

# The Catholic Community of Rankin and Swissvale

## MADONNA DEL CASTELLO PARISH

2021 S. Braddock Avenue • Swissvale, PA 15218



July 26, 2015



## Word of God Catholic Parish

7446 McClure Avenue • Swissvale, PA 15218

Administrative Office: 2021 S. Braddock Avenue • Pittsburgh, PA 15218

### MASS SCHEDULE

<b>Daily:</b>	<b>Monday (Madonna)</b> .....	<b>7:00 P.M.</b>
	<b>Tuesday (Word of God)</b> .....	<b>9:30 A.M.</b>
	<b>Wednesday (Madonna)</b> .....	<b>8:00 A.M.</b>
	<b>Thursday (Word of God)</b> .....	<b>9:30 A.M.</b>
	<b>Friday (Madonna)</b> .....	<b>8:00 A.M.</b>
	<b>Saturday (Word of God)</b> .....	<b>9:30 A.M.</b>
	<b>Saturday Vigil (Madonna)</b> .....	<b>4:00 P.M.</b>
	<b>Saturday Vigil (Word of God)</b> .....	<b>6:00 P.M.</b>
	<b>Sunday (Word of God)</b> .....	<b>9:00 A.M.</b>
	<b>Sunday (Madonna)</b> .....	<b>11:00 A.M.</b>

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.

### 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.**



## 17<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

### A NOTE FROM FATHER JOHN

Thank you to all who helped or participated in Madonna's festival. God has truly blessed us.

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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](http://www.facebook.com/pages/Catholic-Community-of-Swissvale-Rankin/1448072735511686)

**Ladies of Charity:** Congratulations to Kathy Donatelli for accepting the position as Co-President of the Madonna/Word of God Ladies of Charity. The following women have accepted a second term in their office: Mary Diaddigo - Co-President, Rita Hyland and Patricia Brynes - Co-Treasurers and Peggy Keene - Secretary. We would also like to thank Sister Mary Victor Powers for continuing to serve as our Spiritual Moderator. May all the Ladies of Charity be blessed as they continue their work for the needy.

**Please pray for the Boy Scouts from Troop 23** who will be going to Philmont Scout Ranch in Cimarron, New Mexico on July 31st. Parishioners Andrew Klabnik, Owen Maue and Teddy Kondrich are among the scouts who are venturing out.

### WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

#### Saturday - July 25 - Vigil

4:00 PM Mike Wilks (Scott & Laura Wilks)

6:00 PM Anna Krohmal (Krohmal Family)

#### Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time - July 26

9:00 AM Bob Och (Och Family)

11:00 AM For the People

#### Monday - July 27

7:00 PM John Petrichko, Sr. (Florence Petrichko)

#### Tuesday - July 28

9:30 AM Joe Janovec (Simonetta Family)

#### Wednesday - July 29 - St. Martha

8:00 AM Louis & Dr. Eugene Scaramucci (John C. Scaramucci, MD)

#### Thursday - July 30 - St. Peter Chrysologus

9:30 AM Aloysius Byrnes (Family)

#### Friday - July 31 - St. Ignatius of Loyola

8:00 AM Chianese & Cuccaro Families (Theresa Wargo)

#### Saturday - August 1 - St. Alphonsus Liguori

9:30 AM Rosella & Isabelle Bianco (Family)

#### 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

### THIS WEEK

#### Sunday - Collection of Food for Swissvale Food Pantry

#### Tuesday

7:00 PM Holy Hour/Rosary - Madonna

#### Wednesday

7:00 PM to 8:00 PM - Sunday Scripture Study - Dattilo Hall

#### Friday

7:00 PM Holy Hour - Madonna

#### Saturday

12:00 PM Reconciliation - Word of God Parish

#### Next Sunday - Feast Day in Honor of Madonna del Castello

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

**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.

**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](http://cmfpitt.org).

**PRO LIFE CORNER:** "What society would continue if it declared that it is the right of citizens to kill innocent persons by majority [vote]? In the best scenario it would be converted into a tyranny, against which upright persons would have to react, according to this advice by Gandhi: 'As soon as one understands that obeying unjust laws is contrary to his dignity as a man, no tyranny can dominate him.'" -Most Reverend Francisco Gil Hellin



**LOOK FOR THE LIGHTHOUSE MEDIA KIOSK AT BOTH PARISHES:**

Visit the CD/book kiosk at the churches. We know what you enjoy, and we would like to thank you with a special offer! We have found that topics regarding Our Lady, the Saints and Conversion Stories have been the most popular items to date. To further support your interest, we are offering \$ .50 off of each item of the above listed topics for this weekend and next!

That means each book, CD, booklet will be reduced from their current affordable prices! This is our thank you to you....enjoy! **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 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.

**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](http://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](mailto:madonnadelcastello1920@gmail.com).

**29th ANNUAL BENEFIT LUNCHEON FOR THE SEMINARIANS OF THE PITTSBURGH DIOCESE-Sat., Sept. 12,**

St. Paul Seminary, O'Connor Hall, 2900 Noblestown Road, Pittsburgh, PA 15205. There will also be a Chinese Auction, Raffles and Bake Sale. Doors open 10:00a.m. for early-bird players (cards or board games). Lunch served 12:00p.m. Choice of entree: Chicken Marsala, Crab Cakes, Penne Pasta. Donation is \$30; reservations due by Aug. 28. Sponsored by the Catholic Daughters of the Americas Pittsburgh Diocesan Committee. For reservations or additional information, call Johanna Leonard 412-231-0931 or Laraine McGinnis 724-263-2161.



**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.



**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.



**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.

**SAINT VINCENT CAMERATA TO HOLD**

**AUDITIONS:** Saint Vincent Camerata will hold auditions for vocalists during the first three weekends of August for its 2015-2016 season at Saint Vincent College, Latrobe, by appointment on Friday afternoons and Saturday mornings **August 7, 8, 14, 15, 21 and 22.** The Saint Vincent Camerata, founded in 1968, is a mixed chorus dedicated to the performance of Sacred Music from all periods and traditions and is comprised of vocalists from Saint Vincent College and the surrounding communities. The Camerata rehearses Tuesday evenings in Saint Vincent Basilica and in sectionals as needed. For more information or to schedule an audition, contact Fr. Stephen Concordia, O.S.B., assistant professor of music and director of programs in sacred music in the music department at Saint Vincent College, 724-805-2481 or [stephen.concordia@stvincent.edu](mailto:stephen.concordia@stvincent.edu).

**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.



**Madonna del Castello**



The Tabernacle Lamp is in memory of Gary Krantz from Ellie Yearsley.



The Altar Bread is in memory of Camillo & Amato Palmieri from M/M Mario D'Andrea.



The Altar Flowers are in memory of Camillo & Amato Palmieri from M/M Mario D'Andrea.

Offertory for July 19 - \$2,582.00

**ANNUAL FEAST DAY**

Our annual Feast Day in Honor of Madonna del Castello will be Sunday, August 2. It's been our tradition for the last few years to have a Eucharistic Procession through the streets of Swissvale. Those who are not able to process are asked to stay in church and pray. The procession will be followed by a banquet in the social hall. All are welcome.

**CHOIR**

Madonna parish is currently seeking volunteers for the growth of the resurrection choir. The resurrection choir sings for all funerals under the direction of the funeral organist. The amount of participation is up to the volunteer. If you are interested please contact the parish office. Regular Madonna weekend choir practices will be starting after Labor Day. We always welcome new members. If you are interested please email Ed .... [Kapsha@comcast.net](mailto:Kapsha@comcast.net)

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 **George Stephan** from Laura.

Please consider remembering the parish in your will.

**WORD OF GOD COLLECTION**

July 26 Offertory.....\$6,007.00

**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 (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.cyacamp.com](http://www.cyacamp.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](http://www.dipitt.org/newmanconnection). Please pray for our students and share the Newman Connection with your friends and family.

#### ST. CANICE 8<sup>th</sup> 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](mailto:ttap12@verizon.net) or Mimi DiGregory by email at [mimid1957@yahoo.com](mailto: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!

#### 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.



**CHECK [www.masstimes.org](http://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>.

#### 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.org](http://www.magnificatpittsburgh.org). Deadline is July 31.

**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, August 2

**1st Reading:** Exodus 16:2-4, 12-15...The

Lord feeds the Israelites in the desert with manna.

**2nd Reading:** Ephesians 4:17, 20-24...Paul tells the Ephesians to take on a new way of life modeled on Christ.

**Gospel Reading:** 6:24-35...Jesus teaches the crowds that he is the "bread of life."

**Question for reflection:** What might you do to be more like Christ today?



