

St. Mary of Czestochowa Church

Established 1914

201 Vosseller Avenue

Bound Brook, New Jersey 08805

REV. LEON S. ANISZCZYK, PASTOR

Rev. John Stec, Parochial Vicar



SUNDAY MASSES: 9:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m. (Polish)

SATURDAY EVE: 5:00 p.m.

MONDAY Thru SATURDAY: 8:30 a.m.

NOVENAS WITH BENEDICTION:

Tuesday—after 8:30 a.m. Mass

HOLY DAYS: 9:00 a.m. and at 7:00 p.m. (English)

Vigil Mass: 7:00 p.m. (Polish)

CONFESSIONS:

Saturday: 8:00 a.m. - 8:30 a.m.

4:00 p.m. - 4:45 p.m.

PARISH OFFICE:

Monday to Friday from 9:00 a.m.—12:00 noon

BAPTISMS: Every third Sunday of the month at 12:00. Parents are expected to attend Pre-Baptismal Classes. Arrangements to be made at the Parish Office. **Only practicing Catholics may act as Godparents.**

MARRIAGES: Specific time is set for the celebration of marriage on Saturdays. The common Policy for all the Dioceses of New Jersey requires a period of preparation for the sacrament of Marriage, which includes sessions with the parish priest and attendance at either the Pre-Cana conferences or the Engaged Encounter Weekend. Therefore, arrangements are to be made at least one year in advance and before any social plans are finalized.

FIRST PENANCE, FIRST EUCHARIST, CONFIRMATION:

Though immediate preparation is given to children before receiving these sacraments, it is expected that children receive a Christian education within their family life, through formal religious education classes, and by attending Sunday worship services.

PASTORAL CARE OF THE SICK: Arrangements for Communion Calls to the sick at home may be made by calling the Parish Office.

PARISH REGISTRATION: Our parish welcomes new members to our faith community. Catholic persons new to our area must complete a registration form and be interviewed by the pastor. Please call or stop by the Parish office to complete a registration form. We should also be notified if your address has changed or if you are leaving the parish..



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Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK



MONDAY, February 6

St. Paul Miki and Companions

8:30 AM + Jacque Vesce

r/o Joan Gleason

TUESDAY, February 7

8:30 AM + Helen Consalvo

r/o Nancy Krug

WEDNESDAY, February 8

St. Jerome Emiliani, St. Josephine Bakhita

8:30 AM + Parishioners

THURSDAY, February 9

8:30 AM + John Berni

r/o Daughter Jean Fenske

FRIDAY, February 10 St. Scholastica

8:30 AM + Helen Sikora

r/o Daughter Ann

SATURDAY, February 11 Our Lady of Lourdes

8:30 AM + Jadwiga Roszochacka

r/o Sister

5:00 PM + William & Lottie Fernau

r/o Barbara & Lanner

SUNDAY, February 12

9:00 AM + Rosary Society

11:00 AM + Alek Laskowski

r/o Daughter Irene and
Grandchildren

Please pray for the soul of

Anthony Guido

May his soul and the souls of all the departed,

Through the mercy of God

Rest in Peace

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
February 5, 2017

*Light shines through the darkness
for the upright.*

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading- If you share your food with the hungry, provide housing for the homeless, then light shall break forth upon you.

Second Reading- My message to you, says Paul, was not clever words of wisdom but the proclamation of Christ crucified.

Gospel- You are the salt of the earth, the light of the world. In your good deeds your light shines before others, leading them to glorify God.

BACK TO BASICS

Salt and light are the two symbols that Jesus sets before us in today's Gospel. He says we are salt and light in the world, but only when we put ourselves to good and useful purposes. In ancient times salt was valuable not only as seasoning, but also to preserve foods and disinfect wounds. Salt signified permanence, loyalty, and commitment. In those days salt came either from evaporated sea water or from the Dead Sea. The taste was different from what we are used to, and without additives to keep it stable, the salt could eventually leach out. What is left tastes "flat" and was useful only for keeping footpaths free of vegetation and occasional snow in winter. That may be why Jesus says it is then "no longer good for anything but to be . . . trampled underfoot". A light is only useful if it provides illumination for human purposes. Houses in Jesus' time were lit with small oil lamps. Oil was not cheap; therefore, lamps were only lit for what were essential and important activities--the Sabbath meal for example--to be shared by all. The prophet Isaiah in today's first reading gives us a "road map" of how to be light and salt in the world: "Share your bread with the hungry, shelter the oppressed and the homeless; clothe the naked . . . and do not turn your back on your own". Take care of the human family, and your good deeds, says Jesus, will be like light and cause others to "glorify your heavenly Father".

PARISHIONER PRAYER LIST

NURSING HOME/ASSISTED LIVING:

Bernadine Hnasko, Jim Kilcoyne, Stephanie Lazarczyk, Anthony Lazarczyk, Adeline Melesurgo, Henrietta Spieczny, Donna Rabke.

HOMEBOUND: Anna Civiletti, Richard Freligh, DeMonte Guido, Stasia Pavan, Anna Pizzo, Nora Specian, Florence Suk, Debbie Vance, Marge Zuchowski.

NOTE: Please call the Parish Office (732) 356-0358 with the names of homebound, nursing home / assisted living or hospitalized parishioners. Please also notify the Parish Office when the status of a parishioner changes.

GOD'S GIFT FOR GIVING

This past weekend, our Generous Stewards of St. Mary's Parish Contributed:

Saturday 5:00 pm \$ 939.00

Sunday 9:00 am \$ 1273.00

Sunday 11:00 am \$ 570.00

Total \$ 2782.00

Fuel Collection \$2534.00

Contribution Statements

Due to the postage increase, statements will be sent to all parishioners who have donated \$500 or more. If you would like to receive a statement, please call the office and we will prepare a copy for you.

World Day for Consecrated Life - February 4-5

Please pray for all who have made commitments in consecrated life as followers of Jesus. We recognize and give thanks to those who have consecrated their lives to God and the Church. May they continue to be inspired by Jesus Christ and respond generously to God's gift of their vocation.

The only thing that comes to a person without effort is old age.

Marriage Encounter Weekend

A Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend gives you the time and tools to revitalize romance, deepen communication, and nourish the spirituality in your marriage.

The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend will be held April 28 - 30. Early registration is advisable as space is limited.

Phone 732-904-9636 for registration and info.

Weekend Schedule - February 11-12, 2017

Saturday, February 11

5:00 pm Lector Ann Sikora
Eucharistic Minister Joni Kent

Sunday, February 12

9:00 am Lector Diane Urbielewicz
Eucharistic Ministers John Todaro

11:00 am Lector Anna Grochocki
Eucharistic Minister Mark Litwinko

2017-2018

CATHOLIC SCHOOL TUITION ASSISTANCE ONLINE APPLICATION PROCESS OPEN

Families interested in applying for tuition assistance to attend an eligible Diocese of Metuchen Catholic elementary or high school may do so beginning **January 30, 2017**. The application process is online through FACTS Grant & Aid Assessment. Online applications must be completed (including supporting documentation) by no later than **Friday, March 31, 2017**. Applications are available in English and Spanish.

Families that need assistance completing the online application, or need access to the technology to apply, may register for one of the five Application Workshops, which will be held in four locations within the Diocese in February and March by going to www.diometuchen.org/tuition-assistance and following the Workshops link.

24 Hour Prayer Line

Our Diocesan Office for Persons with Disabilities has a 24 hour prayer line for those who desire prayer for special needs.

If you, a family member or friend would like to be remembered in prayer for a temporary or permanent illness, please call us and leave a detailed message at 732-765-6431 or send an email to our office: catholicswithdisabilities@gmail.com

Our Diocesan Office for Persons with Disabilities has a Facebook page that provides daily updates with short inspirational reflections for people with disabilities, family members and care givers. The site also provides endless resources for those with special challenges. To access their Facebook page (even if you are not a member of Facebook), type the following into your search engine: Diocese of Metuchen Office for Persons with Disabilities

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