

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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Rectory
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Fourth Sunday of Advent
December 24, 2017

*The child to be born will be called holy,
The Son Of God
—Luke 1:35*

Mass Intentions

FOR THE WEEK



MONDAY, December 25 Christmas Day

9:00 AM + Special Intention

11:00 AM+ Special Intention

TUESDAY, December 26 St. Stephen

9:00 AM + Chris Dotter

r/o Marut Family

WEDNESDAY, December 27 St. John, Apostle

8:30 AM + Parishioners

THURSDAY, December 28 The Holy Innocents

8:30 AM + Helen Sikora

r/o Theresa Kosinski

FRIDAY, December 29

8:30 AM + Arlene D'Alesandro

r/o Elaine Krzyszto

SATURDAY, December 30

8:30 AM + Ronald Jones

r/o Lucy Yannes

5:00 PM + Chester Rozitski

r/o Jennie Yombrick

SUNDAY, December 31

9:00AM + John and Mary Berni

r/o Daughter Jean Fenske

11:00 AM + Piotr and Maria Wdowiak

r/o Daughter and Family

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading - I will fix a place for my people. I will plant them so that they may dwell in their place without further disturbance .

Second Reading - To the only wise God, through Jesus Christ, be glory forever and ever .

Gospel - Behold, I am the handmaid of the Lord. May it be done to me according to your word .

YES, LORD!

God chose to announce the promised Savior to a young woman in a backwater village called Nazareth. In a small painting created over a thousand years ago, the artist shows the angel holding up one hand in greeting. Mary is standing facing him with her hands extended in welcome. The words of the angel are rich in power and promise: "you have found favor with God . . . [your child] will be called Son of the Most High . . . The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you" (Luke 1:30, 32, 35). Pure of heart and trusting completely, Mary answered God with a wholehearted "yes." Through her cooperation, God broke into our world, breathing the same air we breathe, experiencing our sorrows and joys. God became flesh in the Son, Jesus Christ, born of Mary. The world would never be the same. The time is here to let him into our hearts and change us completely.



Please pray for the soul of

Gloria Masucci

May her soul and the souls of all the departed

REST IN PEACE



Please pray for the soul of

Vincent Yannetti

May his soul and the souls of all
the departed

REST IN PEACE

PARISHIONER PRAYER LIST

NURSING HOME/ASSISTED LIVING:

Helen Chudy, Bernadine Hnasko, Sonia Karney, Jim Kilcoyne, Stephanie Lazarczyk, Anthony Lazarczyk, Adeline Melesurgo, Donna Rabke.

HOMEBOUND: Walter Figel, Richard Freligh, DeMonte & Rose Guido, Catherine McLaughlin, 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 \$1012.00

Sunday, 9:00 am \$1603.00

Sunday, 11:00 am \$ 796.00

Total \$3411.00

Oplatki (Christmas wafers) are available in the Parish Office weekdays and in the Meeting Room on the Weekends.

Offerings for *Christmas flowers* are being accepted. Drop your request in the collection basket.

Please print the names of your loved ones to prevent misspelling. Thank you for your cooperation.

BUS TRIP TO THE RALLY FOR LIFE IN TRENTON

MONDAY, JANUARY 22, 2018

The Diocese of Metuchen's Respect for Life Office will be running a bus trip to the Rally for Life in Trenton, NJ on Monday, January 22, 2018. The bus ride is free of charge, but since space is limited all passengers must reserve their seats. Passengers will board the bus at the Diocesan Center in Piscataway at 9:30 AM. The Rally at the State House begins at 11:00 AM and ends at 1:00 PM. The bus will bring everyone back to the Diocesan Center between 2:00 – 2:30 PM.

If you have any questions or would like to reserve a seat please email amarshall@diometuchen.org or call 732-562-1990

Weekend Schedule - December 30-31, 2017

Saturday, December 30

5:00 pm Lector

Ann Sikora

Eucharistic Ministers

Jim DeMaio*

Karen Graebener

Walt Urbielewicz

Sunday, December 31

9:00 am Lector

Catherine McGuire

Eucharistic Ministers

Anthony Provenzano*

Frank Kolodzieski

Charles Ilsley

11:00 am Lector

Jolanta Gnap

Eucharistic Minister

Anna Grochocki

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Monday, January 1

9:00 am Lector

Madeline Deleski

Eucharistic Ministers

Walt Urbielewicz*

Ed Hagan

Charles Ilsley

11:00 am Lector

Joanna Maciorowski

Eucharistic Minister

Mark Litwinko

Memorial Wall Candles

Renewals for the Memorial Candles in the Chapel are due in January. Renewal each year is \$100; initial installation of the Memorial Candle is \$200. Please call the Parish Office if you wish to renew your candle and send your check payable to St. Mary's Church. If we do not hear from you, we can only assume that you do not wish to renew and we will then accommodate those on the waiting list. If you have any questions, do not hesitate to call the Parish Office at 732-356-0358.



KOLENDA

We will continue the beautiful tradition of blessing homes in January. If you would like to have your home blessed, please provide the information below and place it in the collection basket.

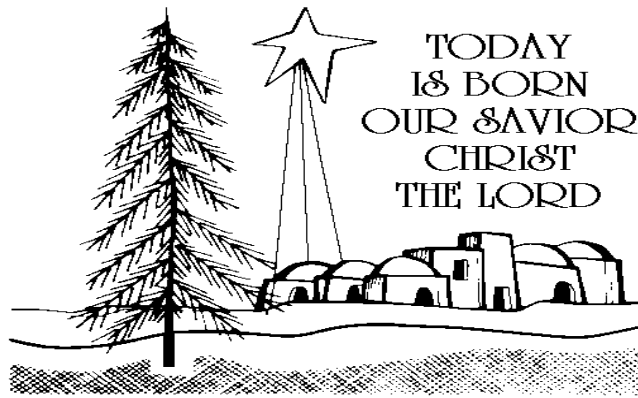
NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE: _____

Please call in the daytime _____

Please call in the evening _____



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Dear Parishioners,

I write this letter to you, my dear Parishioners, to share with you this wonderful news of our salvation - God's love was revealed among us in this way: God sent his only Son into the world so that we might live through him.(1 J 4:9)

I just realized that this is my 15th Christmas with you at St. Mary of Czestochowa parish in Bound Brook. We have been decorating our church for Christmas, celebrating special Masses on Christmas Eve. And that special one at midnight which we call "Pasterka" following the example of the shepherds hurrying to meet the Savior laying in the manger. All these memories I will treasure so much since as you know this it will be my last one before I go on my retirement.

As we sit down around the family tables and break the Wafer at Christmas Eve

I wish that we all as a Parish Family experience our Lord's special presence and his peace.

"Glory to God in the highest and peace to his people on earth".

On behalf of Fr. John, our Trustees and parish staff, I wish you all "Glad tidings", many blessings from above - especially good health, safe trips and joyful company of friends.

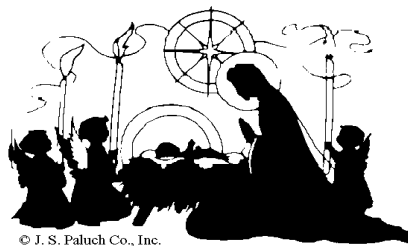
Have a blessed Christmas and Happy New Year!

*Peace
on Earth*

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Fr..Leon

Christmas 2017



Drodzy Parafianie,

"Cicha noc, święta noc" - śpiewa tej nocy cała kula ziemską, a cudowna pieśń płynie przez świat skąpany w powodzi światła. To nasza ziemia jeszcze raz sławi przybycie Największego z gości. W tę noc obchodzi się pamiątkę tej najświętszej Nocy, która była jednocześnie radosną jutrzienką ludzkości, kiedy to Przedwieczny i Nieśmiertelny narodził się z Maryi dziewicy w ubogiej betlejemskiej stajni. Spełniły się słowa największego izraelskiego proroka, Izajasza: "Dziecię się nam narodziło, Syn został nam dany.... Nazwano Go imieniem: Przedziwny Doradca, Bóg Mocny, Odwieczny Ojciec, Księżę Pokoju"(Iz9,5). Tej Nocy przed blisko dwoma tysiącami lat narodziło się Boże Dziecię, Syn Boży został nam dany. Bóg oddał się w ręce człowieka w postaci dzieciątka spoczywającego w ramionach Matki. Syn Boży stał się człowiekiem, aby człowiek jak najbardziej upodobił się do Boga.

Bracia i Siostry, w ten wielki dzień Dieciątka Jezus obchodzi cały świat. Przychodzi do każdego domu i do każdej duszy. Czy znajdzie u nas mieszkanie, czy zostanie przyjęte? Niestety, w wielu domach znajdzie zamknięte drzwi, a na nich słowa napisane niewidzialnymi dla człowieka literami: Tu nie ma miejsca dla Jezusa Chrystusa.

"Chociażby Chrystus tysiąc razy rodził się w Betlejem, a nie urodził się w Tobie, jesteś zgubiony na wieki" (Silesius).

"Bądź świadomy, że dla Chrystusa jesteś kimś i On ma się stać Kimś dla Ciebie" (P.Fievez).

Dla Chrystusa każdy jest w cenie, dlatego przyszedł On do nas. Nie bał się stajni i krzyża.

Niedawno zasiadaliśmy do stołu wigilijnego i łamiąc się Opłatkiem składaliśmy sobie życzenia.

W tym duchu Bożonarodzeniowej Radości chcielibyśmy dołączyć się wraz z najlepszymi życzeniami.

W imieniu własnym i Ks. Jana życzę Wam Bożej Radości, pogody ducha, wielu łask Bożych z okazji Świąt Bożego Narodzenia oraz szczęśliwego Nowego Roku.

Niech Pokój Chrystusowy, który obwieszczali Aniołowie będzie również Waszym udziałem.



Ks. Leon

Ks. Jan



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