

MADONNA DEL CASTELLO

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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 schedu.

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.



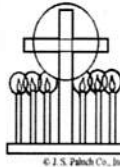
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In memory of:

AUGUST FONTANESI from Mary Fontanesi.



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+ **REST IN PEACE** +

AUGUST FONTANESI, husband of Mary.
ANGELO J. ADRAGNA, brother of Anna P. Sallo.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE

Began on Ash Wednesday & ends Palm Sunday, March 24. Our Parish is invited to unite with Christian churches in the Pittsburgh area to fast & pray to end abortion. Our parish will also stand in peaceful prayer vigil at the Planned Parenthood abortion clinic, 933 Liberty Ave. on Saturday, March 23 from 7-11 am. Information packets are available in the back of church. Please sign up for one or more hours. You may also sign up to pray at the display in the back of church. You may also participate any time between now & March 24th.

EAST CATHOLIC SCHOOL REGISTRATION

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, Pennsylvania. Registration for the 2013-2014 school year is now open. Please call the office at 412-351-5403 from 8:30 am -2:00 pm to schedule a tour of the school, to request information or to discuss registration requirements. We provide Pre -K (at St. John Fisher) full day kindergarten through grade 8 programs (at East Catholic). Students must be 5 years old by September 1, 2013 to be eligible for Kindergarten.

Monday, February 25	7:30 A.M.
August Fontanesi (Mary Fontanesi)	
Tuesday, February 26	7:30 A.M.
Dolly Bloise (M/M Joe Mroziak)	
Tuesday, February 26	7:00 P.M.
Holy Hour	
Wednesday, February 27	7:30 A.M.
Sam & Sara Maksimchuk (Sam & Theresa Maksimchuk)	
Thursday, February 28	7:30 A.M.
Dorothy Scanlon (Estate)	
Friday, March 1	7:30 A.M.
Grace Grana (Family)	
Friday, March 1	7:00 P.M.
Stations of the Cross	
Saturday, March 2	7:30 A.M.
Intention of the Celebrant	
Saturday, March 2	4:00 P.M.
Marilyn Sepesy (James & Marilyn Putnam)	
Sunday, March 3	10:30 A.M.
For Our Parishioners	



Saturday, March 2	4:00 P.M.
Krista Bagwell & Eliza Bagwell	
Sunday, March 3	10:30 A.M.
Eva Heidinger & Francesca Heidinger	



Saturday, March 2	4:00 P.M.
Wayne Sarsfield, Davé Fiumara, Guy Mazzella, Linda Probola	
Sunday, March 3	10:30 A.M.
Marian Iovino, Bill Pfoff, John Bonacci, Jim Tomko	



Saturday, March 2	4:00 P.M.
John Ballog	
Sunday, March 3	10:30 A.M.
Lisa Buettner	



EAST CATHOLIC PARENTS

Parishioners of Madonna del Castello and Word of God Parishes who have children attending East Catholic School are invited to a "listening session" with Father John Lynam and Deacon Keith Kondrich on **Wednesday, February 27 from 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.** in Dattilo Hall at Madonna del Castello Church.

The overall transition to East Catholic School has been very positive and we are excited by the future prospects for Catholic Education in our region. However, there are always natural "growing pains" associated with a transition of this size. Father John and Deacon Keith will be available to listen to your suggestions and input for building upon this successful start and helping to ensure a bright future for our children.

Refreshments will be served.

CONFIRMATION

The Sacrament of Confirmation will be celebrated by Pittsburgh Auxiliary Bishop William J. Winter at Saint Anselm Church on **Wednesday, May 15, 2013 at 7:00 p.m.** There is a **mandatory** meeting for all parents/guardians and children preparing for Confirmation from Madonna del Castello Parish and Word of God Parish on **Sunday, April 21**, after the 9:00 a.m. Mass at St. Anselm Church. Please gather immediately after Mass in the DeSales Room, adjacent to St. Anselm Church in O'Connell Hall. A continental breakfast will be served. The meeting will run from 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. To RSVP, call Deacon Keith at 412-523-1441.

FIRST COMMUNION

There is a **mandatory** meeting for all Madonna del Castello & Word of God parents/guardians and children preparing for 1st Holy Communion on **Monday, March 11, 2013** from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at Madonna del Castello Church. We will gather in the church for a prayer service and then move to Dattilo Hall for refreshments and meeting. To RSVP, call Deacon Keith at 412-523-1441. First Holy Communion for Madonna del Castello children is scheduled for **Sunday, April 28** during the 10:30 a.m. Mass. First Holy Communion for Word of God children is scheduled for **Sunday, May 5** during the 9:00 a.m. Mass at Saint Anselm Church.



Our Annual fish Fry will be held Fridays during Lent (except Good Friday) in the Bishop Dattilo hall from Noon to 7:00 P.M. Baked or fried cod dinners, Eggplant, shrimp basket, sandwiches, ha-

luski, macaroni & cheese, pasta e fagiole, 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 for 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).

While we appreciate the help we get every year from our wonderful volunteers, we also need more volunteers to help with this year's 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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**In Gratitude for Faithful Leadership
in Service of the Gospel
*April 19, 2005 – February 28, 2013***

Joseph Alois Ratzinger was born in Marktl am Inn, Bavaria, on April 16, 1927—Holy Saturday—and baptized that same day—the first person baptized in the new Easter water. It was a sign of blessing, he wrote in a memoir, that his life from the beginning was thus immersed in the Easter mystery. He entered the minor seminary in 1939 at the age of twelve, but his studies were interrupted by World War II, when the seminary was closed and Joseph, along with most of his class, was drafted into the army at the age of sixteen.

After the war he resumed his education in philosophy and theology, and together with his brother, Georg, was ordained a priest in 1951. During the course of a twenty-year career as a professor of dogma and theology at several German universities, he earned a reputation as a gifted lecturer and learned scholar, and was present as a *peritus*, or theological advisor, at all four sessions of the Second Vatican Council.

He was ordained an archbishop in May of 1977 and elevated to the College of Cardinals a month later. He settled in Rome in 1981 and went on to become one of the most influential men in the Roman curia. Of the many offices he held, he is best known as the Prefect of the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith, an authoritative advisor on doctrinal issues during his predecessor's pontificate. When he was elected the 265th successor of Peter in 2005 at the age of seventy-eight, he became the first German pope since Victor II in the eleventh century. A central theme of his papacy has been the staunch defense of core Christian values against what he sees as moral decline across much of Europe. At the same time, he has sought to improve relations with other religions, trying to determine if a “cultural synthesis” is possible without losing the identity of the faith while engaged in discourse with the Lutheran World Federation, Judaism, Islam, the Anglican Communion, and Christian Orthodox Churches. He has also spoken out against human rights abuses and ongoing political conflicts and warfare, and has advocated better protection of the environment. He has called for a radical rethinking of the global economy, criticizing the growing divide between rich and poor, and has pressed for a “true world political authority” to oversee the economy and work for the common good.

Ever true to his episcopal motto, “Fellow Worker in the Truth,” Pope Benedict XVI's teaching and prolific writings have always defended traditional Catholic doctrine and values.

On February 11, 2013, Pope Benedict XVI announced that on February 28, 2013, he would resign as supreme pontiff due to his advanced age and deteriorating health and that a conclave would be convened shortly thereafter to elect a new pope.
