

Most Precious Blood of Jesus Parish

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Institute of Christ the King Sovereign Priest*

**13th Sunday after Pentecost
August 22, A.D. 2021**

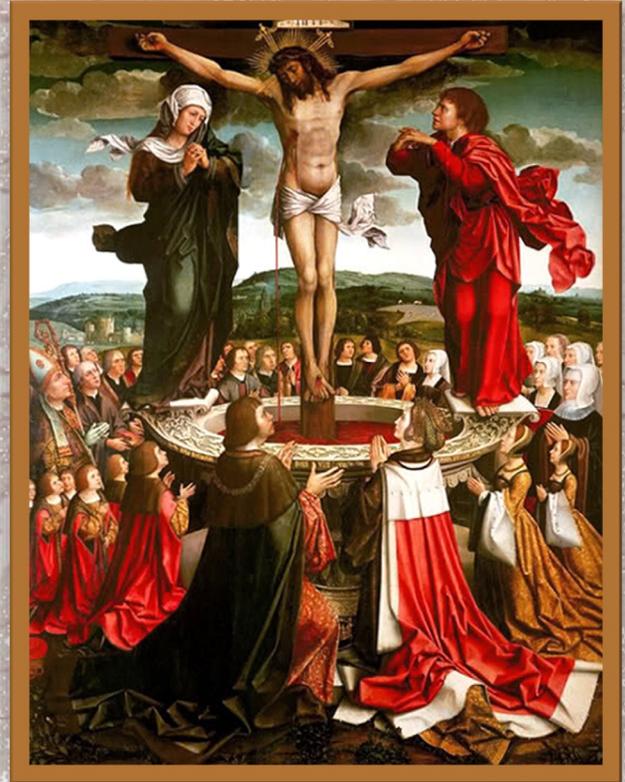
Mass Schedule

**Sundays: 8am, 11am
Monday: 12 Noon
Tuesday: 12 Noon & 7pm
Wednesday through Friday: 12 Noon
1st Friday of Month: 12 Noon & 7pm
Saturday: 9am**

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*
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Parish Office Hours: Monday– Friday: 9am-2pm

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Mass Intentions

Sunday, August 22, 2021

13th Sunday after Pentecost, 2nd Class—Green

Commemoration of the Immaculate Heart of Mary

8AM* Poor Souls in Purgatory (Tom & Janet Cocchi)

11AM + Geraldine M. Amrhein (DT)

Monday, August 23, 2021

St. Philip Benizi, 3rd Class—White

12PM + Marie Capan (Dave & Mandy Capan)

Tuesday, August 24, 2021

St. Bartholomew the Apostle, 2nd Class—Red

12PM + Leonard Paul & Donna Marie Simelis
(Anthony Simelis)

7PM Temporal & Spiritual Welfare of Henry Zimmerman
(Doug Young Family)

Wednesday, August 25, 2021

St. Louis, 3rd Class—White

12PM + Dr. Robert Blume (Paras Family)

Thursday, August 26, 2021

St. Zephyrinus, 4th Class—Red

12PM + Fr. Vincent Bertoline (Dr. Ammie Maravelli)

Friday, August 27, 2021

St. Joseph Calasanctius, 3rd Class—White

12PM Spiritual Wellbeing for Robert Costantino
(Friend Family)

Saturday, August 28, 2021

St. Augustine of Hippo, 3rd Class—White

Commemoration of St. Hermes

9AM + George E. McCartney (McCartney Family)

Sunday, August 29, 2021

14th Sunday after Pentecost, 2nd Class—Green

8AM Delaney Stull (Jerry & Peggy Wrabley)

11AM James Paras (Family)

Our Weekly Offerings

Sunday, August 1, 2021 (last weeks bulletin contained an error)

Offertory \$8,827.00

Parish Share 2021 \$1,115.00

Parish Improvements \$40.00

St. Anthony's School \$10.00

Food Pantry \$10.00

Sunday, August 8, 2021

Offertory \$8,003.00

Parish Share 2021 \$1,885.00

Sunday, August 15, 2021

Offertory \$8,169.00

Parish Share 2021 \$580.00

Parish Improvements \$30.00

St. Anthony's School \$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.

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 for more information.

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

* 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.

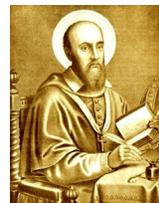
* In the spirit of being with Our Lord during His Agony in the Garden, there will be a **Holy Hour of Adoration** in reparation for sins committed against the Most Blessed Sacrament on next **Thursday, September 2nd** at 8pm.

* 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 or (412) 606-9866.

* If you are interested in supporting the **Sister Adorers** of the Royal Heart of Jesus Christ Sovereign Priest, the feminine branch of the Institute of Christ the King, there are still pink envelopes available for your donations. A copy of their brochure, outlining the many needs for the novitiate house in Naples, Italy, is posted on the bulletin board at the side entrance, where the pink envelopes can also be found. Please make checks payable to: "The Institute of Christ the King" and put "Sisters Adorers" on the memo line. All donations received in this manner directly benefit the Sisters. Thank you for your generous support.

* Canon Avis and Canon O'Connor will travel to Gricigliano, Italy to participate in the ICRSS's annual Chapter Meeting this week. We are very grateful to Father Dolan who will fill in for them during their absence.

There is a second collection this Sunday, August 22, benefitting Catholic Communication and Catholic University of America. Thank you for your support.



Wisdom of St. Francis de Sales

Raise your eyes to Heaven and you will see that no one arrives there without hard work and continual afflictions. When things go wrong, say to yourself, "This is the road to Heaven. I see the harbor and I am sure that the tempests will not stop me from reaching it."

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 Confirmation

1 Q: What is the sacrament of Confirmation? A: Confirmation is a sacrament which gives us the Holy Ghost, imprints on our souls the mark of a soldier of Jesus Christ, and makes us perfect Christians.

2 Q: How does the sacrament of Confirmation make us perfect Christians? A: The sacrament of Confirmation makes us perfect Christians by confirming us in the faith and perfecting the other virtues and gifts received in Baptism; hence it is called Confirmation.

3 Q: What gifts of the Holy Ghost are received in Confirmation? A: The gifts of the Holy Ghost received in Confirmation are these seven: Wisdom, Understanding, Counsel, Fortitude, Knowledge, Piety, and the Fear of the Lord.

4 Q: What is the matter of this sacrament? A: The matter of this sacrament, besides the imposition of hands by the bishop, is the anointing of the forehead of the baptized with sacred chrism; and for this reason it is also called the sacrament of Chrism, that is Anointing.

5 Q: What is sacred Chrism? A: Sacred Chrism is olive oil mingled with balsam, and consecrated by the bishop on Holy Thursday.

6 Q: What do the oil and balsam in this sacrament signify?

A: In this sacrament the oil, which is unctuous and strengthening, signifies the abounding grace which is diffused over the soul of the Christian to confirm him in his faith; and the balsam, which is fragrant and prevents corruption, signifies that the Christian, strengthened by this grace, is enabled to give forth a good odor of Christian virtue and preserve himself from the corruption of vice.

7 Q: What is the form of the sacrament of Confirmation?

A: The form of the sacrament of Confirmation is this: "I sign thee with the Sign of the Cross, and I confirm thee with the chrism of salvation, in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen."

8 Q: Who is the minister of the sacrament of Confirmation?

A: The ordinary minister of the sacrament of Confirmation is the bishop alone.

9 Q: How does the bishop administer Confirmation?

A: In administering the sacrament of Confirmation the bishop first stretches his hands over those to be confirmed, and invokes the Holy Ghost upon them; next, he anoints the forehead of each one with sacred chrism in the form of a cross, saying the words of the form; then he gives each one confirmed a light tap on the cheek with his right hand, saying: Peace be with you; finally, he solemnly blesses all those he has confirmed.

10 Q: Why is the anointing made on the forehead?

A: The anointing is made on the forehead, where signs of fear and shame appear, in order that he who is confirmed may understand that he should not blush at the name and profession of a Christian, nor fear the enemies of his faith.

11 Q: Why is a light tap given to the person confirmed?

A: A light tap is given to the person confirmed to show him that he should be ready to bear all insults and endure all sufferings for the faith of Jesus Christ.

12 Q: Should all endeavor to receive the sacrament of Confirmation? A: Yes, all should endeavor to receive the sacrament of Confirmation and to have those under them receive it.

13 Q: At what age is it advisable to receive the sacrament of Confirmation? A: The age at which it is advisable to receive the sacrament of Confirmation is about the seventh year, be-

cause it is then that temptations usually begin, and the grace of the sacrament can be sufficiently discerned and a recollection be had of having received it.

14 Q: What dispositions are required to receive worthily the sacrament of Confirmation? A: To receive worthily the sacrament of Confirmation it is necessary to be in the grace of God; know the principal mysteries of our holy faith; and approach it with reverence and devotion.

15 Q: Would he who received Confirmation a second time be guilty of sin? A: He would commit a sacrilege; because Confirmation is one of the sacraments that imprint a character on the soul and hence may be received only once.

16 Q: What should a Christian do to preserve the grace of Confirmation? A: To preserve the grace of Confirmation a Christian should pray often, do good works, and live according to the laws of Jesus Christ, in spite of human respect.

17 Q: Why are there also godfathers and godmothers in Confirmation? A: In order that, by word and example, they may show the confirmed the way to eternal life and help him in the spiritual combat.

18 Q: What qualifications are required in sponsors?

A: They should be of proper age, Catholics, confirmed, instructed in the necessary truths of religion, and persons of good life.

19 Q: Does a sponsor in Confirmation contract any relationship with the confirmed and the parents of the confirmed?

A: The sponsor in Confirmation contracts the same spiritual relationship as is contracted in Baptism.

Chant Camp 2021

Congratulations to our Chant Campers on a fun and invigorating week at Chant Camp! Nearly 50 young people in elementary, middle school, and high school came together last week to learn chant singing and notation, as well as several new motets. The week held many highlights, including a special session with Canon O'Connor and the establishment of our new Choir Cadets program. The culmination of the week was the invitation to assist at the Sacrifice of the Holy Mass on Our Lady's Feast on Assumption. Well done to our campers for singing so beautifully and prayerfully during Mass.

Many campers also attended a special Choir Brunch on Saturday, August 14th, during which graduates and apprentices were recognized for their achievements and service during the past 2 years. We congratulate these students:

Gradus Cantorum (High School) Class of 2020: Genevieve Calvino, Mia Doyle, Caroline Friend, Helen Kish, Clare Young

Gradus Cantorum Class of 2021: Veronica Hete, Eva Ny-paver, Maria Shemer

Pueri Cantorum (8th Grade Graduates) Class of 2020: Sophie Doyle, Mary Theresa Porter, Sophia Sikora, Celine Young

Pueri Cantorum Class of 2021: Louis Bentivegna, Robbie Breuggmann, Jonah Burchill, Angelina Osso (all of these singers also served as **Gradus Cantorum Apprentices in 2021**)

Schola Cantorum (Adult Choir) Apprentices: Gracie Burchill, Genevieve Calvino, Caroline Friend, Shannon Goelz, Helen Kish, Maria Shemer

Choir Cadets earning the Senior Cadet Ranking: Louis Bentivegna, Robbie Breuggmann, Jonah Burchill

Our first rehearsals of the new choir season start on Saturday, **September 18th: 10:00 am for the Pueri Cantorum; 11:00 a.m. for the Gradus Cantorum. New members welcome!*

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