

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)

CONFESIONS:

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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Rectory
732-384-5925



MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, JUNE 23

8:30AM For Living & Deceased Fathers
5:00PM +John Deleski
r/o Wife Lorraine

SUNDAY, June 24 - THE NATIVITY OF SAINT JOHN THE BAPTIST

9:00 AM +Romeo Groppi
r/o George & Josephine Vadinsky
11:00AM For Living & Deceased Fathers

MONDAY, JUNE 25

8:30AM For Living & Deceased Fathers

TUESDAY, JUNE 26

8:30AM +Alice Goczalk
r/o Morning Mass Attendees

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 27

St.Cyril of Alexandria
8:30AM For Our Parishioners

THURSDAY, JUNE 28 - St. Irenaeus, Bishop &

Martyr
8:30AM +Jacqueline Vesce
r/o Brenda & Vince

FRIDAY, JUNE 29 - Sts. Peter and Paul, Apostles

8:30AM +Giovanni Colalillo
r/o Wife and Family

SATURDAY, JUNE 30

8:30AM +Katheren Tomasko
r/o George & Josephine Vadinsky
5:00PM +Frank Waller
r/o Gabriella Geron

SUNDAY, JULY 1

9:00AM +Nonna Baumgarten
r/o Husband Nick
11:00AM +Albin Wisowaty
r/o Daughter & Family

The Nativity of St. John the Baptist June 24, 2018

"Behold, one is coming after me; I am not worthy to unfasten the sandals of his feet."

—Acts 13:25

First Reading - I will make you a light to the nations.

Second Reading - John heralded his coming by proclaiming a baptism of repentance.

Gospel - John is his name.

RIGHT NOW!

The feast of John the Baptist's birth is probably not high on your list of annual celebrations. John was singled out by God for a unique role in our salvation. According to the Gospel accounts, the circumstances of his conception and birth were unusual, and his name was God-given, not chosen by his parents. And, as we know, John was also the cousin of Jesus and leapt in recognition of him even while both were in their mothers' wombs. John is often called the "preparer of the way" because he is a bridge between the faith history of the Jews and a new reality that was about to begin with Jesus. John, we are told, prepared for his mission in the desert, away from distraction, until curious people heard about him and followed him to see what he was up to. John did not disappoint them. He began to preach, saying now is the time for people to repent of their sinful lives and be washed clean. God's promises were about to be fulfilled. The Lord is here, right now, John proclaimed, and he will pour out the power of the Holy Spirit on you. People asked him what they must do. John did not tell them to go to the synagogue and say the right prayers; he told them to behave with justice and compassion. It is so easy for us not to hear the urgency of John's message about the coming Messiah--the one John calls mightier than himself --because we have heard the story before. The urgency, however, is meant for us! We have been baptized, we can repent of our sins, and we have to change how we live, right now, today.

Pope's Universal Intention:

Social Networks. That social networks may work towards that inclusiveness which respects others for their differences.

PARISHIONERS PRAYER LIST

NURSING HOME/ASSISTED LIVING:

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

HOMEBOUND: Mary Casey, Walter Figel, Richard Freligh, Rose and DeMonte Guido, Catherine McLaughlin, 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:

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| 5:00 pm - | \$ 1,220.00 | 11:00 am - | \$ 757.00 |
| 9:00 am - | \$ 1,496.00 | Mail - | \$ 485.00 |
| Total - \$ 3,958.00 | | | |

Missionary Co-op Collection \$ 1,747.00



The month of June is dedicated to the Sacred Heart of Jesus. In our church, we pray the **Litany to the Sacred Heart of Jesus** before the 8:30 am Mass, Monday through Friday. If you cannot pray together with us, make every effort to recite the Litany privately every day. Jesus promised St. Margaret Mary Alacoque to give many graces to those who honor His Sacred Heart.

THANK YOU

Fr. Raphael and all the Vincentian Missionaries thank you for your prayers and generous mission offering last weekend. Your offerings will help to carry out their many missionary, educational and charitable activities in their missions and will help them educate young men studying for the priesthood. The Vincentian Missionaries will keep us in their prayers.

 **Serving Others in God's Love** People of faith are committed to serving others in God's love in healthcare, child welfare, migration and refugee settlement, education and more. Religious freedom protects the space in which we can continue to serve. Religious Freedom Week started June 22-29, 2018 and more. Religious freedom protects the space in which we can continue to serve. Religious Freedom Week started June 22, the Feast of Sts. Thomas More and John Fisher. Join Catholics across the country to pray and act for the freedom to serve faithfully and with integrity. Learn more at :www.usccb.org/ReligiousFreedomWeek.

Weekend Schedule - June 16-17, 2018

Saturday, June 16

5:00 pm Lector
ExM of The Eucharist

Madeline Deleski
Martha Ptaszynski*
Frank Kolodzieski
Walt Urbielewicz

Sunday, June 17

9:00 am Lector
ExM of The Eucharist

Anthony Provenzano
John Todaro*
Jim DeMaio
Karen Graebener
Jolanta Gnap
Anna Grochocki

11:00 am Lector
ExM of The Eucharist

**The Diocese of Metuchen's Family Life Office
will sponsor a**

**"Mass for the Mercy of God: For Healing from the
Effects of the Opioid Epidemic"**

**Rev. Timothy A. Christy, Celebrant
Thursday, June 28, 2018 7 p.m.**

**Saint John Neumann Pastoral Center Chapel
146 Metlars Lane, Piscataway New Jersey**

Any person or family whose life has been touched by the pain of addiction or loss, or who seeks the grace of Our Lord Jesus Christ in the struggle to recovery is welcome.

Refreshments and fellowship will follow the Mass. For information, visit diometuchen.org/ HealingMass, email family.life@diometuchen.org or call (732) 562-2478

**Diocese of Metuchen Office of Adult Faith Formation
will present**

Rejoice and Be Glad

Gaudete et Exsultate

July 10, 17, 24, 31

7 to 8:30 p.m.

**St. John Neumann Pastoral Center
146 Metlars Lane
Piscataway, NJ**

Father Gregory Uhrig will review and discuss Pope Francis' new Apostolic Exhortation entitled "Gaudete et Exsultate" Rejoice and Be Glad. Each session will cover a different topic. This publication is easy to read and practical on how to grow spiritually in our busy lives. The cost is \$5 for the discussion booklet. All are welcome.

To register, call Father Uhrig, (732) 529-7933 or email guhrig@diometuchen.org

Religious Freedom Week

June 23, 2018

Pray

For children waiting to be placed in a loving home,
for the caregivers who selflessly serve those children;
that they will find strength & support from the Church.

Reflect

The opioid crisis is putting a strain on the foster care system. Yet while more children are waiting to be placed in families, faith-based child welfare providers are being targeted for closures because of their religious convictions. Catholic Charities in Illinois provided these services. They excelled at recruiting families to serve as foster parents because they could go directly into churches and invite Catholics to serve in this way. The number of children in need is going up. The number of families willing to take the children into their homes is going down. And in places like Illinois, Massachusetts, California, and D.C., the service providers who have a track record of excellence in recruiting and assisting foster families are being shut down. Intolerance for religious views has real consequences, and in this case, it is vulnerable children who have suffered. Let's pray and act to keep kids first.

Act

The federal Child Welfare Provider Inclusion Act (H.R. 1881 / S. 811) would protect the religious liberty of child welfare service providers, including adoption and foster care agencies. Similar legislation has been introduced and passed in several states. Contact your U.S. senators and representatives and ask them to cosponsor the federal Child Welfare Provider Inclusion Act. Check out the [USCCB Action Alert Center](#) and your state Catholic conference or diocesan website for legislative updates!



**Serving Others
in God's Love**
Religious Freedom Week
June 22–29, 2018

Office of Religious Liberty
www.usccb.org/freedom
Twitter: @USCCBFreedom
Text "Freedom" to 377377



Doctor-Assisted Suicide: Fatally Flawed, Dangerous for Patients

Modeled after similar laws in Oregon and Washington states, the misnamed “Aid in Dying for the Terminally Ill Act” (A1504/S1702) would actually legalize assisted suicide in New Jersey.

New Jersey “Aid in Dying for the Terminally Ill” Act

A1504/S1702

Would give a patient diagnosed with a terminal illness and given a prognosis of less than six months to live, the ability to request a lethal prescription to end his/her life. If passed doctor-assisted suicide would become legal under New Jersey law.

Suicide is always a tragedy

Reasons to Oppose A1504/S1702

- ▶ Protections for patients from coercion are inadequate.
- ▶ Assisted suicide laws are a recipe for elder abuse. Under these laws, a greedy heir or an abusive caregiver can witness the request, pick up the drugs and either coerce a patient to take them or put them in the patient's food. Who would know if the drugs are freely taken?
- ▶ No trained medical personnel are required to be present at the time the lethal drugs are taken or at the time of death. In fact, there is no supervision or tracking of the drugs once they leave the pharmacy.
- ▶ The definition of “terminal illness” is arbitrary and could include patients who are not dying, as has happened in Oregon. Also, a six-month prognosis is extremely difficult to predict, with many patients living far beyond the six months.
- ▶ In Oregon and California – states which already allow assisted suicide – patients have been denied payment for treatments to save their lives, but have been told that less costly, life-ending drugs would be covered. Insurance companies are in essence telling patients it is their duty to die. Life decisions should never be about costs!
- ▶ Although many terminally ill patients are clinically depressed, there is no requirement for the patient to have a psychiatric analysis.
- ▶ Inadequate pain control is NOT the primary reason why patients in Oregon and Washington request lethal drugs. No pain relief consultation is required.
- ▶ The patient's family does not have to be notified about the patient's impending death.

To protect patients from the dangers of doctor-assisted suicide, Vote NO on A1504/S1702

For more information, visit: www.noassistedsuicidenj.org

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