

St. Mary of Czestochowa Church

Established 1914

201 Vosseller Avenue

Bound Brook, New Jersey 08805

REV. JOHN STEC, ADMINISTRATOR



SATURDAY EVE: 5:00 p.m. (English)
SUNDAY MASSES: 9:00 a.m. (English)
11:00 a.m. (Polish)

HOLY DAYS OF OBLIGATION:

Vigil Mass: 7:00 p.m. (English)
Holy Day: 9:00 a.m. (English)
7:00 p.m. (Polish)

WEEKDAY MASSES - 8:30 a.m. (English)

CONFESSIONS:

Saturday: 8:00 - 8:30 a.m.; 4:00 - 4:45 p.m.

DEVOTIONS:

HOLY ROSARY: Monday - Saturday, 8:00 a.m.
CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY: Mon. - Sat., 9:00 a.m.
NOVENAS (To Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal, St. Joseph and St. Jude Thaddeus) WITH BENEDICTION:
Tuesday after 8:30 a.m. Mass

PARISH OFFICE HOURS:

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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e-mail: stmarybb1@verizon.net

Rectory
732-384-5925



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MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, APRIL 28 - St. Peter Chanel,
Priest and Martyr, St. Louis
Grignon de Montfort, Priest

8:30AM +John & Ann Yefchak
r/o Daughter-In-Law Lottie
5:00PM +Jacqueline Vesce
r/o Brenda & Vince Vesce

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER, APRIL 29

9:00AM +Romeo Groppi
r/o Seibert Family
11:00AM +Franciszek & Wiktoria Pakosz
r/o Son & Grandchildren

MONDAY, APRIL 30 - St. Pius V, Pope

8:30AM +Nonna Baumgarten
r/o Husband Nick

TUESDAY, MAY 1 - St. Joseph the Worker

8:30AM +Stanley Rudnicki
r/o Daughter Theresa

WEDNESDAY, MAY 2 - St. Athanasius,
Bishop and Doctor of the Church

8:30AM For Our Parishioners

THURSDAY, MAY 3 - Sts. Philip & James,
Apostles

8:30AM +Anna Civiletti
r/o Theresa Kosinski

FIRST FRIDAY, MAY 4

8:30AM +Jacqueline Vesce
r/o Greg & Diana Kemper

FIRST SATURDAY, MAY 5

8:30AM +Samuel Chiaravalli

5:00PM +Anna Civiletti
r/o Carmen & Angela DeCicco

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER, MAY 6

9:00AM +Wladyslaw & Jadwiga Kurkowski
r/o Daughter-In-Law Myra
11:00AM +Msgr. Wladyslaw Grodzki
r/o Frank & Regina

Pope's Intention for Evangelization:

The Mission of the Laity. That the lay faithful may fulfill their specific mission, by responding with creativity to the challenges that face the world today.

Fifth Sunday of Easter April 29, 2018

It was not you who chose me, but I who chose you and appointed you to go and bear fruit. — John 15:1

First Reading - The gift of the Holy Spirit was poured out on the Gentiles also.

Second Reading - Let us love one another, because love is of God.

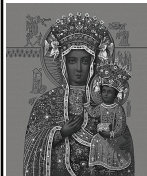
Third Reading - This is my commandment: love one another as I love you.

Reflecting on God's Word

Hearing Jesus' words, "I am the vine, you are the branches," sounds comforting at first. But then comes "and my Father is the vine grower" (John 15:1). The task of the vine grower is to prune and pruning can be tricky. The danger is cutting the main vine and not the branches, or cutting the branches that carry this year's fruit and not the old ones from last year. But Jesus tells us that it is the Father who is out there with the pruning shears, not some careless hired hand. He is cutting away the dead wood, and cutting back the good branches so they bear even more fruit.

Nevertheless, you might think, who wants to be pruned, even metaphorically? Who wants God snipping away? It's hard to be pruned. There is a dying in that. But that is the ongoing story of Easter: dying and rising, pruning and bearing more fruit. God is there pruning us to bring out life, to make us life bearers and life givers. The Father continues snipping away, separating us from our selfishness, our self-centeredness, and all those things we hold on to that do not give us life: resentments, old grievances, desires for getting even.

God is about life, committed to an abundance of life—not just life today but eternal life. That's the divine plan. Are we part of it?



St. Mary's Altar Rosary Society is sponsoring a day of recollection at Our Lady of Czestochowa Shrine in Doylestown, Pennsylvania on Wednesday, May 23.

The cost is \$30 per person which includes a delicious lunch. The day will include Mass, the Rosary, a tour of the shrine, a movie and a stop at the gift shop. We will leave St. Mary's parking lot at 10 am and depart from Doylestown at 4pm. Please call Theresa (908-526-7687)

PARISHIONERS PRAYER LIST

NURSING HOME/ASSISTED LIVING:

Helen Chudy, Bernadine Hnasko, DeMonte Guido, Sonia Karney, Jim Kilcoyne, Stephanie Lazarczyk, Anthony Lazarczyk, Adeline Melesurgo, Tom Bernotas.

HOMEBOUND: Kasmier Blockus, Mary Casey, Tony Cimino, Walter Figel, Richard Freligh, & Rose Guido, Catherine McLaughlin, Anna Pizzo, Nora Specian, Florence Suk, Debbie Vance.

NOTE: Please call the Parish Office (732) 356-0358 with the names of homebound, nursing home /assisted living or hospitalized parishioners.

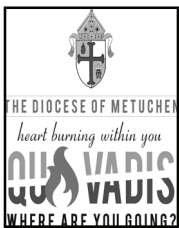
GOD'S GIFT FOR GIVING

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

5:00 pm -	\$ 1,139.00	11:00 am -	\$ 880.00
9:00 am -	\$ 1,252.00		
Total -		\$3,271.00	

Bishop's Annual Appeal

To date, the Development Office has received pledges totaling \$ 25,837.00 and payments totaling \$ 22,744.00 from 132 parishioners. This represents 78.3% of our \$33,000.00 goal. We are \$7,163.00 short of our goal.



Who: Young men, ages 14-17, are invited and encouraged to attend and spend three days living and praying with seminarians and priests of the Diocese of Metuchen.

What: Quo Vadis Days is a time of fellowship for young men, ages 14-17, and includes dynamic talks, a visit from

Bishop Checchio, sports and activities, prayer, small group discussion, interaction with priests, seminarians and faith-filled teens your age...and a lot of fun!

When: Monday, June 25 - Wednesday, June 27, 2018

Where: The Salesian National Shrine of Mary Help of Christians, Stony Point, NY 10980

Bus transportation to the Shrine will be provided by the Office of Vocations

Why: Your Bishop, the Most Rev. James F. Checchio, and dedicated priests of the Diocese of Metuchen seek to bring together young men, who are serious about their Catholic faith, and empower them to live as intentional disciples and support their ongoing vocational discernment.

If you think this event is for you, and after speaking with your parents, please register above or speak to your parish priest and he will assist you. Have questions?

Email: quovadis@diometuchen.org.

Weekend Schedule - May 5-6, 2018

Saturday, May 5

5:00 pm Lector
ExM of The Eucharist

Joe Pizzo
Walt Urbielewicz*
Anthony Provenzano
Martha Ptaszynski

Sunday, May 6

9:00 am Lector
ExM of The Eucharist

Barbara Mendel
John Todaro*
Frank Kolodzieski
Charles Ilsley

11:00 am Lector
ExM of The Eucharist

Joanna Maciorowski
Anna Grochocki

Flowers for the month of May In honor of the Blessed Mother May 5

Blessed Mother Altar

*-In memory of Nellie Mastrull
- Daughters Rosanne & Bea
And Grandchildren*

Main Altar

*-In Memory of Kosinski & Domanski Families
- Theresa, MaryAnn & Florence*

Sacred Heart Altar

*-In Memory of Mendel Family
- Barbara Mendel*

Church Women United will hold a 2018 May Friendship Day. The topic of discussion will be *Reaching for Wholeness in Gratitude for God's Presence.*

Date: Friday, May 4 - 12 noon
Lunch will be included

Where: First Baptist Church
43 Franklin St., South Bound Brook

Call: Rosanne Short for information:
732-469-0759

AA Intergroup offers Polish Speaking AA and Al-Anon groups to assist anyone with an alcohol problem or a family member who needs help.

Please see the pamphlets available for the times and places where help is available, or you may call:

AA Groups in Polish, Clark, N.J.

609-455-2738

Email: aapopolsku@gmail.com

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You do not define them,

You define yourself.

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