

The Catholic Community of Rankin and Swissvale

MADONNA DEL CASTELLO PARISH

2021 S. Braddock Avenue • Swissvale, PA 15218



August 16, 2015



Word of God Catholic Parish

7446 McClure Avenue • Swissvale, PA 15218

Administrative Office: 2021 S. Braddock Avenue • Pittsburgh, PA 15218

MASS SCHEDULE

Daily:	Monday (Madonna)	7:00 P.M.
	Tuesday (Word of God)	9:30 A.M.
	Wednesday (Madonna)	8:00 A.M.
	Thursday (Word of God)	9:30 A.M.
	Friday (Madonna)	8:00 A.M.
	Saturday (Word of God)	9:30 A.M.
	Saturday Vigil (Madonna)	4:00 P.M.
	Saturday Vigil (Word of God)	6:00 P.M.
	Sunday (Word of God)	9:00 A.M.
	Sunday (Madonna)	11:00 A.M.

Consult the bulletin for Holy Day and Holiday Mass schedule

PARISH STAFF

Fr. John Lynam	Pastor
Keith Kondrich	Deacon
Ron Demblowski	Deacon/Pastoral Associate
Edward Kapsha	Madonna Music Director
Michael Burke	Word of God Music Director
Kelly James	Madonna Parish Secretary
Karen Flynn	Word of God Parish Secretary
Patricia Aducci	Coordinator of Religious Ed.

CONTACT INFORMATION

Parish Office (Madonna)	412-271-5666
Parish Office (Word of God)	412-241-1372
Parish Office Fax	412-271-2335
Religious Education Office	412-271-5666
Music Ministry (Madonna)	EKAPD5965@gmail.com
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Madonna Website	www.madonnadelcastello.org
Word of God E-mail	wordofgod1994@verizon.net
Church Street Convent	412-271-3346
Parish Prayer Line	412-371-3173

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday, 12:00 Noon
(Word of God church)

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Contact the Parish Office
for an appointment

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

Contact the Parish Office
for an appointment at least
6 months before the wedding

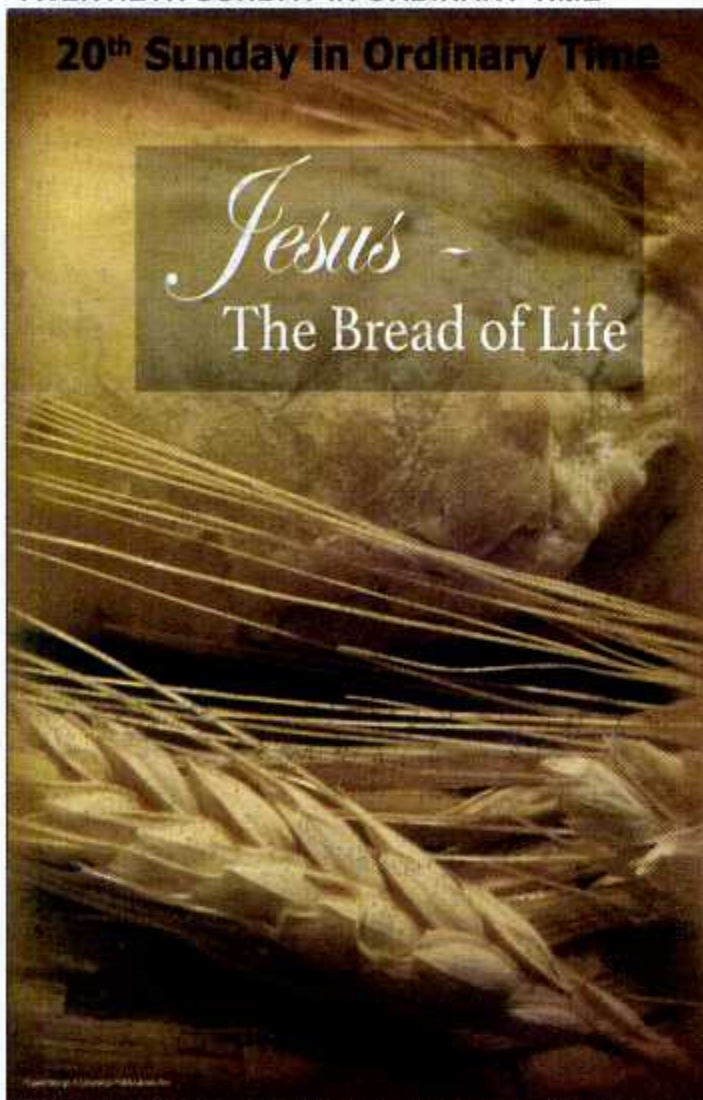
SACRAMENT OF THE SICK

Available after Mass
and upon request

East Catholic School	412-351-5403
2001 Ardmore Blvd., Pgh., PA 15221	
Sr. Judith Stojhovic, RSM	Principal
School Website	www.eastcatholicschool.org

A member of the East Catholic School Consortium

Bulletin Deadline Monday at Noon.



20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jesus -
The Bread of Life

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

- Saturday - August 15- Vigil**
 - 4:00 PM Ilario Dichiera (Wife Teresa & Family)
 - 6:00 PM Arnold Krohmaly (Krohmaly Family)
- Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time - August 16**
 - 9:00 AM For the People
 - 11:00 AM Patrick & Mary Jean Aducci (Family)
- Monday - August 17**
 - 7:00 PM Leonard Jackson (Scott & Laura Wilks)
- Tuesday - August 18**
 - 9:30 AM Carmella Costa (Sister, Theresa Dichiera)
- Wednesday - August 19—St. John Eudes**
 - 8:00 AM Filomena Melocchi (Connie & Family)
- Thursday - August 20 - St. Bernard**
 - 9:30 AM Helen & Paul McCaffery (Family)
- Friday - August 21— St. Pius X**
 - 8:00 AM Robert Lyman (Mary Ann & Pat Gorman)
- Saturday - August 22 - Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary**
 - 9:30 AM Thomas P. Molyneaux (Wife & Family)
- Saturday - August 22- Vigil**
 - 4:00 PM John Gottenkiene (Ann & Darlene Hardy)
 - 6:00 PM Veronica Kanarkowski (Daughters)
- Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time - August 23**
 - 9:00 AM Mary Jo Franko Selby (Family)
 - 11:00 AM For the People

THIS WEEK

- Saturday**
 - 7:00 PM Reception for Adam Potter - Word of God
- Sunday - Mission Collection**
 - 12:00 PM Reception for Adam Potter - Dattilo Hall
- Tuesday**
 - 7:00 PM Holy Hour/Rosary - Madonna
- Wednesday**
 - 2:00 PM Ladies Fellowship - Dattilo Hall
- Friday**
 - 7:00 PM Holy Hour - Madonna
- Saturday**
 - 12:00 PM Reconciliation - Word of God Parish
- Next Sunday - Collection for Catholic Communications & Catholic University of America**

A NOTE FROM FATHER JOHN

Mission Appeal: Sr. Joann Kokosinski plans to speak after Communion at all the Masses on the weekend of August 15th and 16th. There will be a second collection taken up after her talk for her order's mission work. We ask that you prayerfully consider your donation and use the "Visiting Missionary" envelope in your packet.

Adam Potter's Receptions are scheduled for Saturday, August 15th after the 6:00 p.m. Mass at Word of God and Sunday, August 16th after the 11:00 a.m. Mass at Madonna. Adam will be returning to Rome for studies. His diaconate ordination is October 1st. Please pray for him and his family.

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Stay connected with Madonna del Castello and Word of God Parishes through our new Catholic Community of Swissvale & Rankin's Facebook Page at:

www.facebook.com/pages/Catholic-Community-of-Swissvale-Rankin/1448072735511686

29th ANNUAL BENEFIT LUNCHEON FOR THE SEMINARIANS OF THE PITTSBURGH DIOCESE-Sat., Sept. 12, St. Paul Seminary, O'Connor Hall, 2900 Noblestown Road, Pittsburgh, PA 15205. There will also be a Chinese Auction, Raffles and Bake Sale. Doors open 10:00a.m. for early-bird players (cards or board games). Lunch served 12:00p.m. Choice of entree: Chicken Marsala, Crab Cakes, Penne Pasta. Donation is \$30; reservations due by Aug. 28. Sponsored by the Catholic Daughters of the Americas Pittsburgh Diocesan Committee. For reservations or additional information, call Johanna Leonard 412-231-0931 or Laraine McGinnis 724-263-2161.



PRO LIFE CORNER: The battle rages between virtue and vice, grace and self-will, between good and evil. We are to live UP to the standards of God, not DOWN to the standards of this world. Join the pro-life movement today and help end abortion and euthanasia.

LOOK FOR THE LIGHTHOUSE MEDIA KIOSK AT

BOTH PARISHES: "Watch carefully how you live, not as foolish persons but as wise, making the most of the opportunity, because the days are evil." (EPH 5:15)

Today's second reading echos as true and prophetic as when it was first declared by St. Paul to the Ephesians. As you leave today's Eucharistic celebration, scan the titles of our books and tapes.....and see if the Holy Spirit 'speaks' to you with one of our offered selections! **Please be sure to place your suggested donation in the money slot on the display so the ministry can be self-supporting.**



Catholic Communications and Catholic University of America supports the weekly televised Mass and provides financial aid. Please use the envelope provided and place it in the regular collection next week (August 22/23). There will not be a second collection.

TRIP TO ITALY-Sept. 26-Oct. 4 with Fr. John Lynam for the Diaconate Ordination of Adam Potter. For more information see fliers in the church racks/on the tables.

MASS OF DIVINE HEALING-Wed., Aug. 19, 7:00p.m., St. Francis of Assisi, 3609 Washington Ave.,

Finleyville, PA 15332. Come and experience the healing presence of the Lord at a Mass joyfully celebrated by "the Fraternity of Priests" (a group of Pittsburgh and Greensburg priests). At Mass, a priest will announce healings discerned by the priests as they gathered to pray in the afternoon. Anointing for healing available after Mass. For info. call 724-348-7145.

OUR LADY OF FATIMA STATUE: If you are interested in having the traveling statue in your home for a week, please contact the parish office.

COMMUNITY FOOD PANTRY:

Collection of food is taken the **last Sunday of each month** at Word of God (leave donations inside the entrances of the church). Checks should be made out to "Swissvale United Methodist" and memo "Food Pantry." The Food Pantry is located in the Living Spirit Ministry building on 2011 Noble Street. It operates as an ecumenical activity of the Swissvale Ministerium.



THE GOSPEL OF MATTHEW BIBLE STUDY continues on Wednesdays beginning **September 2nd at 7:00 p.m.** in Dattilo Hall. If you are new to the course, please call Mike Matthyse, 412-241-1254.

BINGO BASH-SUN, SEPT. 27, Madonna del Castello, Dattilo Hall. Tickets: \$10 are on sale after Masses. Any questions or donations call Peggy Gibson, 412-225-3350.



LADIES FELLOWSHIP GROUP meets every other Wednesday in Dattilo Hall at **2:00p.m.** Our next meeting is **August 19.** If you are interested or have any questions, please call Patti Aducci at 412.243.9457.

PRAYER AND PRAISE GROUP meets at 7:00p.m. the 2nd & 4th Thursday each month at Madonna. For more information call Mike Matthyse, 412-241-1254.



COMMUNION MINISTERS: Please remember to volunteer in the summer.

CCD REGISTRATION: Believe it or not, it is time to register your children for the 2015-16 CCD year! We are very excited to welcome your children to our combined religious education program for Madonna del Castello and Word of God Parishes. Sharing the rich and diverse resources of both parishes greatly strengthens our curriculum and provides your children with wonderful opportunities for spiritual, sacramental, and social growth. Our number one commitment is to help your children grow in their understanding of our Catholic Faith, their love for our Lord, and their recognition of how much God loves each of them! Registration packets have been mailed to all families who participated in the program last year. If you did not receive a packet, are new to our parishes, or have a child entering CCD for the first time this year, please call the rectory and a packet will be mailed to you. Registration packets are also available at the exits of both churches. **The DEADLINE to register your child or children for CCD is Fri., Sept. 11.**



ANNUAL MASS HONORING OUR LADY OF CZESTOCHOWA, Patroness of Poland-Wed., Aug. 26, 7:00p.m., St. Paul Cathedral, 108 N. Dithridge St., Oakland, PA 15213. The Knights of Columbus will lead the procession, and Bishop Zubik will be the celebrant. It is sponsored by Polish Falcons of America & the Polish clergy; info. call Betty, 412-371-1827.

Become Catholic? To become a Catholic, a person takes a wonderful spiritual journey through the process called The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA). We invite anyone who is not baptized, baptized in another Christian faith, and baptized Catholics who have not received First Communion and/or Confirmation on this journey that begins with get-acquainted sessions in August and group sessions in September. Please extend an invitation to anyone you know who would like to join us. They may be waiting to be asked. There are special brochures in the literature racks. Contact: Deacon Ron Demblowski, 412.241.1372 or wordofgodpa@gmail.com.



Madonna del Castello



The Tabernacle Lamp is for the DeFrank & Ciao Families from Josephine Ciao.

Offertory for August 9 - \$3,450.00

CURRENT ALTAR SERVERS: If you wish to continue to serve, have your parents send an email to Andrea Rockovich, lober_rockovich@hotmail.com. Please include your full contact information so the September schedule can be prepared.

Anyone who would like to have any or all of the gifts celebrated in memory of or tribute to a loved one(s) at **Madonna del Castello Parish**, should complete the form below, place information and money in a plain envelope and deposit the sealed envelope in the collection basket, mail it to the parish office or deposit in the mail slot.

Madonna del Castello Memorial/Living Tribute Request

I would like to offer:

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

In Memory of _____

In Tribute to _____

From _____

Phone _____



WORD OF GOD



THROUGHOUT THIS WEEK IN WORD OF GOD PARISH LITURGIES, we will use the Altar Bread, Wine, Candles, and Sanctuary Lamp in honor of **Harry Skrocki** from the Family.

Please consider remembering the parish in your will.

WORD OF GOD COLLECTION

August 9 Offertory.....\$7,469.00
 Utilities..... \$657.00

MEMORIAL OFFERING: Any or all of the gifts at **Word of God Parish** can be celebrated in memory of a loved one(s). Please fill out the form below and drop it off at the parish office, send through the mail or put it in the collection basket. You may request a particular week. Dates requested will be scheduled on a first-come/first served basis.



**WORD OF GOD PARISH
 MEMORIAL OFFERING REQUEST FORM**

I would like to offer:

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| ALTAR BREADS \$30 _____ | SANCTUARY LAMP \$5 _____ |
| ALTAR WINE \$15 _____ | COMPLETE OFFERING \$60 _____ |
| ALTAR CANDLES \$10 _____ | |
- IN MEMORY OF _____

FROM _____

WEEK _____

PHONE _____

OKTOBERFEST: Parishioners and Friends of Word of God Parish, Oktoberfest will be held **Sept. 26th**. This year's Oktoberfest promises to be bigger and better than ever! We are already planning the baskets for the Chinese Auction and could use your help.



The raffle baskets have proven to be very profitable fundraisers for our church. We would like to increase the number of baskets available.

Some basket ideas include:

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| Holiday baskets | Money trees |
| Wine | Lottery trees |
| Food themes | Sports |
| Bath and beauty products | Tickets to events |
| School theme | Get-a-way weekends |

Any **new items** that you may have stashed away in a closet or basement may be perfect additions to a raffle basket. Please contact Jen Pekor at 412-417-5731, or email jendave1195@gmail.com to make arrangements to drop off donations or commit to creating a basket. We appreciate your support!

Are You Looking for a faith-filled, value-centered, quality education for your child in a safe and caring environment? Come join us and be a part of East Catholic School on 2001 Ardmore Blvd. in Forest Hills. Registration for the 2015-16 school year is now open. Please call the office at 412-351-5403, 8:30 a.m. -2:00 p.m. to schedule a tour of the school, to request information or to discuss registration requirements. We provide Pre-K, full day kindergarten through grade 8 programs. Students must be 5 years old by September 1, 2015 to be eligible for Kindergarten.

There is now a Pre-school at East Catholic. The 3 year olds will meet Monday, Wednesday & Friday, 9:00a.m.-11:30a.m. The 4 year olds will meet daily, 12:30p.m.-3:00p.m.

CONNECTING WITH CATHOLICS IN COLLEGE: Do you want to help a college student stay connected to the Church? Send their name and contact information to the Newman Connection, which will invite them to Catholic activities on their campus. Fill out the form at www.dipitt.org/newmanconnection. Please pray for our students and share the Newman Connection with your friends and family.

DIOCESAN CHOIR AUDITIONS: The choir, under the direction of Fr. Jim Chepponis, Music Director for the Diocese of Pittsburgh, sings for the major diocesan events at St. Paul's Cathedral. There are openings in the soprano, alto, tenor and bass sections. In addition to being good singers, members must be capable sight-readers due to a limited rehearsal schedule, and at least 18 years of age. Rehearsals are at St. John Capistran Church, Upper St. Clair. To schedule an audition time call Doris Anne, 412-456-3042 before August 24.

CATHOLIC SINGLES, 21 & OVER: The Catholic Alumni Club offers a variety of social opportunities including league athletics, parties, picnics, dances, dinners, hiking, volleyball, scripture study, trips, etc. For info. check www.capittsburgh.org.

YOUNG ADULTS & SINGLES OF ALL AGES: check Catholicthrive.com.

Attention Parishioners of St Mary of Mercy (and visitors to Saint Mary of Mercy, Downtown): Due to the recent roof fire, our building has incurred some smoke and soot damage, which requires cleaning. Beginning Monday August 10th, after the noon mass, contractors began to place scaffolding to accommodate the cleaning of the walls and ceilings. The project is expected to last approximately four weeks but should cause minimal disruption for our mass. The upper balcony area will be off limits during the cleaning. Thank you for your understanding.



CHECK www.masstimes.org to find the location of a church when you are on vacation.

23rd Annual Bob O'Connor Cookie Cruise --Wed., Aug. 19, 5:30p.m. to 9:30p.m. with boat sailing at 7:30p.m.

Picnic style buffet, dancing, and fireworks. All proceeds benefit the Bob O'Connor Fdn. which honors Bob's legacy of public service. Tickets are \$40.00. For more information or tickets visit www.boboconnorfoundation.com or call Bob's daughter, Heidi Garth, at 412-427-5235. All are welcome!



CONCERT ON THE LAWN-Fri., August 21st, 7:00p.m.-8:30p.m., St. John Fisher Church, 33 Lewin Lane, Pittsburgh (Churchill), PA 15235.

Featured will be the River City Brass Band. Bring a chair or blanket, snacks and whatever food you enjoy for a wonderful evening of good music on our beautiful grounds. Wine, beer, soda and water are available for a donation. A free-will offering will be taken up to help defray expenses. For more information call 412-241-4722.



84th Annual Croatian Day at Kennywood

Park: Come celebrate the 84th Annual Croatian Day at Kennywood Park on **Saturday, September 5**. Delicious Mezick's BBQ lamb will be available as well some exciting additions to the ethnic food selections this year! **Enjoy the cultural program starting at 4:00 p.m.** in the pavilions featuring entertainment by Croatian music group KAS and vocalist Igor Delac. Ticket prices are \$29 for riders ages 2- 54; \$16 for riders 55 - 64, and \$12 (w/coupon) for riders 65 and over. Call Barb Mogus at 412-824-6680 for tickets or coupons!

2015 CAR RAFFLE-Labor Day, Sept. 7, St. Catherine of Sweden, 2554 Wildwood Rd., Wildwood, PA 15091. Grant prize wins a 2015 Jeep Cherokee Latitude 4 x 4. Second Place-\$1,000; Third Place-Pad. Tickets are \$20 each—available online, www.stcathedrineofsweden.org (can pay with a debit or credit card) or in the parish office (cash or checks only) Monday-Friday, 9:00a.m.-4:00p.m. For more info. call 412-486-6001.

BROWN BAG BINGO-Sun., Sept. 13, 1:00p.m., Sacred Heart Hall, 1600 Brinton Road, Braddock Hills, PA. Doors open at 12:30p.m. Donation \$10 (includes bingo boards & light lunch). Tickets available after Masses and at the parish office, or call Peg for info./tickets at 412-736-3507. Hosted by Good Shepherd Social Club.

Retreats - St. Emma Monastery, 1001 Harvey Ave., Greensburg, PA 15601. Sept. 11-13 & Sept. 18-20-Silent Retreats (men/women), Rev. Boniface Hicks, OSB. For single women between the ages of 16 & 35: We invite you to experience our manner of monastic life, a pattern of prayer and work that has freed, formed and fashioned the human heart towards God for 1500 years. "Shadowing" our community" might help you to discern God's call in your life Nov. 27-29. For more info. call 724-834-3060.



