

# The Catholic Community of Rankin and Swissvale

## MADONNA DEL CASTELLO PARISH

2021 S. Braddock Avenue • Swissvale, PA 15218



October 25, 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  
 Marcia Murello ..... Coordinator of Religious Ed.

### 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  
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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.**



## Faith Has Saved You

• Jesus said to him in reply, "What do you want me to do for you?" The blind man replied to him, "Master, I want to see." Jesus told him, "Go your way; your faith has saved you." Immediately he received his sight and followed him on the way.  
Mk 10:51-52

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### Prayer for On Mission for The Church Alive!

Father of Mercy,  
as we journey On Mission for The Church Alive!,  
endow us with your gifts of  
collaboration, courage and compassion.  
Help us to fulfill the mission of Jesus and His  
Church through vibrant parishes,  
and effective ministries.  
Raise up selfless, energetic leaders  
to serve the Church in fidelity and with care.  
May we, the Church of Pittsburgh  
in Allegheny, Beaver, Butler, Greene,  
Lawrence and Washington Counties  
be sustained and strengthened by your grace. Help  
us to learn Jesus, to love Jesus and to live Jesus.  
Hear this prayer and grant it through Jesus Christ  
our Lord, with the help of our dear Blessed Mother,  
under the mantle of her love. Amen.



### WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

#### Saturday - October 24 - Vigil

4:00 PM Agnes Paesano (Joan & Jack Abbenante)

6:00 PM Jerry O'Carroll (Millie)

#### Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time - October 25

9:00 AM For the People

11:00 AM Martha & Bob Catone (Children)

#### Monday - October 26

7:00 PM Agnes Martinich (Karen & Wayne Sarsfield)

#### Tuesday - October 27

9:30 AM Linda Onderick (Joe Markowski)

#### Wednesday - October 28 - St. Simon & St. Jude

8:00 AM Geraldine Lisjak (Family)

#### Thursday - October 29

9:30 AM Virginia Lucas (Judy Madden)

#### Friday - October 30

8:00 AM Tony Bloise (The LeDonne Family)

#### Saturday - October 31

9:30 AM Wilbur Göff (Nieces-LuAnn, Cindy, Sandra & Diane)

#### Sunday - October 31 - Vigil

4:00 PM For the People

6:00 PM Ann Rajakovich (Dolores Davies)

#### All Saints - Sunday, November 1

9:00 AM Walter Cummings (Rose Mary O'Hara)

11:00 AM Stella King (Roseann Fazio)

### THIS WEEK

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

#### Monday

7:00 PM Word of God Choir Rehearsal - Word of God

#### Tuesday

7:00 PM Holy Hour/Rosary- Madonna

#### Wednesday

2:00 PM Ladies Fellowship - Dattilo Hall

7:00 PM Gospel of Matthew Bible Study - Dattilo Hall

#### Friday

7:00 PM Holy Hour - Madonna

#### Saturday

8:45 AM to 10:30 AM - CCD Classes - Madonna

12:00 PM Reconciliation - Word of God Parish

#### Next Sunday - Parish Family Socials - Daylight Savings Time Ends

Mon., Nov 2 - 7:00 PM - Remembrance Mass - Madonna

Sat., Nov. 7 - 11:00 A.M - Rosary Making - Dattilo Hall

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)



**Celebrate lay ecclesial ministry with Bishop Zubik on Sun. Nov. 8, 2:30 p.m.** at St. Paul Cathedral in Pittsburgh. Help support all who serve your parish family.

**SUNDAY, NOV. 1st - Daylight Savings Time Ends.**



### LOOK FOR THE LIGHTHOUSE MEDIA KIOSK AT BOTH PARISHES: "Your faith has saved you"

How many of us hear these words yet do not "see". Through all our trials, all our frustrations, through all our doubts Our Lord is present. He is eager to help, all we need to do is ask. Don't let these fears continue to blind us.



Please be sure to place your suggested donation in the money slot on the display so the ministry can be self-supporting.

**Food Drive for the Needy of our parishes:** please bring non-perishable items to church on the weekend of **November 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup>**. At Madonna, place them in the designated area of Dattilo Hall; Word of God, place them on the designated table in the main vestibule. Place monetary donations for Thanksgiving turkeys in an envelope marked "Thanksgiving Turkeys" and place in the collection basket or mail/deliver to the parish office by **Tuesday, November 10<sup>th</sup>**. Questions: (Madonna) contact Leanna or Mark Ballog, 412.823.8398; (Word of God) contact Patty Burns 412.271.4830. **Note:** there will be the Little Sisters of the Poor "Wish List" Drive on Thanksgiving Day and on the weekend of **Nov. 28<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup>**.



*The Pittsburgh Catholic Magazine* is available in the racks/on the tables of the churches. It is the Disability Awareness Issue.

**Word of God Parish Choir:** We're looking for new members – folks who like to sing with a fun group of people to praise God in song. The choir sings for the 9:00 a.m. Sunday Mass from the Sunday following Labor Day through the Solemnity of Corpus Christi. No auditions are needed. Rehearsals-Monday, 7:00 p.m.; questions: give Michael Burke a call at (412) 271-1309 – or email at [burkemf@verizon.net](mailto:burkemf@verizon.net).

**All Souls Mass of Remembrance-Mon., Nov. 2nd, 7:00 p.m.,** Madonna. We come together at Mass to pray for our beloved who have died. A reception will follow. Letters have been mailed. If you have not received a letter, please contact the Word of God parish office by **Mon., Oct. 26**.



**ROSARY MAKING:** The Legion of Mary will have a Rosary Making Session on the **first Saturday of each month at 11:00 a.m.,** in Dattilo Hall, Madonna.

**THE ROSARY** is said at Swissvale Towers, 1826 Monongahela Ave., Community Rm., 1st fl., every **Mon., 3:30 p.m.**

**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.



**LADIES FELLOWSHIP GROUP** meets every other **Wednesday in Dattilo Hall at 2:00p.m.** Our next meeting is **Oct. 28th**. 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.



**OUR PARISH FAMILY WEEKEND SOCIALS** will take place at **both parishes** after the weekend Masses **October 31 & November 1**. CCD Catechists & Families will host the social at Madonna. The Respect Life Committee will host the social at Word of God.



**Saint Vincent de Paul Sarris Candy:** Holiday Sarris Candy order forms are in the racks/on the tables. Please return order forms and payment by **November 15<sup>th</sup>**. Forms can be put into the collection basket. **Please be sure to indicate where you want to pick up your candy – at Madonna or at Word of God. Orders will be available for pickup on the weekend of December 12-13.** Everyone needs Sarris candy for the holidays, for stocking stuffers, and for those tokens of appreciation for customers, clients, neighbors, and friends. Our Conference thanks you for your support of this important fundraiser.



**CCD REGISTRATION:** It is time to register your children for the 2015-16 CCD year! We are very excited to welcome your children to our combined religious education program for Madonna del Castello and Word of God Parishes. Sharing the rich and diverse resources of both parishes greatly strengthens our curriculum and provides your children with wonderful opportunities for spiritual, sacramental, and social growth. Our number one commitment is to help your children grow in their understanding of our Catholic Faith, their love for our Lord, and their recognition of how much God loves them! **Registration packets** have been mailed to families who participated in the program last year. If you did not receive a packet, are new to our parishes, or have a child entering CCD for the first time, please call the rectory and a packet will be mailed to you. **Registration packets** available at the exits of both churches.



**Remembering the Smallest of Souls:** Have you ever lost a baby in pregnancy, or do you know someone who has? An estimated 1 in 5 known pregnancies end in loss, but the silence of society can make it difficult to deal with this topic. Join us for a time of information, practical application and prayer as we "Remember the Smallest of Souls" on **Sunday, November 22 at 12:30 p.m. to 1:30 p.m.** in Dattilo Hall at Madonna del Castello Church, 2021 South Braddock Ave., Swissvale, PA 15218. The Respect Life Committee welcomes Lisa Vera M. Barton, who holds her M.A. in Pastoral Ministry from Duquesne University. Barton offers "Song of Simeon" as a ministry to support people affected by miscarriage, stillbirth or early infant death. The event is free and open to the public, and refreshments will be served. For more information, send an email to [songofsimeon@verizon.net](mailto:songofsimeon@verizon.net). Questions, please call Deacon Ron Demblowski at 412.241.1372.

## Madonna del Castello



The Tabernacle Lamp is in memory of Tony Bloise from The LeDonne Family.



The Altar Candles are in memory of Pete Iannucci from Mary Iannucci.



The Altar Bread & Wine are in memory of John & Mary Di Bernardo and Nick & Josephine Mariani from John & Judy Di Bernardo.



The Altar Flowers are in memory of Pete Iannucci from Mary Iannucci.

PSP Donation: From the Saint Simeone Celebration.

Rest in Peace: Carl Barone, husband of Sandra.

Offertory for October 18 – \$2,519.00

Mission Sunday Collection - \$305.00

### 2016 MASS INTENTIONS

From Nov. 1, to Nov. 15, 2015, our Mass intention book will be opened to parishioners for the year of 2016. Starting Nov. 1 we will begin accepting Mass intentions for parish members for only one Sunday Mass and three daily Masses. We are trying to accommodate a large amount of requests and we have to leave some calendar space for requests for recently deceased relatives. We schedule on a first come, first serve basis. We always try to work with people so they can have the dates they want, but unfortunately, that's not always possible. You may want to consider having one Mass for more than one deceased member of your family. A Mass request sheet will be available in the back of church beginning the weekend of Oct. 31 & Nov. 1. Call the rectory with any questions.

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 & Sanctuary Lamp in memory of **John Veselicky** from The Veselicky Family.



**IN YOUR CHARITY**, please pray for the soul of **Marilyn Byers**, wife of the late James, who was buried recently from Word of God Parish. May her soul rest in peace with Christ.

Please consider remembering the parish in your will.

### WORD OF GOD COLLECTIONS

October 18 Offertory.....	\$6,603.00
World Mission Collection.....	\$668.00

### CANTERBURY CORNER GIFT SHOP & PARISH LIBRARY:



We'll be back soon! Progress is being made to get the Canterbury Corner Gift Shop and the Parish Library back in operation by mid-November, just in time for the holiday season. A grand re-opening date for the Gift Shop will be announced through the church

bulletin very soon, so please continue to look for updated details in this bulletin in the next few weeks. **Volunteers are needed during morning, afternoon, or evening hours to help clean, move furniture, and sort gift shop merchandise.** Please contact Pat (412-271-4830) to find out when volunteer time is available. We are looking forward to being at your service once again!

**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 \_\_\_\_\_



**EAST CATHOLIC SCHOOL:** Did you know that East Catholic School has a 3 year old and 4 year old Pre-School that.....

- is God-centered creating awareness of God's creation.
- facilitates age-appropriate opportunities in spiritual, physical, social, cognitive and language development.
- understands the value of play and the choice of materials and activities in the child's learning environment.
- provides a safe, positive atmosphere where children continue their relationship with God.
- promotes the value of life and the respect for others and self nurtures a warm, caring environment that enhances self-esteem, independence, trust, sharing, cooperation and a positive attitude toward learning.

Your child can be a part of becoming aware of God's creation, have fun learning, meet new friends, sing, dance, explore computers and much more at East Catholic School Pre-School. Registration for this school year will end November 1, 2015. For more information call 412-351-5403. "Become a part of the school of tomorrow where knowledge meets faith and where timeless values and learning evolves."

**"Perfect for Preschoolers" "A Very Special" Halloween Story Time, Thurs., Oct. 29, 7:00p.m.-8:00p.m.** in Keane Hall (school cafeteria) East Catholic. Children ages 2 1/2 year old through Kindergarten are invited to dress up in their Halloween costume and come to story-time featuring Not-So-Scary-Stories, a silly craft and spooky snack. All children along with their parent/guardian are invited. Registration required—call the school office 8:30a.m.-2:00p.m., 412-351-5403; deadline for registration is Mon., Oct. 26.

**Entertainment (\$30), Enjoy (\$30) and KidStuff (\$25) books** are now available. Please contact Kate Halahurich to order by calling 412-519-8283 or email khalahurich@msn.com. All proceeds benefit the school.

**East Catholic 2016 Gala: Save the date, February, 27, 2016** at Stratigos Banquet Facility. Any questions, please contact: Amie & Kenny Cooley at 412-260-2989, [amie4dance@msn.com](mailto:amie4dance@msn.com), or Laurie & Lou Del Rosso at 412-841-8767, [ldelrosso3@gmail.com](mailto:ldelrosso3@gmail.com).

**HOLIDAY CRAFT SHOW-Sun., Nov. 15, 10:00a.m.-3:00p.m.,** Bishop Canevin H.S., 2700 Morange Rd., Pittsburgh, PA 15205. Over 150 crafters, lunch, baked goods, gift auction and 50/50 raffle. Also "Crafts with Katie" and a free shuttle. For info. call Vera, 412-922-7400, ex. 224.

**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." The sessions are available online. 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.

**SEMINAR ON ELDER CARE-Tues., Oct. 27, 6:30p.m.,** St. Bernard's Parish, 311 Washington Rd., Pittsburgh, PA 15216. The Law Office of Julian Gray Associates and the Catholic Cemeteries Association are sponsoring a free, informative seminar regarding elder care planning. Topics will include: preserving your assets, Medicaid and Veterans benefits planning as well as pre-planning for cemetery and funeral needs. RSVP by Oct. 26 by calling 412-408-6149 or email: [ccapghmarketing@gmail.com](mailto:ccapghmarketing@gmail.com).

**James Finley to speak at VMESC:** Villa Maria Education & Spirituality Center will host a special evening presentation with James Finley, noted Thomas Merton scholar, entitled "*Turning to Thomas Merton as our Guide in Contemplative Living*" **Thurs., Oct. 29, at 7:00 p.m.** The presentation is open to the public; cost is \$15. Pre-registration is requested. For more information or to register call 724-964-8886 or go to [www.vmesc.org](http://www.vmesc.org).

**Annulment Presentation:** Mr. Jay Conzemius, JCL, of the Tribunal Office of the Diocese of Pittsburgh will be providing a 45-minute presentation at Saint Maurice, 2001 Ardmore Blvd., Forest Hills, PA 15221, **Thurs. Nov. 5, 7:00 p.m.** The purpose of the talk is to provide information about the nullity process and help those wanting to begin the process to do so by receiving the initial paperwork. The talk is directed toward those who have a desire for adult education regarding this often misunderstood subject. People involved in RCIA as teachers or directors may have a special interest in attending this talk. Registration is not required, and it is free of charge, but to plan for chairs and refreshments please let us know that you are coming at [tribunal@diopitt.org](mailto:tribunal@diopitt.org) or call 412-456-3033.

St. Joseph Spirituality Center is offering *Keeping the "Care" in Health Care: A Spiritual Perspective*, on **Friday, November 6**, from 9:45 a.m. - 4:15 p.m. Father Thomas Gillespie, STB, MD, a board-certified psychiatrist and a priest of the Diocese of Pittsburgh, and Sister Marguerite Kropinak, LCSW, D. Min., will explore the importance of recognizing and integrating spiritual and religious questions and concerns in the helping relationship with people. A reduced fee of \$30 for parish personnel includes lunch and refreshments. To register call 724-869-6587.

**MAGNIFICAT PITTSBURGH PRAYER BREAK-FAST-Nov. 7, 9:00a.m.-Noon,** Crowne Plaza, Greentree. Speaker Lorraine Sarver will tell how God helped her overcome struggles of health, family, and failures. She will tell of learning to lead a life led by the Holy Spirit and obedience to God. Lorraine is involved in ministries at St. Ferdinand Church. Cost: \$20; to register call Pam, 412-461-8906 or Doty, 412-462-8545, or check [www.magnificatpittsburgh.org](http://www.magnificatpittsburgh.org). Deadline is Oct. 30.

