



MOST PRECIOUS BLOOD of JESUS PARISH

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

**17th Sunday After
Pentecost**
September 24, 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

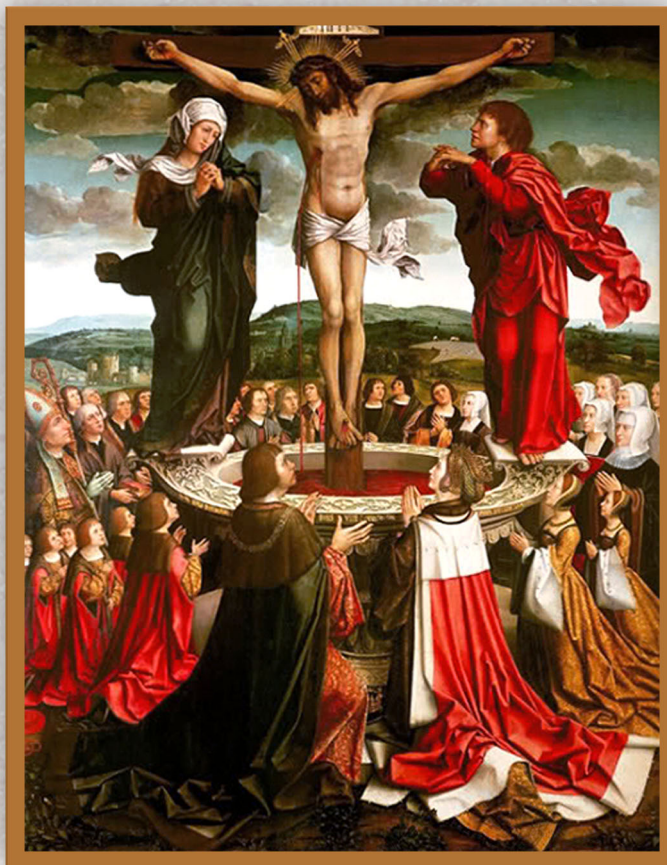
Confession Schedule

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, September 24, 2023

17th Sunday after Pentecost, 2nd Class—Green

8AM LMO *Pro populo*

11AM HM + Paul William Warnagiris
(M/M Christopher Warnagiris)

Processional: *At the Name of Jesus* pg. 54

Recessional: *Praise My Soul the King of Heaven* pg. 84

Monday, September 25, 2023

Votive Mass of the Holy Trinity, 4th Class—White

12 PM LM + Francis Goelz (Jeannine Goelz)

Tuesday, September 26, 2023

St. Cyprian & Justina, 4th Class—Red

12PM LM + Brian Luteran (Lori Cunningham)

7PM LM Edward & Helen Zaroni-Wedding Anniversary
(The Robert Kish Family)

Wednesday, September 27, 2023

Ss. Cosmas & Damian, 3rd Class—Red

12PM LM Ed & Dorothy Kenna, Children &
Grandchildren (Ginny Kenna)

Thursday, September 28, 2023

St. Wenceslaus, 3rd Class—Red

12PM LM Spiritual & Temporal Welfare of Maria E. Shemer
(Jeannine Goelz)

8PM Holy Hour of Adoration

9PM Compline

Friday, September 29, 2023 *Vocations Novena begins.*

St. Michael the Archangel, 1st Class—White

12PM LMO + Joseph & Mary Wilson
(Joseph & Sandra Wilson)

Saturday, September 30, 2023

St. Jerome, 3rd Class—White

9AM LM + Rosella & Eugene Brown
(Lou & Judy Talarico)

Sunday, October 1, 2023

18th Sunday after Pentecost, 2nd Class—Green

8AM LMO + Joseph & Mary Wilson
(Joseph & Sandra Wilson)

11AM HM *Pro populo*

Processional: *Faith of Our Fathers* pg. 59

Recessional: *Holy God We Praise Thy Name* pg. 68

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

Our Weekly Offerings

Sunday, Sept 17, 2023

Offertory \$12,524.00

Parish Appeal..... \$718.00

Bishop's Education Fund..... \$5.00

Faith Direct Report (August 16-31, 2023)

Offertory \$12,659.05

Parish Appeal..... \$415.00

Parish Improvement..... \$604.00

Food Pantry..... \$350.00

Bishop's Education Fund..... \$60.00

Mission Coop..... \$30.00

Sunday Mass Attendance: 8AM 613; 11AM 286 Total 899

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 9AM Mass. The next meeting is set for **October 7th** and the topic will be *Spiritual Motherhood*. 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. 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 Jose Piñero at sursumcorda@mpboj.com or 863.450.5143.

RESPECT LIFE GROUP (RLG) The Gospel of Life is at the heart of this new group. RLG promotes a culture of life through three working subcommittees of Legislation, Education, Advocacy. RLG's current newsletter may be found at both entrances of the church. **Our next quarterly meeting** will be Thursday, **Sept 28** at 6:30pm in the school, Rm 101; All are welcome to attend these meetings NO RSVP needed. **Refreshments will be provided.** Please contact Brenda Briola at 724-650-5767 or respectlife@mpboj.com for more information.

Parish Landscaping

Many thanks to the parish landscape volunteers! After a long season of planting, pruning and caring for the parish grounds, Julie and her team of volunteers plan to take a well-deserved rest.

Volunteers Needed

Little Sisters of the Poor are in need of volunteers to visit residents, especially those who have no family. Schedules are very flexible. For those who would like to get involved with this ministry of visiting the elderly, please contact Ray Haskins at 412-400-0521 or ray_haskins@hotmail.com.

Celebrate Life Luncheon

PCUC (People Concerned for the Unborn Child) *Celebrate Life Luncheon* is scheduled for **Sunday, Oct 15th** at the Lemont. Social Hour and Auction Preview at Noon—Lunch at 1pm. For more information visit <https://www.pcuc.org/celebrate-life-luncheon-2/> or contact Claudia Berthold at 724-799-5904.

Aquinas Academy Open House

Parents and students are invited to the Aquinas Academy of Pittsburgh's Pre-K - Grade 12 Admissions Open House on Saturday, **October 14th**, from 11:00am to 1:00pm. Come and see how an Aquinas Academy education can help form your child in faith and virtue and help him or her succeed in school and beyond. Visiting families will be given a student-led tour of the campus, a presentation by Leslie Mitros, Head of School, and opportunities to meet teachers, coaches, parents, and other students. The tour will end in the cafeteria where families can enjoy a light reception. Register online at www.AquinasAcademy.info or contact Joe Austin, Director of Admissions, at (724) 444-0722 extension 15, austin@aquinasacademy-pittsburgh.org.

Bellevue Council Knights of Columbus

CORNHOLE TOURNAMENT—Sunday, Oct 15 from 1-6pm at Sacred Heart Church, 154 Orchard Ave, Emsworth, PA. Cost for 2-person team is \$50. Cash prizes for top 3 winners. Fun, food & drinks. To register, or for more information contact Tom Nypaver 412-310-1188 or tnypaver@hotmail.com.

Introduction to the Devout Life

By St. Francis de Sales

Morning Prayer (Book 2, Chapter 10)



Besides your systematic meditation and your other vocal prayers, there are five shorter kinds of prayer, which are as aids and assistants to the great devotion, and foremost among these is your morning prayer, as a general preparation for all the day's work. It should be made in this wise.

1. Thank God, and adore Him for His Grace which has kept you safely through the night, and if in anything you have offended against Him, ask forgiveness.

2. Call to mind that the day now beginning is given you in order that you may work for Eternity, and make a steadfast resolution to use this day for that end.

3. Consider beforehand what occupations, duties and occasions are likely this day to enable you to serve God; what temptations to offend Him, either by vanity, anger, etc., may arise; and make a fervent resolution to use all means of serving Him and confirming your own piety; as also to avoid and resist whatever might hinder your salvation and God's Glory. Nor is it enough to make such a resolution,—you must also prepare to carry it into effect. Thus, if you foresee having to meet some one who is hot-tempered and irritable, you must not merely resolve to guard your own temper, but you must consider by what gentle words to conciliate him. If you know you will see some sick person, consider how best to minister comfort to him, and so on.

4. Next, humble yourself before God, confessing that of yourself you could carry out nothing that you have planned, either in avoiding evil or seeking good. Then, so to say, take your heart in your hands, and offer it and all your good intentions to God's Gracious Majesty, entreating Him to accept them, and strengthen you in His Service, which you may do in some such words as these: "Lord, I lay before Thee my weak heart, which Thou dost fill with good desires. Thou knows that I am unable to bring the same to good effect, unless Thou dost bless and prosper them, and therefore, O Loving Father, I entreat of Thee to help me by the Merits and Passion of Thy Dear Son, to Whose Honor I would devote this day and my whole life."

All these acts should be made briefly and heartily, before you leave your room if possible, so that all the coming work of the day may be prospered with God's blessing; but anyhow, my child, I entreat you never to omit them.

Vocations Novena—Sept. 29—Oct. 7

Pray with the Institute nationwide from September 29 to October 7 to ask for holy priests, oblates, and seminarians who will be in the service of Christ the King! Scan the QR code below to sign up with Flocknote for daily reminders.



23,525 babies saved!
251 workers converted!
142 abortion centers closed!

From **Sept 27th – Nov 5th**, you're invited to join other Christians for 40 Days for Life – 40 days of prayer and fasting for an end to abortion. You're also invited to stand and peacefully pray during a 40-day vigil in the public right-of-way outside Planned Parenthood, 933 Liberty Ave, Pittsburgh, and to help spread the word about this important community outreach. If you'd like more information – and especially if you'd like to volunteer to help, please contact: Campaign Director Nikki Bruni at nbruni@40daysforlifepgh.com.

Kickoff Mass!

40 Days For Life Kick-off Mass at Divine Mercy Parish, Epiphany Church on Tuesday, **Sept 26th** at 6:30pm, followed by a candle-lit Eucharistic Procession to Planned Parenthood. Fr. Mario Majano from the Archdiocese of Washington DC will share his stunning pro-life testimony. Please join us as we bring the Light of Christ into the streets of Pittsburgh!

Parish Day of Prayer on the Sidewalk

Most Precious Blood of Jesus Parish has adopted **Sunday, Oct 8th** to provide the prayer witness at Planned Parenthood from 9am – 5pm. Please see sign-up sheets in both entrances to sign up, or call or text Nikki at 412-926-9413.

Aquinas Academy's Distinguished Speaker Series

Aquinas Academy's Distinguished Speaker Series Presents "The Talk and Beyond: Raising Children in a Confused Culture" by Michael Moynihan on the campus of Aquinas Academy of Pittsburgh on Tuesday, October 10th, from 7:00 - 8:30 p.m. It is not easy to raise children today. Parents worry about the confusing messages that children are picking up and wonder how they can help their children grow up with the freedom to live out their vocations, to make commitments that are in sync with God's plan for human love, marriage and family life. Parents want their children to be truly happy but see challenges and obstacles unlike what they faced when growing up. Come to hear Michael address this topic with wisdom, perspective and an optimistic spirit. How did we get here and what can we as parents do? Michael has a wealth of experience as the father of 11 children and an educator who has delved deeply into the intellectual roots of the cultural challenges we face. Come away with confidence that we parents, with God's help, are more than up for the challenge of raising children today. This talk is free and open to the public. A light reception will follow the talk. For more information and to register: www.AquinasAcademy.info.

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.

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.

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.



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General Safety & Indemnity

In an effort to make Most Precious Blood of Jesus Parish a welcoming, safe place for all parishioners and visitors alike, the parish follows a general Safety and Indemnity Policy. When visiting the parish, whether for Mass or any social events in or on parish property, parents accept full responsibility for their children’s safety, by maintaining prudent watch and supervision of their children at all times. When children are registered and involved in parish related activities where a parish program manager oversees the children (e.g., Children’s Choir; Catechism; altar server practice), at least one parent/guardian must remain on campus for the duration of the program and until the parent has regained custody at the conclusion of the parish activity/program.

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