



# MOST PRECIOUS BLOOD of JESUS PARISH

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

## 3rd Sunday After Easter

April 26, 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

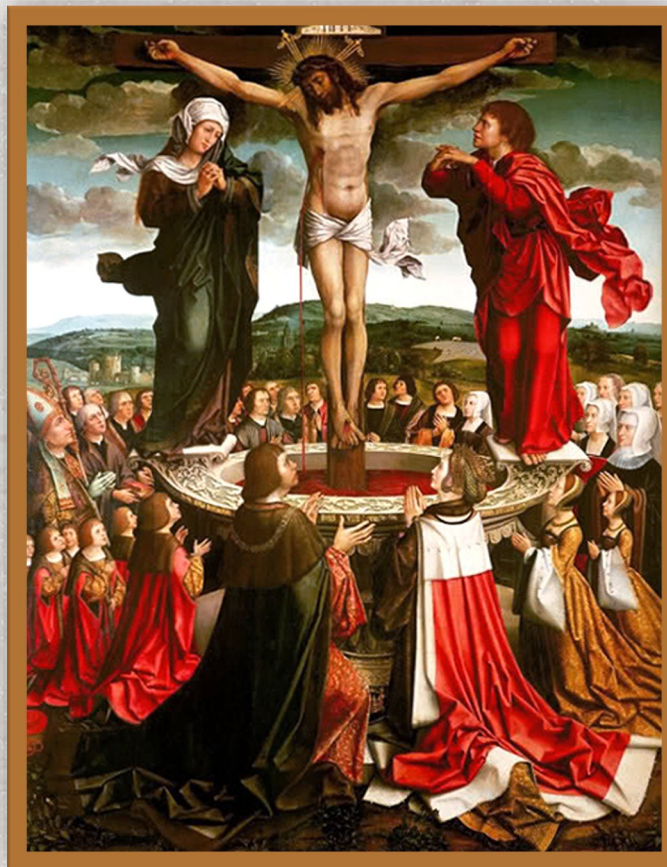
### **Confession Schedule**

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 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)

### Monday, April 27, 2026

**St. Peter Canisius, 3rd Class—White**  
 12PM LM + Peter DeLuca (Brueggemann Family)

### Tuesday, April 28, 2026

**St. Paul of the Cross, 3rd Class—White**  
 12PM LM Kelly Family kids and their future spouses (Nicole Kelly)  
 7PM LM +Mary Rutkoski (Parish Family)

### Wednesday, April 29, 2026

**St. Peter Martyr, 3rd Class—Red**  
 12PM LM Simon Gazerik (Bernard & Carmen Hete)

### Thursday, April 30, 2026

**St. Catherine of Siena, 3rd Class—White**  
 12PM LM Mark Bugay Family (Andrew & Marianne Pumford)  
 5:30 PM Vespers  
 6:00 PM Holy Hour of Adoration

### Friday, May 1, 2026 *First Friday*

**St. Joseph the Worker, 1st Class—White**  
 12PM LMO Gabriel Nypaver, 30th Birthday (Nypaver Family)  
 7PM LM +Claire K. DeRosa (DeRosa Family)

### Saturday, May 2, 2026 *First Saturday*

**Votive Mass of the Immaculate Heart, 3rd Class—White**  
*Commemoration of St. Athanasius*  
 9 AM LM +Deceased Members of the Moore Family (Terry Moore)  
 2 PM LMO *For Confirmandi*

### Sunday, May 3, 2026 *May Crowning*

**Fourth Sunday after Easter, 2nd Class—White**  
 8AM LMO *Pro populo*  
 11 AM HM In Thanksgiving for God's Goodness (D'Souza Family)  
 Processional: Marian Hymns  
 Recessional: Regina Caeli Jubila (p.85)  
 LM = Low Mass; LMO = Low Mass with Organ; HM = High/Solemn Mass

## Our Weekly Offerings

#### *Sunday, April 19, 2026*

Offertory .....	\$10,858.00
Parish Appeal 2026.....	\$320.00
Parish Improvement.....	\$1,799.00
ICRSS Seminary Appeal .....	\$13,313.00
Mother's Day Remembrance.....	\$50.00
ICRSS Sister Adorers .....	\$20.00
Poor Box .....	\$10.00

#### *ParishSoft Report (Mar. 17 — Apr. 10, 2026)*

Offertory* .....	\$26,013.69
Parish Appeal 2025.....	\$905.93
Parish Improvement.....	\$1,063.51
Poor Box .....	\$387.53
ICRSS/Provincial.....	\$80.00
Good Friday/Holy Land.....	\$263.59
Easter Flowers .....	\$130.58

\*includes Ash Wednesday/Palm Sunday/Holy Thursday

Attendance: 8AM 531; 11AM 381; Total 912

## **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. *The RLG's May/June Newsletter can be found in the bulletin at the church entrances.*

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).

## **Welcome, Bishop Waltersheid**

On Saturday, May 2nd, His Excellency the Most Rev. William Waltersheid will visit our parish to administer the sacrament of Confirmation, and afterwards will offer a Low Mass for the confirmandi. Welcome, Bishop Waltersheid!

## **Congratulations to the First Communicants**

Twenty second graders received their First Holy Communion yesterday. The parish congratulates them on this very special occasion in their Catholic lives!

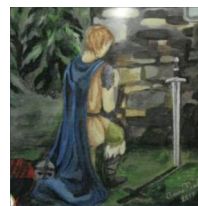
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 ALAINA LEE KELLY  
 JANE SCHOLASTICA KILMER  
 PETER LINUS KOTWICA  
 MARIA VERONIKA KRISKO  
 ADELAIDE ELIZABETH LAZUKA  
 JOSEPHINE ELIZABETH LENART  
 ROBERT ANDREW LIGONS  
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 MELLA LOUISE MCLAUGHLIN  
 JOSEPH FRANCIS MONGER  
 CATHERINE MARIE O'MARA  
 NINA GRACE PAYNE  
 JANE CARMELA PREZZIA  
 ANDREW THOMAS SFERRA  
 PETER JOSEPH SOLOMON

## **Thank You for Supporting the Easter Candy Fundraiser**

A big thank-you to everyone who supported the annual Betsy Ann Easter Candy fundraiser. This year the parish received a total of \$3,218.94!

## **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).

## Third Sunday After Easter

**Introit: Psalm 65: 1, 2.** Shout with joy to God, all the earth, alleluia; sing ye a psalm to His name, alleluia: give glory to His praise. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. *Ps. 65: 3.* Say unto God, how terrible are Thy works, O Lord! In the multitude of Thy strength Thy enemies shall lie to Thee. Glory be. Shout with joy.

**Collect:** O God, Who dost show the light of Thy truth to them that go astray, that they may be able to return to the path of justice, grant unto all who profess themselves and are reckoned Christians, both to reject the things that are opposed to that name and to follow after the things that befit it. Through our Lord.

**Epistle: I Peter 2: 11-19.** Dearly beloved, I beseech you as strangers and pilgrims, to refrain yourselves from carnal desires which war against the soul, having your conversation good among the gentiles: that whereas they speak against you as evil-doers, they may by the good works, which they shall behold in you, glorify God in the day of visitation. Be ye subject therefore to every human creature for God's sake: whether it be to the king as excelling: or to governors as sent by him for the punishment of evildoers, and for the praise of the good: for so is the will of God, that by doing well you may put to silence the ignorance of foolish men. As free, and not as making liberty a cloak for malice, but as the servants of God. Honor all men. Love the brotherhood. Fear God. Honor the king. Servants, be subject to your masters with all fear, not only to the good and gentle, but also to the severe. For this is indeed a grace in Christ Jesus our Lord.

**Alleluia:** Alleluia, alleluia. Psalm 110: 9. The Lord hath sent redemption to His people. Alleluia. *St. Luke 24: 46.* It behooved Christ to suffer these things, and so to enter into His glory. Alleluia.

**Gospel: St. John 16: 16-22.** At that time, Jesus said to His disciples, A little while, and now you shall not see Me; and again a little while, and you shall see Me; because I go to the Father. Then some of His disciples said one to another, What is this that He saith to us, A little while, and you shall not see Me; and again a little while, and you shall see Me; and because I go to the Father? They said therefore, What is this that He saith, A little while? we know not what He speaketh. And Jesus knew that they had a mind to ask Him: and He said to them, Of this do you inquire among yourselves because I said, A little while, and you shall not see Me; and again a little while, and you shall see Me? Amen, amen, I say to you, that you shall lament and weep, but the world shall rejoice; and you shall be made sorrowful, but your sorrow shall be turned into joy. A woman when she is in labor hath sorrow, because her hour is come; but when she hath brought forth the child, she remembereth no more the anguish, for joy that a man is born into the world. So also you now indeed have sorrow, but I will see you again, and your heart shall rejoice, and your joy no man shall take from you.

**Offertory: Psalm 145: 2.** Praise the Lord, O my soul, in my life I will praise the Lord: I will sing to my God as long as I shall be. Alleluia.

**Secret:** By these mysteries, O Lord, may grace be given us so that, chastening our earthly desires, we may learn to love heavenly things. 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 16: 16.** A little while, and now you shall not see Me, alleluia: and again a little while, and you shall see Me: because I go to the Father. Alleluia, alleluia.

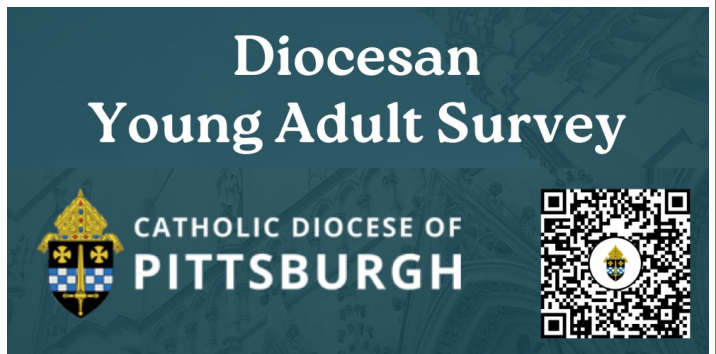
**Postcommunion:** May the sacrament we have received, O Lord, we beseech Thee, both restore us with its spiritual nourishment and protect us with its help for our bodies. Through our Lord.

### Wisdom of St. Frances de Sales

What love can we have proportionate to the infinite goodness of our Creator, Who from all eternity has determined to create, preserve, govern, redeem, save and glorify all people in general and each person in particular? What was I when I was not? What was I, I who even now when I am something am still only a mere pitiful creature of earth? Yet from the depths of His eternity God thought thoughts of blessings on my behalf? He meditated and planned, yes, determined the hour of my birth, of my baptism, of all the inspirations He would give me, and, in sum, all the benefits He would provide and offer to me. Ah, is there any kindness like this?

### Diocesan Young Adult Survey Ends Today

Today is the last chance for individuals aged 18 to 39 to take the Diocese of Pittsburgh survey described below.



### Catholic Foundation for Greater Pittsburgh (CFGPitt)

CFGPitt is an independent, nonprofit 501(c)3 foundation that supports Catholic causes throughout the Greater Pittsburgh area including parishes, ministries and charitable works within the Diocese through the establishment of endowed funds, providing consistent annual support to parish-specific and Foundation-wide causes.

CFGPitt is committed to growing philanthropy according to the teachings of Jesus Christ. CFGPitt promotes charitable giving to sustain the legacy of the Church by serving our sisters and brothers and addressing the needs of the community for generations to follow.

## 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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