

Most Precious Blood of Jesus Parish

*A Pennsylvania Charitable Trust and Roman Catholic Parish celebrating the Mass in the Extraordinary Form
Institute of Christ the King Sovereign Priest*

**3rd Sunday after Easter
May 3, A.D. 2020**

Special Epidemic Schedule

Mass Schedule

Due to the epidemic, these Masses are live-streamed only

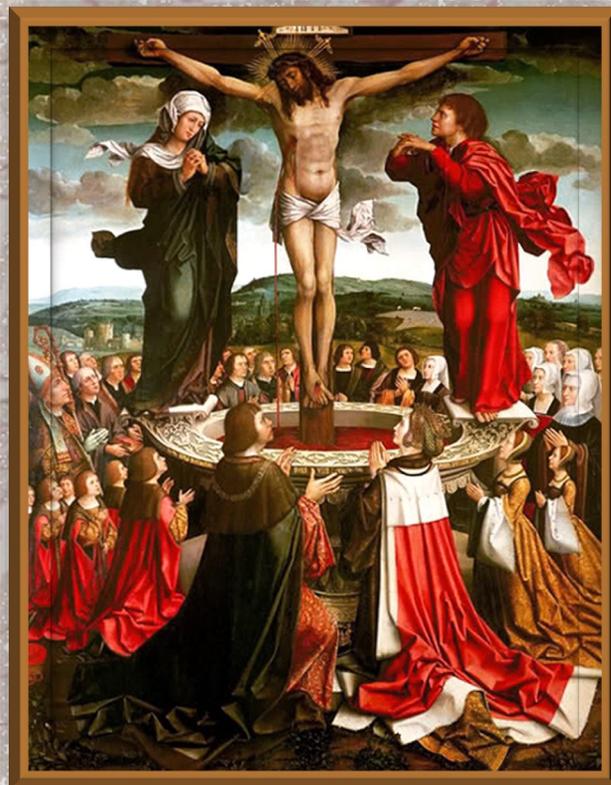
Sundays: 8am & 11am

Monday through Friday: 12 Noon

Saturday: 8am

*Please consult weekly bulletin for modifications to the schedule
(eg. Holy Days, Civil Holidays...).*

*For Baptisms, Marriages, Visitation of the sick, Funerals, or
Registration as a parishioner, please contact the Parish Office.*



Clergy & Staff

Canon William Avis, *Pastor*
Canon John O'Connor, *Parochial Vicar*
Gail Buchman, *Administrative Assistant*
Gerry Redic, *Business Manager*
John Rokosz, *Music Director*
Jeannine Goelz, *Office Coordinator*

Pennsylvania Childline (report suspected child abuse)
1-800-932-0313

Protection of Children and Youth (diocesan office)
1-888-808-1235

Contact Information

Parish Office Hours: Office closed.

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Institute of Christ the King Sovereign Priest

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Mass Intentions

Due to current events, these Masses will be live-streamed at the given times. Go to

<https://www.institute-christ-king.org/pittsburgh-home>

Sunday, May 3, 2020

3rd Sunday after Easter, 2nd Class—White

8AM *Pro Populo*

11AM + Joseph F. Juckovich (Kay F. Byrne)

Monday, May 4, 2020

St. Monica, 3rd Class—White

12noon Kevin O'Hara (Jason Spak)

Tuesday, May 5, 2020

St. Pius V, 3rd Class—White

12noon George E McCartney (Ryan McCartney)

Wednesday, May 6, 2020

St. John before the Latin Gate, 4th Class—Red

12noon + Robert Shovel (Family)

Thursday, May 7, 2020

St. Stanislaus, 3rd Class—Red

12noon Vaughn Shuster (Lynette Shuster)

Friday, May 8, 2020

Apparition of St. Michael, 4th Class—White

12noon Deceased of the D'Amico Family (Charles Hillberry)

Saturday, May 9, 2020

St. Gregory Nazianzen, 3rd Class—White

8AM + Eve Petrick (Maria Rikk)

Sunday, May 10, 2020

4th Sunday after Easter, 2nd Class—White

8AM + Joseph Wakelin (Mary Wakelin)

11AM *Pro Populo*

Our Weekly Offerings

Mail-In Offertory Collection (counted April 27th)

Offertory \$8,347.00

ICRSS 2nd Collection..... \$920.00

Parish Share 2020 \$330.00

Holy Land 2nd Collection..... \$270.00

Faith Direct (April 1-15, 2020)

Offertory \$4,590.00

Church Restoration \$385.00

Parish Share. \$130.00

Easter Flowers \$10.00

Holy Land 2nd Collection..... \$25.00

One time gifts. \$953.00

Easter Sunday \$710.00

Food Pantry..... \$25.00

Thank you to all who have mailed their envelopes to the parish office, or who have found another way to make continued contributions for our parish expenses, either by placing envelopes through the Priory's mail slot, or utilizing Faith Direct. The parish continues to pay its bills, and, if you are able, you may make up contributions once everything returns to normal. Your generosity is most appreciated during this difficult time and may God bless you for your sacrifice.

Faith Direct

You can register for donations to be made directly from your bank account or charged to your personal credit card by visiting www.faithdirect.net or by calling **866-507-8757**. The parish code for Most Precious Blood of Jesus parish is **PA678**.

Food Assistance

Our parishioners have been very generous with donations towards the Food Pantry since we became a parish last July, and we typically use donations to purchase gift cards for the food bank operated by Christ Our Savior at St. Cyril's Church. This was the practice in place while we were still attached to Holy Wisdom Parish. Since Christ Our Savior is not opened during the pandemic, our parish has decided to keep a limited number of gift cards in the administrative office for use to purchase groceries. If you need some financial assistance getting groceries at this point in time, or you are unable to leave your home due to the 'stay at home' directives for elderly/immune deficient people, please contact our office (412-761-1508) and we will attempt to provide help.

Live Streaming options

Assisting at Holy Mass and other liturgical functions through Live Streaming does not replace the physical presence in the Sacred Liturgy, it does permit us to unite ourselves with the Mass being celebrated somewhere in the world. Here below are some possibilities:

<https://www.institute-christ-king.org/pittsburgh-home>

<https://www.institute-christ-king.org/videostream>

<https://www.institute-christ-king.org/stlouis-home>

ICRSS Seminary Collection

You may have noticed that there is a second collection envelope for Sunday, April 26, benefiting the Institute of Christ the King Sovereign Priest seminary in Gricigliano, Italy. Our parish collects for the seminary twice each year, on the last Sunday of October (Christ the King), and the second Sunday after Easter (Good Shepherd Sunday). Given the current pandemic situation, and the effect it has had on the seminary, please consider sending your donation to the Parish Office (3250 California Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA 15212) or holding the envelope until we are once again permitted to attend Mass in church. All funds directly benefit the seminary, so thank you for your generosity to our seminarians.

Easter Candy Fundraiser

Thank you to all who purchased candy from Betsy Ann in support of our Easter Candy Fundraiser. Our parish realized a profit of \$1074.17, which is amazing during these most unusual circumstances. We are most grateful for your continued support and enthusiasm to help our new parish.

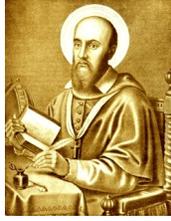
Votive Candles

The church may be locked, but our prayers and intentions can still burn brightly in honor of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, Our Lady, St. Joseph, and/or the Cross of Golgotha!

While the church is closed, votive candles can still be lit. All you need to do is send a request to the parish office and indicate at which statue and for whom you would like to have a candle lit. Our Office Coordinator will be happy to brighten the church by lighting a candle for your intentions. A donation per a candle is \$3.

Wisdom of St. Francis de Sales

Be patient, not only as regards severe afflictions that come your way, but also regarding accidental circumstances that cause annoyance. For example, we must be patient in sickness, but we must also accept its attending circumstances of place and time and its accompanying difficulties. The same must be said about other tribulations.



Prayers after the Rosary

During this month of May, dedicated to Our Lady, let us offer daily a rosary for the intentions of Holy Mother Church. Please add the following prayers to that rosary, equally for the intentions of the Church.

PRAYER TO SAINT JOSEPH

Composed by Pope Leo XIII, he instructed it be recited at the end of the Rosary during the October Devotions. However it can be recited at any time.

TO thee, O blessed Joseph, do we come in our tribulation, and having implored the help of thy most holy Spouse, we confidently invoke thy patronage also. Through that charity which bound thee to the immaculate Virgin Mother of God and through the paternal love with which thou embraced the Child Jesus, we humbly beg thee to graciously regard the inheritance which Jesus Christ has purchased by His Blood, and with thy power and strength to aid us in our necessities.

O most watchful Guardian of the Holy Family, defend the chosen children of Jesus Christ; O most loving father, ward off from us every contagion of error and corrupting influence; O our most mighty protector, be propitious to us and from heaven assist us in our struggle with the power of darkness; and, as once thou rescued the Child Jesus from deadly peril, so now protect God's Holy Church from the snares of the enemy and from all adversity; shield, too, each one of us by thy constant protection, so that, supported by thine example and thine aid, we may be able to live piously, to die holy, and to obtain eternal happiness in heaven. Amen.

PRAYER TO SAINT MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL

After a vision of the future diabolical attacks against the Church, Pope Leo XIII composed in 1888 two prayers to Saint Michael. We are familiar with the shorter prayer which is recited after Holy Mass, but here follows the longer version.

O GLORIOUS Prince of the heavenly host, Saint Michael the Archangel, defend us in the battle and fearful warfare that we are waging against the principalities and powers, against the rulers of this world of darkness, against the evil spirits. Come thou to the assistance of men, whom Almighty God created immortal, making them in His own image and likeness and redeeming them at a great price from the tyranny of Satan. Fight this day the battle of the Lord with thy legions of holy Angels, even as of old thou

didst fight against Lucifer, the leader of the proud spirits and all his rebel angels, who were powerless to stand against thee, neither was their place found any more in heaven. And that great dragon was cast forth, the ancient serpent, who is called the devil and satan, who seduces the whole world; and he was cast forth upon Earth, and his angels were sent with him.

But behold! the ancient enemy of mankind and a murderer from the beginning has been fiercely aroused. Changing himself into an angel of light, he goes about with the whole multitude of the wicked spirits to invade the earth and blot out the Name of God and of His Christ, to plunder, to slay, and to consign to eternal damnation the souls that have been destined for a crown of everlasting life. This wicked serpent, like an unclean torrent, pours into men of depraved minds and corrupt hearts the poison of his malice, the spirit of lying, impiety and blasphemy, and the deadly breath of impurity and every form of vice and iniquity.

Be favorable to Thy Church, the Bride of the Lamb without spot, whose enemies have filled to overflowing with gall and inebriated with wormwood. They have laid profane hands upon Her most sacred treasures. Where the See of the most blessed Peter and the Chair of Truth has been constituted as a light to the nations, there they have placed a throne of their abomination and impiety; so that with the Pastor struck, they may prevail to disperse the flock.

Therefore, most invincible Leader, be with the people of God against this spiritual wickedness and bring about victory. Thou art venerated by Holy Church as Her guard and patron; Thou art glorified as our defender against the impious powers of earth and of hell. Unto thee the Lord hath handed over the souls of the redeemed to be placed in happiness above.

Entreat the God of peace, to obliterate satan beneath our feet, lest he prevail further to hold men captive, and to injure the Church. Offer our prayers in the sight of the Most High, so that the mercy of the Lord may swiftly overtake us, and apprehend the dragon, the ancient serpent, who is the devil and satan, and send him bound into the abyss, so that he may seduce the nations no more.

V. Behold the Cross of the Lord; be scattered hostile powers.

R. The Lion of the tribe of Juda has conquered, the root of David.

V. Let Thy mercies be upon us, O Lord.

R. As we have hoped in Thee.

V. O Lord, hear my prayer.

R. And let my cry come unto Thee.

Let us pray.

O God, and Father of Our Lord Jesus Christ, we invoke Thy Holy Name, and we humbly implore Thy clemency so that, through the intercession of Mary, the Immaculate ever-Virgin Mother of God, of blessed Michael the Archangel, of blessed Joseph, the Spouse of the same blessed Virgin, of the blessed Apostles Peter and Paul, and of all the Saints, Thou may deign to offer us aid against satan, and all the other unclean spirits, who wander through the world to injure the human race and to destroy souls. We ask this through Christ Our Lord. Amen.

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