

The Catholic Community of Rankin and Swissvale

MADONNA DEL CASTELLO PARISH

2021 S. Braddock Avenue • Swissvale, PA 15218



July 19, 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

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Parish Office (Word of God)	412-241-1372
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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.

16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

*They went
off in the
boat by
themselves*

**A NOTE FROM FATHER JOHN**

Thanks to all who helped to arrange Adam Potter's receptions.

Dear Father Lynam,
Thank you for welcoming the Little Sisters of the Poor into your parishes for our collection. We enjoyed meeting your parishioners and appreciate their generosity. We continue to ask our friends and benefactors to participate in our mission of caring for our elderly poor residents and once again you have responded to our plea. Without your help we would not be able to welcome the elderly poor into our home and provide them with the compassionate care they truly deserve. We are pleased to share that our collection at Madonna totaled \$990.68, and at Word of God totaled \$1,508.80.

Sincerely,
Sister Margaret Mary, I.s.p.

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EVENING OF RECOLLECTION-Wednesday, July 22, 7:00p.m., St. Therese of Lisieux, 1 St. Therese Ct., Munhall, PA 15120, 412-462-8161. Theme: Go and Tell the Disciples. **On Mission for The Church Alive!** is a dynamic planning initiative focused on growth through evangelization. The first year of this five-year initiative focuses on prayer. This is an opportunity to gather with others and experience the love of Jesus. For info. visit OnMissionChurchAlive.org.

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

- Saturday - July 18 - Vigil**
4:00 PM Nicola/Louisa Vacchio & 4 Sons (Enza Cecchino)
6:00 PM Rosella & Isabelle Bianco (Family)
- Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time - July 19**
9:00 AM For the People
11:00 AM Stella King (Joseph & Marlene Bauer)
- Monday - July 20 - St. Apollinaris**
7:00 PM Peg Koontz (Donna & Jack Reilly)
- Tuesday - July 21 - St. Lawrence of Brindisi**
9:30 AM Helen & Paul McCaffery (Family)
- Wednesday - July 22 - St. Mary Magdalene**
8:00 AM Our Friend Fr. John J. Cassella (Jim/Edna Tomko)
- Thursday - July 23 - St. Bridget**
9:30 AM Ilario Dichiera (Children)
- Friday - July 24 - St. Sharbel Makhlof**
8:00 AM Maria & Domenico Cappella (Augustine Cappella)
- Saturday - July 25 - St. James**
9:30 AM Giovanni & Viola Morgano (Joe & Josephine Morgano)
- Saturday - July 25 - Vigil**
4:00 PM Mike Wilks (Scott & Laura Wilks)
6:00 PM Anna Krohmaly (Krohmaly Family)
- Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time - July 26**
9:00 AM Bob Och (Och Family)
11:00 AM For the People

THIS WEEK

- 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 - Madonna Festival**
- Friday - Madonna Festival (no Holy Hour)**
- Saturday - Madonna Festival**
12:00 PM Reconciliation - Word of God Parish
- Next Sunday - Collection of Food for Swissvale Food Pantry**

OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP DEVOTIONS are conducted every Saturday after the 9:30a.m. Mass at Word of God Parish. The 10 minute devotional concludes with a blessing of the Assembly with the icon of Our Lady of Perpetual Help. The icon shows Mary protecting Jesus with her arms around Him. Her solemn face looks directly at us as the archangel Michael and Gabriel bring the instruments of Christ's crucifixion, a lance, sponge, cross, and nails.

PRO LIFE CORNER: Every human person is created in the image and likeness of God. The conviction that human life is sacred and that each person has inherent dignity that must be respected in society lies at the heart of Catholic social teaching. Calls to advance human rights are illusions if the right to life itself is subject to attack. We believe that every human life is sacred from conception to natural death; that people are more important than things; and that the measure of every institution is whether or not it enhances the life and dignity of the human person. -US Bishops: Faithful Citizenship



LOOK FOR THE LIGHTHOUSE MEDIA KIOSK AT BOTH PARISHES:

Visit the CD/book kiosk at the churches. July is a great month for vacations and travel. Why not add to your enjoyment by listening to a CD while traveling, or reading a great book on the beach (or mountains, or whatever destination you have planned)! Some selections include conversion stories, true stories of God's hand in heroic stories, some famous (and not so famous) saints! Take a few moments to browse, you will be glad you did! **Suggested donations: CD's \$3.00 • Booklets \$2.00 • Books \$4.00. Please be sure to place your suggested donation in the money slot on the display so the ministry can be self-supporting.**



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.



LEGION OF MARY assists people to grow in holiness. Working for and with others as disciples can give a new meaning to your life. "Lend a Hand" literature in church racks.

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.

MASS WITH BLESSINGS FOR HEALING-Wed., July 22, 7:00 p.m.,

Nativity Parish, 5800 Brownsville Road in South Park, will once again welcome Fr. William Kiel. There is handicap accessibility through the cafeteria entrance. For information call Nativity Rectory at 412-655-3000.



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.

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.



LADIES FELLOWSHIP GROUP meets every other Wednesday in Dattilo Hall at 2:00p.m. Our next meeting is July 22nd. 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. The group will not meet on Thursday, July 23 due to the festival. For more information call Mike Matthyse, 412-241-1254.



COMMUNION MINISTERS: Please remember to volunteer in the summer.

PROPER SUMMER MASS ATTIRE: Dressing appropriately shows mindfulness towards God, as well as respect for the sanctity of the Mass and the experience of fellow parishioners.

"And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, full of grace and truth" (John 1:14).



Jesus Christ is the Father's gift to the world. He became flesh so that we would come to know and love God the Father through the Holy Spirit in this life and perfectly in the life to come. Jesus Christ is the Word and He desires to "dwell richly" in each one of us

(Col 3:16). **This summer, join Seminarian Adam Potter for a four-part Scripture study diving deeper into the Gospel of John.** The 2nd session with two others to follow of The Study on the Gospel of John will be take place 7:00p.m.-8:00p.m. in Dattilo Hall on the following dates:

July 22—The Principle Images of John: Water, Bread, and The Shepherd

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

August 12—The Resurrection Accounts: Jerusalem and Galilee

The class will be in the format of a talk, with time for discussion and question and answer. No commitment is necessary to all four sessions. Please bring your Bible and we hope to see you there!



SUNDAY SCRIPTURES-Wed., July 29, 7:00p.m.-8:00p.m., Dattilo Hall: Come join us as we "break open God's word." This is an opportunity to pray, share and discuss the upcoming Sunday's scripture readings, allowing God's Living Word to work within us and break us open and fill us with His love and grace.

Madonna del Castello



The Tabernacle Lamp is in memory of Rosemarie Dichiera Harris from Judy Miele & Donna Macura.



The Altar Bread & Wine are in memory of Agnes Paesano from Frank Dalonzo, Jr. & Tina Sabol & Family.

PSP Donation in memory of: Agnes Paesano from Mary Ventura; Charles Pat Simone from Domenic & Lois Petrarca; and John Pascarella from Mary Ventura.

REST IN PEACE: Filomena Melocchi, mother of Connie, Carmella & Louis.

Offertory for July 12- \$3,453.00
Energy Needs - \$989.00

OUR PARISH FESTIVAL: Our Annual Parish Festival is **Thursday, July 23rd, Friday, July 24th, and Saturday, July 25th.** It is a very important fundraiser for our parish. We need the cooperation of the entire parish to make this a success. Anyone wishing to donate the following items for use in the kitchen: Butter/margarine, flour, oil, etc. can drop them off at the social hall or office between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. daily or call Lois Petrarca at 412-646-2344.



Madonna del Castello Festival July 23, 24, & 25: Kitchen opens 4:00p.m. each day, and grounds at 7:00p.m. **There will be bingo, super slide, fried dough, games, and baked goods. Entertainment each night: Thurs., 6:00p.m.-Letter Carriers Band; Fri., 7:00p.m.-Lorraine Busch Dance Centre; Sat., 7:00p.m.-Foxtrot Dance Studio.** Parking is available at the Noble Street lot. Please call the office for info., 412-271-5666.



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 **Carole Kirk** from Pat Byrnes.

Please consider remembering the parish in your will.

WORD OF GOD COLLECTIONS

July 12 Offertory.....\$6,360.00
Utilities.....\$727.00

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	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 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 (at St. John Fisher) full day kindergarten through grade 8 programs (at East Catholic). Students must be 5 years old by September 1, 2015 to be eligible for Kindergarten.



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. 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! Camp R is located in Somerset County. For info. visit www.cyacampr.com or call 412-621-3342 to request a brochure.



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.

ST. CANICE 8th GRADE CLASS OF 1971 REUNION -- South Park August 1, 2015, at the Bright Star grove from 1:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. For more details please call Tim Palaski, 1-800-599-6342 or email ttap12@verizon.net or Mimi DiGregory by email at mimid1957@yahoo.com. We also have a Facebook page under St. Canice Class of '71 Reunion. If you know of anyone that attended St. Canice from this class please let them know. Come and join us for fun and memories!



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.

MAGNIFICAT PITTSBURGH PRAYER BREAKFAST-Saturday, August 8, 9:00a.m.-12 Noon, DoubleTree by Hilton (formerly Sheraton) in Cranberry Twp. The speaker will be Kate Valentine. She feels she was sent forth anew by God with a message and purpose that would help many. She will talk about her tragedies and rock solid faith where God is first and real in a way most of us don't know. She is an award winning book author and speaker. Cost: \$20/person; reservations call Kay, 724-772-6749, or Pam, 412-461-8906, or check www.magnificatpittsburgh.oprg. Deadline is July 31.

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 August 9.



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.



Readings for Sunday, July 26

1st Reading: 2 Kings 4:42-44...By the power of the Lord, Elisha, the prophet, feeds 100 people with 20 barley loaves.

2nd Reading: Ephesians 4:1-6...Paul points out to the Ephesians the many ways in which they are united.

Gospel Reading: John 6:1-15...Jesus feeds more than five thousand people with five barley loaves and two fish.

Question for reflection: Jesus was filled with compassion when he saw the crowd of people who needed food. How compassionate are you towards others in need?



