

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..



Parish Office
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Rectory
732-384-5925



Second Sunday in Ordinary Time January 19, 2020

*I will make you a light to the nations, that my salvation
may reach to the ends of the earth.*
— Isaiah 49:6b

MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, JANUARY 18

8:30AM God's Blessings for Good Health
for Susan Miller
r/o Judy & Anthony Kosek
5:00PM +Francesco Accreditato
r/o Domenica & Nicolo Accreditato

SUNDAY, JANUARY 19

9:00AM Deceased Members of St. Mary's
Holy Name Society
11:00AM +Antoni & Zofia Ziomek
r/o Daughter

MONDAY, JANUARY 20 - St. Sebastian, Martyr; St. Fabian, Priest and Martyr

8:30AM +Ronald C. Jones
r/o Wife Theresa & Son Ronald

TUESDAY, JANUARY 21

St. Agnes, Virgin and Martyr
8:30AM For Our Parishioners

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 22

8:30AM Prayer for Protection of the Unborn
r/o Altar Rosary Society

THURSDAY, JANUARY 23 - St. Vincent, Deacon and Martyr; St. Marianne Cope, Virgin

8:30AM +Helen Chudy
r/o Altar Rosary Society

FRIDAY, JANUARY 24 - St. Francis de Sales, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

8:30AM +Thaddeus Kowal
r/o Charles J. Ilsley and Family

SATURDAY, JANUARY 25

Conversion of St. Paul, Apostle
8:30AM +Helen Chudy r/o Lottie Yefchak
5:00PM +Maria Nalesnik r/o Son & Family

SUNDAY, JANUARY 26

9:00AM +Vera Hudy - r/o Marion Ross
11:00AM +Jozef Tomasz
r/o Corka Beata z Rodzina

First Reading - The glory of the LORD shows
through Israel, a light to all nations, that salvation
may reach to the ends of the earth.

Second Reading - All those who call upon the name
of the Lord are called to be holy.

Gospel - John the Baptist testifies: The one who
comes after me, on whom the Spirit comes down and
remains, is the Son of God.

ALWAYS RESPONSIBLE

In the 1940s, Antoine de Saint Exupéry wrote a famous children's story, *The Little Prince*. The Little Prince inhabits a small asteroid, where he spends his time devotedly caring for one beautiful rose. The Little Prince visits Earth, where he meets the Fox, who asks the Little Prince to tame him. The Fox says taming means being responsible, like the Prince is for his rose. Our parish is our spiritual home and a source of life through worship, friendships, and shared labor. We obviously need our parish, or we wouldn't be here. The time that we give to God and to each other makes the connections among us stronger. God has "tamed" us and is responsible for us in the here and now and on into the future. It seems only right that all of us, in turn, are responsible for God's church, God's people, and God's world. Are you doing your part?

Please be advised that family envelope packets have not arrived as of yet. Please put your offering into a plain envelope with your name and envelope number.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Pope's Universal Intention: **Promotion of World Peace**

That Christians, followers of other religions, and all people of goodwill may promote peace and justice in the world.



Our Lady of Guadalupe Visits our families

Please invite the picture of Our Lady of Guadalupe into your home for a one week visit. To sign up, please call Theresa Rudnicki-Jones at 908-526-7687.

Helena Kowalczyk and Family
will be the host family for the week of
January 19, 2020.

*Sign-up for next year (2020) is now available
so all parishioners will have the opportunity to have
Our Lady of Guadalupe visit their homes.*

PARISHIONERS PRAYER LIST

NURSING HOME/ASSISTED LIVING:

Anthony and Eugenia DiGiovanni, Joanne Felegi, Jim Kilcoyne, Stephanie Lazarczyk, Bea Mastrull, Deborah Vance.

HOMEBOUND: Patricia D'Allesandro, Richard Freligh, Rose Guido, Marie Haberin, Helen Kielbasa, Theresa Kosinski, Jean Kowalenko, Pat Musolino, Vinnie Papa, Millie Della Peruta, Ann Pchola, Nora Specian, Florence Suk, Vivienne Zanesky.

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

COLLECTION

Weekend of January 11-12, 2020

5:00 pm - \$ 428.00	11:00 am - \$ 620.00
9:00 am - \$ 1,664.00	Mail - \$ 120.00

Total - \$ 2,827.00

Diocesan Eucharistic Adoration

Eucharistic Adoration is now being held in the chapel at the St. John Neumann Pastoral Center, 146 Meltars Lane, Piscataway.

Adorers and intercessors are needed Monday through Friday, 9 to 11:45 a.m.

Daily Mass is held at 11:45 a.m.

Weekend Schedule - January 18-19, 2020

Saturday, January 18

5:00 pm Lector Joe Pizzo
ExM of the Eucharist Martha Ptaszynski

Sunday, January 19

9:00 am Lector Barbara Mendel
ExM of the Eucharist Charles Ilsley
11:00 am Lector Joanna Maciorowski
ExM of the Eucharist Frank Grodzki

Thanks to your generosity, St. Mary's Altar Rosary Society donated over **50 Christmas bags of gifts** to our veterans at the Lyons Hospital for Christmas! Our veterans were **overwhelmed** at the number of gifts and the contents of each.

May God bless each and everyone !

ST. MARY ROSARY SOCIETY 50/50 CASH RAFFLE



**CONGRATULATIONS
TO OUR WINNERS!**



**1st Prize - Dorrie Guarniero
Winning \$1,447.50**

**2nd Prize - Elizabeth Laskowski
Winning \$965.00**

Our many thanks to all who purchased tickets and those who sold tickets for the Rosarians. Without you, this event would not have been successful!

Thank you for your support!

KOLENDA

The Blessing of homes, a beautiful Polish tradition, will begin after Christmas. If you would like to have your home blessed, please provide the following information and drop it in the collection basket.

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

TELEPHONE: _____

Call in the daytime: _____

Call in the evening: _____

The Diocese of Metuchen's Office of Human Life and Dignity will be running a bus trip to the Rally for Life in Trenton, NJ on Wednesday, January 22, 2020. 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. Passengers will attend a small reception afterwards. The bus will bring everyone back to the Diocesan Center around 3:00 PM.

If you have any questions or would like to reserve a seat please email amarshall@diometuchen.org or call 732-562-1543.

**ST. MARY'S ALTAR ROSARY DAY
AT THE GOLDEN CORNER
313 Union Ave., Bound Brook**

St. Mary's Altar Rosary Society is trying a new venture. Every Wednesday at the Golden Corner, when you have breakfast, lunch or dinner, our Rosary Society will earn 10% of your check when you give the coupon below to your server. This coupon will only apply on WEDNESDAYS and the coupon must be presented. This is a *win-win* situation for you and for the Altar Rosary Society. The coupon will be good for one bill. (copies will be accepted.)

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Clip this coupon and present it to your server and the Golden Corner will donate

10% of your check

To St. Mary's Altar Rosary Society

EVERY WEDNESDAY

Thank you for your support!

2020 Call to Action Day

Over 120,000 postcards have been mailed to our NJ State Legislators over the past year urging them to pass the "Pain-Capable Unborn Child Protection Act" which would ban abortion past 20 weeks gestation in NJ by the year 2020.

Studies show that this is when babies in the womb feel pain. We are asking everyone to call your New Jersey State Legislators (Senator and 2 Assembly(wo)men) on Jan. 24 and ask them for their response to our postcards. There are currently no restrictions on abortion in New Jersey at all! Urge them to advance this bill (A3452/S2026) now! A listing of legislators and a sample phone message, visit: <http://babiesinthewombfeelpain.com/>

Legislation that would expand insurance coverage for abortion inducing drugs and eliminate the religious employers' exemption contained in New Jersey law (P.L. 2005, C.251). Despite our efforts, on January 9, 2020, the New Jersey Senate passed S3804/A5508 and the legislation heads to Governor Murphy's desk for his signature.

We have one more opportunity to protect our religious freedom. Please contact Governor Murphy and ask that he conditionally veto S3804/A5508 to protect the religious employers' exemption.

Visit the Voter Voice website to log in and send your message TODAY: <https://www.votervoice.net/BroadcastLinks/AxKC0Sec7Au9iO0ljPYq7g>

Stress in Your Marriage!

Do you feel lost, alone or bored in your marriage?
Are you frustrated, hurt or angry with your spouse?
Are you constantly fighting? Or, do you simply shut down? Have you thought about separation or divorce?
Does talking about it only make it worse?

...Retrouvaille is a Lifeline to Help Couples Heal and Renew their Marriages. The program consists of a weekend experience for married couples (no group discussions) with six follow-up sessions.

UPCOMING WEEKEND: February 21-23, 2020
For Information and to Register : Call Rich Colasuonno: 732-236-0671
Or Annette Colasuonno: 732-672-0748 or email 3024@retrouvaille.org



The Story and History of Saint Agnes

Saint Agnes was only twelve years old when she was led to the altar of Minerva at Rome and commanded to obey the persecuting laws of Diocletian by offering incense. In the midst of the idolatrous rites she raised her hands to Christ, her Spouse, and made the sign of the life-giving cross. She did not shrink when she was bound hand and foot, and the heathens who stood around were moved to tears. The bonds were not needed for her, and she hastened gladly to the place of her torture. Next, when the judge saw that pain had no terrors for her, he inflicted an insult worse than death: her clothes were stripped off, and she had to stand in the street before a pagan crowd; yet even this did not daunt her. "Christ," she said, "will guard His own." So it was. Christ showed, by a miracle, the value which He sets upon the custody of the eyes. Whilst the crowd turned away their eyes from the spouse of Christ, as she stood exposed to view in the street, there was one young man who dared to gaze at the innocent child with immodest eyes. A flash of light struck him blind, and his companions bore him away half dead with pain and terror. Lastly, her fidelity to Christ was proved by flattery and offers of marriage. But she answered, "Christ is my Spouse: He chose me first, and His I will be." At length the sentence of death was passed. For a moment she stood erect in prayer, and then bowed her neck to the sword. At one stroke her head was severed from her body.

**Join us for the National March For Life
Washington, D.C. | January 24, 2020
Together, we
CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE**

The March for Life is an annual event, but pro-life education and advocacy is important all year long.

Together, we CAN create a world where the beauty and dignity of every human life are valued and protected.

Bring your Bible to Church - January 25-26, 2019

On September 30, 2019, the Memorial of St. Jerome and upon the inauguration of the 1600th anniversary of his death, Pope Francis in his Apostolic letter, *Aperit illis*, established that the Third Sunday in Ordinary Time be devoted to the celebration, study, and dissemination of the word of God. On December 12, 2019, The Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe, Bishop Checchio consecrated our diocese to the maternal love of the Blessed Virgin Mary who gave birth to the Word made flesh.

As we take next steps toward a greater love for Our Lady's Son, the Word made flesh, please be encouraged to mark the Third Sunday in Ordinary Time to bring to the weekend Mass your personal or family Bible for a special blessing. This would also be an opportunity to remind the faithful the honor due the Sacred Scripture in the Spiritual life of the Catholic Family.

Please be sure to bring your bibles to be blessed and holding and raising them up for the blessing.



Calling all youth! You're invited to spend the day, celebrating God's love for you with your peers at the Diocesan Youth Day.

The Diocese of Metuchen's Office of Youth Ministry will host a Youth Day on Saturday, February 8, 2020 from 1:30 p.m. 7:30 p.m. at St. Joseph High School, 145 Plainfield Avenue, Metuchen, NJ 08840. Bishop James F. Checchio will preside at the Mass.

Join us for this fun-filled day of food, music, prayer and reflection.

All 7th - 12th graders are invited to come with their parish! The deadline to register is February 1, 2020.

The cost to attend is \$20.

For more information, please visit <http://diometuchen.org/youth-and-young-adult-ministry>

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