

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: Monday7:00 p.m.

Wednesday & Friday 8:00 a.m.

Saturday (vigil mass)4:00 p.m.

Sunday11:00 a.m.

Consult the bulletin for Holy Day and Holiday Mass schedule.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

After Sunday Mass.

RECONCILIATION

Saturdays at noon at Word of God Church and by appointment.

BAPTISMS

Call the office for an appointment.

MARRIAGE

Contact the Pastor at least six months in advance.



The Tabernacle Lamp is for M/M WILLIAM BURKHARDT From Karen & Vince Balsitri.

Anyone who would like to have any or all of the gifts celebrated in memory of or tribute to a loved one(s), should complete the form below, place information and money in a plain envelope and deposit sealed envelope in the collection basket, mail it to the rectory or deposit in the front door mail slot.

Memorial or Living Tribute Request

I would like to offer: ✓

- Altar Flowers (\$50)
Altar Bread (\$25)
Altar Wine (\$25)
Altar Candles (\$10)
Tabernacle Lamp (\$10)
Complete Offering (\$120)

In Memory of

In Tribute to

From

LORD, TEACH US TO PRAY..

AS Catholics, we pray the Lord's Prayer & the Hail Mary frequently. Most of us memorized these prayers when we were very young. We recite them regularly without much conscious effort; however our familiarity with these two very beautiful prayers can sometimes lead us to take them for granted. Deacon Keith Kondrich, Executive Director of The Society of Saint Vincent de Paul here in Pittsburgh will share some personal reflections on praying the Lord's Prayer the Hail Mary intentionally on Sunday, November 30 & Sunday December 7 at 12:15 pm in Dattilo hall. Come reflect on the power of these two prayers to renew & strengthen our relationship with God, Our Father & Mary, our Mother.

DIVINE HEALING MASS

The Divine Healing Mass will be at Word of God Church on Wednesday, December 3 at 7 pm. Mark your calendars for this beautiful, prayerful Mass. All are invited. Individual prayer will be available after mass from the several priests celebrating.

Please consider remembering the parish in your will.

- Monday, November 24 7:00 P.M. M/M Paul Shandrick (M/M Thomas Dinardo)
Tuesday, November 25 9:30 A.M. Word of God Mass
Tuesday, November 25 7:00 P.M. Holy Hour
Wednesday, November 26 8:00 A.M. Dorothy Scanlon (Estate)
Thursday, November 27 9:30 A.M. Word of God Mass
Friday, November 28 8:00 A.M. Ben Cerrone
Friday, November 28 7:00 P.M. Holy Hour
Saturday, November 29 9:30 A.M. Word of God Mass
Saturday, November 29 4:00 P.M. Betty Hulings (Janet & Ernie Barto)
Saturday, November 29 6:00 P.M. Word of God Mass
Sunday, November 30 9:00 A.M. Word of God Mass
Sunday, November 30 11:00 P.M. For Our Parishioners



- Saturday, November 29 4:00 P.M. Krista Bagwell & Elisa Bagwell
Sunday, November 30 11:00 A.M. Andrew Klabnik & Nichole O'Dell



- Saturday, November 29 4:00 P.M. Dave Fiumara, Wayne Sarsfield, Guy Mazzella, Linda Probola
Sunday, November 30 11:00 A.M. Bill Pfoff, Jim Tomko, Dennis Capezzuto, Chris Gibson



- Saturday, November 29 4:00 P.M. Janice Marco
Sunday, November 30 11:00 A.M. Nadine Uziel



HOW TO RECEIVE HOLY COMMUNION

It never hurts to review: How to receive Holy Communion

Approach the sacred minister with hands folded & bow from the waist acknowledging the Lord's presence in the Blessed Sacrament. Respond "Amen" when the sacred minister says "the Body of Christ" or "The Blood of Christ."

You may receive the Sacred Host **on the tongue** or in the hand. Receiving the Sacred Host on the tongue may be a preference if you're experiencing arthritis, using a cane or carrying a baby. If receiving on the tongue, tilt your head back slightly & open your mouth wide, extending your tongue so that it rests on your lower lip. When you have received the Sacred Host, close your mouth & consume the Sacred Host as you continue on.

If receiving the Sacred Host **in the hand**, please be sure your hands are clean, take the host you eat with & place it under your other hand & extend both hands. Take the Sacred Host with the hand you eat with & place the Sacred Host in your mouth in front of the sacred minister. Consume the Sacred Host as you continue on.

If you choose to receive the **Precious Blood**, approach the sacred minister as noted above, take the chalice in both hands & drink a small amount, return the chalice to the sacred minister, then return reverently, with hands folded, to your place.



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Thursday of this week, November 27 is Thanksgiving Day. Please join us at 9:30 a.m. at Word of God Parish for Mass. The best way of expressing our gratitude is by participating in the Eucharist. **Also, the office will be closed on Thursday, November 27 and Friday, November 28.**

"THE LIGHT IS STILL ON FOR YOU!"

This year in every parish across the Diocese of Pittsburgh, the Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available on Wednesday, December 10 from 6-9 pm. Consider making a commitment this Advent to experience the healing grace of God's forgiveness & love. Visit www.diopitt.org/lightstillon for more information.

COOKIES FOR CHRISTMAS

Orders for cookies are being taken through December 7th. Slips will be available in the back of church to place orders. If you have any questions, call Lois Petrarca at 412-646-2344 or Mary Iannucci at 412-371-4912.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Blind & Vision Rehabilitation Services of Pittsburgh is in need of volunteers. In particular, volunteers are needed to drive clients to and from appointments during day and evening hours. Volunteers also are needed on Tuesday afternoons to help with leisure activities and on an as-needed basis at the reception desk. All volunteers can participate on a set schedule or on an as-needed basis. Training is provided. For more information, contact Nancy Schepis, volunteer coordinator, 412-368-4400 ext. or nshepis@pghvis.org.

COMMUNITY WORSHIP SERVICE

There will be a Community Thanksgiving Worship Service on Wednesday, November 26 at 7 pm at Swissvale United Methodist Living Spirit Ministry, 7415 Irvine St. Begin the observance of the holiday by joining with members of the community in a simple worship service suitable for all Christian faith traditions.

SWISSVALE MEALS ON WHEELS

This independent community organization serves meals to those in need Monday-Friday every week. Volunteers from the community deliver nutritious meals. Cost: \$20/week. It can be a temporary service for post hospital recovery or long term for those who need it. The organization is based at the Swissvale United Methodist Church/Living Spirit Ministries on Irvine St. For information or to sign up for the services, call Edwin Goldbach at 412-371-2909. They receive limited government funding. **Private donations are gratefully accepted from members of the community to help continue providing this service to the needy.**

DIOCESE OF PITTSBURGH ABUSE HOTLINE 1-888-808-1235.

PROLIFE CORNER

Please pray for those in danger of abortion. May their parents be open to the new life that God has chosen to give them, no matter the circumstances of conception. Let us pray and work to end abortion.