

MADONNA DEL CASTELLO

2021 S. Braddock Avenue • Swissvale, PA 15218



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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: Monday 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday & Friday 8:00 a.m.

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

Sunday 11:00 a.m.

Consult the bulletin for Holy Day and Holiday Mass schedule.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

After Sunday Mass.

RECONCILIATION

Saturdays at noon at Word of God Church and by appointment.

BAPTISMS

Call the office for an appointment.

MARRIAGE

Contact the Pastor at least six months in advance.



Monday, December 29 9:30 A.M.
David Iovino (DeGrana & Haubrick Families)

Tuesday, December 30 9:30 A.M.
Word of God Mass

Tuesday, December 30 7:00 P.M.
Holy Hour

Wednesday, December 31 8:00 A.M.
Karen Nuzzo (M/M Joseph Yackovich)

Wednesday, December 31 7:00 P.M.
Word of God Mass

Thursday, January 1 9:30 A.M.
Word of God Mass

Thursday, January 1 7:00 P.M.
For Our Parishioners

Friday, January 2 8:00 A.M.
Agnes Martinich (M/M Gregory Martincevic)

Friday, January 2 7:00 P.M.
Holy Hour

Saturday, January 3 9:30 A.M.
Word of God Mass

Saturday, January 3 4:00 P.M.
John Gottenkiene (Jack Joyce)

Saturday, January 3 6:00 P.M.
Word of God Mass

Sunday, January 4 9:00 A.M.
Word of God Mass

Sunday, January 4 11:00 P.M.
Giuseppe & Maria Giordano (Carmela Zenone)



Thursday, January 1 7:00 P.M.
Kyra Rockovich & Aiden Rockovich

Saturday, January 3 4:00 P.M.
Lois Ballog & Angela Petrarca

Sunday, January 4 11:00 A.M.
Grace Perla & Andrew Klabnik



Thursday, January 1 10:00 A.M.
Dave Fiumara, Cathy Wreath, Mike Pascal, Ellie Yearsley

Saturday, January 3 4:00 P.M.
Cathy Wreath, Ellie Yearsley, Al Haski, Dave Petrarca

Sunday, January 4 11:00 A.M.
Dennis Capezzuto, Richard DeFazio, John Bonacci, Chris Gibson

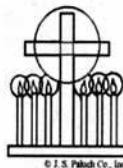
Thursday, January 1 7:00 P.M.
Rose Pascal

Saturday, January 3 4:00 P.M.
Janice Marco

Sunday, January 4 11:00 A.M.
Janice Bonacci



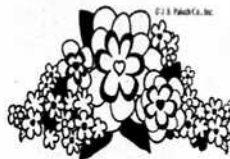
The Tabernacle Lamp is for
THE DEFRANK & CIAO FAMILIES
From Josephine Ciao.



The Altar Candles are in memory of
ARMAND CAPASSO
From Babe Capasso.



The Altar Wine is in memory of
ARMAND CAPASSO
From Babe Capasso.



The Altar Flowers are in memory of
ANDREW ORFITELLI
From Gilda Orfitelli.

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 _____

From
the
Pastor



THANK YOU

Thanks to all who volunteered to decorate our church. As usual they did a great job.

Thank you to all who helped make the Solemnity of our Lord's birth a very prayerful and reverent celebration. A special note of appreciation to Ed Kapsha and the choir who always do a great job.

Also, a special thanks to Mary Pat Valentino & Joelle Matthews for conducting the Giving Tree Project this year and to all who generously gave to the needy of our area. We are grateful for your charity.

NEW YEAR'S DAY

New Year's Day, January 1, is the Solemnity of the Blessed Virgin Mary and a Holy Day of Obligation.

We will celebrate Masses as follows:

December 31 7 pm – Word of God
January 1 9:30 am – Word of God
January 1 7 pm – Madonna

Also: The office will be closed Wednesday, December 31 & Thursday, January 1.

COMBINED BULLETIN

We plan to have a combined bulletin beginning the weekend of January 3 & 4. Individual parish identity & news will be maintained, & since there will be no longer be a need to duplicate common news in two separate bulletins, this will be a more efficient use of staff time & effort. Contracts from two different bulletin companies prevented us from doing this sooner. Karen Flynn, the Word of God secretary, will serve as editor.

DUQUESNE UNIVERSITY

Duquesne University is holding an Accounting Honors Institute for high school students who have an interest in business. There are three topics with two sessions each held on Saturday mornings on campus in January, February & March. Students may sign up for one or more topics. Information & registration is available online at www.duq.edu/business/AHI or by calling 412-396-5832.

THE HOLY SHROUD OF TURIN

St. Paul of the Cross Monastery Church in South Side, Pittsburgh, will offer a presentation on the Holy Shroud of Turin on Wednesday, February 4 at 7 pm. Donald Nohs, Director General of Confraternity of the Passion, an expert on the Shroud, will share the fruit of his years of study on the topic: *Discovering Jesus in His Holy Shroud*. He owns a life size replica of the Holy Shroud, & a relic of the Shroud which will be available for veneration. Since seating is limited, tickets are required at the cost of \$7. You may purchase tickets at the Monastery office or by calling 412-381-1188 Ext. 121.

SWISSVALE MEALS ON WHEELS

This independent community organization serves meals to those in need Monday-Friday every week. Volunteers from the community deliver nutritious meals. Cost: \$20/week. It can be a temporary service for post hospital recovery or long term for those who need it. The organization is based at the Swissvale United Methodist Church/Living Spirit Ministries on Irvine St. For information or to sign up for the services, call Edwin Goldbach at 412-371-2909. They receive limited government funding. **Private donations are gratefully accepted from members of the community to help continue providing this service to the needy.**

Please remember Madonna del Castello Parish in your will.

DIocese of Pittsburgh Abuse Hotline 1-888-808-1235.

PROLIFE CORNER

"The only differences between the Herod of old and the Herods of today are in the weapons used and the number of victims. Herod used swords and spears to kill the Holy Innocents. Today's Herods use abortion, "The Pill" and other chemical weapons; whereas Herod killed a relatively small number of babies, today's Herods have butchered literally hundreds of millions...with no end in sight!" Msgr. Ignacio Barreiro-Carambul.