



MOST PRECIOUS BLOOD of JESUS PARISH

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

Trinity Sunday

June 15, A.D. 2025

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

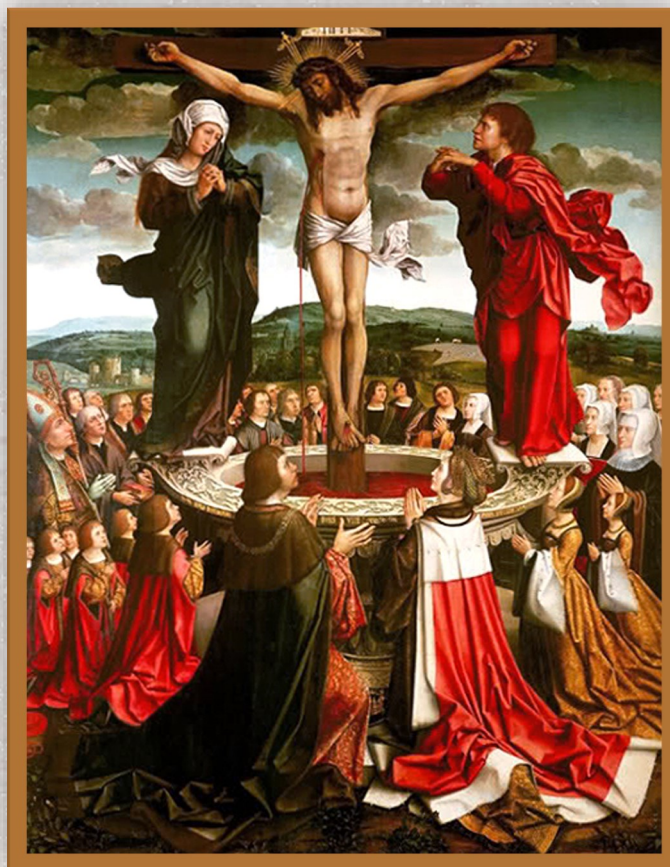
Confession Schedule

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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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 15, 2025

Trinity Sunday, 1st Class—White

8AM LMO *Pro populo*

11AM HM Greg Hete (B. Hete)

Processional: O God, Almighty Father (pg. 79)

Recessional: Holy God We Praise Thy Name (pg. 68)

Monday, June 16, 2025

Feria (from 1st Sunday after Pentecost), 4th Class—Green

12PM LM +Juana Martinez (José Piñero)

Tuesday, June 17, 2025

St. Gregory Barbarigo, 3rd Class—White

12PM LM Our Nieces & Nephews (D'Souza Family)

7PM LM + Henry J. Haupt, Jr. (Chris Dragon)

Wednesday, June 18, 2025

St. Ephrem, 3rd Class—White

Commemoration of Ss. Mark & Marcellian

12PM LM +Betty Ludwick (Jim & Diane Mousseau)

Thursday, June 19, 2025

Corpus Christi, 1st Class—White

12PM LMO + Mary A. Coulter (Boylan Family)

8 PM Holy Hour of Adoration

9 PM Compline

Friday, June 20, 2025

St. Silverius, 4th Class—Red

12PM LM + Joseph Francis Harris (Family)

Saturday, June 21, 2025

St. Aloysius Gonzaga, 3rd Class—White

9AM LM + Albert & Sarah Brunn (Angela Tomak)

Sunday, June 22, 2025

External Solemnity of Corpus Christi, 2nd Class—White

8AM LMO 2025 First Communicants (Patrizio Family)

11AM HM *Pro populo*

Processional: Jesus My Lord, My God, My All (pg. 74)

Recessional: Hail True Victim (pg. 111)

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

Our Weekly Offerings

Sunday, June 8, 2025

Offertory\$8,467.00

Parish Appeal 2025\$75.00

Parish Improvement\$100.00

Poor Box\$10.00

ICRSS Seminary\$50.00

ICRSS African Missions.....\$90.00

ICRSS Sister Adorers\$155.00

Faith Direct Report (May 1 – 15, 2025)

Offertory (including Ascension).....\$11,012.53

Parish Appeal 2025\$190.00

Parish Improvement\$1,230.00

ICRSS/Seminary\$150.00

Attendance: 8AM 418; 11AM 382; Total 800

Parish Group News

RESPECT LIFE GROUP (RLG) The Gospel of Life is at the heart of this group. RLG provides support to promote a culture of life through three working subcommittees: Legislation, Education, and Advocacy. For more info contact Brenda Briola at 724-650-5767 or respectlife@mpboj.com.

CONFRATERNITY OF CHRISTIAN MOTHERS will next meet on **Saturday, July 12th, beginning with the 9AM Mass. The topic: "on Holy Orders"**. Contact christianmothers@mpboj.com for more information. All adult women are welcome to attend.

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.

Sursum Corda Game Night – Friday, June 27th @ 6:30 p.m. at the Parish Center – Dinner and drinks provided, cash donations gratefully accepted.

No Coffee or Donuts Today

On account of this being Father's Day, there will be no coffee or donuts after the Low Mass. They'll be back next week.

Second Collection: The African Missions

The second collection today is for the benefit of the Institute's African Missions. Canon Alexis Rouquayrol, from the Institute's mission in Gabon, Africa, will preach at both Masses.

Next Week: Second Collection for the Sister Adorers

Our parish will welcome visitors from the feminine branch of



the Institute, the **Sister Adorers of the Royal Heart of Jesus Christ Sovereign Priest**, on Saturday, June 21st. A reception for the sisters will be held following the 9 a.m. Mass in the Parish Hall.

The Sister Adorers have the particular vocation to pray for the sanctification of priests, especially those of the Institute, and to support them in their apostolates. During their years of novitiate, the postulants and novices are formed in the religious life and seek to unite themselves ever more closely to the Divine Master, especially in daily Eucharistic adoration.

There will be a second collection next Sunday, June 22nd, for the benefit of the Sister Adorers.

Upcoming Events

Sunday, June 22: External Solemnity of Corpus Christi – Mass & procession

Monday, July 1: Feast of the Precious Blood of Jesus – Solemn High Mass at 7 p.m. to mark the 6th Anniversary of the parish

Friday, July 4: Independence Day, 9 a.m. Low Mass (No noon nor 7 p.m. Mass)

Ring Found

A ring was found outside of the church recently. Please call the parish office to describe and claim the ring.



August 23rd Pilgrimage to the Shrine of Our Lady of Consolation

Again this year, your family can join the faithful from the Institute's Apostolates in Detroit, Columbus, and Cleveland to seek the help and intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary,

Consoler of Afflicted. Come join us on Saturday, August 23rd at the Shrine of Our Lady of Consolation in Carey, Ohio, as we place our apostolates, our families, and the needs of the whole Church Militant into the hands of Our Blessed Mother.



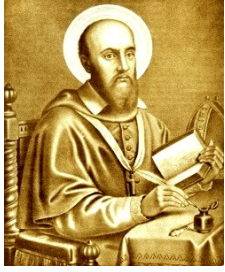
Introduction to the Devout Life

By St. Francis de Sales

An Illustration

(Book 4, Chapter 16—Part 2)

[Continuing with St. Francis' observations regarding dryness and spiritual barrenness]



I would have you observe—

3. That sometimes very grievous temptations arise out of dryness and barrenness, and that at such times these temptations must be steadfastly resisted, inasmuch as they are not of God; but the dryness must be patiently endured, because He sends that to prove us.

4. That we must never grow discouraged amid our inward trials, nor say, like Geoffroy, "I shall never be glad;" but through the darkness we must look for light; and in like manner, in the brightest spiritual sunshine, we must not presume to say, "I shall never be sad." Rather we must remember the saying of the Wise Man, "In the day of prosperity remember the evil." It behoves us to hope amid trials, and to fear in prosperity, and in both circumstances always to be humble.

5. That it is a sovereign remedy to open our grief to some spiritual friend able to assist us.

And, in conclusion, I would observe that here, as everywhere, our Gracious God and our great Enemy are in conflict, for by means of these trials God would bring us to great purity of heart, to an entire renunciation of self-interest in all concerning His Service, and a perfect casting aside of self-seeking;

Saint Genesisius of Rome Theater Group Presents



A Lily in Winter

The Story of St. Kateri Tekawitha, the First Native American Saint

Written by Bernadette Calvino

Raised amidst violence, and deprived of her mother's love at a young age, the gentle Tekawitha yearns for something more. Thousands of miles away, a young Frenchman sets out to follow God's will—even should it lead to the dense wilderness of New York. Despite her relatives' disapproval, Tekawitha clings to the stories of Jesus and of the blackrobes who bring His saving waters. One day a blackrobe comes to her village...

In this powerful story of God's pursuing love, witness a young woman searching to understand her heart, a man desperate to discover what it means to surrender, and a family and tribe wrestling with plans gone awry. This is a journey you don't want to miss! A Lily in Winter reveals the meaning of sacrifice and the ultimate call of the human heart!

Stage Performances:

Diocese of Pittsburgh Pastoral Center
Bishop McDowell Auditorium
2900 Noblestown Road; Pittsburgh, PA 15205

Friday, June 20th, 2025 at 7:00pm

Saturday, June 21st, 2025 at 2:00pm

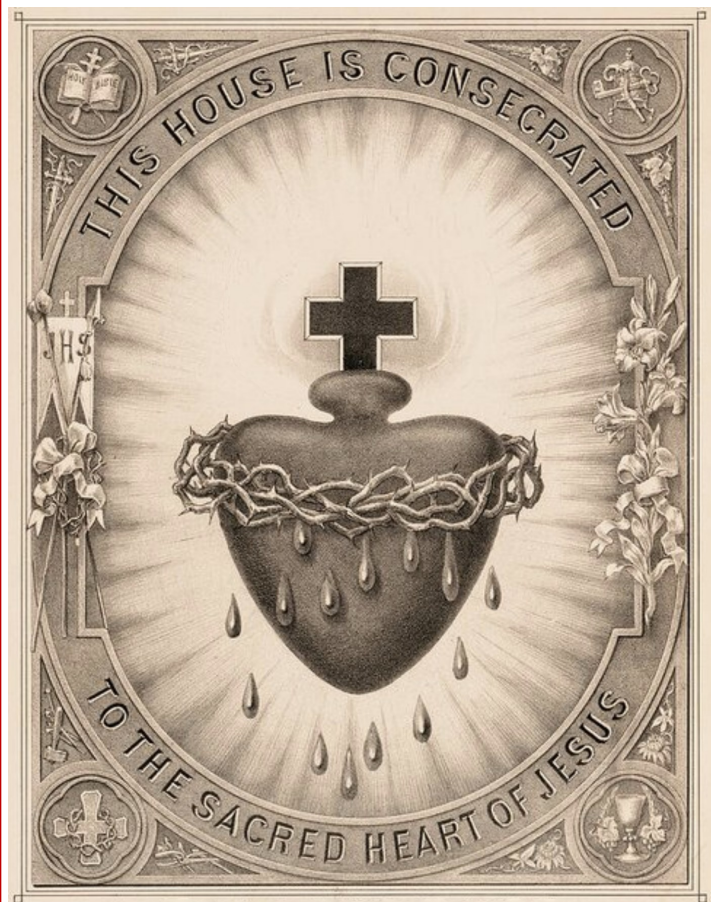
Saturday, June 21st, 2025 at 7:00pm

Suggested donation \$10.00 per adult, \$5.00 per student
Clergy, Religious, Seminarians, and young children are free

but the Evil One seeks to use our troubles to our discouragement, so as to turn us back to sensual pleasures, and to make us a weariness to ourselves and others, in order to injure true devotion. But if you will give heed to the above instructions you will advance greatly towards perfection amid such interior trials, concerning which I have yet one word to say. Sometimes revulsions and dryness and incapacity proceed from bodily indisposition, as when excessive watching, fasting, or overwork produce weariness, lassitude, heaviness, and the like; which, while wholly caused by the body, interfere greatly with the soul, so intimately are they linked together. When this is the case, you must always remember to make marked acts of virtue with your higher will, for, although your whole soul may seem to be sunk in drowsy weariness, such mental efforts are acceptable to God. At such a time you may say with the Bride of the Canticles, "I sleep, but my heart waketh." And, as I have already said, if there is less enjoyment in such efforts, there is more virtue and merit. But the best remedy under the last-named circumstances is to reinvigorate the body by some lawful recreation and solace.

Saint Francis enjoined his religious to use such moderation in their labors as never to impair the fervor of their minds. And speaking of that great Saint, he was himself once attacked by such deep depression of mind that he could not conceal it; if he sought to associate with his religious he was unable to talk; if he kept apart he only grew worse; abstinence and maceration of the flesh overwhelmed him, and he found no comfort in prayer. For two years he continued in this state, as though altogether forsaken of God, but after humbly enduring the heavy storm, his Savior restored him to a happy calm quite suddenly.

From this we should learn that God's greatest servants are liable to such trials, so that less worthy people should not be surprised if they experience the same.



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, may 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, 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 at specific periods in the year and announced in the bulletin. Instructions and forms are available during those periods.

Parish News: The parish uses **Flocknote** to circulate news and information. Please text **MPBOJ** to **84576** from your cell phone and follow

the instructions, or check the parish website (MPBOJ.com) for more information.

On Line Contributions: Most Precious Blood of Jesus Parish greatly appreciates all donations and contributions. If interested in making on-line contributions via Faith Direct, visit:

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

Sacramental Information

Penance: The parish offers the sacrament of penance forty-five minutes prior to each Mass. Confessionals are located on the Epistle (right-hand) side of the church, with a sign indicating where to stand for the line. There is an accessible confessional located on the right side of the double confessional, where the kneeler can be lifted for easy access. Both sides of the double confessional may be occupied at the same time. Start your confession when you hear the priest's blessing.

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.

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 calling 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 Records/Letters of Good Standing: To obtain sacramental records or a letter in good standing, please contact the Parish Office at 412-761-1508 for instructions.

Catholic Faith Formation and Spiritual needs: For those seeking to join the Catholic faith, or who wish spiritual direction, please call the Parish Office for information.



New Catholics Welcomed at the Vigil of Pentecost

During the Vigil of Pentecost on June 7th, seven new Catholics were received into the Church at our parish. Two received Baptism, and each of them received the sacraments of Confirmation and Holy Communion.