homeschoolers Graduation Mass

June 27 – 29 (Thurs. – Sat.): St. Veronica's Guild training session

Monday, July 1 (6:30 p.m.): 5th anniversary of the parish; Solemn High Mass and reception

Are you open to the Holy Spirit's call to help women and preborn babies? Here are ways you can be involved!

- Intentionally pray *daily* for all human life
- Become a Prayer Warrior with 40-Days-For-Life
- Become active in Respect Life
- Become a Sidewalk Advocate Volunteer
- Donate to and/or volunteer at a Pregnancy Resource Center
- Join or help establish a *Walking with Moms in Need* Ministry



Here I am, Lord; I come to do your will Psalm 40: 7-8

Fellowship Weekend: June 23rd
Donuts & Beverage Get-together in Room 101

Following 8 am Mass



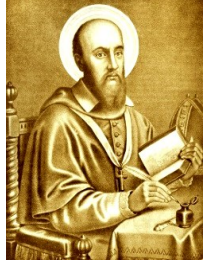
Introduction to the Devout Life

By St. Francis de Sales

Frivolous Attachments

(Book 3, Chapter 18)

Such foolish attachments between man and woman without any matrimonial intentions as are called *amourettes*—mere abortions, or rather phantoms of friendship—must not, idle and empty as they are, profane the name of friendship or love. Yet such frivolous, contemptible attractions often snare the hearts of both men and women, and although they may end in downright sin, there is no such intention on the part of their victims, who consciously do but yield to foolish trifling and toying. Some such have no object beyond the actual indulgence of a passing inclination; others are excited by vanity, which takes pleasure in captivating hearts; some are stimulated by a combination of both these motives. But



all such friendships are evil, hollow, and vain; evil, in that they often lead to sinful deeds, and draw the heart from God, and from the husband or wife who is its lawful owner; hollow, in that they are baseless and without root; vain, in that neither gain, honor, nor satisfaction can come from such. On the contrary, nothing comes of them but a loss of time and credit, and unreasoning excitement, mistrust, jealousy, and perturbation.

Saint Gregory Nazianzen speaks very wisely on this subject, admonishing vain women, and his words are equally applicable to men:— "Your natural beauty will suffice your husband, but if it is exhibited to all, like a net spread before birds, what will be the end? You will be taken by whoever admires you, looks and glances will be exchanged, smiles and tender words, at first hesitatingly exchanged, but soon more boldly given and received. Far be it from me to describe the end, but this much I will say, nothing said or done by young men and women under such circumstances but is perilous. One act of levity leads to another, as the links in a chain." They who tamper with such things will fall into the trap. They fancy that they only mean to amuse themselves, but will not go too far. Little you know, forsooth! The tiny spark will burst into a flame, and, overpowering your heart, it will reduce your good resolutions to ashes, and your reputation to smoke. "Who will pity a charmer that is bitten with a serpent?" asks the Wise Man; and with him I ask, Do you, in your folly, imagine that you can lightly handle love as you please? You think to trifle with it, but it will sting you cruelly, and then every one will mock you, and laugh at your foolish pretension to harbor a venomous serpent in your bosom, which has poisoned and lost alike your honor and your soul. What fatal blindness this to stake all that is most precious to man! Yes, I say it advisedly, for God desires to have us only for the sake of our soul, or the soul through our will, and our will for love's sake. Surely we have not by any means a sufficient store of love to offer God, and yet in our madness and folly we lavish and waste it on vain frivolous objects, as though we had enough and to spare. Our Dear Lord, Who demands nought save our love in return for our creation, preservation and redemption, will require a strict account of the senseless way in which we have frittered and wasted it. If He will

call us to account for idle words, how will it be with respect to idle, foolish, pernicious friendships? Husbandmen know that the walnut tree is very harmful in a vineyard or field, because it absorbs the fatness of the land and draws it away from the other crops; its thick foliage overshadows and deprives them of sunshine; and, moreover, it attracts passers-by, who tread down and spoil all that is around while striving to gather its fruit. So with these foolish love affairs and the soul; they engross it, so that it is unable to bring forth good works; their superfluous foliage—flirtations, dallies and idle talk—consume profitable time; and, moreover, they lead to so many temptations, distractions, suspicions, and the like, that the heart becomes altogether crushed and spoiled. Such follies not only banish Heavenly Love, they likewise drive out the fear of God, enervate the mind, and damage reputation. They may be the plaything of courts, but assuredly they are as a plague spot of the heart.

National Eucharistic Pilgrimage

The National Eucharistic Pilgrimage is currently passing through the Diocese of Pittsburgh (until June 19) on its way to the National Eucharistic Congress in Indianapolis. Fourteen young Catholic adults, including two priests, two seminarians, four religious, as well as four laywomen and two laymen, will accompany Our Eucharistic Lord through a number of our parishes. Please go to the Diocesan website (diopitt.org/eucharisticprocessionschedule) to see the pilgrimage itinerary. You are invited to participate in any of the Masses, Holy Hours and processions to honor and celebrate Jesus Christ truly present in the Holy Eucharist.



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Saint Veronica Altar Guild Workshop

Create An Exquisite Violet Damask Cope

Join Susan-Jayne Caballero, Owner & Creative Director of Sacra Indumenta LLC, as she teaches vestment making at Most Precious Blood of Jesus Parish (3250 California Ave Pittsburgh, PA 15212). Participants have a unique occasion to be in service to God and the liturgy!

Cost: \$45 per person (A daily catered lunch is included with registration)

RSVP at altarguildpittsburgh@institute-christ-king.org
Space is limited! Reserve your seat now - only 30 spots available!



Scan here to pay!



Thursday, June 27th

Workshop: 11:30 AM - 6:30 PM

- Lunch: 11:30 AM - 12:30 PM
- Break: 3:30 - 4 PM

Friday, June 28th

Workshop: 9 AM - 6:30 PM

- Mass: 12 PM
- Lunch: 1 - 2 PM
- Break: 4 - 4:30 PM

Saturday, June 29th

Workshop: 9 AM - 6:30 PM

- Mass: 9 AM
- Lunch: 1 - 2 PM
- Break: 4 - 4:30 PM

*The workshop is set to take place in Room 102 of the school building, with lunch being served in Room 101.


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To All of Our Guests...

The Canons and faithful of Most Precious Blood of Jesus Parish welcome you to our parish and to the Traditional Mass, celebrated in accordance with the classical Roman Liturgy. This personal parish was established by Bishop David Zubik on July 1, 2019, the feast of *The Most Precious Blood of Jesus*. Our parishioners come from all over the diocese for the prayerful tranquility of the Traditional Mass.

According to liturgical tradition, Holy Communion is received on the tongue, kneeling at the communion rail. Reception of Holy Communion is the sign of Divine and Ecclesial unity, so only practicing Catholics, free from mortal sin and who have observed the Eucharistic fast, should present themselves for Holy Communion. Visitors who are not of the Catholic Faith are welcome to join in prayer, but are requested not to receive Holy Communion. Those who need a low gluten Host should inform the usher, as they approach the Communion rail at the end of the distribution line for Holy Communion.

For more information about the parish, or if you desire to become a member of the Catholic Church, please contact the Parish Office 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.

MASS INTENTIONS—*The Parish Mass Intention Registry* is currently CLOSED. Mass intentions are accepted during specific periods throughout the year, announced in the bulletin in advance of each such 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, or check the parish website (MPBOJ.com) for more information.

Sacramental Information

Infant Baptism: Baptism should be administered within two weeks of birth. Please call the Parish Office prior to the baby's birth, to begin arrangements.

Holy Matrimony: Couples planning to marry at the parish must contact the Parish Office at least six months in advance, to schedule an appointment to begin marriage preparation instructions.

First Holy Communion and Confirmation: School age students receive First Holy Communion and the sacrament of Confirmation as part of our Catechism Program. Please see the parish website for information regarding registration.

Extreme Unction/Anointing of the Sick: If you need the assistance of a priest for someone who is dying, please contact the Parish Office at 412-761-1508. If after hours, listen to the prompts and select option #1.

Funerals: The funeral home should directly contact the Parish Office to make Mass and burial arrangements.

Sacramental Certificates: Certificates for Sacraments administered prior to July 1, 2019 are maintained by the Diocese of Pittsburgh Archives Office (412-456-3158 or archives@diopitt.org). If the sacrament was received after July 1, 2019 at MPBOJ, contact the Parish Office at 412-761-1508.



Two Priestly Ordinations

Congratulations to Father Sean-Michael Nypaver and Father Stephen Michael Wetzel, FSSP, both from families of our parish, who were each ordained to the Holy Priesthood.

Father Nypaver was ordained by Bishop Michael Burbidge on June 1st for the Diocese of Arlington, Virginia. Father Nypaver celebrated his first Mass the same day at St. John the Baptist Church in Front Royal. He will be parochial vicar of St. Timothy Church in Chantilly, Virginia.

Father Wetzel was ordained on May 29th by Archbishop Terrence Prendergast for the Priestly Fraternity of St. Peter. Father Wetzel offered a First Solemn Mass at our parish on June 1st. First Blessings were given to the faithful after Mass.

