

MADONNA DEL CASTELLO

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RECTORY OFFICE HOURS

9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday

BULLETIN DEADLINE

Monday at Noon

MASS SCHEDULE

Daily 8:00 a.m.

Saturday (vigil mass) 4:00 p.m.

Sunday 9:00 a.m.

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Consult the bulletin for Holy Day and Holiday Mass schedule.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Sunday's after the 11:00 a.m. Mass.

RECONCILIATION

Saturdays at 10:30 a.m. and by appointment.

BAPTISMS

Call the office for an appointment.

MARRIAGE

Contact the Pastor at least six months in advance.

Mass Intentions For The Week 

- Monday, November 29** 8:00 A.M.
M/M Paul Shandrick & Paul Shandrick, Jr. (M/M Thomas DiNardo)
- Tuesday, November 30** 8:00 A.M.
Marrone & Shultz Families (Donna Marrone)
- Tuesday, November 30** 7:00 P.M.
Holy Hour
- Wednesday, December 1** 8:00 A.M.
Nicholas E. DiNardo (M/M Thomas DiNardo)
- Thursday, December 2** 8:00 A.M.
Gennaro Donofrio (Angie Cheyne)
- Friday, December 3** 8:00 A.M.
Margaret A. Hagan (Barbara Simpson)
- Friday, December 3** 7:00 P.M.
Holy Hour
- Saturday, December 4** 8:00 A.M.
Intention of the Celebrant
- Saturday, December 4** 4:00 P.M.
For Our Parishioners
- Sunday, December 5** 9:00 A.M.
Margaret Gyurisin (Andy & Lynne Migliorato)
- Sunday, December 5** 11:00 A.M.
Beloved Deceased of the Martin & Bonacci Families (John & Janice Bonacci)



- Saturday, December 4** 4:00 P.M.
Eliza Bagwell & Carmen Bagwell
- Sunday, December 5** 9:00 A.M.
Andrew Klabnik & Miles Gibson
- Sunday, December 5** 11:00 A.M.
Eva Heidinger & Gwyneth Heidinger



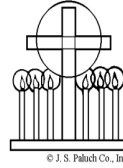
- Saturday, December 4** 4:00 P.M.
David Fiumara, Wayne Sarsfield, Guy Mazzella
- Sunday, December 5** 9:00 A.M.
Chris Gibson, Marilyn Barton, Linda Probola
- Sunday, December 5** 11:00 A.M.
Stan Cheyne, Ellie Yearsley, Gene Susi



- Saturday, December 4** 4:00 P.M.
Pat Mazzella
- Sunday, December 5** 9:00 A.M.
Peggy Gibson
- Sunday, December 5** 11:00 A.M.
Joan Susi



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From Thomas & Elmira DiNardo.



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COOKIES FOR CHRISTMAS

Orders for cookies are being taken through December 5th. Slips will be available in the social hall to place orders. If you have any questions, call Mary Iannucci at 412-371-4912 or Lois Petrarca at 412-371-9458.

Anyone who would like to have any or all of the gifts celebrated in memory of or tribute to a loved one(s), should complete the form below, place information and money in a plain envelope and deposit sealed envelope in the collection basket, mail it to the rectory or deposit in the front door mail slot.

Memorial or Living Tribute Request

I would like to offer:

- Altar Flowers (\$50) _____
- Altar Bread (\$25) _____
- Altar Wine (\$25) _____
- Altar Candles (\$10) _____
- Tabernacle Lamp (\$10) _____
- Complete Offering (\$120) _____

In Memory of _____

In Tribute to _____

From _____

PASTOR'S NOTES



**First Sunday of Advent
November 28, 2010**

“You . . . must be prepared, for at an hour you do not expect, the Son of Man will come.”

— *Matthew 24:44*

HOPEFUL EXPECTATION

Our liturgical year begins with the season of Advent—a time of hopeful expectation of the coming of the Lord. On the First Sunday of Advent we look forward to the end of time when we will awaken to the dawn of Christ’s new day.

Today we hear Isaiah speak of a day when God’s power will have brought universal peace and God’s Word will have instructed all people, radiating God’s “light” (teachings) into all of human society. Only when humanity walks “in the light of the LORD” (Isaiah 2:5), when all people desire to be instructed “in [God’s] ways” (Isaiah 2:3), will the world be set aright and our deepest longings fulfilled. The reading from Romans calls us to “awake from sleep” for this final “day is at hand” (Romans 13:11, 12). Together this Sunday’s scriptures proclaim our Christian faith that Jesus is the One who will finally come to fulfill God’s plan of salvation.

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LADIES FELLOWSHIP

Madonna del Castello has a Ladies Fellowship Group that meets every other Monday in our social hall at 1:30 p.m. Our next meeting is Monday, November 29. If you are interested in joining or have any questions, call Patti Aducci at 412-243-9457.

Did you know?

Rejoice in Hope

Scripture tells us to “rejoice in hope” (Rom 12:12), and it is through this powerful invitation that many come to wholeness and healing. St. Augustine said: “We are an Easter people and Alleluia is our song.” and St. Thomas Aquinas said: “We should be an Alleluia from head to toe.” They remind us about the importance of our call to be men and women of celebration about our life as fully redeemed, fully loved, and fully alive human beings. These reminders call all victims and survivors of sexual abuse to rejoice in the great hope that they will again, one day, be fully a thriver in the community—someone whose gifts are acknowledged, whose abuse is believed and whose life is valued by others.

Diocese of Pittsburgh Abuse Hotline: 1-888-808-1235.

Source: Paul J. Ashton, “Hope for Healing, Surviving and Thriving,” featured June 14, 2004, at www.virtusonline.org/virtus.

CATHOLIC MEN’S FELLOWSHIP

The next meeting for the Catholic Men’s Fellowship will be on Thursday, December 2 at 5:30 p.m. Call Wayne Sarsfield at 412-287-5972 with any questions or for more information.

PARISH FAMILY SUNDAY

Parish Family Sunday will be next Sunday, December 4 & 5. Join us in the social hall for light refreshments and fellowship. The Eucharistic Ministers will be hosting.

MASS OF THANKSGIVING

Cardinal Donald Wuerl will return to Pittsburgh to celebrate a Mass of Thanksgiving at St. Paul Cathedral on Sunday, December 12 at 2 p.m. A reception will follow at Oakland Catholic High School. All are invited to attend the Mass and reception as we give thanks to God for the honor that the Holy Father has bestowed on Cardinal Wuerl and his home Diocese of Pittsburgh, by elevating him to the College of Cardinals.

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Pro-Life Corner

“Like an animal caught in a trap, trying to gnaw off its own leg, a woman who seeks abortion is trying to escape a desperate situation by an act of violence and self loss. Abortion is not a sign that women are free, but a sign that they are desperate.” “The answer to a crisis pregnancy is to eliminate the crisis, not the child.”

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