



# MOST PRECIOUS BLOOD of JESUS PARISH

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

## 2nd Sunday After Easter

April 19, 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

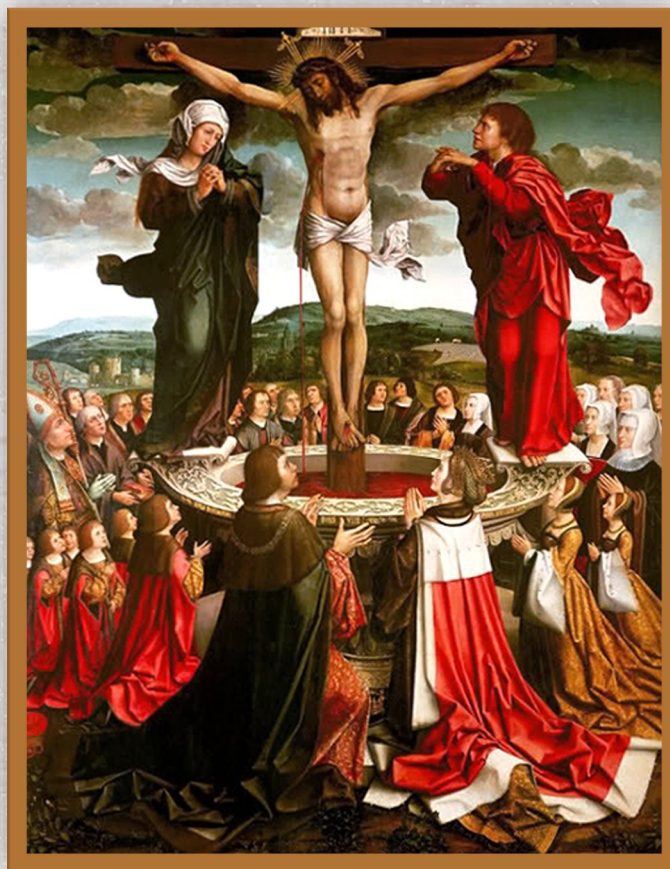
### **Confession Schedule**

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, April 19, 2026

**Second Sunday after Easter, 2nd Class—White**

8AM LMO *Pro populo*

11 AM HM For Vocations to the Priesthood

Processional: At the Lamb's High Feast (p.53)

Recessional: Come Ye Faithful, Raise the Strain (p.58)

### Monday, April 20, 2026

**Votive Mass of Most Holy Trinity, 4th Class—White**

12PM LM + Lillian E. Keane (Patrick & Nicole Keane)

### Tuesday, April 21, 2026

**St. Anselm, 3rd Class—White**

12PM LM +Joseph & Florence Carik(Joshua & Rebecca Solomon)

7PM LM +Halina Iwinicki (Sarver Family)

### Wednesday, April 22, 2026

**Ss. Soter & Caius, 3rd Class—Red**

12PM LM +Alma & Jere Gearhart (Matthew Vincenzi)

### Thursday, April 23, 2026

**St. George, 4th Class—Red**

12PM LM +Max & Alice Callaghan (Judy Callaghan)

5:30 PM Vespers

6:00 PM Holy Hour of Adoration

### Friday, April 24, 2026

**St. Fidelis of Sigmaringen, 3rd Class—Red**

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

### Saturday, April 25, 2026

**St. Mark, 2nd Class—Red**

9 AM LM Anastasia Marie Hokaj (Tim & Jessica McQuillis)

11 AM LMO *For First Communicants*

### Sunday, April 26, 2026

**Third Sunday after Easter, 2nd Class—White**

8AM LMO +Fred & Alberta Yochum (Gary Yochum)

11 AM HM *Pro populo*

Processional: Jesus Is Risen (p.72)

Recessional: Christ Is Risen From the Dead (p.55)

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

## Our Weekly Offerings

*Sunday, April 12, 2026*

Offertory .....	\$13,709.00
Parish Appeal 2026.....	\$820.00
ICRSS Seminary Appeal .....	\$20.00
Good Friday/Holy Land.....	\$12.00
Parish Improvement.....	\$10.00

*Attendance: 8AM 492; 11AM 369; Total 861*

## Parish Group News

CONFRATERNITY OF CHRISTIAN MOTHERS will next meet on **Saturday, May 9, beginning with the 9AM Mass. The topic: "To ransom the captive"**. All adult women are welcome to attend. Contact [christianmothers@mpboj.com](mailto:christianmothers@mpboj.com) for more information.

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. Look for the RLG's *May/June Newsletter* in next Sunday's bulletin.

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](mailto:sursumcorda@mpboj.com).

## ICRSS Seminary Collection Today

There is a second collection today, benefiting the Institute of Christ the King Sovereign Priest seminary in Gricigliano, Italy.

### **First Holy Communion Mass This Saturday**

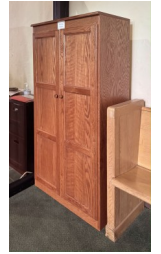
At 11:00 a.m. this Saturday, a group of our parish's young people will receive their First Holy Communion. Please keep these children and their parents in your prayers.

### **Lenten Food Drive Thank You**

Thank you so much to all who participated in our Lenten food drive! Two minivans full of donations were delivered to the Little Sisters of the Poor's home in Brighton Heights during Holy Week. They were so appreciative and thankful for our parish's generosity. May God richly bless you for your kindness!

### **New "Blessing Cabinet"**

The parish has acquired a new cabinet for the faithful to drop off and pick up items which are to be blessed by the canons. This cabinet replaces the little table inside the sacristy door, and is located just inside the glass wall at the side entrance.



### **Diocesan Young Adult Survey**

The Diocese of Pittsburgh is conducting an online survey targeting individuals aged **18 to 39** from now until April 26th.

"The survey aims to better understand the perspectives, experiences, and needs of young adults in our community, and to provide valuable insights into how we can better serve and engage this demographic in their spiritual journeys. Please take a few minutes to complete this survey. Your thoughtful input is very important to us."



## SAINT CYRIL of ALEXANDRIA ACADEMY

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## INDEPENDENT

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For More Information, Please Visit Our Website or  
Contact Principal, Mrs. Harmony Stewart, at [hstewart@shcacademy.com](mailto:hstewart@shcacademy.com)

## Second Sunday After Easter

**Introit: Psalm 32: 5, 6.** The earth is full of the mercy of the Lord, alleluia: by the word of the Lord the heavens were established, alleluia, alleluia. *Psalm 32: 1.* Rejoice in the Lord, ye just: praise becometh the upright. Glory be. The earth is full.

**Collect:** O God, Who by the humility of Thy Son hast lifted up a fallen world, grant that to those whom Thou hast delivered from the misfortunes of eternal death, Thou mayest insure everlasting happiness. Through the same.

**Epistle: I Peter 2: 21-25.** Dearly beloved, Christ suffered for us, leaving you an example that you should follow His steps. Who did no sin, neither was guile found in His mouth. Who when He was reviled, did not revile; when He suffered, He threatened not; but delivered Himself to him that judged Him unjustly; Who His own self bore our sins in His body upon the tree; that we being dead to sins, should live to justice: by whose stripes you were healed. For you were as sheep going astray: but you are now converted to the shepherd and bishop of your souls.

**Alleluia:** Alleluia, alleluia. *St. Luke 24: 35.* The disciples knew the Lord Jesus in the breaking of bread. Alleluia. *St. John 10: 14.* I am the good shepherd: and I know My sheep, and Mine know Me. Alleluia.

**Gospel: St. John 10: 11-16.** At that time, Jesus said to the Pharisees, I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd giveth His life for His sheep; but the hireling, and he that is not the shepherd, whose own the sheep are not, seeth the wolf coming, and leaveth the sheep, and flieth; and the wolf catcheth, and scattereth the sheep: and the hireling flieth because he is a hireling, and he hath no care for the sheep. I am the good shepherd; and I know Mine, and Mine know Me. As the Father knoweth Me, and I know the Father, and I lay down My life for My sheep. And other sheep I have, that are not of this fold; them also I must bring, and they shall hear My voice, and there shall be one fold, and one shepherd.

**Offertory: Psalm 62: 2, 5.** O God, my God, to Thee do I watch at break of day: and in Thy name I will lift up my hands, alleluia.

**Secret:** Let the sacred offering, O Lord, ever confer salutary benediction upon us, perfecting in power what it doeth in symbol. Through our Lord.

**Preface of Easter:** It is truly meet and just, right and profitable, to extol Thee indeed at all times, O Lord, but chiefly with highest praise to magnify Thee in these days on which for us was sacrificed Christ, our pasch. For He is the true Lamb Who hath taken away the sins of the world; Who by dying Himself hath destroyed our death; and by rising again hath bestowed a new life on us. And therefore with the angels and archangels, with the thrones and dominations, and with all the array of the heavenly host we sing a hymn to Thy glory and unceasingly repeat: Holy, holy, holy . . .

**Communion: St. John 10: 14.** I am the good shepherd, alleluia: and I know My sheep, and Mine know Me, alleluia, alleluia.

**Postcommunion:** Grant us, we beseech Thee, O almighty God, that, quickened by Thy grace, we may ever glory in Thy gifts. Through our Lord.

## St. Veronica Altar Guild – Pattern Drafting Workshop

The St. Veronica Altar Guild will be hosting a two-day workshop on **Friday April 24th, 6:00-9:00pm** & **Saturday April 25th, 1:00-4:00pm** in the MPBOJ School Building. This workshop is open to both members and non-members of the guild. Participants will learn how to create a workable pattern from an existing garment, using a black dalmatic as an example. Participants are required to have previous experience working with commercial sewing patterns. Participants must attend both days of the workshop. Send an email to [altarguildpittsburgh@institute-christ-king.org](mailto:altarguildpittsburgh@institute-christ-king.org) to register!

## Rosary Rally

Pope Leo XIII said: "The Rosary is the most excellent form of prayer and the most efficacious means of attaining eternal life. It is the remedy for all evils, the root of all our blessings. There is no more excellent way of praying." Join in a Rosary Rally for the Conversion and Salvation of Everyone in the World on **25 April 2026** at MPBOJ parking lot at 11:45am. Contact Mary Brodka at 724-816-5573 for further information.

## St. Magnus Erlendson: "The Last Viking"

Saint Genesis of Rome Theater Group presents *The Last Viking*, a play about Saint Magnus Erlendson. Adapted from Susan Peek's exciting novel, this exciting stage drama take you back in time 900 years, to the fierce and desolate northern lands, where Norsemen ruled with axe and sword. Stage performances will be held in the Bishop McDowell Auditorium at the **Diocese of Pittsburgh Pastoral Center** (2900 Noblestown Road, Pittsburgh, PA) on **Friday, May 8th at 7 pm** and **Saturday, May 9th at 3 pm and 7 pm**. The suggested donation is \$10 for adults and \$5 for students. For more information, contact Jude Young at 412-491-4415 or [judeyoung4321@gmail.com](mailto:judeyoung4321@gmail.com).

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# 2026 SUMMER CAMPS

Join us for faith, fellowship, and summer fun at the  
Sacred Heart Retreat Center  
2457 Browns Lake Drive Burlington, WI 53105

**REGISTRATION & MORE INFO**  
<https://shrcburlington.org/summer-camp>



**CAMPS FOR GIRLS AND YOUNG LADIES**

St. Therese Camp (ages 9-12)  
Monday, July 6 - Friday, July 10

Immaculate Conception Camp (ages 13-17)  
Sunday, July 12 - Saturday, July 18

**CAMPS FOR BOYS AND YOUNG MEN**

St. Dominic Camp (ages 9-12)  
Monday, July 20 - Friday, July 24

St. Michael Camp (ages 13-17)  
Sunday, July 26 - Saturday, August 1

Questions? [camps@institute-christ-king.org](mailto:camps@institute-christ-king.org)



## **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  
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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](mailto: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](http://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 are 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](mailto: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](http://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.

**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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