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Low Sunday
April 24, A.D. 2022

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. For Baptisms, Marriages, Visitation of the sick, Funerals, or Registration as a parishioner, please contact the Parish Office.

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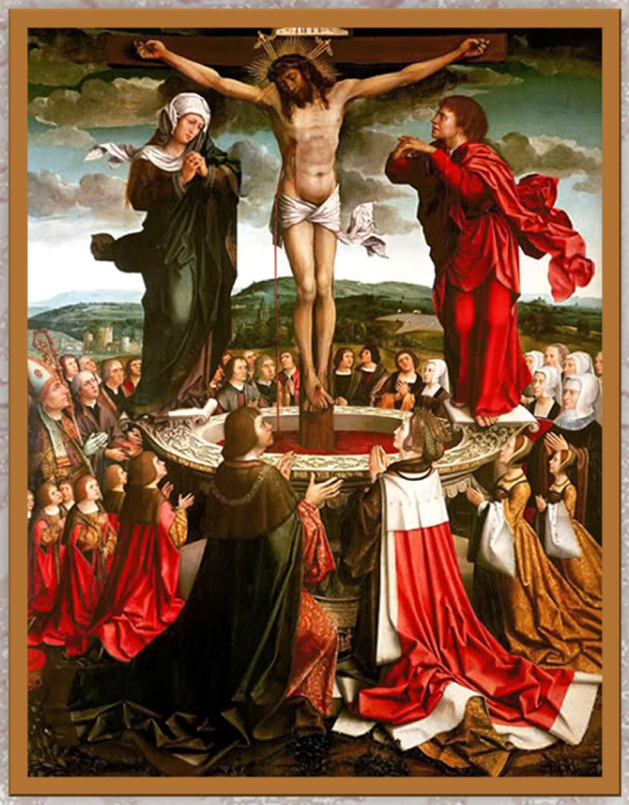

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Mass Intentions

Sunday, April 24, 2022

Sunday *in Albis*, 1st Class—White

8AM Deceased Members of DiBucci & Salas Families (David & Susan Zigarovich)

11AM *Pro populo*

Monday, April 25, 2022

St. Mark the Evangelist, 2nd Class—Red, *Comm. Of Rogations*

12PM + Richard Welch (Family)

Tuesday, April 26, 2022

Ss. Cletus & Marcellinus, 3rd Class—Red

12PM Felix Daniher (Family)

7PM Paras Family (Family)

Wednesday, April 27, 2022

St. Peter Canisius, 3rd Class--White

12PM Ginny Kenna (Elizabeth Blume)

Thursday, April 28, 2022

St. Paul of the Cross, 3rd Class—White, *Comm. of St. Vitalis*

12PM Jennifer Janus & Andrew Biddle (Marianne Biddle)

Friday, April 29, 2022

St. Peter of Verona, 3rd Class—Red

12PM +Bruce Alker, John Rustenberg & Mary Jo Hamrick (Vincent J. Bernardo)

Saturday, April 30, 2022

St. Catherine of Siena, 3rd Class—White

9AM Bob Bruno (Jim & Diane Mousseau)

Sunday, May 1, 2022

St. Joseph the Worker, 1st Class—White

Commemoration of the 2nd Sunday after Easter

8AM *Pro populo*

11AM + John & May Pusateri (Michael & Jill Garfold)

Our Weekly Offerings

Sunday, April 10, 2022

Offertory ….	$9,160.00
Parish Share	$1,150.00
Good Friday/Holy Land	$50.00
ICRSS - Shrine Restoration	$100.00

Easter Triduum

Offertory (Holy Thursday & Easter)….	$18,521.00
Parish Share	$3,465.00
Good Friday/Holy Land	$2,678.00
ICRSS - Provincial Appeal	$1.00
ICRSS - Seminary	$20.00
Parish Improvement	$310.00
Easter Flowers	$25.00
Food Pantry	$20.00

Thank you for your generous support of the parish.

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**.

Side Entrance Restrictions

Work on the side entrance to the Church is expected to begin on Tuesday, April 26th and continue until next weekend. As we indicated in the April 10th bulletin, this means that the side entrance will not be available for weekday Masses, and there will be no handicap accessible entry into the Church. Anyone attending the weekday Masses will need to enter through the main doors at the back of the Church, so be sure to check the website for access updates. Please pray that the weather cooperates so the project can be completed in a timely manner. Thank you for your patience with the planned improvements.

Parish Notices

BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS—Requests for proposed **bulletin announcements** must be submitted in writing to the Parish office ten days in advance of publication. **Please note the change in lead 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.

WEEKLY GET TOGETHER— Join your fellow parishioners for **coffee and doughnuts** (75¢ each) in the school building on Sundays from 9:00 - 10:30am, while Catechism Classes are in session. If you'd like to volunteer to help with setup, service, or cleanup, please contact Tom Smith:tomsmithpittsburgh@gmail.com or call (412) 606-9866.

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.

Group News

CONFRATERNITY OF CHRISTIAN MOTHERS—meets every first Saturday of the month, beginning with the 9a.m. Mass. Please contact JillianLKaufman@gmail.com for more information.

Church Parking Lot

As you know, the Church parking lot is not very spacious and limited in the number of cars able to park. The parish is planning to make improvements to the lot in the very near future, with better indicators for 'no parking' areas. The intent is to provide adequate space for emergency vehicles to enter/exit the lot without incident, if needed at the Church. Until the lot is clearly marked with 'no parking' signage, please do not park in areas where the safety cones are standing. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated in keeping all of our parishioners safe.

More Spring Sewing

Come and spend an afternoon sewing at the following Saturday workshops that take place in the school building:

Saturday May 21: Chapel Veils & Mantillas

Saturday June 11: Dove Ornaments (in celebration of Pentecost)

Upcoming workshops, informational handouts and updates are available in the "Sewing Workshops" group through *Veni, Sancte Spiritus* on Flocknote - just text **CatholicsIgnite** to 84576. If you have further questions or wish to sign up, please contact Margaux Pisula at 412.779.9091 or send an email to studiauxmargaux@gmail.com.

Thank You Everyone!

A very heartfelt "Thank You" to everyone for helping with the Easter Triduum. The parish is very grateful to all of the altar servers, the members of the Schola, the ushers/ERTs, those who helped clean/decorate the Church, and the landscaping volunteers who got the church grounds in shape in anticipation for Easter. You are appreciated more than words can express, for all that you do on a regular basis for the good of the parish. May God bless you abundantly during this Holy Season.

Holy Hour of Adoration

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 28th, at 8pm.

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 Precepts of the Church

The Third Precept of the Church

27 Q: What does the Church command us in the words of the Third Precept: To go to Confession at least once a year? A: By the words of the Third Precept: To go to Confession a least once a year, the Church obliges all Christians, who have come to the use of reason, to approach the sacrament of Penance at least once a year.

28 Q: What is the best time to satisfy the precept of annual Confession? A: The best time to satisfy the precept of annual Confession is Lent, in accordance with the usage introduced and approved by the whole Church.

29 Q: Why does the Church say that we are to confess at least once a year? A: The Church uses the words at least to let us see her desire that we should approach the sacraments more frequently.

30 Q: Is it useful, then, to go often to Confession? A: It is most useful to go often to Confession, especially as it is difficult for one who goes only rarely to make a good Confession and to avoid mortal sin.

31 Q: What does the Church command us to do by the other words of the Third Precept: To receive Holy Communion at Easter, each one in his own parish?
A: By the words of the Third Precept: To receive Holy Communion at Easter, each one in his own parish, the Church obliges all Christians who have come to the age of discretion to receive the Blessed Eucharist every year at Paschal time in their own parish.
[N.B. The current code of Canon Law no longer stipulates that the Easter Communion be done in one's own parish. It therefore can be fulfilled in receiving Holy Communion in any Catholic church.]

32 Q: Are we bound to go to Holy Communion at other times besides Easter? A: We are also bound to go to Holy Communion when in danger of death.

33 Q: Why is it said that we are to receive Holy Communion at least at Easter? A: Because the Church earnestly desires us to approach Holy Communion which is the divine food of our souls, not only at Easter, but as often as we possibly can.

34 Q: Is this Precept fulfilled by a sacrilegious Confession or a sacrilegious Communion? A: This Precept of the Church is not fulfilled by sacrilegious Confession and Communion, because the intention of the Church is that we receive those Sacraments for the end on account of which they were instituted, that is, for our sanctification.

Wisdom of St. Francis de Sales

Great opportunities to serve God rarely present themselves, but minor ones are very often put before us. Now, "Whoever is faithful in small things," says the Savior, "will be put in charge of greater things." Do everything in the name of God, and all you do will be done well. Whether you eat or drink, sleep or rest, you will profit greatly before God by doing all these things because God wishes you to do them.

Thank You from the Canons

Canon Avis and Canon Bourgeois thank you for your gracious Easter gifts. Be assured of their continued prayers during this most sacred season. *Gratiās vōbīs agimus!*

May Crowning—May 1st

The parish May Crowning of Mary as our Queen will take place on Sunday, May 1st, before the 11 am High Mass. Children from the parish, ages 5 and up, are invited to participate. Please gather in the school gym at 10:30 am to get ready. Additional details are available in handouts at the Church entrances. Thank you to Peggy Wrabley for coordinating this special event.

Next Sunday—Seminary Collection

The second collection next Sunday, on May 1, 2022, benefits the Institute of Christ the King Sovereign Priest seminary. This semi-annual appeal financially provides for the formation costs of the Institute's seminarians. May God greatly reward you for your kindness towards our future priests!

Homily of St. Gregory the Great on Today's Gospel

Then said Jesus to them again: *Peace be unto you. As My Father hath sent Me, even so send I you* that is, as My

Father, Who is God, hath sent Me, Who am God, even so do I, Who am Man, send you, who are men. The Father sent the Son, Whom He appointed to be made Man for the redemption of man. Him He willed to send into the world to suffer, albeit He Whom He sent to suffer was the Son of His love. The Lord sends His chosen Apostles into the world, not to be happy in the world, but, as He had been Himself sent, to suffer. As the Father loves the Son and yet sends Him to suffer, even so does the Lord love His disciples, albeit He sends them into the world, to suffer therein; and therefore it is well said: "*As My Father hath sent Me, even so send I you*"; that is, while I send you into the wild storm of persecution, I love you all the same, I love you, yes, I love you with a love like that wherewith the Father loves Me, Who sent Me into the world to bear agony therein.

O QUEEN of heaven rejoice! Alleluia.
For He whom thou didst merit to bear, alleluia,
Hath arisen as He said, alleluia.
Pray for us to God, alleluia.
V. Rejoice and be glad, O Virgin Mary, alleluia.
R. Because the Lord is truly risen, alleluia.
Let us pray. O God, who gave joy to the world through the resurrection of Thy Son, our Lord Jesus Christ; grant, we beseech Thee, that through His Mother, the Virgin Mary, we may obtain the joys of everlasting life. Through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.

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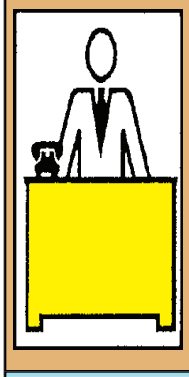

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