

# MADONNA DEL CASTELLO

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## PARISH STAFF

**Father John Lynam, Pastor**

**Father Joe Codori, Parochial Vicar**

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## BULLETIN DEADLINE

Monday at Noon

## RECTORY OFFICE HOURS

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

## MASS SCHEDULE

Daily ..... 7:30 a.m.

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

Sunday ..... 10:30 a.m.

*Consult the bulletin for Holy Day and Holiday Mass schedule*

## ANOINTING OF THE SICK

After weekend Masses.

## 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.

# MassSchedule

## PSP DONATION

In memory of:

**Monday, April 22** 7:30 A.M.  
Marilyn Sepesy (Family)

**Tuesday, April 23** 7:30 A.M.  
Antionette Petrarca (Dominic & Lois Petrarca)

**Tuesday, April 23** 7:00 P.M.  
St. Anthony Novena

**Wednesday, April 24** 7:30 A.M.  
Haski Family (Al & Margie Haski)

**Thursday, April 25** 7:30 A.M.  
Agnes Martinich (Madonna Choir)

**Friday, April 26** 7:30 A.M.  
Beloved Decease of Martin & Bonacci Families (John & Janice Bonacci)

**Friday, April 26** 7:00 P.M.  
Holy Hour

**Saturday, April 27** 7:30 A.M.  
Intention of the Celebrant

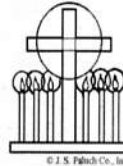
**Saturday, April 27** 4:00 P.M.  
Vince DelCorso (Gary Thomas & Sharon Connelly)

**Sunday, April 28** 10:30 A.M.  
1st Communicants

JOSEPH CODORI, SR. from Cathy Wreath.  
ANGELICA CALIENDO from Gilda Orfitelli.  
SARA BRUNO from David Iovino.  
DECEASED WREATH & DORSCH FAMILIES from Cathy Wreath.



The Tabernacle Lamp is in memory of  
JOHN ANTHONY & MARY MITCHELL  
From Marguerite Mitchell.



The Altar Candles are in memory of  
BLOISE & AIELLO FAMILIES  
From Dolly Bloise & Family.



The Altar bread & wine is in memory of  
AGNES MARTINICH  
From Madonna del Castello Choir.



The Altar Flowers are in memory of  
AGNES MARTINICH  
From Madonna del Castello Choir

**Saturday, April 27** 4:00 P.M.  
Nicole O'Dell & Angela Petrarca

**Sunday, April 28** 10:30 A.M.  
Andrew Klabnik Dominic Capezzuto

+ **REST IN PEACE** +

NINO CARTELLA, father of Rita Cappella.

## EUCCHARISTIC ROSARY MARCH

Sunday, May 5, 1:30 pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Epiphany Church, 184 Washington Place, Uptown. Procession with the Blessed Sacrament and the statue of Our Lady of Fatima to St. Mary of Mercy Church for Benediction, May Crown and refreshments. For those who cannot process, there will be recitation of the Rosary at St. Mary of Mercy Church during the procession. Direct questions to Linda Nevins, 412-884-3213.



**Saturday, April 27** 7:00 P.M.  
Wayne Sarsfield, Guy Mazzella, Dave Fiumara, Cathy Wreath

**Sunday, April 28** 10:30 A.M.  
John Bonacci, Sr. Chibueze, Dave Petrarca, Mike Pascal



## EMMAUS COMMUNITY GALA

**Saturday, April 27** 4:00 P.M.  
Olive Magnotta

**Sunday, April 28** 10:30 A.M.  
Janice Bonacci

Emmaus Community Kentucky Derby Gala will be Saturday, May 5 at the Oakmont Country Club. Emmaus provides permanent homes for persons with intellectual disabilities. For more information, emmauspgh.org or call 412-381-0277.



### FROM FR. JOE MELE & SEMINARIANS

I want to thank you for the gracious hospitality shown to us during the seminarians visit to your parish this past weekend. Thank you, also, for the elaborate spread after mass at Madonna! We thoroughly enjoyed our time spent with Fr. John & the parishioners.

### VICAR VISIT

Our Regional Vicar, Fr. Fred Cain, has, as one of his responsibilities, the regular visitation of parishes in his vicariate every 18 months. Fr. Cain will be visiting our parish on Monday, April 22 from 2 to 8:30 pm. The purpose of the visit is to encourage & assist Fr. John & Fr. Joe & Deacon Keith, parish staff & pastoral & finance councils of the parish as well as to monitor & evaluate the effectiveness of the parish pastoral plan, pastoral programs & services of the parish. If you wish to contact the Regional Vicar in advance of the parish visitation or at any other time, feel free to contact him at 412-456-5645 or by email at vicariate2@diopitt.org.

### ST. ANTHONY NOVENA

The St. Anthony Novena will continue on Tuesday, April 23 at 7 p.m. in church. There will be nine weeks of the Novena. Thursday, June 13 we will have the mass in honor of St. Anthony. We will have booklets available at no cost. If you have any questions, call the rectory at 412-271-5666.

### LIFE IN THE SPIRIT SEMINAR

Easter to a new Pentecost – April 21, 28 & May 5. The Holy Spirit fills us that we may know God's love in the abundant life that Jesus brings. Come & be blessed with a new release of the Holy Spirit in your life & intimacy with God. Evenings will include praise, singing, group discussions & personal witness talks about God's love, salvation, new life, gifts, growth & transformation. Week 3 will have individual prayer for release of the Holy Spirit. Sundays, 6-8:30 pm at Madonna del Castello church. For more information or to RSVP, call Kathryn at 412-243-5359.

### School News

#### **Mother's Day Flower Sale to Benefit**

**East Catholic School** – Beautiful, garden-ready flower plants and hanging baskets, fresh from a local greenhouse, will be available for pick up on Mother's Day weekend, (May 11<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup>) at Word of God, Madonna and St. Maurice parishes after all masses. **All plants must be pre-ordered and paid for in advance.** 100% of the profits will benefit East Catholic School. Order forms can be found in all three churches, the Canterbury Corner Gift Shop at Word of God and at the school. Completed forms and payment can be dropped off at the school or in any one of the parish's collection baskets. Please place orders in an envelope marked "School Flower Sale". **Order deadline is April 29th.** Thank you for your generous support of our combined parishes' school. For more information, call Mary at 412-244-3439.

**East Catholic School's Open House** for prospective families is coming up! See insert for more information.

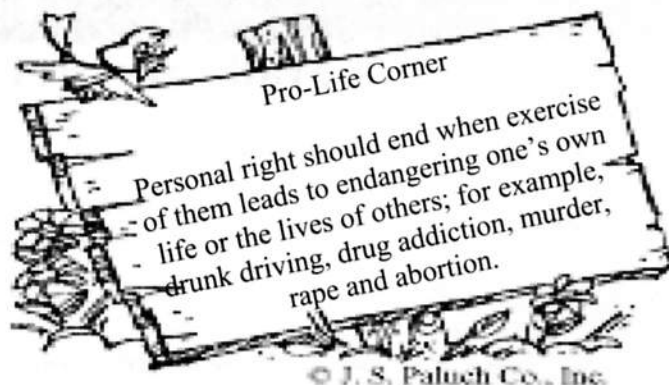
### BABY CARE ITEM COLLECTION

On Mother's Day Weekend, May 11 & 12, we're partnering with Catholic Charities to collect baby care items for pregnant & parenting moms & birth fathers. Most needed are: formula, hygiene products & diapers of all sizes. Also needed are new or gently used baby clothing, playpens, strollers, toys, etc. We cannot accept cribs or car seats. Please bring your items to the back of church.

### ST. JOHN FISHER AFTERNOON BINGO SOCIAL

St. John Fisher Church in Churchill will have an Afternoon Bingo Social on Sunday, April 28 beginning at 1:30 pm. Admission for 3 cards is \$10 (additional cards available). Lunch available for purchase from 12:30 to 1:30 pm. For more information, call the church office at 412-241-4722.

**DIOCESE OF PITTSBURGH ABUSE HOTLINE 1-888-808-1235.**



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# East Catholic School

<http://www.eastcatholicschool.org>

**A Model of Catholic Education for the Eastern Suburbs**

## OPEN HOUSE

# April 28th 1-3 PM

### Achievement

#### Success

The students from the legacy East Catholic schools have been proven successes not only through their secondary education but in college and life. Many have valued the educational foundation they received and are sending their own children to experience the right mix of educational excellence and opportunity afforded at East Catholic.

Our students achieve 143% of the national mean on Terra Nova Standardized Tests.

Many of our students will go on to Catholic High Schools where over 85% attend College compared to 40% of public

### Academics



#### Curriculum

East Catholic School offers a strong traditional curriculum. In addition to meeting all the requirements of the Pennsylvania Department of Education, the curriculum gives special attention to the integration of gospel values. This combined focus enables an ideal educational experience for all of our children.

16:1 Student: Teacher Ratio!

An average of 20 Years of Experience Educating in a Catholic School per teacher

St. John Fisher offers an in-consortium preschool nearby in Churchill.

### Catholic

#### Faith Based

A Christian environment is at the core of everything we do. Our children learn to walk in the footsteps of Christ by leading by example and ensuring that God is a focus of the entire educational experience.



Monthly All School Mass and Age Tailored Masses allow our Pastors to focus their message to the needs of all our children.

Daily Religious Education is integral to our Educational Foundation and at the center of our Teaching.

### \$Value

#### More for Your Money

At East Catholic, we strive to ensure that your tuition money goes the furthest by hiring the staff with the most experience and by consistently identifying ways to deliver for your family.

\$16/day for such a quality education

Over 40% of our students come from a multi student family.

2012-2013 Tuition Rates were \$4,000 below the national average

Just over \$2/hour to give your child the best preparation for the future!

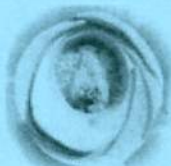
*"When compared to the public school and the other Catholic Schools in the area, East Catholic made the most sense for me to send my daughter. In the spring of her first year, I know I made the right decision and look forward to my son enrolling for the fall!"*

### Structure



#### Involvement

East Catholic delivers a structured educational experience where students can excel at all they focus on. Parents are encouraged to be part of the process through fundraising opportunities, the PTG, lunch duties, and in classroom activities.



Parents are on campus daily to interact and be a part of the educational experience at East Catholic.

All of our parent volunteers pass a rigorous background check including a course centered on Protecting God's Children.

A daily aftercare program is available for our students to ensure a comfortable faith based environment through the afternoon.

### Extracurricular



#### Activities

East Catholic provides opportunities for all students to excel not only in the classroom but in athletic competition and through the music program our children can learn the benefits of mastering the musical instrument of their choice.



4 Varsity Sports Teams and Cheerleading are available for our Students.

Our youngest students are even encouraged to be involved through our Gym Nights, Little Kicker's, and Little Hooper's Programs.

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