

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*

**First Sunday of Lent
February 21, A.D. 2021**

Temporary Mass Schedule

Mass Schedule

Sundays: 7:30am, 9:30am, 11:30am

Monday: 12 Noon

Tuesday: 12 Noon & 7pm

Wednesday through Friday: 12 Noon

1st Friday of Month: 12 Noon & 7pm

Saturday: 9am

Live-streamed Mass on Sundays at 4pm

Confession Schedule

On Sundays, confessions are heard in the school, first floor

Sundays: 7-7:25am, 8:40-9:20am, 10:40-11:20am

Monday - Saturday, confessions are heard in the cry room in the church

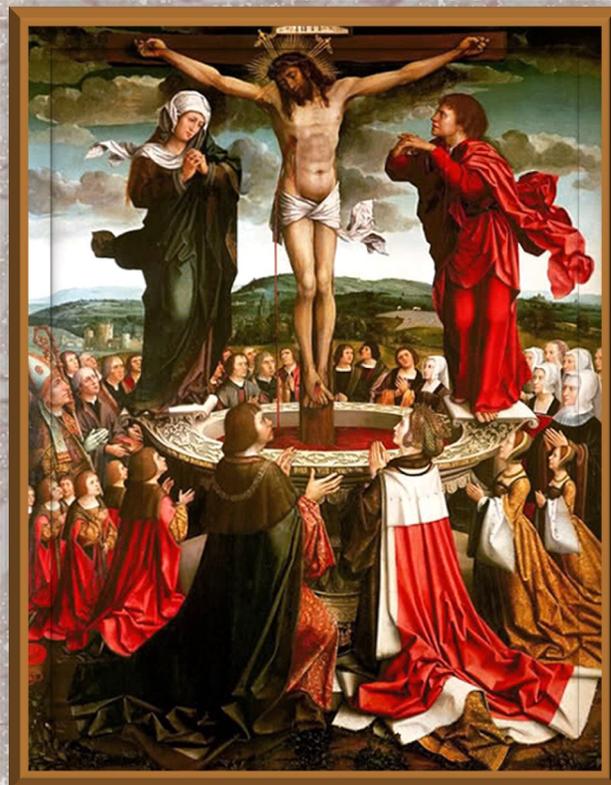
Monday-Friday: 11:15-11:45am

Tuesdays: also 6:15-6:45pm

Saturday: 8-8:30am

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: Monday– Friday: 9am-2pm

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Pittsburgh, PA 15212

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Institute of Christ the King Sovereign Priest

Veritatem Facientes In Caritate—Furthering the Truth in Charity

Mass Intentions

Sunday, February 21, 2021

1st Sunday of Lent, 1st Class—Violet

7:30AM Charles Lowel Wiley (Rita L. Peto)
9:30AM + Karen Lynne Werner
(Steve, Patsy, Ronan & Maryrita Swope)
11:30AM *Pro Populo*
4PM* *Private Intention*

Monday, February 22, 2021

Chair of St. Peter at Antioch, 2nd Class—White

Commemoration of St. Paul & Lenten Feria
12PM Christopher Aul (Jack & Mary Lou Aul & Family)

Tuesday, February 23, 2021

Lenten Feria, 3rd Class—Violet

Commemoration of St. Peter Damian
12PM Christopher Evans (Sobocinski Family)
7PM Jacob Van Beek (Heidi Van Beek)

Wednesday, February 24, 2021

St. Matthias the Apostle, 2nd Class—Red

Commemoration of the Ember Wednesday
12PM Cecilia Evans (Sobocinski Family)

Thursday, February 25, 2021

Lenten Feria, 3rd Class—Violet

12PM + Fr. John David Crowley (Sue Sherwin)

Friday, February 26, 2021

Ember Friday, 2nd Class—Violet *Abstinence*

12PM + George Yuhas (Maria Rikk)
7PM Harry M. Paras Family (Paras Family)

Saturday, February 27, 2021

Ember Saturday, 2nd Class—Violet

9AM William Redic (Goelz Family)

Sunday, February 28, 2021

2nd Sunday of Lent, 1st Class—Violet

7:30AM Fr. Anthony J. Carbone (Dr. & Mrs. Ralph A. Capone)
9:30AM + Seth Misak (David Witter)
11:30AM + Martin Albert Michael Walz (Laurie Walz)
4PM* *Private Intention*

* Live stream only

N.B. Please check the parish website for updates concerning in-person and live-stream Masses.

Our Weekly Offerings

Sunday, February 14, 2021

Offertory	\$7,324.00
Parish Share 2020	\$1,220.00
ICRSS Province	\$130.00
Building Fund	\$10.00
Food Pantry	\$10.00

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 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.

Bulletin Publication Deadline

All announcements for publication in the parish bulletin must be received in printed form by Monday at Noon.

Pray the Rosary Daily!

Notices

* The church uses Flocknote to keep parishioners aware of parish news. If you'd like to sign up, text MPBOJ to 84576 from your cell phone and follow the instructions.

* In the spirit of being with Our Lord during His Agony in the Garden, there will be a **Holy Hour of Adoration** in reparation for sins committed against the Most Blessed Sacrament on Thursday, February 25th at 8pm.

Parish Share Program 2021

The Parish Share Program for 2021 begins on Sunday, February 21st, the First Sunday of Lent. This annual appeal benefits diocesan programs that no single parish would be able to support. Additionally, amounts received in excess of the diocesan assessment stay within the parish, for parish use. This year, the process is a little different. There are no pledge cards to return, but rather you are being asked to utilize the 'Parish Share' envelopes you receive with your regular Offertory envelopes. If you use Faith Direct, please take a moment to designate your contribution by selecting the Parish Share option. Finally, you can always make a donation at any time by check—simply put 'PSP 2021' on the memo line and return to the Administrative Office. Thank you for your past generous support of the 2020 Parish Share appeal—at this point in time, the parish raised in excess of \$100,000 to utilize for our many parish projects. And thank you in advance for your anticipated support of the Parish Share 2021 appeal.

Institute's Provincial Appeal "Many Apostolate, One Mission"

Each year the U.S. Province of the Institute of Christ the King Sovereign Priest holds a second collection to help the work of the Institute throughout the province. This special collection will be taken up on Sunday, February 28th. Many of you have received already envelopes for this collection through the mail. We also have more envelopes in the church entries. **Help the Institute continue to restore Catholic life and culture in the USA!**



Easter Candy Fundraiser

Our parish will have the annual Easter candy sale with delicious Betsy Ann Chocolates from Sunday, February 21 to Monday, March 8. Our fundraiser this year will be completely ON-LINE, as it was at Christmas. You will be able to order directly from Betsy Ann at www.betsyann.com.

Complete instructions are in an insert in the bulletin today. The profits from this fundraiser will once again benefit our music and educational programs. Orders can be picked up at the school on Sunday, March 14 after all the Masses. We are very grateful to Jim and Karen Paras owners of Betsy Ann Chocolates and parishioners, for their generous support of our parish, once again. If every family would purchase just one item we would realize a huge amount of money for these most important programs. Thank you.

Diocesan Reopening Guidelines

The dispensation given by the Bishop of Pittsburgh concerning attendance at Mass (Precept of the Church) on Sundays and Holy Days of obligation is still in effect, as are the diocesan reopening guidelines/restrictions. The obligation to rest from unnecessary servile work and to sanctify the day by prayer remains in effect.

Please ensure the continuation of public Masses for our parishioners by observing the following diocesan guidelines—wear a face covering and maintain a six-foot distance between all non-family groups when entering the church, in the pews, and at the Communion rail. If you or a family member have tested positive for Covid-19, please self-isolate at home. Following these simple directives will limit exposure for your fellow parishioners and maintain a safe environment at the parish.

Seminary Society

This Lenten season we would like to introduce the Institute of Christ the King Seminary Society to our MPBOJ parish by holding a "Sock Drive." Seminarians are only permitted to wear "above the calf black socks." To support our seminarians each family is encouraged to buy a pair of "above the calf black socks" and leave them in the receptacle at the side entrance by March 21, 2021.

In the months to come the Seminary Society-Pittsburgh will be creating prayer cards for seminarians, beginning a sponsorship program where families will be matched with a seminarian to pray for him and write him letters to him over the course of seminary study. The Seminary Society also conducts fundraisers to benefit the seminary.

You may join the Seminary Society to be contacted for planning and organizing activities by choosing this group in the MPBOJ Flocknote. Text "MPBOJ" to 84576.

St. George's pyrohy The best in Pittsburgh

Our neighbor, St. George Ukrainian Catholic Church (3455 California Avenue), has been making pyrohy since 1951—and they are experts! The church sells pyrohy every Thursday and Friday, from 9:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. in the church hall. Cost of the pyrohy are \$7.00/dozen for classic and \$8.00/dozen for specialty types. Someone is usually around on Sundays from 11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m., if you want to stop before the High Mass to pick up a dozen.

Baby Bottle Campaign

to benefit Women's Choice Network. Please pick up a baby bottle and fill it by March 21 with your loose change, your offering instead of eating out, or other monetary penance you may choose. Thank you for your consideration!

Women's Choice Network

The Women's Choice Network helps local families to choose life. Offering pregnancy testing, Sonogram, and pregnancy resources, our four Medical Clinics have helped thousands of families in some of Pittsburgh's neediest neighborhoods. Last year over 350 families who once considered abortion chose life because of our Network. These young men and women began a journey toward adoption or successful parenting that began with an ultrasound.

Fatima Prayer of Reparation

O Most Holy Trinity, Father, Son and Holy Ghost, I adore Thee profoundly. I offer Thee the most precious Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity of Jesus Christ, present in all the tabernacles of the world, in reparation for the outrages, sacrileges and indifference by which He is offended. By the infinite merits of the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of Mary, I beg the conversion of poor sinners. Amen.



February 17 - March 28
40 DAYS FOR LIFE

HELP SAVE LIVES IN PITTSBURGH!

You can protect mothers and children by joining this worldwide mobilization! Through prayer and fasting, peaceful vigils and community outreach, 40 Days for Life has inspired 1,000,000 volunteers!

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Vigil location: Outside Planned Parenthood, 933 Liberty Ave.

Vigil hours: 7 am to 7 pm daily

Local contacts:

Nikki Bruni at: nbruni@40daysforlifepgh.com

Fran Morrow at: franmac98fmc@gmail.com

Donna Goss at: gdgoss620@gmail.com

40daysforlife.com/Pittsburgh or 40daysforlifepittsburgh.com

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**has adopted
Sunday, March 14th 7-11 am
AND 3-7 pm**

**to provide the vigil coverage at
Planned Parenthood.**

Use the sign-up sheet in both entrances to help us fill these hours, or contact Rose Waruszewski at rose_waruszewski@reagan.com

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