

St. Mary of Czestochowa Church

Established 1914

201 Vosseller Avenue

Bound Brook, New Jersey 08805

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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)

CONFESIONS:
Saturday: 8:00a.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.

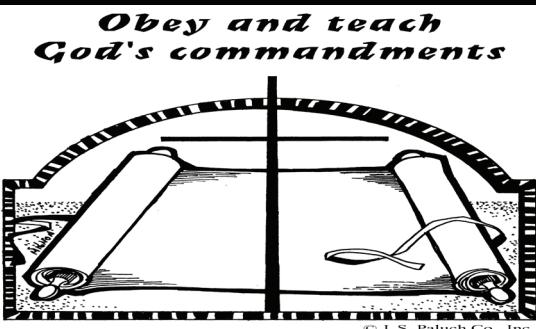
PARISH REGISTRATION: Our parish welcomes new members to our faith community. Catholic persons new to our area must complete a registration form and be interviewed by the pastor. Please call or stop by the Parish office to complete a registration form. We should also be notified if your address has changed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



Parish Office
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Fax: 732-356-5348

Website: www.stmarys-boundbrook.com
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Rectory
732-384-5925



Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
February 12, 2017

The eyes of God are on those who fear God.

Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK

MONDAY, February 13

8:30 AM + Filomena Meta
r/o Godmother Philomena Tomaro

TUESDAY, February 14

Sts. Cyril and Methodius

8:30 AM + Jacqueline Vesce
r/o Lorraine & Madeline Deleski

WEDNESDAY, February 15

8:30 AM + Parishioners

THURSDAY, February 16

8:30 AM + Helen Consalvo
r/o Wanda Czarcinski

FRIDAY, February 17

The Seven Holy Founders of the Servite Order
8:30 AM + Jeannette Conslavo

r/o Marion Consalvo Ross

SATURDAY, February 18

8:30 AM + Jacqueline Triolo
r/o Edna M. Ilsley-
Charles, Pat & Tim

5:00 PM + Dominick B Tomaro
r/o Wife, Children and
Grandchildren

SUNDAY, February 19

9:00 AM + Holy Name Society

11:00 AM + Janina Bogdanowicz
r/o Malgorzata Bogdanowicz

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading - God allows us to make choices, but we are not to choose injustice or sinfulness.

Second Reading - God's wisdom is mysterious and hidden.

Gospel - Jesus has come not to abolish but to fulfill the law and the prophets .

CHOICE

"If you choose you can keep the commandments," Sirach tells us. God "has set before you fire and water; to whichever you choose, stretch forth your hand" (Sirach 15:15, 16). This is a great mystery: God does not control us so completely that we cannot choose our own path. We have certain boundaries, of course, but no one but we can choose our way within those boundaries.

In today's reading from Matthew's Gospel, Jesus reminds us of our freedom and our responsibility for our lives. He calls us to look beyond the words of the commandments, all the way to their meaning. Look beyond the adultery to the selfishness that poisons our love. Look beyond the murder to the anger that eats away at our compassion. Look beyond the perjured testimony to the lies and deception that drive our behavior.

Our vocation is to choose life for ourselves, and to choose a path through our part of the world that helps make life possible and more abundant for others as well.

Love one another as I have loved you.



Our relationships on earth are meant to help us and others grow in perfect love. We are meant to depend on one another, serve each other in humility, and walk together in times of suffering.

-Respect Life Program

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 Frelich, 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 \$ 977.00

Sunday 9:00 am \$ 1302.00

Sunday 11:00 am \$ 727.00

Total \$ 3006.00

Next weekend, our Second Collection will be for our Diocesan newspaper, the Catholic Spirit, which is now offered for all at no cost. Your generosity makes the newspaper available to all in our diocese and includes many interesting articles and news around the diocese. Please give generously.

As a reminder to those who are offering weekend Masses for loved ones, we ask that you bring the gifts to the altar at the appropriate time. Please remember this when you come to Mass and let the usher know before Mass that you will be bringing the gifts.

Thank you for your understanding of this matter.



**Do one thing every day
that makes you happy~**



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 18-19, 2017

Saturday, February 18

5:00 pm Lector	Madeline Deleski
Eucharistic Minister	Martha Ptaszynski

Sunday, February 19

9:00 am Lector	Barbara Mendel
Eucharistic Ministers	Anthony Provenzano

11:00 am Lector	Jolanta Gnap
Eucharistic Minister	Anna Grochocki

2017 Bishop's Annual Appeal

Ambassadors For Christ

Please watch your mail for a letter from Bishop Checchio coming to you announcing the 2017 Bishop's Annual Appeal. You will be interested to know that Bishop Checchio, after a number of meetings and in consultation with many of the pastors and staff, has made some changes to the Appeal.

The first, as you probably already noticed, the Appeal has been moved from the fall to a Lenten campaign. The active phase has been condensed and the number of solicitation mailings has been reduced. Another significant change is the reintroduction of Parish Rebates. To allow parishes to share in the success of the Appeal, Bishop Checchio is offering parishes a rebate of 50% of the amount collected over goal.

Through your support of the Bishop's Annual Appeal, you help those in our diocese whose needs are the greatest - the poor, the homeless, and those struggling with illness or grief. Among other needed pastoral ministries, your gift also supports our priority ministries of evangelization, promotion and support of religious vocations and enhances the work of forming our youth. The many pastoral, educational and charitable ministries of the Diocese of Metuchen would not be possible without a generous contribution from every household. Please be as generous as your means allow.



**Don't drive faster than your
guardian angel can fly !**



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OFFICE OF THE BISHOP

Statement of the Most Rev. James F. Checchio, Bishop of Metuchen on the January 27 executive order issuing a temporary ban on immigrants to the U.S.

When it comes to the treatment of immigrants and refugees, the Diocese of Metuchen remains committed to following the principals of the Gospel message as reflected in Catholic Social Teaching. As a faith community, we will continue to reach out to those in our local communities who are most in need and to serve our neighbors regardless of background, ethnicity, race or religion.

Our Catholic Charities has provided legal and other services to individuals and families – both Christians and Muslims – and will continue to assist those in need. Our diocesan staff members continue to consider ways to support local refugee resettlement efforts. I urge all sides of this sensitive issue to proceed thoughtfully. Goodwill coupled with honest dialogue should enable us to honor the Divine command to welcome the stranger as well as safeguard all the citizens of this great county.

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An E-Mail from God

One day, God was looking down at Earth and saw all of the rascally behavior that was going on. He decided to send an angel down to Earth to check it out. So, he called one of His angels and sent the angel to Earth for a time.

When he returned, he told God, "Yes, it is bad on Earth; 95% are misbehaving and 5% are not."

God thought for a moment and said, "Maybe I had better send down a second angel to get another opinion." So God called another angel and sent him to Earth for a time too.

When the angel returned he went to God and said, "Yes, it's true. The Earth is in decline; 95% are misbehaving and 5% are being good."

God was not pleased. So, He decided to e-mail the 5% that were good, because He wanted to encourage them, give them a little something to help them keep going.

Do you know what that e-mail said?

No?

Oh, so you didn't get one either?

**The Pilgrim Statue of the
Immaculate Heart of Our Lady of Fatima
Will visit Our Lady of Fatima Church
501 New Market Road, Piscataway, New Jersey
Monday, February 20, 2017
8:30 am - 1:00 pm**

Schedule of Events

- 8:30 am Coronation Ceremony/Flower offering
- 9:00 am Holy Mass, followed by veneration of
relics of Bls. Jacinta & Francisco
- 10:00 am Talk on the Message of Our Lady
- 10:30 am Recitation of the Rosary
- 11:00 - 12:00 Confessions / Sacrament of
Penance and Reconciliation
- 12:30 pm Consecration to Immaculate Heart
Of Mary
- Blessing and Investiture with
Miraculous Medal
- Enrollment if the Brown Scapular and
- Farewell Hymn to Our Lady

7th Annual Catholic Deafest

Sponsored by Pastoral teams throughout New Jersey who work with the Deaf, this event will take place at Our Lady of Peace Parish, 1740 US-130 North, North Brunswick, NJ 08902, on Saturday, March 25, 2017. Doors open at 9 am and the day concludes with Mass at 5:30pm. Free Admission. Free Lunch. Lots of special exhibits of interest. The special presenter will be Father Ray Fleming, a deaf priest from the Diocese of Rochester, NY. To register please email: catholicdeafestnj@gmail.com or call 856-283-3962 (ask for Kate). Deadline to register is March 12, 2017.

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.

The Seven Founders of the Order of Servites

Feast Day, February 17

Between 1225 and 1227, seven young men from Florence joined the Confraternity of the Blessed Virgin, whose members were popularly known as the Praisers. Inspired by visions of our Lady, they dedicated themselves to prayer and service. They withdrew to a deserted mountain, built a church and lived in extreme austerity. After a vision of our Lady on April 13, 1240, they changed their name to Servants of Mary, or Servites. Of the original seven, all but one became priests.

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