

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*

**2nd Sunday after Easter “Good Shepherd Sunday”
April 18, 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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Institute of Christ the King Sovereign Priest

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Mass Intentions

Sunday, April 18, 2021

2nd Sunday after Easter, 2nd Class—White

7:30AM *Pro Populo*

9:30AM + William Allan Obricki (Charles & Deanna Shannon)

11:30AM David Paras (Family)

4PM* *Private Intention*

Monday, April 19, 2021 *St. Joseph Devotions*

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

12PM + Mary Amrhein-Sunan (DT)

Tuesday, April 20, 2021

Feria (from 2nd Sunday after Easter), 4th Class—White

12PM Sarah Elizabeth Sobocinski (Sobocinski Family)

7PM Rosie Alenui (Vanisa Anjuma)

Wednesday, April 21, 2021

St. Anselm, 3rd Class—White

12PM + Vera LeVeque (Mark LeVeque)

Thursday, April 22, 2021

Ss. Soter & Caius, 3rd Class—Red

12PM + Bernard Denniston (Mary Elise Kadar)

Friday, April 23, 2021

St. George, 4th Class—Red

12PM + Bernie Cooper (O'Connell Family)

Saturday, April 24, 2021

St. Fidelis of Sigmaringen, 3rd Class—Red

9AM + Winifred Sue Lardin (George & Constance Schawl)

Sunday, April 25, 2021 *Major Litanies*

3rd Sunday after Easter, 2nd Class—White

Commemoration of the Rogation Mass

7:30AM *Pro Populo*

9:30AM Living & Deceased Members of the Aul & Greb Families (Jack & Mary Lou Aul & Family)

11:30AM Ginny Kenna (Elizabeth Blume)

4PM* *Private Intention*

* Live stream only

Our Weekly Offerings

Low Sunday, April 11, 2021

Offertory \$6,875.00

Parish Share 2021 \$705.00

Parish Improvement \$20.00

ICRSS Province \$20.00

Holy Land \$135.00

Easter Flowers \$3.00

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.

Please Patronize the Advertisers in our Bulletin. Their support allows us to provide this service.

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Call 1-800-945-6629.

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, April 22nd at 8pm.**

* The **Confraternity of Christian Mothers** meets every first Saturday of the month beginning with 9am Mass. Please contact JillianLKaufman@gmail.com for more information.

ICRSS Seminary Collection

This Sunday, Good Shepherd Sunday, a second collection will be taken up for the Institute's seminary in Gricigliano, Italy. Help today these seminarians become your priests of tomorrow!

New Altar Cross

Thank you to our anonymous benefactors for the beautiful, new crucifix adorning the High Altar. It is a wonderful improvement for the sanctuary!

Betsy Ann Chocolates

Many thanks to all who supported the Easter candy fundraiser, by purchasing Betsy Ann Chocolates, the most delicious candy around! Our appreciation to Jim and Karen Paras, owners of Betsy Ann Chocolates, for their generosity with this fundraising effort. Our choir/schola and catechism programs will split the proceeds of \$1343.30. As always, thanks to Peggy Wrabley, who has coordinated this fundraising effort since it began a many years ago.

Wisdom of St. Francis de Sales

If the world despises us, let us rejoice, because there is reason for it; let us realize that we deserve it. If it esteems us, let us despise its judgments. Its esteem for us is blind, without foundation of knowledge or truth. Do not worry about what the world thinks. Despise its esteem. Let it say whatever it likes, whether good or bad. What is desirable is that we keep our eyes fixed on Christ, going about our work no matter what the world thinks. Truly the world is a great charlatan and always talks too much, both about what is good and what is bad.



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. 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 social distancing 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.

Pray the Rosary Daily!

Have you heard? There is a new sound system at Most Precious Blood!

That's right! The new sound system is installed and operating. Hopefully, you've noticed and been pleased with the improvement! If you would like to sound off and provide some feedback on how the system sounds or any other part of the sound system, please do.

At each entrance of the church there will be 3x5 index cards for you to use to provide your comments. Simply provide as much information as possible and drop the card in the collection basket. You can identify yourself if you like, or you may remain anonymous if you prefer. When you provide your comments please be as detailed as you can. Include where you were sitting/standing in the church, the time when the experience was had and as much detail as possible. An example would be: "During Sunday Mass on Jan 20th, I was sitting in the back left, about 4 rows from the rear. During the homily I was unable to hear anything the Canon said. I could hear that he was talking, but I couldn't make out what he was saying." Another example, "Last Sunday during the Rosary, I thought it was much too loud. I was sitting in the 2 rows from the front on the epistle side, next to the outside aisle." Finally, positive comments are also wonderful... like, "I sit a few rows from the middle on the left side and the sound is great!"

Providing detailed comments like this will allow the sound team to assess the performance of the system from a sampling of the population and across a wide selection rather than from just a few persons. Submitting the feedback in the collection basket will also allow the responses to be collected and sorted to provide the most effective consumption and analysis. Our hope is to have many responses, positive and negative to assess the situation. We may be able to make adjustments if enough comments clearly identify an improvement that can be made.

ICRSS Summer Camps

Be sure to sign up your children and teens for the Institute's Summer Camps! Nearly 250 youth from across the United States enjoy a week of pure fun and Catholic faith formation each summer at our beautiful campsites in Wisconsin. Through edifying activities and games, daily Mass and prayer, and spiritual talks, campers grow in virtue, fellowship, and deeper love and understanding of their Catholic faith.

Saint Michael Camp for Young Men (ages 14-17)

Monday, June 7 – Friday, June 11

campmichael@institute-christ-king.org

Immaculate Conception Camp for Young Ladies (ages 14-17)

Monday, July 5 – Friday, July 9

campimmaculate@institute-christ-king.org

Saint Dominic Savio Camp for Boys (ages 9-13)

Monday, July 12 – Friday, July 16

campsavio@institute-christ-king.org

Saint Therese Camp for Girls (ages 9-13)

Monday, July 19 – Friday, July 23

camptherese@institute-christ-king.org

Register at this link: form.jotform.com/icksp/institute-summer-camps-2021 Discounts available for Teen Camps if teen attendee has siblings attending any of our camps.

Litany for Priests

O God the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,
We beseech Thee, hear us.

Jesus, our High Priest, Sacrifice, and Teacher,
We beseech Thee, hear us.

Bless our Holy Father, our bishops, and priests,
We beseech Thee, hear us.

Give them the strength of Thy grace,
And the love of Thy Heart,
And the spirit of sacrifice of Thine Own Divine life,
We beseech Thee, hear us.

Make them firm in faith,
Holy in conduct,
And faithful in Thy service,
We beseech Thee, hear us.

Fill them with the zeal of the Apostles,
With the courage of the Martyrs,
With the spirit of the Confessors,
We beseech Thee, hear us.

Grant that they may convert the sinners,
Correct the erring,
Teach the ignorant,
We beseech Thee, hear us.

Strengthen them with joy in their labors,
With patience in their sufferings,
With endurance in their struggles,
We beseech Thee, hear us.

Preserve them in love for the little ones,
In zeal for the education of youth,
In loyalty to people and country,
We beseech Thee, hear us.

Bless their words in the pulpit,
Their instructions in school,
Their admonitions in the Confessional and at the sickbed,
We beseech Thee, hear us.

Preserve them from the temptations of the wicked enemy,
From the hostile plots of unscrupulous men,
From all occasions of sin,
We beseech Thee, hear us.

Make us one with them in faith,
Loyal in Divine service,
And holy in life,
We beseech Thee, hear us.

Give us holy bishops, holy priests, holy missionaries,
We beseech Thee, hear us.

Prayers for Vocations

O loving and gracious God, Who dost wish all men to be saved and to come to the knowledge of Thy truth: send, we beseech Thee, laborers into Thy harvest, grant an abundance of priestly vocations for the Church. Grant them, in Thy clemency, perseverance in the vocation to which Thou callest them. Deign to give them the grace to sanctify Thy people with reverence and to speak Thy Word with all boldness, so that Thy Word may spread and be glorified, and all nations may know Thee, the only God, and Him Whom Thou hast sent, Jesus Christ Thy Son, Our Lord, Who liveth and reigneth with Thee, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, world without end. Amen.

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