



# MOST PRECIOUS BLOOD of JESUS PARISH

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

**Trinity  
Sunday  
June 4, 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

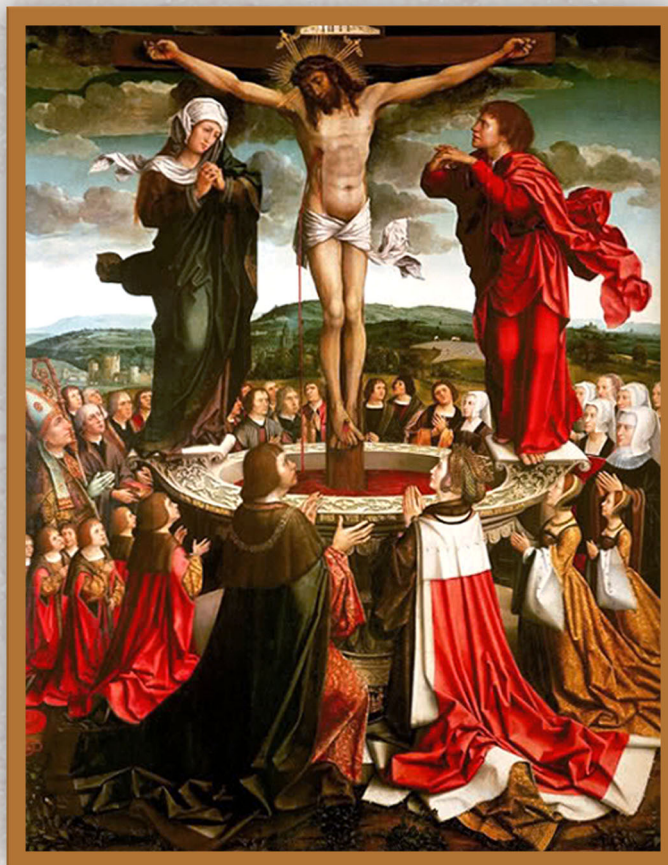
## **Confession Schedule**

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, June 4, 2023

#### Trinity Sunday, 1st Class—White

8AM LM *Pro populo*  
 11AM HM Helen Kish-21st Birthday (Kish Family)  
 Processional: *O God, Almighty Father* pg. 79  
 Kyriale: *Mass IV, Credo III*  
 Recessional: *Holy God We Praise Thy Name* pg. 68

### Monday, June 5, 2023

#### St. Boniface, 3rd Class—Red

12 PM LM + Leonard & Kathryn Szafraniec  
 (Connie & Andy Szafraniec)

### Tuesday, June 6, 2023

#### St. Norbert, 3rd Class—White

12PM LM Gail Campbell (Priscillo Fello)  
 7PM LM + Jack & Anna Marie Killian  
 (David & Rebecca Killian)

### Wednesday, June 7, 2023

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

12PM LM Living & Deceased Members of the Choir  
 (Melinda Check)

### Thursday, June 8, 2023

#### Corpus Christi, 1st Class—White

12PM LM + Stanley & Helen Gorski (Louis & June Gorski)  
 8PM Holy Hour of Adoration  
 9PM Compline

### Friday, June 9, 2023

#### Ss. Primus & Felician, 4th Class—Red

12PM LM Phil & Abby Kreckle (McLeod Family)

### Saturday, June 10, 2023

#### St. Margaret of Scotland, 3rd Class—White

9AM LM + Margaret C. McCloskey  
 (William & Celeste McCloskey)

### Sunday, June 11, 2023

#### External Solemnity of Corpus Christi, 2nd Class—White

8AM LM Living & Deceased Members of John & Michelle (John & Michelle Grese)  
 11AM HM *Pro populo*  
 Processional: *Jesus My Lord, My God, My All* pg. 74  
 Kyriale: *Mass IV, Credo III*  
 Recessional: *Hail True Victim*  
 LM = Low Mass; HM = High/Solemn Mass

## Our Weekly Offerings

Sunday, May 28, 2023

Offertory .....	\$9,000.00
Parish Appeal.....	\$1,220.00
Mother's Day Remembrance .....	\$10.00
Catholic Relief Services.....	\$20.00
Memorial Day Offering .....	\$623.00

Sunday Mass Attendance: 8AM 532; 11AM 398; Total 930

### 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.

### Parish Group News

CONFRATERNITY OF CHRISTIAN MOTHERS usually meets every First Saturday of the month, beginning with the 9 am Mass.

The next meeting is Saturday, June 10, 2023 and the topic will be *Cultivating Christian Charity*. All adult women are welcome. Please contact [christianmothers@mpboj.com](mailto: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. Please contact [sursumcorda@mpboj.com](mailto:sursumcorda@mpboj.com) with any questions.

RESPECT LIFE GROUP (RLG) The Gospel of Life is at the heart of the newly formed Respect Life Group! Every human person is created out of love by God and made in His Image and Likeness. RLG provides support to build and promote a culture of life! We offer three working sub-committees: *Legislation, Education, Advocacy*. The next quarterly meeting with the entire group will be on June 24<sup>th</sup> after the 9AM Mass (the anniversary of the reversal of Roe v Wade). All are welcome to attend. Please contact Brenda Briola at [respectlife@mpboj.com](mailto:respectlife@mpboj.com) or 724-650-5767 with questions.

### Parish Landscaping

With warm weather arriving and new plantings striving to take root, we are in need of volunteers to with watering. If you are able to offer time during the week, or weekend, please contact us at your earliest convenience. Our parish landscape team, led by Julie Roytas, meets weekly on Thursday mornings at the Church from 8am to Noon. Please email Julie at [julier.lom@hotmail.com](mailto:julier.lom@hotmail.com) for information about joining the MPBOJ Landscape Team or to let her know your availability. Julie can also be reached on cell at 412-818-1393.

### Visit by the Prior General



Sunday, June 11th, Most Precious Blood of Jesus Parish will have the joy of a visit by Msgr. Gilles Wach, Founder and Prior General of the Institute of Christ the King Sovereign Priest. A Solemn Mass will be offered by Monsignor at 11am followed by a reception in the school gym. Please make plans to attend this wonderful opportunity to meet Msgr. Gilles Wach.

### Sisters Adorers—Special Collection

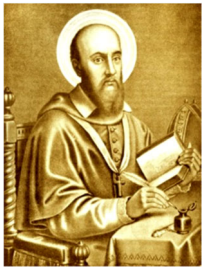
Both Masses on June 18<sup>th</sup> will offer a second collection for The Sisters Adorers of the Royal Heart of Jesus Christ Sovereign Priest. The Sisters Adorers have the particular vocation to pray for the sanctification of priests, especially those of the Institute, and to support them in their apostolates. During their years of novitiate, the postulants and novices are formed in the religious life and seek to unite themselves ever more closely to the Divine Master, especially in daily Eucharistic adoration. Please be as generous as you can and be sure to make all checks payable to *Institute of Christ the King*. For more information on The Sisters Adorers, please visit their website at <https://adoratrices.icrss.org/en/>.



## Introduction to the Devout Life

By St. Francis de Sales

### Tenth Meditation - On How the Soul Chooses the Devout Life (Part I, Chap. 18)



#### The Preparation

1. Place yourself in the Presence of God.
2. Humble yourself before Him, and ask His aid.

#### Considerations

1. Once more imagine yourself in an open plain, alone with your guardian Angel, and represent to yourself on the left hand the Devil sitting on a high and mighty throne, surrounded by a vast troop of worldly men, who bow bareheaded before him, doing homage to him by the various sins they commit. Study the countenances of the miserable courtiers of that most abominable king:—some raging with fury, envy and passion, some murderous in their hatred;—others pale and haggard in their craving after wealth, or madly pursuing every vain and profitless pleasure;—others sunk and lost in vile, impure affections. See how all alike are hateful, restless, wild: see how they despise one another, and only pretend to an unreal self-seeking love. Such is the miserable reign of the abhorred Tyrant.

2. On the other hand, behold Jesus Christ Crucified, calling these unhappy wretches to come to Him, and interceding for them with all the Love of His Precious Heart. Behold the company of devout souls and their guardian Angels, contemplate the beauty of this religious Kingdom. What lovelier than the troop of virgin souls, men and women, pure as lilies:—widows in their holy desolation and humility; husbands and wives living in all tender love and mutual cherishing. See how such pious souls know how to combine their exterior and interior duties;—to love the earthly spouse without diminishing their devotion to the Heavenly Bridegroom. Look around—one and all you will see them with loving, holy, gentle countenances listening to the Voice of their Lord, all seeking to enthrone Him more and more within their hearts.

They rejoice, but it is with a peaceful, loving, sober joy; they love, but their love is altogether holy and pure. Such among these devout ones as have sorrows to bear, are not disheartened thereby, and do not grieve overmuch, for their Savior's Eye is upon them to comfort them, and they all seek Him only.

3. Surely you have altogether renounced Satan with his weary miserable troop, by the good resolutions you have made;—but nevertheless you have not yet wholly attained to the King Jesus, or altogether joined His blessed company of devout ones:—you have hovered between the two.

4. The Blessed Virgin, Saint Joseph, Saint Louis, Saint Monica, and hundreds of thousands more who were once like you, living in the world, call upon you and encourage you.

5. The Crucified King Himself calls you by your own name: "Come, O my beloved, come, and let Me crown thee!"

#### The Choice

1. O world, O vile company, never will I enlist beneath thy banner; for ever I have forsaken thy flatteries and deceptions. O proud king, monarch of evil, infernal spirit, I renounce thee and all thy hollow pomp, I detest thee and all

thy works.

2. And turning to Thee, O Sweet Jesus, King of blessedness and of eternal glory, I cleave to Thee with all the powers of my soul, I adore Thee with all my heart, I choose Thee now and ever for my King, and with inviolable fidelity I would offer my irrevocable service, and submit myself to Thy holy laws and ordinances.

3. O Blessed Virgin Mother of God, you shall be my example, I will follow you with all reverence and respect.

O my good Angel, bring me to this heavenly company, leave me not until I have reached them, with whom I will sing for ever, in testimony of my choice, "Glory be to Jesus, my Lord!"

### Princess of Pibrac



Saint Genesis of Rome Theater Group presents *Princess of Pibrac*, the Tale of Saint Germaine Cousin. Encounter the humble shepherdess who, ugly and crippled from birth, abused by her stepmother, and neglected and snubbed by her village, climbs to the heights of sanctity by the way of Divine Love! Stage Performances will be held at **Saint Paul Seminary in the Bishop McDowell Auditorium**, 2900 Noblestown Road, Pittsburgh, PA 15205 on **Friday, June 16<sup>th</sup>, 2023 at 7:00pm** and **Saturday, June**

**17<sup>th</sup>, 2023 at both 2:00pm and 7:00pm.** (\$5.00 suggested donation per person. Clergy, Religious, and Seminarians are free.) For more information, please call 724-933-7837, 412-302-8374, or visit [www.sgrtheatergroup.com](http://www.sgrtheatergroup.com)

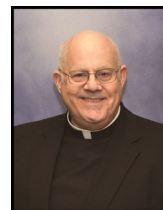
### Summer Donuts & Coffee Return

Thanks to a gracious volunteer, Mr. Mark Graham, Summer Donuts & Coffee has returned after the Sunday 8:00 AM Low Mass in the school, Room 101. This program will be offered every Sunday with the exception of Father's Day and run through August 27th. This is a terrific opportunity to meet and visit with fellow parishioners, many of whom travel a significant distance to attend the Traditional Mass. Please consider stopping in to visit!

### Kengor on Communism

Our parish welcomes Dr. Paul Kengor, professor of political science at Grove City College. Dr. Kengor will speak at MPBOJ on Monday, June 12th, at 7 p.m., in the school gym. Dr. Kengor is a well-respected author and staunch Catholic, as well as a recognized authority on Ronald Reagan, the Cold War, communism, socialism, and conservatism. He will be speaking on the dangers and errors of communism in society. All are welcome to attend.

### Fr. James W. Dolan - Requiescat in Pace



Most Precious Blood of Jesus Parish will offer a Solemn Requiem Mass for Father James Dolan on Saturday, June 17, 2023. Watch the website for updates. A gallery of photos in tribute to Fr. Dolan may be found here: <https://www.institute-christ-king.org/pittsburgh-gallery/1473-frdolan>



## 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](mailto: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 **CLOSED**. 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:

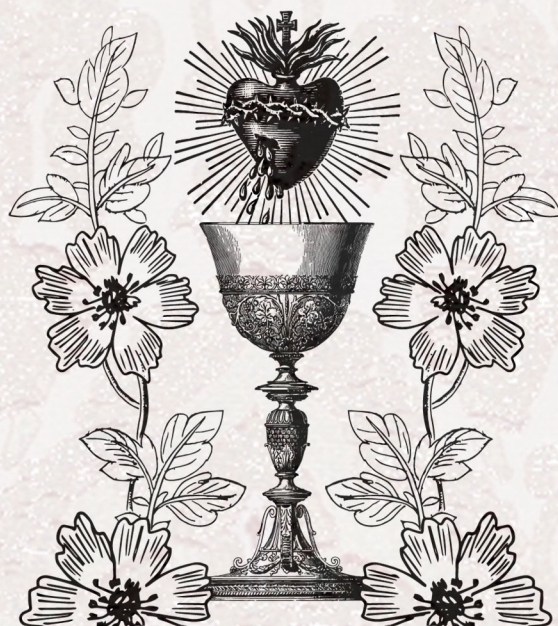
For those seeking *Catechism*, preparing for *1st Holy Communion*, *Confirmation*, needs of the sick or funeral information, please call the parish office.

#### 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](mailto:archives@diopitt.org).



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