



MOST PRECIOUS BLOOD of JESUS PARISH

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

**3rd Sunday after
Epiphany**

January 25, A.D. 2026

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

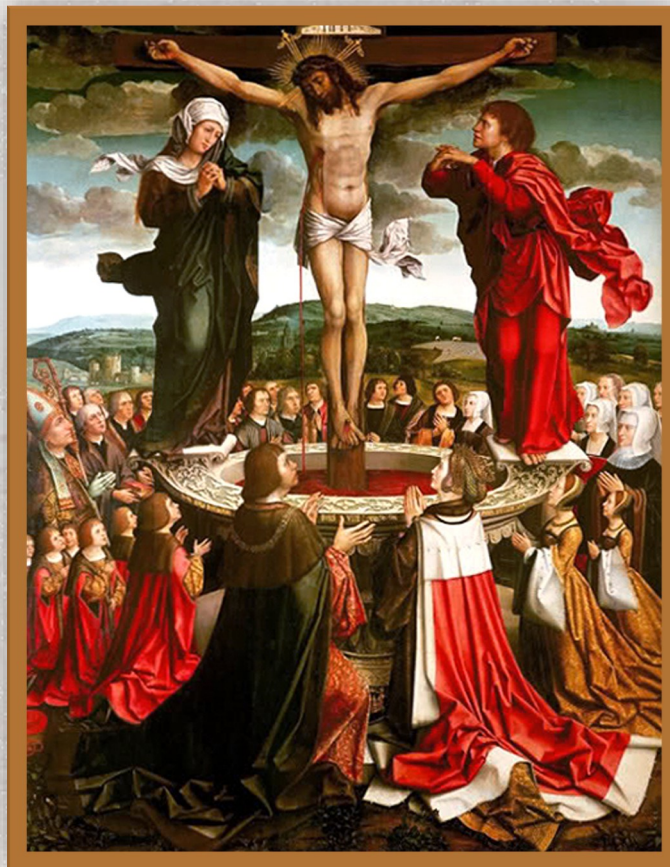
Confession Schedule

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, January 25, 2026 *Unity Octave ends*

3rd Sunday after Epiphany, 2nd Class—Green*

8AM LMO *Pro populo*

11AM HM +Joseph R. Adams (Patrick & Nicole Keane)

Processional: Bethlehem of Noblest Cities (pg.56)

Recessional: Songs of Thankfulness and Praise (pg. 87)

Monday, January 26, 2026

St. Polycarp, 3rd Class—Red

12PM LM +Michael & Doris Nardozi (Judy Callaghan)

Tuesday, January 27, 2026

St. John Chrysostom, 3rd Class—White

12PM LM +Colleen Harrison (Bob Pacacha)

7PM LM +Deceased DeCree/Ryan Fam.(Christopher & Bethann DeCree)

Wednesday, January 28, 2026

St. Peter Nolasco, 3rd Class—White

12PM LM Our Children and Grandchildren (Jerry & Peggy Wrabley)

Thursday, January 29, 2026

St. Francis DeSales, 1st Class—White

12PM LM +Lois Schurer (Family)

7PM HM ICKSP Canons & Fr. John Kist (Michelle Ziegler)

Friday, January 30, 2026

St. Martina, 3rd Class—Red

12PM LM +Carolyn Mozlack (Robin Mauser)

Saturday, January 31, 2026

St. John Bosco, 3rd Class—White

9AM LM All our Godchildren (John Wilson Family)

Sunday, February 1, 2026

Septuagesima Sunday, 2nd Class—Violet

8AM LMO *Pro populo*

11AM HM +Holy Souls in Purgatory (Mary Eileen Cokley)

Processional: Come Holy Ghost (pg.57)

Recessional: To Jesus Christ Our Sovereign King (pg. 89)

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

Our Weekly Offerings

Sunday, January 18, 2026

Offertory \$8,015.01

Parish Appeal 2025 \$239.00

Parish Improvement \$8,895

General Donation \$100.00

St. Anthony/DePaul \$1,428.11

ParishSoft Report (Dec. 17, 2025 — Jan. 6, 2025)

Offertory (includes Immaculate Conception, Christmas, Solemnity) \$34,232.82

Parish Appeal 2025 \$378.99

Parish Improvement \$1,187.33

Poor Box \$401.21

Christmas Flowers \$105.57

Christmas Charities \$94.03

St. Anthony/DePaul School \$33.23

100th Anniversary/IC Shrine \$19.04

Attendance: 8AM 520; 11AM 334; Total 854

Parish Group News

CONFRATERNITY OF CHRISTIAN MOTHERS will next meet on **Saturday, February 7th, beginning with the 9AM Mass. The topic: "The Works of Mercy: To clothe the naked and harbor the harborless".** 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. For more info contact Brenda Briola at 724-650-5767

or respectlife@mpboj.com.

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 February Luncheon next Sunday, Feb. 1st following the High Mass, will be at the Texas Roadhouse in Robinson. Address is 130 Andrew Dr.

Sursum Corda Game Night - Join us for a fun night of food, games, and conversation with fellow Catholic Young Adults Friday, Feb. 13th. Feel free to bring your own Board Games if you are so inclined!

Let our Lady bless your home!

Sign up for a turn to honor the Pilgrim Virgin Statue of our Lady of Fatima in your home for a month. (Given by Father Fred Gruber to the Christian Mothers.) Contact Bethany for more information: bethanymarygianna@gmail.com.

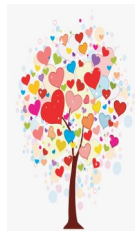
Feast of St. Francis DeSales Thursday

This Thursday, Jan. 29th, is the Feast of St. Frances DeSales, a patron of the Institute of Christ the King. In addition to the noon Low Mass, there will be a High Mass at 7 p.m. A plenary indulgence may be obtained under the usual conditions by those assisting at Mass that day.

St. Valentine Party and Pot-Luck

Please plan to join fellow parishioners for the St. Valentine party in the school gym **Sunday, Feb. 8th**, following the High Mass. The event will begin with a pot-luck lunch, Valentine/gift assembling for nursing home residents, heart shaped cookie decorating and some games/prizes. All ages welcome! Suggested \$5 donation per family. Please sign up for potluck/volunteering/cookie making here:

<https://mostpreciousbloodofjesus.flocknote.com/signup/240734>



Christmas Decoration Takedown Saturday

February 2nd is the Feast of the Purification of Our Lady, also called Candlemas Day. It is the last feast of Christmas and closes this holy season. In anticipation of the season's end, the church's **Christmas decorations will be taken down on Saturday, Jan. 31, beginning at 1 p.m.** Volunteers are needed for this annual chore. We count on your generosity!



Bring out your palms

The parish is collecting your blessed palms to burn for use on Ash Wednesday (February 18th). Please place your old palms in the collection bins located in the church entrances **by February 15th.**

Two Christmas thank-yous

The parish received very gracious thank you notes from the St. Vincent de Paul Society at Christ Our Savior parish, and from The Little Sister of the Poor, for the Christmas donations our parish made as a result of your regular contributions to our Poor Box.

Your generosity is most appreciated!

Third Sunday After Epiphany

Introit: Psalm 96: 7, 8. Adore God, all you His angels: Sion heard, and was glad; and the daughters of Juda rejoiced. Ps. 96: 1. The Lord hath reigned; let the earth rejoice: let many islands be glad. Glory be. Adore God, all you His angels.

Collect: Almighty, eternal God, look with mercy upon our infirmities, and stretch forth the right hand of Thy majesty to protect us. Through our Lord.

Epistle: Romans 12: 16-21. Brethren, be not wise in your own conceits. To no man rendering evil for evil: providing good things not only in the sight of God, but also in the sight of men. If it be possible, as much as it is in you, having peace with all men. Revenge not yourselves, my dearly beloved; but give place unto wrath, for it is written, Revenge is mine; I will repay, saith the Lord. But if thy enemy be hungry, give him to eat; if he thirst, give him to drink, for doing this, thou shalt heap coals of fire upon his head. Be not overcome by evil, but overcome evil by good.

Gradual: Psalm 101: 16, 17. The Gentiles shall fear Thy name, O Lord, and all the kings of the earth Thy glory. V. For the Lord hath built up Sion, and He shall be seen in His majesty. Alleluia, alleluia. Ps. 96: 1. The Lord hath reigned, let the earth rejoice: let many islands be glad. Alleluia.

Gospel: St. Matthew 8: 1-13. At that time, when Jesus was come down from the mountain, great multitudes followed Him; and behold a leper came and adored Him, saying, Lord, if Thou wilt Thou canst make me clean. And Jesus stretching forth His hand, touched him, saying, I will, be thou made clean: and forthwith his leprosy was cleansed. And Jesus saith to him, See thou tell no man: but go, show thyself to the priest, and offer the gift which Moses commanded for a testimony unto them. And when He had entered into Capernaum, there came to Him a centurion beseeching Him, and saying, Lord, my servant lieth at home sick of the palsy, and is grievously tormented. And Jesus saith to him, I will come and heal him. And the centurion making answer, said, Lord, I am not worthy that Thou shouldst enter under my roof: but only say the word, and my servant shall be healed. For I also am a man subject to authority, having under me soldiers: and I say to this man, Go, and he goeth: and to another, Come, and he cometh: and to my servant, Do this, and he doth it. And Jesus hearing this, marvelled; and said to them that followed Him, Amen I say to you, I have not found so great faith in Israel. And I say to you, that many shall come from the east and the west, and shall sit down with Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob in the kingdom of heaven; but the children of the kingdom shall be cast into the exterior darkness: there shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth. And Jesus said to the centurion, Go, and as thou hast believed, so be it done to thee: and the servant was healed at the same hour.

Offertory: Psalm 117: 16, 17. The right hand of the Lord hath wrought strength, the right hand of the Lord hath exalted me: I shall not die, but live, and shall declare the works of the Lord.

Secret: May this offering, we beseech Thee, O Lord, wipe out our sins, and sanctify the bodies and minds of Thy servants for the celebration of the sacrifice. Through our Lord.

Communion: St. Luke 4: 22. They all wondered at these things, which proceeded from the mouth of God.

Postcommunion: O Lord, Who dost give freely the enjoyment of so great mysteries, we beseech Thee that Thou wouldst vouchsafe to render us truly worthy to receive their effects. Through our Lord.



The Saint Valentine's Day Soirée is back!

On Saturday, February 14, enjoy a night of live music from the Duquesne Jazz Band, heavy hors d'oeuvres, specialty cocktails, and more! Tickets are \$35 each and include 2 adult beverages.

Tickets are on sale today after both Masses in the back vestibule and in the gym during Catechism. Please contact QSteph14@gmail.com for more information or to volunteer. Age 21+ only.

Retake the Disciple Maker Index (DMI) Survey

Last week in the bulletin, we announced the retake of the Disciple Maker Index (DMI), beginning on February 18, 2026 and running through March 29, 2026. As a reminder, the goal of the DMI is to invite parishioners to reflect on the journey of discipleship and gauge the effectiveness of MPBOJ in supporting their journey of faith. The DMI consists of multiple questions across several key areas, including questions about spiritual growth, personal beliefs, and the parish's effectiveness in providing for the religious needs of all. Responses are kept confidential and MPBOJ leadership receives only aggregated data and trends. We hope you will take the time to complete a DMI survey once available after Ash Wednesday.

Please Use Your Offertory Envelopes

The parish greatly appreciates the generous donations received each week from parishioners and visitors alike. Here is the annual plea from our office staff: if you are a registered parishioner who makes donations using checks, please use your collection envelopes so that the office can quickly and easily record your donations.

When you donate your check without an envelope, staff must take the time to complete an extra step to identify your envelope number, in order that your donation will be accurately recorded. The parish is of course very fortunate and grateful for the financial support received each week, whether in an envelope or out.

Donation Statements for 2025

In an effort to save time and expense, the parish no longer sends end-of-year donation summaries to all of those parishioners who utilize envelopes. If you would like to have a printed summary mailed to you, please contact the parish office (phone 412-761-1508 or email office@mpboj.com). Those who utilize ParishSoft will receive a summary directly from the company.

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 may not 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
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General Information

Bulletin Announcements: Requests for proposed bulletin announcements must be submitted **ten days in advance** of the publication date. Submit to bulletin@mpboj.com.

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 interested in donating on-line via ParishSOFT (formerly Faith Direct), visit: giving.parishsoft.com/App/Giving/FD-678 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.

Safe Environment: Parish volunteers must complete the diocesan and parish Safe Environment Compliance process before they can participate in any parish-related activities. Please contact safeenvironment@mpboj.com for instructions and assistance.

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

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 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.

Safety Awareness

In an effort to make Most Precious Blood of Jesus Parish a safe place for all parishioners and visitors alike, please be mindful of our urban neighborhood and the constant traffic. If visiting the parish for Mass or a social event, parents should ensure their children's safety by maintaining prudent watch and supervision of their children at all times. When children are registered and/or involved in a parish related activity overseen by a parish program manager (e.g., Children's Choir; Catechism; altar server practice), at least one parent/guardian must remain on site for the duration of the program.

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