

# MOST PRECIOUS BLOOD of JESUS PARISH

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

Christ the King October 29, 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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# Institute of Christ the King Sovereign Priest

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Liturgical Sched	<u>lule</u>

Sunday, October 29, 2023 Plenary Indulgence		
Christ the King, 1st Class—White Solemn Mass followed by Proces-		
8AM LMO Pro populo sion and Benediction of the Blessed		
11AM HM + Daniel K. Sacrament.		
McPherson (Farah Family)		
Processional: To Jesus Christ Our Sovereign King (pg. 89)		
Recessional: Praise My Soul the King of Heaven (pg. 84)		
Monday, October 30, 2023		
Feria (from 22nd Sunday after Pentecost), 4th Class—Green		
12 PM LM + Pio Maria Wischnowski		
(Wischnowski Family)		
Tuesday, October 31, 2023		
Vigil of All Saints, 4th Class—Violet		
12PM LM + Edward & Virginia Check (Melinda Check)		
7PM LM + John DiPaolo (Thomas, Lori, Sarah &		
Daniel Evans)		
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Wednesday, November 1, 2023 Holy Day of Obligation		
All Saints, 1st Class—White		
12PM LMO + Maria Rikk		
7PM HM Pro populo		
Thursday, November 2, 2023		
All Souls' Day, 1st Class—Black		
12PM LM + Lois & Frank Briola (Brenda & Ken Briola)		
7PM HM + Mario Giallorenzo (Ed & Fabiola Gergerich)		
Friday, November 3, 2023 First Friday		
Anniversary Requiem Mass, 3rd Class—Black		
12PM LM + Deceased of the Institute (ICRSS)		
7PM LM + Deceased of the Institute (ICRSS)		
Saturday, November 4, 2023 First Saturday		
Votive Mass of the Immaculate Heart, 3rd Class—White		
Commemoration of St. Charles Borromeo		
9AM LM +Richard & Mary Sibbet (Joseph & Sandra Wilson)		
Sunday, November 5, 2023		
23rd Sunday after Pentecost, 2nd Class—Green		
8AM LMO Hannah Allen– Birthday (Paul Allen)		
11AM <b>HM</b> Pro populo		
Processional: Help Lord the Souls		
Recessional: At the Name of Jesus		
LM = Low Mass; LMO = Low Mass with Organ;		
$\mathbf{H}\mathbf{M} = \text{Low Mass; Lind} = \text{Low Mass with Organ;}$ $\mathbf{H}\mathbf{M} = \text{High/Solemn Mass}$		

## **Our Weekly Offerings**

Sunday, October 22, 2023	
Offertory	\$10,676.75
Parish Appeal	\$20.00
Parish Improvement	
World Mission Sunday	\$1,220.00
General Donation	\$50.00
Faith Direct Report (October 1 – 15, 2023	)
Offertory	\$9,400.64
Parish Appeal	\$3,270.00
Parish Improvement	
World Mission Sunday	\$20.00
Sunday Mass Attendance: 8AM 557; 11A	M 366; Total 923

### **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:

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 **November 4th**. All adult women are welcome. Please contact <u>christianmothers@mpboj.com</u> 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 863.450.5143 or <u>sursumcorda@mpboj.com</u>.

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. Please contact Brenda Briola at 724-650-5767 or <u>respectlife@mpboj.com</u> for more information.

## **Respect Life Conference Nov. 18**

The Respect Life Group will be hosting a conference in the school gym on Saturday, Nov. 18 from 11 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Guest speakers are: Drs. José & Stacy Trasancos (COG for Life), Dr. Alan Keyes, and Theresa Farnan. Suggested donation for the event is: \$10 per person



or \$25 per family. See the flyer available at the church entrances for more information.

## Upcoming Dates of Note

Wed., Nov. 1: Feast of All Saints; Holyday of Obligation – Masses at noon and 7 p.m.

**Thu., Nov. 2: All Souls Day**; Masses at noon and 7 p.m. **Nov. 1 – 7:** Plenary Indulgences for the Poor Souls

## **Open Period for 2024 Mass Intentions**

The Parish Mass Intention Registry is now open for a threeweek period. Each family/parishioner may request one Sunday Mass and two weekday Masses for calendar year 2024, with preference for Sunday Masses given to those who were unable to obtain a Sunday Mass during 2023. To make a Mass intention request, please utilize the *Mass Intention Request Form* located at the church entrances. Please do not call or visit the Parish Office, since we need the actual form for tracking. The last date for submission of Mass intentions during this period is November 20<sup>th</sup>, so please complete and submit your forms soon.

## Second Collection Today for Seminary

The second collection today benefits the Institute of Christ the King's seminary in Gricigliano, Italy. This semi-annual appeal funds the formation costs for the seminarians. Envelopes for the collection are available at the Church entrances,



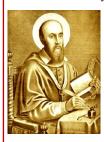
and any checks should be made payable to the "Institute of Christ the King". May God richly reward you for your kindness towards our future priests!

## **Coming Soon: Candy Fundraiser**

The annual fundraising sale of Christmas candy from Betsy Ann Chocolates will open for orders from November 12th to November 26th, with pickup at the parish on December 2nd and 3rd. Watch for ordering details in next week's bulletin. Note that all orders must be placed online this year.

## Introduction to the Devout Life By St. Francis de Sales Holy Mass, and How to Join in It (Book 2, Chapter 14)

1. So far I have said nothing concerning the Sun of all spiritual exercises, even the most holy, sacred and Sovereign Sacrifice and Sacrament of the Eucharist—the very center point of our Christian religion, the heart of all devotion, the soul of piety—that Ineffable Mystery which embraces the whole depth of Di-



vine Love, by which God, giving Himself really to us, conveys all His Graces and favors to men with royal magnificence.

2. Prayer made in union with this Divine Sacrifice has untold power; through which, indeed, the soul overflows with heavenly grace, and leaning on her Beloved, becomes so filled with spiritual sweetness and perfume, that we may ask in the words of the Canticles: "Who is this that cometh out of the wilderness like

pillars of smoke, perfumed with myrrh and frankincense, with all powders of the merchant?"

3. Strive then to your utmost to be present every day at this holy Celebration, in order that with the priest you may offer the Sacrifice of your Redeemer on behalf of yourself and the whole Church to God the Father. Saint Chrysostom says that the Angels crowd around it in adoration, and if we are found together with them, united in one intention, we cannot but be most favorably influenced by such society. Moreover, all the heavenly choirs of the Church triumphant, as well as those of the Church militant, are joined to our Dear Lord in this divine act, so that with Him, in Him, and by Him, they may win the favor of God the Father, and obtain His Mercy for us. How great the blessing to my soul to contribute its share towards the attainment of so gracious a gift!

4. If any imperative hindrance prevents your presence at this sovereign sacrifice of Christ's most true Presence, at least be sure to take part in it spiritually. If you cannot go to Church, choose some morning hour in which to unite your intention to that of the whole Christian world, and make the same interior acts of devotion wherever you are that you would make if you were really present at the Celebration of the Holy Eucharist in Church.

5. In order to join in this rightly, whether actually or mentally, you must give heed to several things: (1) In the beginning, and before the priest goes up to the Altar, make your preparation with his-placing yourself in God's Presence, confessing your unworthiness, and asking forgiveness. (2) Until the Gospel, dwell simply and generally upon the Coming and the Life of our Lord in this world. (3) From the Gospel to the end of the Creed, dwell upon our Dear Lord's teaching, and renew your resolution to live and die in the faith of the Holy Catholic Church. (4) From thence, fix your heart on the mysteries of the Word, and unite yourself to the Death and Passion of our Redeemer, now actually and essentially set forth in this holy Sacrifice, which, together with the priest and all the congregation, you offer to God the Father, to His Glory and your own salvation. (5) Up to the moment of communicating, offer all the longings and desires of your heart, above all desiring most earnestly to be united for ever to our Savior by His Eternal Love. (6) From the time of Communion to the end, thank His Gracious Majesty for His Incarnation, His Life, Death, Passion, and the Love which He sets forth in this holy Sacrifice, intreating through it His favor for yourself, your relations and friends, and the whole Church; and humbling yourself sincerely, devoutly receive the blessing which our Dear Lord gives you through the

channel of His minister.

If, however, you wish to follow your daily course of meditation on special mysteries during the Sacrifice, it is not necessary that you should interrupt yourself by making these several acts but it will suffice that at the beginning you dispose your intention to worship and to offer the holy Sacrifice in your meditation and prayer; since every meditation includes all the abovenamed acts either explicitly or implicitly.



**Closing Event Nov. 5 - Eucharistic Procession** To close our fall campaign, and to thank God for his protection and provision, and for all the lives saved from abortion during the fall 40 Days for Life campaign, prayers with the Blessed Sacrament will begin at 4:30 p.m. in front of Planned Parenthood, followed by a Eucharistic Procession to Epiphany Church. Mass will immediately follow, with his Excellency Bishop William Waltersheid presiding.

#### Feast of Christ the King

Today being the Feast of Christ the King, the patronal feast day of the Institute of Christ the King Sovereign Priest, a Plenary Indulgence is available to all of the faithful who assist at Mass at a church of the Institute.

#### Indulgences for the Poor Souls Nov. 1-7

On November 2nd, All Souls' Day, the Church Militant observes a day of prayer for the "Church Suffering", the souls in Purgatory, asking the Lord to grant them forgiveness of their sins in the healing purification of Purgatory and eternal rest in Heaven. A plenary indulgence, *applicable only to the Poor Souls*, is granted under the usual conditions to those who visit any parish or public oratory on All Souls' Day and there recite one Our Father and one Credo. In addition, on the days from November 1st through the 8th, a plenary indulgence can be obtained for the Poor Souls by visiting a cemetery and there praying for the deceased.

#### "The Usual Conditions" for Indulgences

For faithful Catholics to gain a plenary indulgence, they must perform the work to which a plenary indulgence is attached and fulfill the usual conditions, which are:

- to be in the state of grace
- have the interior disposition of complete detachment from sin, even venial sin
- have sacramentally confessed their sins
- have received Holy Communion
- pray for the intentions of the Holy Father

It is appropriate, but not necessary, that Confession, Holy Communion, and prayer for the Pope's intentions take place on the same day that the indulgenced work is performed; but it is sufficient that these be carried out within 20 days before or after the indulgenced act. Prayer for the Pope's intentions is left to the choice of the faithful, but an "Our Father" and a "Hail Mary" are suggested. One sacramental Confession suffices for several plenary indulgences, but a separate Holy Communion and a separate prayer for the Holy Father's intentions are required for each plenary indulgence.

## Parish Office Closed November 1st

The Administrative Office will be closed on Wednesday, Nov. 1st, in observance of All Saints' Day.

# 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 *businessmanager@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 **ten days in advance** of publication via email to *bulletin@mpboj.com* 

MASS INTENTIONS—*The Parish Mass Intention Registry* reopens on October 30, for a period of three weeks, to accept 2024 intentions. See inside this bulletin for details. Forms will be available at both church entrances

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, or check the parish website (*MPBOJ.com*) for more information.



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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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