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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 schedul

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.

Mass Schedule

Lectors

Monday, February 11	7:30 A.M.
Sam Rocco (Family)	
Tuesday, February 12	7:30 A.M.
Honor, Holy Face of Jesus (Anonymous)	
Tuesday, February 12	7:00 P.M.
Holy Hour	
Wednesday, February 13	7:30 A.M.
For Our Parishioners	
Wednesday, February 13	12:00 P.M.
Ash Service	
Wednesday, February 13	6:00 P.M.
Harold MacAvoy (Family)	
Thursday, February 14	7:30 A.M.
Donald Slabe, Sr. (Phil S. Tamerra)	
Friday, February 15	7:30 A.M.
Andy Migliorato (Migliorato & Platt Families)	
Friday, February 15	7:00 P.M.
Stations of the Cross	
Saturday, February 16	7:30 A.M.
Intention of the Celebrant	
Saturday, February 16	4:00 P.M.
Dolly Bloise (Josey Shaffo)	
Sunday, February 17	10:30 A.M.
Jubilarians	



Wednesday, February 13	7:30 A.M.
David Petrarca	
Wednesday, February 13	6:00 P.M.
Miles Gibson & Mason Gibson	
Saturday, February 16	4:00 P.M.
Nicole O'Dell & Savannah Stophel	
Sunday, February 17	10:30 A.M.
Dominic Capezzuto & Andrew Klabnik	

Wednesday, February 13	7:30 A.M.
Josie Pallotta	
Wednesday, February 13	6:00 P.M.
Peggy Gibson	
Saturday, February 16	4:00 P.M.
Olive Magnotta	
Sunday, February 17	10:30 A.M.
Michaela Buzzard	

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GATHERING OF CATHOLIC MEN

“Be not Afraid”—A Gathering of Catholic Men: Saturday, April 9, 9 a.m. to closing 4 p.m. mass, Palumbo Center, Duquesne University. Speakers: Bishop Zubik, George Weigel, Dr. Ray Guarendi, Mark Nehrbas, Allen Hunt & Fr. Joe Freedy. Advance ticket deadline is March 22. Information & tickets at cmfpitt.org. Blue fliers in back of church.

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Ash Wednesday is February 13. Ashes will be distributed at the 7:30 A.M. Mass, the Noon Service and the 6:00 P.M. Mass. There will also be Mass at Swissvale

Towers at 1:30 P.M. and ashes will be distributed.

Lenten regulations are

- Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of fast & abstinence. The Fridays of Lent are days of abstinence in the United States.
- The obligation of abstinence (refraining from eating meat) begins at age 14. The law of fasting (limiting oneself to one full meal and two lighter meals) obliges all between the ages of 18-59. No one should consider this obligation lightly.
- Those individuals who have a medical condition in which fasting may be considered harmful are not obliged to fast, but should perform some other act of penance or charity.

Stations of the Cross and Holy Hour are held during Lent on Fridays at 7 p.m. in church.

WORD OF GOD ASH WEDNESDAY SCHEDULE

Word of God Ash Wednesday schedule is as follows: 9:30 a.m. Mass at St. Anselm Church
12:00 p.m. Ash Service at St. Anselm Church
7:00 p.m. Ash Service at St. Anselm Church.

JUBILARIAN BRUNCH

On February 17, following the 10:30am mass and a special blessing, Couples celebrating anniversaries in 2013 of 20, 25, 30, 35, 40,45, 50, 55, 60 or more years, are invited to join us in Bishop Dattilo Hall for brunch, provided by volunteers of Madonna Parish. Couples are welcome for free; if you would like to bring a guest, there will be a small fee. Please contact the Madonna rectory (412-271-5666) no later than February 10. Thank you!!

REMINDER

Ladies of Charity meeting, Monday, February 11 at 6:30 P.M.



Our Annual fish Fry will be held Ash Wednesday & Fridays during Lent (except Good Friday) in the Bishop Dattilo hall from Noon to 7:00 P.M. Baked or fried cod din-

ners, Eggplant, shrimp basket, sandwiches, haluski, macaroni & cheese, pasta e fagiolo, applesauce, bread & butter & beverages are available. Children's menu and take out orders available. Deliveries available within a reasonable distance until 3:00 P.M.

Also, we are asking or donations of butter/margarine (no spread), noodles, cabbage, onions, sugar & flour. You can drop these items off at the social hall before or after all weekend masses or call Lois Petrarca (412-371-9458) or Mary Iannucci (412-371-4912).

We will be needing baked goods for Ash Wednesday & Lenten Fridays. Call Mary Iannucci (412-371-4912).

We also need volunteers to help with this years Fish Fry—Setting up, cooking, serving, drivers to deliver take out orders and for clean up. There will be sign up sheets in Bishop Dattilo Hall.

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Lent 2013

(WG): Word of God Parish, St. Anselm Church (M) Madonna Parish

Ash Wednesday (2/13): 7:30 am Mass (M), 9:30 am Mass (WG), Noon Service (M & WG), 1:30 pm Mass (Hi Rise), 6 pm Service (M), 7pm Mass (WG)

Fridays (except Good Friday, March 29th):

Stations: Noon (WG)

Holy Hour: Eucharistic Adoration, Stations, Divine Mercy Chaplet, Benediction: 7 pm (M)

Saturdays (except Holy Saturday, March 30th):

Confessions: 10:30 am (M), noon (WG)

Eucharistic Adoration: one hour before evening Masses (M & WG)

Rosary: 45 minutes before Mass, *Benediction:* 15 minutes before Mass

Sundays:

Eucharistic Adoration: one hour before Masses (M & WG)

Rosary: 45 minutes before Mass, *Benediction:* 15 minutes before Mass

Tuesdays:

Holy Hour: Eucharistic Adoration, Homily on a Lenten Theme, Rosary and Benediction: 7 pm, (M)

Wednesdays:

Confessions after the 9:30 am Mass (WG)

Special Events:

- *"Lights on For You" Diocesan-wide Year of Faith:* Tuesday, March 12, 8 am-8 pm, (M)
- *Eucharistic Adoration for the Year of Faith:* Wednesday, March 13, 8 am-8 pm, (WG)
- *Communal Penance Services:* Tuesday, March 19th, 7 pm (WG), Wednesday, March 20, 7 pm (M)

Holy Week:

Holy Thursday (3/28) *Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper:* 7 pm, (M & WG)

Seven Church Walk following Mass

Good Friday (3/29):

Ecumenical Via Dolorosa: 11:30 – noon (begins at WG)

Stations: Noon (M)

Celebration of the Passion of the Lord: 1 pm, (M & WG)

Divine Mercy Novena: 3 pm, (M)

Holy Saturday (3/30)

Blessing of Baskets: 11:30 am (WG), noon (M)

The Easter Vigil in the Holy Night: 7 pm (M & WG)



LENT 2013

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>17 After Mass today, go to breakfast with other parishioners from church.</p>	<p>18 Read the seven penitential psalms in the Old Testament book of Psalms that express remorse for sins: 6, 32, 38, 51, 102, 130 and 143.</p>	<p>19 Pope Benedict said, "We are not owners but rather administrators of the goods we possess." Find a way to share what you have.</p>	<p>13 Ash Wednesday Wear ashes today as a sign that you are seeking both forgiveness and eternal life from Christ.</p>	<p>14 Start a prayer book and record those for whom you pray or for what you pray. Also keep track of how God answers your prayers.</p>	<p>15 It is our Christian responsibility to abstain from meat on Fridays during Lent as a form of penance.</p>	<p>16 The Bible teaches us to deny ourselves and give instead to those in need. Read Matthew 6:1-4 to learn more about sacrificial almsgiving.</p>
<p>24 Go to Mass early so you can take a drive to visit a friend you haven't seen in a long time.</p>	<p>25 Jesus was killed despite his innocence. Pray a Rosary for all unborn children so they don't suffer the same fate through abortion.</p>	<p>26 Look for someone who has fallen on hard times and send an anonymous card with a cheering message and a grocery store gift card.</p>	<p>20 Choose for your Lenten sacrifice something that will truly challenge you.</p>	<p>21 Grow in faith by believing that God is there for you. Pray about what worries you and know that God will take care of it.</p>	<p>22 Support your parish's Lent collections, whether it is the Bishop's Lenten campaign, Operation Rice Bowl or a mission collection.</p>	<p>23 The season of Lent is solemn. Read Matthew 26 and 27 to gain a true understanding of the magnitude of Jesus' sacrifice.</p>
<p>3 Make Sunday special. Invite friends and neighbors over for a potluck brunch after Mass.</p>	<p>4 Consider making today a day of fasting. When you feel hungry, remind yourself of those for whom hunger isn't a choice.</p>	<p>5 Mother Teresa once said, there is a terrible hunger for love. "The poor you may have right in your own family. Find them. Love them."</p>	<p>6 Jesus taught us to serve others. Do one nice thing for someone today without the expectation of thanks or appreciation.</p>	<p>7 Pray the Chaplet of Divine Mercy, given to the world through St. Faustina to help repair the hurt caused by sin. Find it at www.usccb.org.</p>	<p>1 March Attend a Stations of the Cross service if your parish offers one. If not, find them here: www.usccb.org/prayer-and-worship/devotionals/stations-of-the-cross/</p>	<p>2 To avoid sin, one must understand what God expects. Refresh yourself on the 10 Commandments in Genesis:20.</p>
<p>10 Go to a later Mass so you can wake up slowly, have a leisurely breakfast and enjoy a good book.</p>	<p>11 Spend time before the Eucharist in prayer and adoration. If there is no adoration chapel close by, find time when the church is open to be with Jesus.</p>	<p>12 Jesus made Eve so that Adam would not be alone. What can you do today to be a good friend to someone in your life?</p>	<p>13 Do Corporal Works of Mercy during Lent: give food/drink to the hungry/thirsty, shelter homeless, clothe the naked, visit the sick or imprisoned, bury dead.</p>	<p>14 Consider giving more time to God by volunteering in your parish. Join the choir or become a lector, usher or Eucharistic Minister.</p>	<p>8 Lent is a demanding time for parish priests. Call your parish office to offer extra support or help.</p>	<p>9 Being more aware of sin helps to avoid it. Make a list of all you did today putting what would please God in one column and all that would not in the other.</p>
<p>17 Enjoy beauty. After Mass, stop by a store and pick up some flowers to cheer up your home.</p>	<p>18 Ask St. Thérèse of Lisieux to inspire you to show "little ways of love" to those around you today.</p>	<p>19 Deny yourself something you would like to buy. Then, give the money you saved to the poor.</p>	<p>20 Evaluate your day. Did you add to someone's sense of peace today? Did you do anything to take peace away?</p>	<p>21 Turn off the TV or computer for 20 minutes today. Offer this time to God in prayer or reading the Bible.</p>	<p>15 Show Jesus you are willing to carry your cross by tackling something difficult you've been putting off.</p>	<p>16 Perform an examination of conscience and seek healing in the Sacrament of Reconciliation today.</p>
<p>24 Place your Palm Sunday palms in a prominent area in your home or car.</p>	<p>25 Add prayer to your day by praying the Rosary or Divine Mercy Chaplet on your way to work, while waiting in line, or during your lunch hour.</p>	<p>26 Pray today and each day this week for the catechumens coming into the Church at the Easter Vigil.</p>	<p>27 Pray for someone you know who is facing a challenge.</p>	<p>28 Early Christians visited seven basilicas in Rome on Holy Thursday as a pilgrimage. Make a pilgrimage to churches in your area today.</p>	<p>22 Children are the future of the Church. Explore ways to support your parish religious education program or youth group.</p>	<p>23 Light a candle to represent the light Jesus brought to the world. Let the light dwell in you by spreading the good news of salvation to others.</p>
					<p>29 Today is Good Friday, a day of fasting and abstinence. Read and compare all four Gospel accounts of the passion and death of Jesus.</p>	<p>30 Jesus suffered and died so that we would have hope. Today, make a list of everything for which you have hope in this life and the next.</p>