



MOST PRECIOUS BLOOD of JESUS PARISH

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

**12th Sunday After
Pentecost
August 20, 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

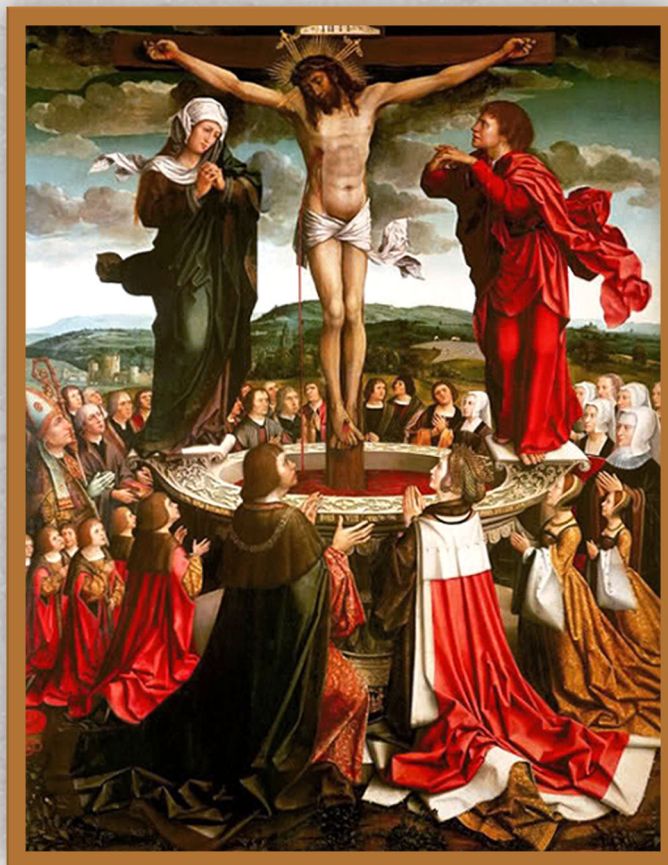
Confession Schedule

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, August 20, 2023 *Mission Coop - 2nd Collection*

12th Sunday after Pentecost, 2nd Class—Green

8AM LM + Keith Lewis (Dr. & Mrs. R.A. Capone)

11AM HM *Pro populo*

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

Recessional: *Love Divine, All Loves Excelling* pg. 78

Monday, August 21, 2023

St. Jane Frances de Chantal, 3rd Class—White

12PM LM + Carolyn G. Mozlack (Robin Mauser)

Tuesday, August 22, 2023

Immaculate Heart of Mary, 2nd Class—White

Commemoration of St. Timothy and Companions

12PM LM + Sean Demnyan (Connie & Andy Szafraniec)

7PM HM + Alfred & Jean Crytser (O'Rourke Family)

Wednesday, August 23, 2023

St. Philip Benizi 3rd Class—White

12PM LM + Richard Thompson (Carol R. LeDonne)

Thursday, August 24, 2023

St. Bartholomew the Apostle, 2nd Class—Red

12PM LM + Mary Franklin (Judy Callaghan)

8PM Holy Hour of Adoration

9PM Compline

Friday, August 25, 2023

St. Louis, 3rd Class—White

12PM LM Spiritual & Temporal Welfare of Thomas Evans
(Thomas, Lori, Sarah & Daniel Evans)

Saturday, August 26, 2023

St. Zephyrinus, 4th Class—Red

9:00AM LM + Fr. Vincent Bertoline (Dr. Ammie Maravelli)

Sunday, August 27, 2023

13th Sunday after Pentecost, 2nd Class—Green

8AM LM *Pro populo*

11AM HM + John Jacob Predis (Predis Family)

Processional: *Hail True Victim*

Recessional: *O God Almighty Father* pg. 79

LM = Low Mass; HM = High/Solemn Mass

Our Weekly Offerings

Sunday, Aug 6, 2023

Offertory \$9,666.00

Parish Appeal \$810.00

Assumption of Our Lady \$390.00

Catholic Communication..... \$10.00

Faith Direct Report (July 16-31, 2023)

Offertory \$12,541.55

Parish Appeal \$415.00

Parish Improvement \$604.00

Catholic Communications \$30.00

Sunday Mass Attendance: 8AM 526; 11AM 326; Total 852

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 **September 9th** and the topic will be *Making A Good Confession*. 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 Pinero 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 provides support to promote a culture of life through three working sub-committees: *Legislation, Education, Advocacy*. See their July Newsletter for valuable information. Contact Brenda Briola at respectlife@mpboj.com or 724-650-5767
NEXT EVENT-Please join RLG for the Women's Choice Network Fall Fundraising Banquet, September 21st at 6:30pm at The Westin, 1000 Penn Ave, Pgh, PA. RLG has filled one table and would like to fill a second table. Tickets are \$30. Please contact Nikki Bruni at 412.926.9413 by **Sept 9th** for details.

Parish Landscaping

Green-Thumbs STILL needed! Looking for landscape volunteers to assist with Pruning, Watering, Weed Control, Shrub Trimming and general landscape maintenance around the Parish grounds. With warm weather upon us and new plantings striving to take root, NOW is a critical time to deliver what these new flowers and plants need. If you are able to offer time during the week, or weekend, please contact us at your earliest convenience. Our parish landscape team, led by Julie Roytas, meets on site Thursday mornings at the Church from 8AM to Noon. Many other opportunities to assist at other times of the day or week. Please email Julie at julier.lom@hotmail.com for information about joining the MPBOJ Landscape Team or to let her know your availability. Julie can also be reached on cell at 412-818-1393.

Mission Coop Sunday



TODAY - Second Collection - Mission Coop Sunday. Father Maurice Agbaw-Ebai will be visiting Most Precious Blood of Jesus Parish today, preaching at both Masses. Father Agbaw-Ebai is on mission for the Diocese of Mamfe, Cameroon and is also a member of full-time faculty at St. John's Seminary in Boston, MA. Information about Father Agbaw-Ebai and his published works are available at <https://www.sjs.edu/faculty/rev-maurice-agbaw-ebai> and <https://www.bc.edu/content/dam/bc1/schools/wcas/Faculty%20CV%27s/CV%20Rev%20Maurice%20A.%20Agbaw-Ebai%2071422.pdf>

CONFIRMATION UPDATE !

REMINDER - Bishop William Waltersheid will administer the Sacrament of Confirmation on Sunday, October 15th at Most Precious Blood of Jesus Parish at 10:00AM, High Mass to follow at 11:00am. The Sacrament will be administered to those Confirmandi who have completed their assessment interview with Canon Avis or Canon Bourgeois. As a reminder, interviews can only be scheduled once the required documentation is received in the parish office and parents have assessed the preparedness of their Confirmandi. To date, more than 52 Confirmandi are registered and currently preparing for their interviews. Please make effective use of the next several weeks as interview schedules are now open and ready to be filled.

Introduction to the Devout Life

By St. Francis de Sales

Considerations, the Second Part of Meditation (Book 2, Chapter 5)



AFTER this exercise of the imagination, we come to that of the understanding: for meditations, properly so called, are certain considerations by which we raise the affections to God and heavenly things. Now meditation differs therein from study and ordinary methods of thought which have not the Love of God or growth in holiness for their object, but some other end, such as the acquisition of learning or power of argument. So, when you have, as I said, limited the efforts of your mind within due bounds,—whether by the imagination, if the subject be material, or by propositions, if it be a spiritual subject,—you will begin to form reflections or considerations after the pattern of the meditations I have already sketched for you. And if your mind finds sufficient matter, light and fruit wherein to rest in any one consideration, dwell upon it, even as the bee, which hovers over one flower so long as it affords honey. But if you do not find wherewith to feed your mind, after a certain reasonable effort, then go on to another consideration,—only be quiet and simple, and do not be eager or hurried.

Defense of the Faith Forum

The Pittsburgh Region - Order of Malta will host a *Defense of the Faith Forum* on **September 14th** from Noon to 7:00pm at Edgeworth Club, Sewickley, PA. JOIN Keynote speaker **Marcel LeJeune** and a panel of speakers including **Calyx, Communio, FOCUS, Preambula, Brother Andre's, Renew The I Do, Cor Ministries, Vagabond Ministries, Ann Schmalstieg Barrett from Assisi Arts Community and Beatrice Institute.** The event will include Mass and lunch, followed by panels and keynote, ending with a cocktail hour with hors d'oeuvres to meet the speakers. Tickets to the event are \$20 and may be purchased at www.MaltaForum.eventbrite.com. Space is limited!

Save The Date

Little Lamb Resale is announcing its Pro-Life Month OPEN HOUSE to be held Sunday, October 22nd from 2pm to 4pm. Plenty of free parking on Sundays in Pittsburgh! Come and see what happens at LLR, meet the volunteers and pet our mascot, Clover, a real live lamb!



951 Liberty Ave. Pittsburgh 412.330.0958

Men's Night

At 6pm on Saturday, August 26th the parish will host a Men's Night in the parish school building. All male parishioners aged 21+ are invited. Expect lively conversation on Catholic topics, a brief address by one of the Canons, and to get to know other men from the parish. Pizza and some beverages will be provided, but attendees are encouraged to bring snack food, drinks, or a few dollars to defray expenses. The basketball court, bowling alley, and pool table will be open. Please RSVP to Mike Konopelski via email to mike.konopelski@gmail.com. Contact Mike with any questions.

ICK Pilgrimage to France

A new group pilgrimage, will take place in **2024** with the Institute of Christ the King Sovereign Priest. Our friends at St. Charles Catholic Pilgrimages have organized an extraordinary two-part exploration of France to be led by Canon Benoît Jayr of St. Stanislaus Oratory in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. All members of the Institute family are invited to take advantage of one or both pilgrimage opportunities. In the first pilgrimage opportunity, from **May 15–20**, pilgrims will participate in the historic Chartres Pentecost Pilgrimage. This walking pilgrimage is the largest annual traditional Catholic event in the world today, drawing more than 16,000 participants from across the globe. Pilgrims set out on a three-day trek (with two nights camping), walking from the Church of Saint-



Sulpice in Paris to Notre-Dame in Chartres. In the second pilgrimage, from **May 20–31**, pilgrims will embark on a 12-day, faith-inspiring tour of the major shrines of France, beginning in Vers sur Launette near Paris with Holy Mass in the private chapel of the Institute's Sister Adorers of the Royal Heart of Jesus and conclude with a celebration dinner at Canon Jayr's family farm near Montauban in southwestern France. Highlights include: Daily Latin Mass with Canon Jayr; Special visit to Le Barroux Abbey for sung High Mass; Opportunities to pray in the presence of incorrupt saints such as St. Catherine Labouré, St. Vincent de Paul, St. Bernadette, and St. John Vianney; A full day in Lourdes with a visit to the miraculous baths; Visit to the tomb of St. Martin of Tours; Visit to the Holy Face Oratory in Tours; Mass at the Institute chapel in Toulouse; Visit to Carcassonne Castle with time for shopping; Visit to the tomb of St. Thomas Aquinas; Dinner in Avignon, served with local wine; Visit and dinner at the family farm of Canon Jayr. You can learn more about the three-day Chartres Pentecost Pilgrimage by contacting Mr. Lincoln Oro at lincoln.oro@sbcglobal.net. For more information and to register for the 12-day shrines of France pilgrimage, please visit www.stcharlespilgrimages.com/jayr. Please also note that there are limited spaces. To avoid disappointment, register early! Registration is on a first-come, first-served basis. For those of who are able, please consider joining us on this once-in-a-lifetime journey of faith.

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.

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.

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.



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