

The Catholic Community of Rankin and Swissvale

MADONNA DEL CASTELLO PARISH

2021 S. Braddock Avenue • Swissvale, PA 15218

August 2, 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	<i>Pastor</i>
Keith Kondrich	<i>Deacon</i>
Ron Demblowski	<i>Deacon/Pastoral Associate</i>
Edward Kapsha	<i>Madonna Music Director</i>
Michael Burke	<i>Word of God Music Director</i>
Kelly James	<i>Madonna Parish Secretary</i>
Karen Flynn	<i>Word of God Parish Secretary</i>
Patricia Aducci	<i>Coordinator of Religious Ed.</i>

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

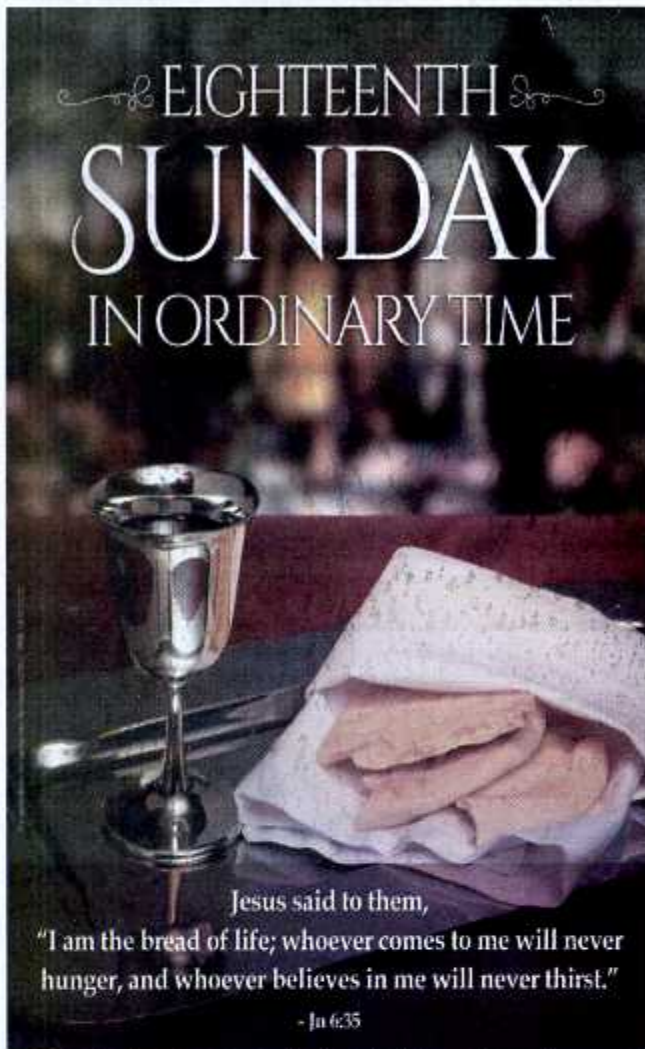
Available after Mass
and upon request

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
Bp. Dattilo Social Hall	412-271-3959
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
East Catholic School	412-351-5403
2001 Ardmore Blvd., Pgh., PA 15221	
Sr. Judith Stojhovic, RSM	Principal
School Website	www.eastcatholicsschool.org

A member of the East Catholic School Consortium

Bulletin Deadline Monday at Noon.



A NOTE FROM FATHER JOHN

Thank you for all the prayers and support for the success of Madonna's annual festival.

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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

Readings for Sunday, August 9

1st Reading: 1 Kings 19:4-8... The Lord feeds Elijah, strengthening him for his journey to Horeb.

2nd Reading: Ephesians 4:30 - 5:2... The Ephesians are encouraged to be imitators of Christ.

Gospel Reading: John 6:41-51... Jesus responds to the crowd who do not understand his statement that he is the bread that came down from heaven.

Question for reflection: Elijah was nourished by God when he thought his troubles were too great. How has God strengthened you in times of trouble?

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday - August 1- Vigil

4:00 PM Mazzella & Hughes families (Pat & Guy Mazzella)
6:00 PM For the People

Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time - August 2

9:00 AM John Mackin (Family)
11:00 AM In Honor of Madonna del Castello

Monday - August 3

7:00 PM Mary Burkhart (Joe/ Mary Pat Valentino Family)

Tuesday - August 4 - St. John Vianney

9:30 AM Walter S. Poland (Library/Gift Shop Committee)

Wednesday - August 5 - Dedication of Basilica of St. Mary Major

8:00 AM M/M Alfred Burkhart (Family)

Thursday - August 6 - Transfiguration of the Lord

9:30 AM Larry Dichiera (Sister Rosetta & Family)

First Friday - August 7 - St. Sixtus II & Companions, and St. Cajetan

8:00 AM Virginia "Jane" Migliore (Tony Caliendo)

Saturday - August 8 - St. Dominic

9:30 AM Janet McCann (Ronald Bryan)

Saturday - August 8 - Vigil

4:00 PM For the People
6:00 PM Ezio Mariani (Wife, Amantina)

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time - August 9

9:00 AM Eileen Degener (Charles & Theresa Beck)
11:00 AM Frank Palangio and Sam & Sara Maksimchuk (Sam & Theresa Maksimchuk)

THIS WEEK

Sunday - Feast Day in Honor of Madonna del Castello

Eucharistic Procession after 11:00 AM Mass followed by a banquet in Dattilo Hall

Tuesday

7:00 PM Holy Hour/Rosary - Madonna

Wednesday

2:00 PM Ladies Fellowship - Dattilo Hall
7:00 PM to 8:00 PM - Scripture Study—Gospel of John Dattilo Hall

Thursday

7:00 PM Ladies of Charity - Dattilo Hall

Friday

7:00 PM Holy Hour - Madonna

Saturday

12:00 PM Reconciliation - Word of God Parish

Next Sunday - Utilities Collection

10th Annual Gathering of Catholic Men

Sat., Sept. 19, David L. Lawrence Convention Center. Our Annual Gathering of Catholic Men is a one of kind event for you to be challenged, encouraged, and to encounter Jesus. Don't miss this awesome day. Get more info. and register today at cmfpitt.org.

PRO LIFE CORNER: Christians do not permit the lifestyle

modeled by the world to limit their compassion, but rather they imitate Christ, who willingly gave of Himself to serve others. When the world cries, "Inconvenience—not now, that's not my job, no, not for me," imitators of Christ say, "Heavenly Father, not my will, but Thine be done." -Ryan C. MacPherson



LOOK FOR THE LIGHTHOUSE MEDIA

KIOSK AT BOTH PARISHES: This is the last week of extra savings on our most popular topics! Take advantage of the multitude of presentations regarding conversion stories, our saints and Our Lady, Our Mother. **We are offering \$.50 off of each item of the above listed topics this weekend.**

That means each book, CD & booklet will be reduced from their current price!

Please be sure to place your suggested donation in the money slot on the display so the ministry can be self-supporting.



HEALING MASS in Honor of St. Philomena, Teen Virgin Martyr, Tues., Aug. 11, St. Hugh Church, 408 Route 88, Carmichaels, PA. Mass & Anointing-7:00p.m., Rosary prayed-6:30p.m. For further info. please call the parish office, 724-966-7270.

MASS OF DIVINE HEALING-Wed., Aug. 12, 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.

MASS-Thurs., Aug. 13, 1:30p.m., Swissvale Towers, 1826 Monongahela Ave. in the Community Room, 1st Floor.

CHILD PROTECTIVE SERVICES LAW: Report any acts of child abuse or if you believe a child was subject to abuse to Commonwealth of PA Hotline 1-800-932-0313.

Diocesan Victim Assistance Hotline: 1-888-808-1235

PROTECTING GOD'S CHILDREN SESSIONS are listed on the diocesan website, www.diopitt.org, under "Protecting God's Children." You may also contact the parish office.

DIOCESAN SAFE ENVIRONMENT CERTIFICATION: First step is contact Kelly James. She will inform you of the next steps.

Email: madonnadelcastello1920@gmail.com.



BINGO BASH-SUN, SEPT. 27, Madonna del Castello, Dattilo Hall. Tickets: \$10 will be on sale after Masses starting August 8. Any questions or donations call Peggy Gibson, 412-225-3350.

Swissvale Meals on Wheels: This independent community organization has been serving meals to those in need Monday-Friday every week since 1973. Volunteers from the community (drivers and helpers) deliver the meals that are prepared at the LifeCare Hospital of Pittsburgh. The meals consist of a nutritious hot meal in a microwaveable container, salad, dessert, milk, juice, and bread, along with a sandwich and piece of fruit for a smaller meal later in the day. The cost is \$20.00 per week for this service. It can be used as a temporary service for post-hospital recovery or for long term for those who need it. For more information about signing up for the service, please call Edwin Goldbach, 412-371-2909.



LADIES FELLOWSHIP GROUP meets every other Wednesday in Dattilo Hall at 2:00p.m. Our next meeting is August 5. 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.



LADIES OF CHARITY MEETING - First Thursday of the month, 7:00 p.m. at Madonna. The next meeting is scheduled for August 6. New members welcomed.



COMMUNION MINISTERS: Please remember to volunteer in the summer.

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.



The Study on the Gospel of John continues with Seminarian Adam Potter 7:00p.m.-8:00p.m. in Dattilo Hall on the following dates:

August 5—The Passion Narrative: The Arrest, Trial, and Death

August 12—The Resurrection Accounts: Jerusalem and Galilee

The class is in the format of a talk, with time for discussion and question and answer. Please bring your Bible and we hope to see you there!

SERVER TRAINING: New server training for boys and girls grade 3 & older is planned for Sun., Aug. 9th after 11:00 a.m. Mass. One parent should plan to attend. Please contact Deacon Ron at 412-241-1372 by **Thurs., Aug. 6th.**

**ANNUAL GOLDEN WEDDING**

CELEBRATION-Sun., Oct. 11, 2:30 p.m., St. Paul Cathedral, Oakland. A reception will follow in the lower hall. Sponsored by the Diocese of Pittsburgh for couples who are celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary during 2015. Bishop Zubik will be the main celebrant. If you would like to receive an invitation, call the parish office or drop a note in the collection basket **no later than Monday, August 10.**



INVITATION TO PRAYER: Bishop David Zubik invites all Catholics to the third Evening of Prayer as part of *On Mission for The Church Alive! A Festival of Praise with sacred music* will be held Wed., Aug. 12, 7:00p.m. at St. Paul Cathedral in Pittsburgh's Oakland neighborhood. There will be adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, traditional and contemporary praise music, and an extended address by Bishop Zubik. For details visit OnMissionChurchAlive.org. See you there!



Madonna del Castello



The Tabernacle Lamp is in memory of Patrick Malloy from Maureen & Paul Roell.



The Altar Bread is for the Burkhart & Valentino Families from Joe & Mary Pat Valentino Family.

REST IN PEACE: William McCully, husband of Carol.

Offertory for July 26- \$2,989.00

MANY THANKS

Many thanks to all those who chipped in and volunteered for our annual Parish Festival and for those who supported our work and the parish. Thanks to David & Diane Petrarca who, as always, go above and beyond the call of duty to manage all the different aspects of the festival. Thank you to all who so generously donated prizes for the festival's gift basket raffles. God has truly blessed us.

- Raffle winners: \$1,500—#05939
- \$1,000—#07083
- \$500—#04580
- \$250 Sellers prize—#506

- Baskets: Bite the Bullet—#0002653
- Never Stop Wine-ing—#0002515
- Momma Mia—#0002554
- Some Place Special—#0002555
- Party at My House—#0002532
- It's a Guy Thing—#0002532
- 50/50—\$129105

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:

- 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 memory of **Norman DeLuca** from Wife & Family.



THROUGH THE SAVING WATERS OF BAPTISM we welcomed into the church recently **Lana Mae Strouse**. With great joy we share our happiness with her parents and friends.

Please consider remembering the parish in your will.

WORD OF GOD COLLECTION

July 26 Offertory.....\$5,363.00

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:

- 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:

- Holiday baskets
- Wine
- Food themes
- Bath and beauty products
- School theme
- Money trees
- Lottery trees
- Sports
- Tickets to events
- 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 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. **The Pre-school is moving from St. John Fisher to East Catholic.** Plans call for a 3 year old program on Monday, Wednesday & Friday, 9:00a.m.-11:30a.m. The 4 year old program will be daily, 12:30p.m.-3:00p.m.

CAMP R: Plan the best week of your child's summer! Sessions are filling up quickly. Many parents have chosen this great outdoor opportunity for their children in Laurel Hill State Park, Somerset County. This is a co-ed, residential camp operated by The Catholic Youth Association of Pittsburgh, Inc. for more than 75 years. Activities include swimming, fishing, sports, archery, kayaking, cookouts, campfires, games, hiking, end of the week dance, and more! For info. visit www.cyacampr.com or call 412-621-3342 to request a brochure.



Help for Young People Experiencing the Loss of a Family Relationship: The loss of a parent through death, or a changed parental relationship through divorce or separation can be a traumatic experience for young people. The **Young People's Beginning Experience** program provides a safe, secure environment where teens ages 13-18 can sort out with other teens their feelings of loss and pain while strengthening their self-esteem and self-acceptance. An upcoming **Young People's Beginning Experience** weekend is scheduled for **August 7-9** at Gilmory Retreat Center in Moon Twp. Payment arrangements and possible financial assistance are available. For info. explore our website www.BeginningExperience.org or make a confidential call to Carol, 412-295-7026 or Steve, 412-720-8694.

CHILDREN'S PROGRAM-Wed., Aug. 12, 1:00p.m.-4:00p.m. "Showers on the Lawn," St. John Fisher Church, 33 Lewin Lane, Churchill, PA 15235. Day will include a Bible story, hot dogs, candy hunt, and of course, showers on the lawn. There is no cost; however, please register if you are planning to come. Call the church office, 412-241-4722 no later than Mon., Aug. 3.

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.



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

Polish Day—Kennywood Park-Tues., Aug. 4th: Come and enjoy ethnic foods, music, bake sale, and Fr. Miro's famous potato pancakes. Mass at 3:00 p.m. followed by free dancing to "The Boys Polka Band." All day ride \$26 (ages 3 to 54). These can also be used any other day of park season. Seniors (55 to 64) \$16; over 65 \$12 with coupon; after 5:00 p.m. (ages 3-54) \$20 with coupon. For tickets and coupons call Betty Kolano, 412-371-1827.

St. Ferdinand Church, Cranberry Township -- Family Festival Aug. 7, 8 & 9: concession booths, craft booths, games and prizes, giant white elephant flea market, bingo, train rides, kiddieland, bountiful dinners in air-conditioned Oldenski Hall, Grand \$12,000 Raffle, raffle baskets, and more. Hours: Fri., Aug. 7- 6:00p.m. -11:00p.m.; Sat., Aug. 8 -5:00p.m.-11:00p.m.; and Sun., Aug. 9- 4:00p.m.- 9:00p.m. with Oldenski Hall dinners and White Elephant Flea Market opening an hour before the festival grounds (dinners Sun. open 3 hours earlier). Come join the annual festival in Cranberry Township just off Route 19 at 2535 Rochester Road; for more information call 724.776.2888 or go to <http://stferd.org>.

Last Junk in Your Trunk Sale -- Grab your "stuff" – throw it in your trunk - and zoom off to Our Lady of Victory, Harwick parking lot and ... Sell! Our parking lot is open to vendors, individuals, and companies that would like to purchase parking spots to sell their "treasures!" Parking spots are \$10.00 (for 2 spots: one for your car and one for set up!) **Just come and sell: Sat., Aug. 8!** Any supplies that you may need (tables, tents, electricity etc.) are your responsibility. SELLERS may enter the lot at 8:00a.m. for set up. BUYERS - time to shop from 9:00a.m.--12 noon! Reserve your spot by calling Mrs. T., 724.274.8575 ext. 5 or email her: olovr.ed@verizon.net.

St. Rita's Designer Purse Bingo-Sun., Aug. 9th, St. Rita Social Hall, 219 W. Schwab Ave., Munhall, PA 15120. Cost \$20.00. Doors open at Noon with Early Birds at 1:00 p.m. and regular games at 1:30 p.m. Children are able to attend this bingo and play, as long as they are with a paying playing adult. Prizes include Vera Bradley, Coach and Michael Kors. For information/tickets call 412-461-4204.

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 Foundation 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 and friendship 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.

