



MOST PRECIOUS BLOOD of JESUS PARISH

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

**8th Sunday after
Pentecost
August 3, 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

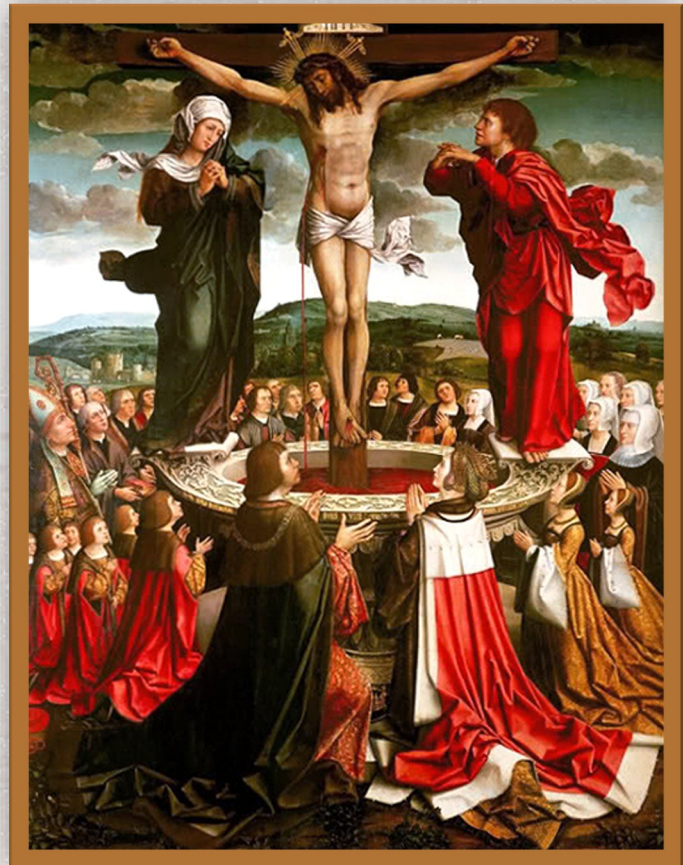
Confession Schedule

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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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, August 3, 2025

8th Sunday after Pentecost, 2nd Class—Green

8AM LMO +Regina Sulinski (Petrosky Family)

11AM HM *Pro populo*

Processional: Come Holy Ghost (pg. 57)

Recessional: Love Divine, All Loves Excelling (pg. 78)

Monday, August 4, 2025

St. Dominic, 3rd Class—White

12PM LM Pumford Family (Andrew & Marianne Pumford)

Tuesday, August 5, 2025

Our Lady of the Snows, 3rd Class—White

12PM LM Pacacha & Senovich Families (Bob Pacacha)

7PM LM +Carolyn Mozlack (Robin Mauser)

Wednesday, August 6, 2025

Transfiguration of Our Lord, 2nd Class—White

Commemoration of *Ss. Xystus II, Felicissimus & Agapitus*

12PM LMO +John & Rose Konopelski (Louis & June Gorski)

Thursday, August 7, 2025 *First Thursday*

V.M. of Jesus Christ Eternal High Priest, 3rd Class—White

Commemoration of *St. Cajetan*

12PM LM Brendan & Maureen O'Connor, 15th Wed. Ann. (Fam)

8 PM Holy Hour of Adoration

9 PM Compline

Friday, August 8, 2025

St. John Vianney, 3rd Class—White

Commemoration of *Ss. Cyriacus, Largus & Smaragdus*

12PM LM +Jerome E. LeDonne (Carol LeDonne-Wife)

Saturday, August 9, 2025

Our Lady on Saturday, 3rd Class—White

Commemoration of *St. Romanus*

9AM LM +William Ritter (Eric Ritter)

Sunday, August 10, 2025

9th Sunday after Pentecost, 2nd Class—Green

Commemoration of *St. Lawrence*

8AM LMO Michael & Jill Garfold, Wed. Anniv. (Family)

11AM HM *Pro populo*

Processional: Faith of Our Fathers (pg. 59)

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

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

Our Weekly Offerings

Sunday, July 27, 2025

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| Offertory | \$14,743.00 |
| Parish Appeal 2025 | \$455.00 |
| Poor Box | \$10.00 |
| Parish Improvement | \$100.00 |
| ICRSS/Sister Adorers | \$5.00 |
| ICRSS/Seminary | \$50.00 |

Faith Direct Report (July 1 – 15, 2025)

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| Offertory | \$9,785.53 |
| Parish Appeal 2025 | \$170.00 |
| Parish Improvement | \$1,230.00 |
| Peter's Pence | \$100.00 |

Attendance: 8AM 443; 11AM 307; Total 750

Parish Group News

CONFRATERNITY OF CHRISTIAN MOTHERS will next meet on **Saturday, September 6th, beginning with the 9AM Mass. The topic: "Catechism Bee".** Contact christianmothers@mpboj.com for more information. All adult women are welcome to attend.

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. **Thank YOU to your generosity, the RLG is able to sponsor three tables for PCUC's fundraising banquet. The money raised from the banquet helps PCUC with their pro-life mission to educate through literature, speaking engagements & billboards.**

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.

Celebrate Life Luncheon August 31st

People Concerned for the Unborn Child & PA Foundation for Life invite you to attend their **57th Annual Celebrate Life Luncheon on Sunday, August 31st** at the Greentree Doubletree by Hilton. *Featured speaker is His Excellency, Bishop Joseph Strickland from Tyler Texas.* Tickets are \$75 per person and can be purchased at www.pcuc.org, or checks can be made out to PCUC and mailed to 3050 Pioneer Ave., Pittsburgh PA 15226. The event begins at 11:30 am, however there will be an (optional) Mass offered by Bishop Strickland just prior to the event. Mass begins at 10:00 am in the hotel. All banquet attendees are welcome to join in the Mass, however RSVP is required. Contact Nikki Bruni at nikki@pcuc.org, at 412-926-9413.

Coffee and Donuts

"Summer Coffee & Donuts" are served in Room 101 of the Parish Center after the Low Mass. (The last day for Summer Donuts is August 24th.)



Let Yourself Be Loved

"We must not be discouraged by our faults, for children fall frequently."
St. Thérèse of Lisieux

- Learn more about receiving God's love just as you are
- Learn how to respond in a way that changes you for the better
- Experience this shared love through Adoration and guided meditation

Christ Our Shepherd Center

2900 Seminary Drive, Greensburg, PA 15601

Saturday Daily Mass

3 Conferences

Adoration with Guided Meditation

Brunch & Catered Lunch Provided




Register before August 5th
visit DioceseofGreensburg.org/carmelite-events
or call Charlie at 724-863-6794

with **Br. John-Mary Winter, OCD**
of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Monastery in Washington, DC

August 9, 2025

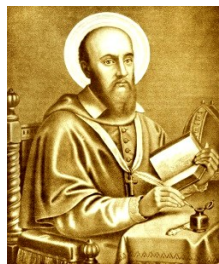
10 AM-3 PM

\$40

 Secular Order of Discalced Carmelites
Community of Jesus, Mary and Joseph
Latrobe, PA

Introduction to the Devout Life
 By St. Francis de Sales
**Examination As to the Affections
 of the Soul**
 (Book 5, Chapter 7)

I have dwelt thus at length on these points, on a due examination of which all true knowledge of our spiritual progress rests; as to an examination of sins, that rather pertains to the confessions of those who are not eager to advance. But it is well to take ourselves to task soberly concerning these different matters, investigating how we have been going on since we made good resolutions concerning them, and what notable faults we have committed. But the summary of all is to examine into our passions; and if you are worried by so detailed an investigation as that already suggested, you may make a briefer inquiry as to what you have been, and how you have acted, in some such manner as this—in your love of God, your neighbor, and yourself.



In hatred for the sin which is in yourself, for the sin which you find in others, since you ought to desire the extirpation of both; in your desires concerning riches, pleasure, and honor.

In fear of the perils of sin, and of the loss of this world's goods; we fear the one too much and the other too little.

In hope, fixed overmuch it may be on things of this world and the creature; too little on God and things eternal.

In sadness, whether it be excessive concerning unimportant matters.

In gladness, whether it be excessive concerning unworthy objects.

In short, examine what attachments hinder your spiritual life, what passions engross it, and what chiefly attracts you.

It is by testing the passions of the soul, one by one, that we ascertain our spiritual condition, just as one who plays the lute tries every string, touching those which are discordant, either raising or lowering them. Thus having tried our soul as to love, hate, desire, fear, hope, sadness and joy, if we find our strings out of tune for the melody we wish to raise, which is God's Glory, we must tune them afresh with the help of His Grace, and the counsel of our spiritual father.

Help Needed with School Furniture



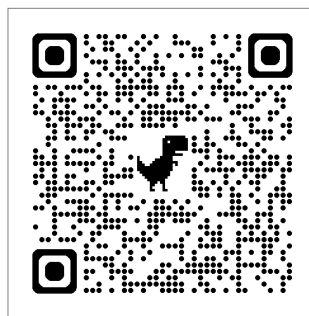
The catechism program needs help moving furniture on **Saturday, August 16th** to accommodate planned classroom moves. This work needs to be done in advance of the annual school cleaning day on August 23rd. Contact *Michael Eyler* at catechism@mpboj.com if you can assist.

Upcoming Events

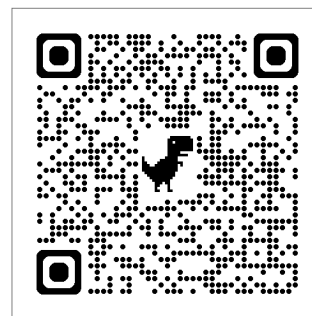
- Sunday, August 10:* Farewell reception for Canon Bourgeois
- Friday, August 15:* Feast of the Assumption
- August 11–15:* Chant Camp
- Sunday, August 17:* Welcome reception for Canon Matheus
- Saturday, August 23:* Pilgrimage to the Shrine of Our Lady of Consolation, Carey, Ohio
- Monday, Sept. 22:* Bus for PA March for Life in Harrisburg
- Saturday, October 11:* Walking Jubilee Pilgrimage to Saint Paul Cathedral

2025-26 Catechism Registration Now Open
 2025-2026 catechism registration is open and will continue for another week, ending on Sunday, August 10th. To register, please use the QR codes in this bulletin or the links posted on the parish website, at <https://institute-christ-king.org/pittsburgh-about#catechism>.

New Families



Returning Families



Please note that there are different links for new and returning families. Both new and returning families must complete registration for their children to attend catechism.

Chant Camp August 11-15

What do cookies, chalk, and airplanes have to do with singing chant? Find out at this year's Children's Chant Camp!



Registration now open for our annual Children's Chant Camp, to be held August 11–15, 2025. Choristers in

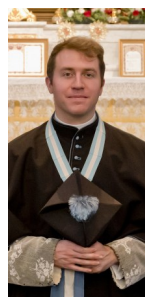
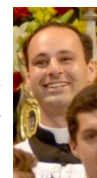
grades 2–12 will receive daily instruction in vocal pedagogy, chant singing and theory, and part singing (polyphony), in preparation to sing for Mass on the Feast of the Assumption.

- Grades 2-8 will meet from 9:00–11:30 a.m. Mon.–Thurs.
- Grades 9-12 will meet from 1:00-3:30 p.m. Mon.–Thurs.
- All campers will meet on Friday from 2:00-5:00 p.m., followed by family potluck dinner and 7:00 p.m. Mass.
- Children ages 5-7 are welcome to attend a special Mini Chant Camp on Mon., Tues., and Wed. from 9:00-10:00 a.m. This camp will be led by Miss Gracie Burchill, Organist and Sacred Music Major (Franciscan University)

There is only a \$5 materials fee for new campers grades 2-12. Please email Mrs. Burchill at orotuna@yahoo.com to register, with your child's name, grade, and parental contact information. *Cantemus Domino!*

Welcome Back, Abbé Ventura

Abbé Joseph Ventura, who just completed his first year of studies in Gricigliano, Italy, will be back with us for the month of August. Abbé Ventura received the cassock on June 30th at the Institute's church in Florence.



PLEASE JOIN US NEXT SUNDAY

There will be a reception in the Parish Center after the High Mass next Sunday, August 10th to bid farewell to Canon Ross Bourgeois. Please stop by to thank Canon Bourgeois for his dedicated and tireless service to the parish over the past four years. Light refreshments will be served.

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.

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.

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 registration 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.

General Information

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.

Parish Materials/Events: At both 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 any materials without explicit permission from the Pastor. Parish events publicized on the bulletin boards at both entrances. 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 office@mpboj.com for approval.

On Line Contributions: Most Precious Blood of Jesus Parish greatly appreciates all donations and contributions. If you are interested in making on-line contributions via Faith Direct, visit: membership.faithdirect.net/PA678 or call 866-507-8757.

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.

Rosary: The Rosary is publicly recited one-half hour before most parish Masses.

Dear Faithful,

With gratitude to Almighty God, I am pleased to announce the completion of phase one of our renovation plans, and, consequently, the opening of Sacred Heart Retreat Center in Burlington, Wisconsin in September of 2025.

This joyful day is the fruit of much prayer and sacrifice, the vision of our architectural team Barrientos Design and Consulting, the impressive efforts of our construction team under the general direction of Berghammer Corporation, the tireless work of our many volunteers alongside our General Manager Canon Andrew Todd and our Guestmaster Abbé Jeffery Walton, and your generous support. It is a day in which we must all rejoice together.

The Sacred Heart Retreat Center website is now active and ready to receive registrations for our calendar of upcoming retreats. Our programming for the coming months will consist of silent guided retreats for men or for women,



following either a week-long schedule (Sunday evening through Saturday morning) or a long weekend (Friday evening through Monday morning). These retreats are interspersed among retreats for the canons of the Institute of Christ the King and other events for lay people which will be announced to you in the coming weeks. Please note that we are not receiving anyone for private retreats at this time.

Visit our website today at shrcburlington.org and learn about the program of spiritual formation we have waiting for you. Registrations are open: we hope to see you soon!

Sincerely Yours in His Most Sacred Heart,

Canon Aaron B. Huberfeld
Director, Sacred Heart Retreat Center