

# *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*

**10th Sunday after Pentecost  
August 1, A.D. 2021**

## ***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

\**Live-streamed Mass*

## ***Confession Schedule***

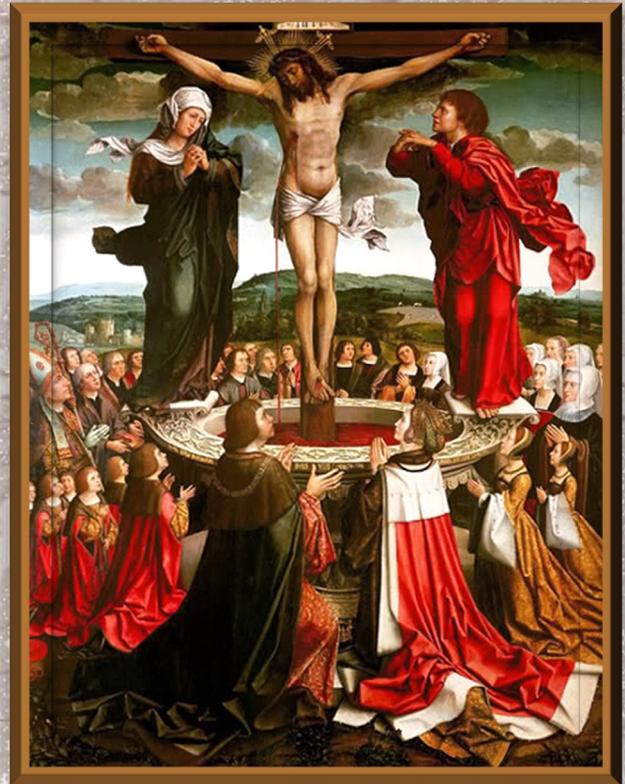
Sundays: 7-8am; 10-11am

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

Tuesdays: also 6:15-6:45pm

Saturday: 8-8:45am

*Please consult weekly bulletin for modifications to the schedule.  
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)*

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## Mass Intentions

### **Sunday, August 1, 2021**

**10th Sunday after Pentecost, 2nd Class—Green**

8AM\* + Authur Gloff (Gloff Family)  
11AM *Pro Populo*

### **Monday, August 2, 2021**

**St. Alphonsus Liguori, 3rd Class—White**

*Commemoration of St. Stephen I*

12PM + Raymond A. Jurewicz (N. Jurewicz)

### **Tuesday, August 3, 2021**

**Finding of St. Stephen, 4th Class—Red**

12PM Canon Avis & Canon O'Connor (Comas Family)  
7PM + Leonard Paul & Donna Marie Simelis  
(Anthony Simelis)

### **Wednesday, August 4, 2021**

**St. Dominic, 3rd Class—White**

12PM Glenn Wilson (Dave & Mandy Capan)

### **Thursday, August 5, 2021 *First Thursday***

**V. M. of Jesus Christ Eternal High Priest, 3rd Cl.—White**

*Commemoration of the Dedication of Our Lady of Snows*

12PM Steve Sobocinski (Sobocinski Family)

### **Friday, August 6, 2021 *First Friday***

**Transfiguration of Our Lord, 2nd Class—White**

*Commemoration of St. Sixtus II & his companions*

12PM + Robert P. Blume, M.D. (Liz Blume)  
7PM Spiritual Wellbeing for Robert Costantino  
(Friend Family)

### **Saturday, August 7, 2021 *First Saturday***

**Votive Mass of the Immaculate Heart, 3rd Class—White**

*Commemoration of St. Cajetan*

9AM + Raymond G. Jurewicz (N. Jurewicz)

### **Sunday, August 8, 2021**

**11th Sunday after Pentecost, 2nd Class—Green**

8AM\* Michael & Jill Garfold  
(25th Wedding Anniversary)  
11AM + Mary S. Rees (N. Jurewicz)

\* also live streamed

## Our Weekly Offerings

*Sunday, July 25, 2021*

Offeritory ..... \$7,123.00  
Parish Share 2021 ..... \$510.00

Your generosity is most appreciated during this difficult time and may God bless you for your sacrifice.

### ***Faith Direct***

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**O Heart most pure of the Blessed Virgin Mary, obtain for me from Jesus a pure and humble heart!**

**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.

\* **The Confraternity of Christian Mothers** meets every first Saturday of the month beginning with 9am Mass. Please contact [JillianLKaufman@gmail.com](mailto:JillianLKaufman@gmail.com) for more information.

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

\* 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 will be reinstated on Sunday, August 15th.**

\* At the Church entrances, there are racks containing church forms (parish registration; Mass intentions; Safe Environment documents), reading materials, and prayer cards, for both parishioners and visitors alike. Please feel free to take and keep whatever you need, but please do not leave your own materials in the racks without permission of Canon Avis. Bulletin boards containing event information are also located in the Narthex and side entrance, to keep you informed. If you are involved in an event that you would like to publicize, please provide Canon Avis with a copy of the poster/notice for permission and possible posting.

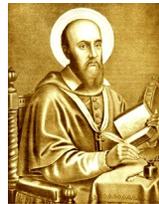
\* In the spirit of being with Our Lord during His Agony in the Garden, there will be a **Holy Hour of Adoration** in reparation for sins committed against the Most Blessed Sacrament on **Thursday, August 5th at 8pm.**

\* We have coffee and doughnuts in the school on Sundays from 9:00 - 10:45am. Join fellow parishioners for what will surely be a pleasant time. Coffee and doughnuts will be \$0.75 each. If you'd like to volunteer to help with setup, service, or cleanup, please contact Tom Smith:

[tomsmithpittsburgh@gmail.com](mailto:tomsmithpittsburgh@gmail.com) or (412) 606-9866.

### ***Wisdom of St. Francis de Sales***

What love can we have proportionate to the infinite goodness of our Creator, Who from all eternity has determined to create, preserve, govern, redeem, save and glorify all



people in general and each person in particular? What was I when I was not? What was I, I who even now when I am something am still only a mere pitiful creature of earth? Yet from the depths of His eternity God thought thoughts of blessings on my behalf? He meditated and planned, yes, determined the hour of my birth, of my baptism, of all the inspirations He would give me, and, in sum, all the benefits He would provide and offer to me. Ah, is there any kindness like this?

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## Catechism Corner

From The Catechism of St. Pius X—first issued in 1908 by Pope St. Pius X to fulfill this holy pope's desire to have a plain, simple and brief catechism for laypeople.

### The Sacrament of Baptism

#### *The Nature and Effects of Baptism*

##### **1 Q: What is the sacrament of Baptism?**

A: Baptism is a sacrament by which we are born again to the grace of God, and become Christians.

##### **2 Q: What are the effects of the sacrament of Baptism?**

A: The sacrament of Baptism confers first sanctifying grace by which original sin is washed away, as well as all actual sin if any such exists; it remits all punishment due on account of such sins; it imprints the character of a Christian; it makes us children of God, members of the Church, and heirs to Paradise, and enables us to receive the other sacraments.

##### **3 Q: What is the matter of Baptism?**

A: The matter of Baptism is natural water which is poured on the head of the person to be baptized in such a quantity as to flow.

##### **4 Q: What is the form of Baptism?**

A: The form of Baptism is: "*N.* I baptize thee in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost."

#### *Minister of Baptism*

##### **5 Q: To whom does it belong to confer Baptism?**

A: To confer Baptism belongs by right to bishops and parish priests, but in case of necessity any person, whether man or woman, even a heretic or an infidel, can administer it, provided he carries out the rite of Baptism, and has the intention of doing what the Church does.

##### **6 Q: If it were necessary to baptize a person in danger of death, and if several people were present, who should administer the sacrament?**

A: If it were necessary to baptize a person in danger of death, and if several people were present, a priest, if such were at hand, should administer the Sacrament, and, in his absence, one of the inferior clergy; and in the absence of such, a layman in preference to a woman, unless in the case in which the greater skill on the part of the woman, or the claims of propriety, should demand otherwise.

##### **7 Q: What intention should the person baptizing have?**

A: The person baptizing should have the intention of doing what Holy Church does in baptizing.



## Federation of North-American **EXPLORERS**

Saint Francis Xavier FNE Group is the Pittsburgh branch of the FNE, based out of Most Precious Blood of Jesus Roman Catholic Church. We meet at various outdoor locations around the city. We are currently accepting girls age 6-12, boys age 6-17, and adult leaders of all ages. If you are interested in getting involved with this exciting program, please contact Group Chief Ryan Keane at [fnepg@gmail.com](mailto:fnepg@gmail.com).

## Catechism Registration TODAY

All families in our parish Catechism Program are asked to pick up your Registration Forms TODAY, before or after either Mass, in the lobby of the school building.

If your family has been part of the Catechism program in the past, there will be an envelope with your name on it, containing a pre-filled Registration Form. Please review and update the information as needed, and then return it to the designated drop-box in the narthex, or by placing it in the offertory basket, or directly to the parish office. (If there are few or no changes to be made, you may return it immediately.)

If your family was not registered last year, there will be blank forms available to complete and submit.

**Registration forms must be reviewed, completed, and returned by August 15th**, so that textbooks can be ordered and ready for the start of classes. Any families whose pre-filled forms are not picked up and reviewed will be assumed to have dropped out of the program.

### *Dom Guéranger on Today's Gospel*

#### *From The Liturgical Year*

Humility, which produces within us this salutary *fear*, is the virtue that makes man know his right place with regard both to God and his fellow men. It rests on the deep-rooted conviction, put into our hearts by grace, of how God is everything in man, and of how we, by nature, are nothingness—nay, less than nothingness, because we have degraded ourselves by sin. Reason is able, of herself alone, to convince anyone who takes the trouble to reflect, of the nothingness of a creature; but such a conviction, if it remain a mere theoretical conclusion, is not Humility: it is a conviction which forces itself on the devil in hell, whose vexation at such a truth is the chief source of the rage of that leader of the proud. As faith, which reveals to us what God is in the supernatural order, does not come from mere reason, nor remain confined to the intellect alone, so neither does humility, which teaches us what we ourselves are: that it be true real virtue, it must derive its light from above, and in the Holy Spirit, must move our will also. At the same time that this Holy Spirit fills our souls with the knowledge of their littleness and misery, He also sweetly leads them to the acceptance and love of this truth, which reason, if left entirely to herself, would be tempted to look on as a disagreeable thought.

And when this holy Spirit of truth, this divine witness of hearts, takes possession of a soul, what an incomparably stronger light is there in the humility which He imparts, than in that which mere human reason forces on a man! We are bewildered at seeing to what lengths this sentiment of their own misery led the Saints: it made them deem themselves inferior to everyone; it drove them to act and speak in a way which, in our flippant judgment, outstepped the bounds of both truth and justice! But the Holy Ghost, who guided and ruled them, passed a very different judgment; and it is precisely of His being the Spirit of all truth and all justice—in other words, because of His being the Sanctifying Spirit—that as He willed to raise them to extraordinary holiness, He therefore gave them an extraordinary clear-sightedness, both as to what they themselves were, and what God is. Satan, the spirit of wickedness, makes his slaves act just the opposite to the divine way. The way he makes *them* take is the one he took for himself, *from the very beginning*; and which our Lord thus expresses: *He stood not in the truth*; he aimed at *being like unto the Most High*. This pride of his succeeded in fixing him, for all eternity, in the hell of absurdity and lie. Therefore, Humility is Truth; and as that same Jesus says: *The Truth shall make you free*; by liberating us from the tyranny of *the father of lies*; and then, having made us *free*, it makes us *holy*; it *sanctifies* us by *uniting* us to God, who is living and substantial Truth.

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