



MOST PRECIOUS BLOOD of JESUS PARISH

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

Low Sunday
April 16, A.D. 2023

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

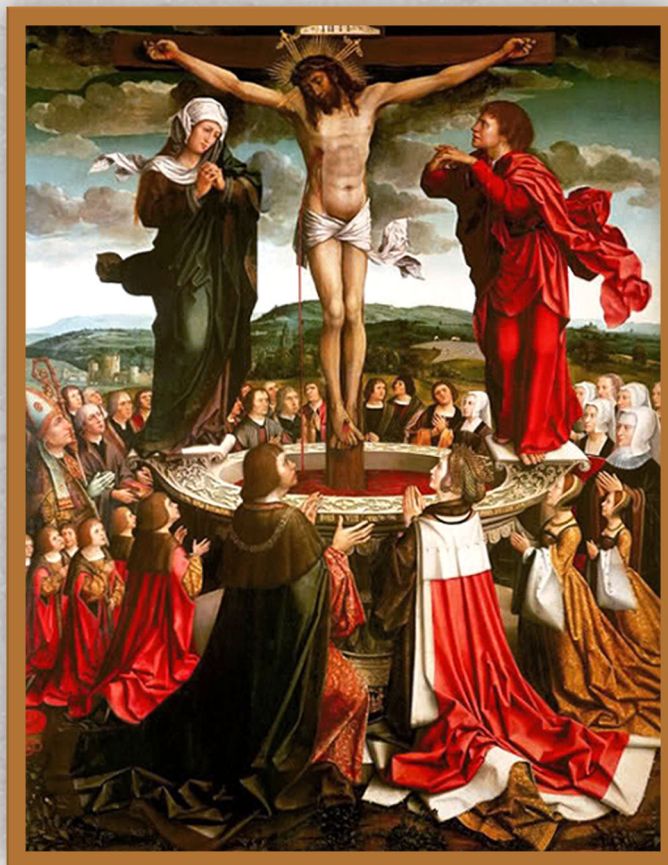
Confession Schedule

Sundays: 7-8am; 10-11am
Monday-Friday: 11:15-11:45am
Tuesdays: also 6:15-6:45pm
Saturday: 8-8:45am

Please consult the weekly bulletin for modifications to the 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 16, 2023

Sunday in albis, 1st Class—White

8AM LM *Pro populo*
11AM HM Janice Vairo (Romina Napoleon)
Processional: *Jesus Christ Is Risen Today* pg. 67
Kyriale: *Mass I, Credo IV*
Recessional: *The Strife Is O'er* pg. 95

Monday, April 17, 2023 *Infant King Novena begins*

St. Anicetus, 4th Class—Red

12PM LM + Fr. Paul Volda (Mark Sikora Family)

Tuesday, April 18, 2023

Feria (from Sunday in albis), 4th Class—White

12PM LM + Stanley & Helen Gorski (Louis & June Gorski)
7PM LM Paras Family

Wednesday, April 19, 2023

Votive Mass of St. Joseph, 4th Class—White

12PM LM Tom & Janet Cocchi (Family)

Thursday, April 20, 2023

Votive Mass of the Blessed Sacrament, 4th Class—White

12PM LM + Margaret Stazer-Kobus (DMT)
8PM Holy Hour of Adoration
9PM Compline

Friday, April 21, 2023

St. Anselm, 3rd Class—White

12PM LM Manfred Honeck & Family
(Tom & Carol Nypaver)

Saturday, April 22, 2023

Ss. Soter & Caius, 3rd Class—Red

9AM LM Canon Talarico— In Thanksgiving for your
Priesthood (The Faithful of the Shrine of Christ
the King)

Sunday, April 23, 2023

2nd Sunday after Easter, 2nd Class—White

8AM LM Thomas Nypaver -Birthday (wife, Carol)
11AM HM *Pro populo*
Processional: *At The Lamb's High Feast* pg. 53
Kyriale: *Mass I, Credo IV*
Recessional: *Come Ye Faithful, Raise The Strain* pg. 58

LM = Low Mass; HM = High/Solemn Mass

Our Weekly Offerings

Sunday, April 9, 2023

Holy Thursday Offertory	\$2,727.00
Good Friday Holy Land	\$684.00
Holy Saturday and Easter Sunday Offertory	\$24,586.00
Parish Appeal	\$684.00
ICRSS Province	\$80.00
Food Pantry	\$65.00

Mass Attendance: 6PM 448; 8AM 376; 11AM 534; Total 1,358

On Line Contributions

The parish utilizes Faith Direct for on-line donations, which can be made directly from your bank account or credit card. If interested in making donations in this manner, please visit <https://membership.faithdirect.net/PA678> or call 866-507-8757.

Second Collection

The second collection on Good Shepherd Sunday (April 23rd this year) benefits the Institute of Christ the King Sovereign Priest seminary. This semiannual appeal financially provides for the formation costs of the Institute's seminarians. May God greatly reward you for your kindness towards our future priests!

Parish Group News

CONFRATERNITY OF CHRISTIAN MOTHERS meets every First Saturday of the month, beginning with the 9 am Mass. The next meeting is Saturday, May 6, 2023 and the topic will be *The Domestic Church*. All adult women are welcome. Please contact christianmothers@mpboj.com for more information.

SURSUM CORDA-YOUNG ADULTS GROUP is a nationwide initiative to foster the spiritual lives of Catholic adults, AGES 18-35, at Institute apostolates. Our parish group meets 1-2 times a month for faith discussions guided by the Canons, food, and various fun activities. To sign up for the mailing list and receive notice of future events, simply text Corda to 84576 and choose "SC Pittsburgh" as the group. The April Conference will be **Friday April 21st at 6:30PM** and the topic will be "Ask A Canon." Please contact sursumcorda@mpboj.com with any questions.

RESPECT LIFE GROUP (RLG) at MPBOJ will meet on **June 24th** (anniversary of Roe v Wade Reversal) after the 9am Mass. The Gospel of Life is at the heart of the newly formed Respect Life Group operating in three divisions of *Education, Advocacy and Legislation*. Members may expect frequent updates on Abortion, Euthanasia, Fetal Research, Vaccines, 40 Days For Life, Baby Bottle/Diaper Drives and Legislation. More information and how to sign-up can be found in RLG flyers at the entrances of the Church. Please watch for updates in the bulletin each week. For more information, please contact respectlife@mpboj.com.

Mass Intentions

The Parish is currently accepting Mass intention requests for the remainder of calendar year 2023, beginning **September 1st**. Each family may request three Masses during this period, but please be advised that there are No Sunday Masses available. Revised Mass Intention Request Forms are available at the Church entrances for your use. Please know that the parish will only contact you if there is a conflict for a particular date. If you do not receive a call, then your Mass request is scheduled for the date requested.

Thank You for supporting the Betsy Ann Fundraiser

We wish to thank those families who purchased Betsy Ann candy for our Easter fundraiser and earned \$2,310.77 for our parish. We also wish to thank Jim and Karen Paras for providing such delicious chocolates, candies and treats with a 50% profit - they have enabled us to "Have a sweet day," as they so often say.

Homeschool Graduation Mass

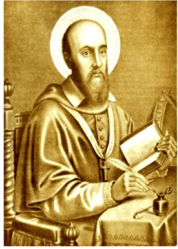
There will be a Catholic Homeschool High School Graduation Traditional Latin High Mass, diploma ceremony, and reception Saturday, July 8, 2023 starting at 11:00 am at Most Precious Blood of Jesus Parish. Families with 2023 high school graduates are invited to **register by Monday, May 1, 2023** to participate. Please email Jeannine at volunteer@mpboj.com or call 724-272-1851.

Introduction to the Devout Life

By St. Francis de Sales

Third Meditation - On the Gifts of God (Part I, Chap. 11)

The Preparation



1. Place yourself in the Presence of God.
2. Ask Him to inspire your heart.

Considerations

1. Consider the material gifts God has given you—your body, and the means for its preservation; your health, and all that maintains it; your friends and many helps. Consider too how many persons more deserving than you are without these gifts; some suffering in health or limb, others exposed to injury, contempt and trouble, or sunk in poverty, while God has willed you to be better off.
2. Consider the mental gifts He has given you. Why are you not stupid, idiotic, insane like many you wot of? Again, God has favoured you with a decent and suitable education, while many have grown up in utter ignorance.
3. Further, consider His spiritual gifts. You are a child of His Church, God has taught you to know Himself from your youth. How often has He given you His Sacraments? what inspirations and interior light, what reproofs, He has given to lead you aright; how often He has forgiven you, how often delivered you from occasions of falling; what opportunities He has granted for your soul's progress! Dwell somewhat on the detail, see how Loving and Gracious God has been to you.

Affections and Resolutions

1. Marvel at God's Goodness. How good He has been to me, how abundant in mercy and plenteous in loving-kindness! O my soul, be thou ever telling of the great things the Lord has done for thee!
2. Marvel at your own ingratitude. What am I, Lord, that Thou rememberest me? How unworthy am I! I have trodden Thy Mercies under root, I have abused Thy Grace, turning it against Thy very Self; I have set the depth of my ingratitude against the deep of Thy Grace and Favor.
3. Kindle your gratitude. O my soul, be no more so faithless and disloyal to thy mighty Benefactor! How should not my whole soul serve the Lord, Who has done such great things in me and for me?
4. Go on, my child, to refrain from this or that material indulgence; let your body be wholly the servant of God, Who has done so much for it: set your soul to seek Him by this or that devout practice suitable thereto. Make diligent use of the means provided by the Church to help you to love God and save your soul. Resolve to be constant in prayer and seeking the Sacraments, in hearing God's Word, and in obeying His inspirations and counsels.

Conclusion

1. Thank God for the clearer knowledge He has given you of His benefits and your own duty.
2. Offer your heart and all its resolutions to Him.
3. Ask Him to strengthen you to fulfill them faithfully by the Merits of the Death of His Son. OUR FATHER, etc. Gather the little spiritual bouquet.

GOSPA MISSIONS RETREAT

Join us, August 19, 2023, in reviving our Faith with the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass, opportunity for confession, Rosary, & dynamic speakers! Morning refreshments & lunch will be provided. There will be religious items & books for purchase from the Gospa Missions ministry, Amazing Grace Books & Gifts. Location: Highfield Community Center, 229 Highfield Rd, Butler, PA 16001

Scheduled speakers: **His Excellency William Waltersheid**, Auxiliary Bishop of the Diocese of Pittsburgh & Vicar for Evangelization; **Rev. Canon Matthew Tal-arico**, a native of Pittsburgh & US Provincial Superior for the Institute of Christ the King Sovereign Priest; **Dr. Ray Guarendi**, clinical psychologist, author, & host of the radio show "The Doctor Is In" & the TV show "Living Right with Dr. Ray" on EWTN; and **Chris Reynolds**, a revert to the Catholic Faith & President of Gospa Missions & Abode for Children. Register Online at www.gospa.org or call (724) 538-3171.

Memorial Day Picnic Reminder

This year's Memorial Day Picnic will be at South Park Fairgrounds on Pentecost, Sunday, May 28. Many volunteers will be needed to help coordinate the event, set up, run activities, and clean up. If you are able to help, please notify Tom Smith at tomsmithpittsburgh@gmail.com.

Rosary Rally of Reparation

Please gather on Saturday, **April 22nd** at Noon, for a Rosary Rally of Reparation against impure books in schools and libraries. We will pray that God will preserve the innocence of children and to protect them from the harm of immorality and perversion. Please meet in the upper parking lot of Most Precious Blood of Jesus Church.

Little Sisters of the Poor

The Little Sisters of the Poor and their volunteers will be with us after each mass on **April 30th** to collect for their mission. Your contributions enable them to continue caring for the elderly poor at their Home in Brighton Heights. Donations may also be made online at www.littlesistersofthepoor.org. If you or anyone you know is looking for a new job opportunity, the Little Sisters of the Poor have several CNA and RN positions open.

Thank You from the Canons

Canon Avis and Canon Bourgeois thank you for your gracious Easter gifts. Be assured of their continued prayers during this most sacred season. *Gratiās vōbīs agimus!*



To All Our Guests...

The Canons and Faithful of Most Precious Blood of Jesus Parish welcome you and hope that your time in “The ‘Burgh” may be an opportunity to share in the tradition of the Roman Catholic Faith. Please enjoy the beauty of this Personal Parish, established by Bishop David Zubik on July 1, 2019 on the *Feast of The Most Precious Blood of Jesus*.

According to liturgical tradition and the Traditional Latin Mass of the Roman Rite, Holy Communion is received kneeling and on the tongue. All visitors who are not of the Catholic Faith are welcome to join us in prayer but are requested not to receive Holy Communion. Because reception of Holy Communion is the sign of Divine and Ecclesial unity, only practicing Catholics who are free of mortal sin, and have observed the Eucharistic Fast, should present themselves for Holy Communion. For those who need a low gluten Host, let an usher know as you approach the Communion rail toward the end of Communion.

To receive more information about the parish or if you desire to become a member of the Catholic Church, contact the Priory 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.

Any and all contributions to the parish are warmly appreciated and tax deductible.

PARISHIONER MATERIALS/REQUESTS—At the 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 your own materials without permission from Canon Avis. Parish events are also publicized on the bulletin boards in the side entrance and in the narthex. 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 temporalaffairs@mpboj.com for approval.

BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS—Requests for proposed **bulletin announcements** must be submitted in writing to the Parish office ten days in advance of publication.

MASS INTENTIONS—*The Parish Mass Intention Registry* is currently **OPEN**. Mass intentions are accepted during specific periods throughout the calendar year, with each period announced in the bulletin, in advance of the request period. Instructions and forms are made available at that time.

PARISH NEWS—The parish uses **Flocknote** to circulate news and information. If you’d like to sign up, please text MPBOJ to 84576 from your cell phone and follow the instructions.

Sacramental Information

Infant Baptism:

Baptism should be administered within two weeks of birth. Please call the office prior to the baby’s birth to make arrangements.

Holy Matrimony:

Couples planning to marry at the parish must call the office to schedule proper instruction at least six months in advance.

Catholic Faith Formation and Spiritual needs:

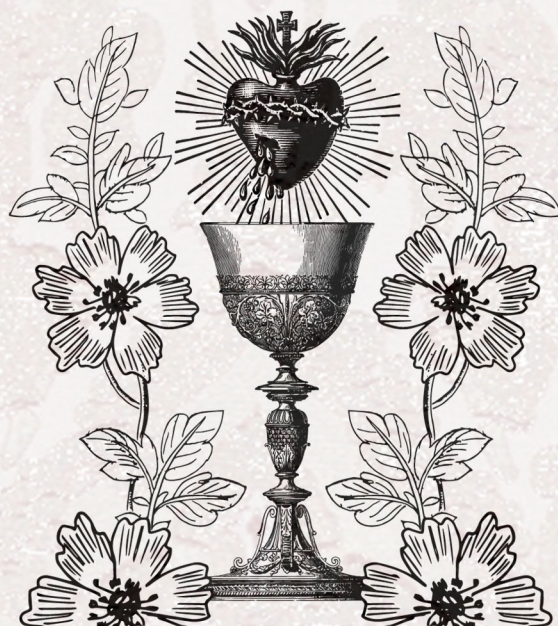
For those seeking *Catechism*, preparing for *1st Holy Communion*, *Confirmation*, needs of the sick or funeral information, please call the parish office.

Anointing of the Sick:

If you need the assistance of a priest for the dying, please contact the office at 412-761-1508. If after hours, please call and listen to the prompts and select option #1.

Certificates:

Certificates for Sacraments administered prior to July 1, 2019 are maintained by the Diocese of Pittsburgh Archives. You may reach the Diocese Archive office at 412-456-3158, or archives@diopitt.org.



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