

From the Pastor
July 10, 2022
The Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Fifth Sunday After Pentecost

The Most Precious Blood – Price of Our Salvation

The month of July in Catholic devotion is the month of the Most Precious Blood of Our Lord Jesus Christ. The Feast of the Most Precious Blood is celebrated on July 1st in the Traditional Roman Calendar.

The Most Precious Blood is the price of our salvation. We may truly say that without Our Lord's Most Precious Blood we would not be here today.

I am sure that we have all had experiences in life of how things have profoundly influenced our whole future. We would never be in our present situation in life had some event not occurred, like the encouragement of a teacher to attend a specific school or going to a social event where we met our future spouse.

Just as we may say that these events are the cause of many other things in life, so we may say that without Our Lord's Precious Blood, shed upon the Cross for us, we would have no hope of the forgiveness of our sins and the hope of going to heaven. Our Lord's Most Precious Blood washes us clean in the Sacrament of Penance. Certainly, no Catholic will let a single month pass without going to confession. *Blessed Be His Most Precious Blood!*

GOLF OUTING: The Final numbers have come in for our Golf Outing for 2022. St. Paul the Apostle grossed \$196,330. And netted \$150,146.61. I am most grateful to our parishioners for this amazing fund raiser and to our honoree Mr. Michael D. Sapraicone, a loyal parishioner and attendee at the 8.30 Mass every Sunday. I am most grateful to the chair of the Golf Outing Committee Mr. Donald Cavanaugh, PGK, Mr. Thomas Principe, Esq., Mrs. Paula Maturo, and Mrs. Anne Maione. Thank you, dear parishioners, for your overwhelming support and confidence.

We congratulate our Grand Knight, Mr. James Viania and his dear wife Mrs. Immacolta Viania who renewed their marriage vows at the 10.30 Mass on June 26th. It was the Fiftieth Anniversary of their marriage. We pray that God will give them many more years in health and happiness. *Tantissimi auguri!*

We congratulate Deacon Ray and Mrs. Nancy D'Alessio on the occasion of the 40th anniversary of their marriage (July 10, 1982). May God grant them many more years in health and happiness. *Tantissimi auguri!*

Some quotes for us to meditate upon:

St. Philip Neri: *One of the best ways of obtaining humility is sincere and frequent confession.*

St. Josémaría Escrivá: *It is not that the Mass is long; it is that your love for God is short.*

Pope Francis: *One who approaches Jesus without Mary, does so as an orphan.*

In Jesus and Mary,
Monsignor James F. Pereda