

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 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.



PSP DONATION

In memory of:

ELAINE SANTIMAURO from Mary Iannucci, Gilda Orfitelli.
DOROTHY MELE from Shirley & Sam Rocco.



The Tabernacle Lamp is in memory of
CHARLES ARGENZIO
From Helen Argenzio.



The Altar Bread & Wine are in memory of
TOM MISKIEWICZ
From Jim & Edna Tomko.

+ REST IN PEACE +

DOROTHY MELE, wife of the late Anthony.
ANGELICA (JENNIE) CALIENDO, wife of Anthony.

WEEKEND RETREAT

Word of God/Madonna del Castello men's
Weekend Retreat at St. Paul of the
Cross Retreat Center-April 19, 20 &
21. Contact Regis Rhodes at 412-351-
3298.

MONTHLY COLLECTIONS

February Regular offertory \$13,889.00
2012 PSP collected \$1,655.00
2012 PSP surplus \$ 141.00
2012 PSP surplus stays with parish

2013 PSP goal \$41,451.00
2013 PSP collected \$2,310.00
2013 PSP owed \$39,141.00

OFFICE CLOSED MONDAY, APRIL 1.

LADIES FELLOWSHIP

Madonna del Castello has a Ladies Fellowship
Group that meets every other Monday in our social
hall at 2:00 p.m. Our next meeting is Monday, April
1. If you are interested in joining or have any ques-
tions, call Patti Aducci at 412-243-9457.

Monday, April 1 7:30 A.M.
Patrons of the Blessed Mother (Anonymous)
Tuesday, April 2 7:30 A.M.
Louis & Mari Flotta (Olimpio & Pierina Grieco)
Tuesday, April 2 7:00 P.M.
Holy Hour
Wednesday, April 3 7:30 A.M.
Zenone Family (Mafalda Zenone)
Thursday, April 4 7:30 A.M.
Mary L. Murello (Jim & Mary Ann Macek)
Friday, April 5 7:30 A.M.
Cresto Family (Al & Margie Haski)
Friday, April 5 7:30 A.M.
Holy Hour
Saturday, April 6 7:30 A.M.
Intention of the Celebrant
Saturday, April 6 4:00 P.M.
Doris & John Di Bernardo (Family)
Sunday, April 7 10:30 A.M.
Thanksgiving & Forgiveness of Sins (Jude Chukwu)



Saturday, April 6 4:00 P.M.
Nicole O'Dell & Andrew Klabnik
Sunday, April 7 10:30 A.M.
Tyler Tomko & Trevor Tomko



Saturday, April 6 7:00 P.M.
Wayne Sarsfield, Guy Mazzella, Dave Fiumara, Linda Probola
Sunday, April 7 10:30 A.M.
John Bonacci, Sr. Chibueze, Jim Tomko, Mke Pascal



Saturday, April 6 4:00 P.M.
Olive Magnotta
Sunday, April 7 10:30 A.M.
Lisa Buettner



THANK YOU

Thank you to all who donated flowers and helped make our sacristy a beautiful and uplifting scene for Easter. Many thanks, also to those who offered their service during the Triduum and for helping us to lift our heart and minds to God with your assistance at the altar and the choir.

DIVINE MERCY NOVENA

Madonna del Castello will continue the public Divine Mercy Novena. The schedule is as follows:

Monday—Friday—after 7:30 a.m. mass
 Saturday—12:00 p.m.
 Sunday—after the 10:30 a.m. mass.

RESPECT LIFE COMMITTEE

As you will note, there is enclosed in the bulletin an invitation to join the Respect Life Committee for lunch on April 14th. Please consider joining us in answering the call to protect human life from the cradle to the grave. Please see insert for details.

LIFE IN THE SPIRIT SEMINAR

Easter to a new Pentecost—April 14, 21, 28 & May 5. The Holy Spirit fills us that we may know God's love in the abundant life that Jesus brings. Come & be blessed with a new release of the Holy Spirit in your life & intimacy with God. Evenings will include praise, singing, group discussions & personal witness talks about God's love, salvation, new life, gifts, growth & transformation. Week 3 will have individual prayer for release of the Holy Spirit. Sundays, 6-8:30 pm at Madonna del Castello church. For more information, call Kathryn at 412-243-5359.

DIOCESAN SEMINARIANS

Diocesan Seminarians, along with Fr. Joe Mele, will be will visit on Sunday, April 7 at Word of God at the 9 a.m. mass & Madonna del Castello at the 10:30 a.m. mass. A reception will follow in Bp. Dattilo social hall at Madonna.

RETRouvaille

In a troubled marriage? Retrouvaille has helped 10's of thousands; it can help you. For confidential information about or to register for the program beginning with a weekend on April 13, 2012, contact Retrouvaille at 412-277-3434 or e-mail 3041@retrouvaille.org. More information is available at www.helpourmarriage.com.

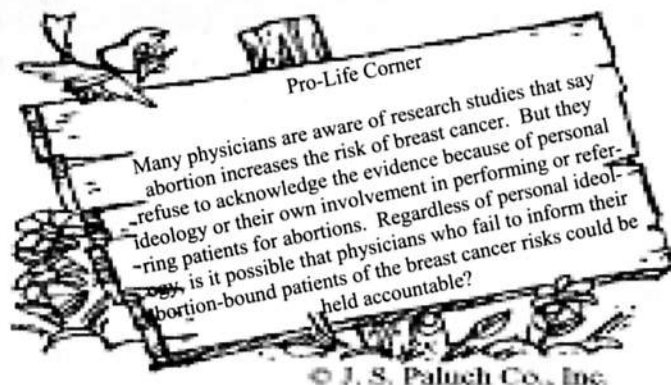
CATHOLIC CHARITIES

Are you ready to open your heart to adopt a child? Catholic Charities has an excellent reputation in the region for confidential, professional services to prospective adoptive families. Find out more about the process and types of adoptions available through Catholic Charities at a FREE information session, April 3, 6:30 p.m. Catholic Charities, 212 Ninth Street, Pittsburgh 15222. Call 412-325-6748. For a list of 2013 orientation dates and additional information about adoption, visit www.ccpgh.org.

GRAND REUNION

St. Basil's High School in Carrick, PA is having a picnic "Grand Reunion" for all who attended and/or graduated from this fine high school. The date is August 24, 2013, and will be held at the Serbian Picnic Grounds on Hamilton Road, Castle Shannon (across from the former St. Francis Academy), beginning at 12:00 noon. Picnic grounds rental will be \$4.00/person. BRING YOUR OWN FOOD AND DRINKS. Anyone willing to help organize your class year, please contact Bill Dorfner at 412-257-7574. Other contacts to RSVP: Shirley Grab at 412-882-1300; Nancy Connor Nolan at 412-884-2815; and Jackie Petrone Mastreane at 412-343-3516.

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





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RESPECT LIFE COMMITTEE NOTICE

You are invited...

to join Fr. John, Fr. Joe and the Respect Life Committee to assist in promoting a "culture of life" within the parish and in our community. Come to an informal, informational lunch on **Sunday, April 14th** at **11:45 AM** in Dattilo Hall, Madonna Parish.

▶ RSVP Ron Demblowski at 412-241-1372 by Monday, April 8. ◀

 Read below for details. 

Role Description Respect Life Committee (RLC)

I. PURPOSE: The Committee assists the pastor in planting and nurturing a "culture of life" in the parishes. The "culture of life" may be described as:

- respect for all human life, emphasizing the individual responsibility to promote legal protection for the unborn
- appropriate advocacy for the elderly, the poor and persons with disabilities
- economic principles regarding housing, hunger, food and health care.

II. TERM: one year, renewing as circumstances permit.

III. TIME: about 1 or 2 hours per month.

IV. SERVICE:

A. Attend about 6- 8 meetings per year.

B. Participate in the Committee's Initiatives as interested and able:

1. Promote the January "*Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children.*" (Eucharistic Adoration in support of the national march).
2. Promote the Lenten and Fall "*40 Days for Life*" Prayer Vigil of prayerful presence at the Planned Parenthood Clinic on Liberty Avenue.
3. Promote the Collection for *Genesis of Pittsburgh* on Respect Life weekend in October. Genesis provides programs and services for pregnant women, children and adopting families.
4. Visit parish organizations and ministries to encourage and inform them of efforts to respect life.
5. Participate in orienting new members of the Committee.
6. Plan and participate in other initiatives that the RLC Committee undertakes.

East Catholic School – Explaining the Consortium Model

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.

While we are off to a great start, many people still have questions about the school consortium model and how it works. Our consortium is comprised of six local parishes including: Good Shepherd, Madonna del Castello, St. Coleman, St. John Fischer, St. Maurice, and Word of God. These six parishes have all agreed to support East Catholic School through coordinated marketing and PR efforts; enrollment campaigns, spiritual guidance, and various degrees of financial support.



East Catholic School is governed at the highest level by a Board of Pastors comprised of the pastors from each of the six consortium parishes. The school principal is accountable to the Board of Pastors. It is important to note that in the consortium model one parish, St. Maurice, maintains primary legal and financial ownership of the school. St. Maurice Parish is also responsible for the majority of the school's subsidy as well. While the preference is that children from the other consortium parishes attend East Catholic School, they are not required to do so. This **differs** from a regional school model in which all parishes in the region share primary ownership of the school and all students within the boundaries of that region are required to attend the regional school.

In addition to the Board of Pastors, the school is supported by an Advisory Council comprised of parent and parishioner representatives from all six consortium parishes. The Advisory Committee provides the principal and pastors with professional counsel, advice, and recommendations. The Advisory Committee is responsible for overseeing and implementing fundraising and development initiatives, marketing and enrollment campaigns, and other critical school initiatives.

The goals and programs of East Catholic School are also sustained and carried out through the talent, hard work, and dedication of countless parents and parishioners from all of the consortium parishes who serve on the PTG, Athletic Association, Gala Committee, etc.

We look forward to working with you and our various consortium partners to make East Catholic School a model of academic excellence, Catholic values, and personal development for our children. Please continue to pray for God's blessing upon our school.