

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.

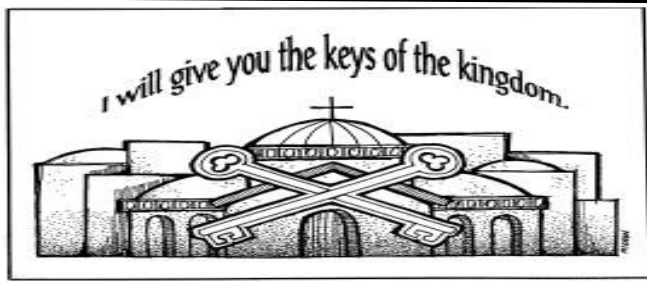
PARISH REGISTRATION: Our parish welcomes new members to our faith community. Catholic persons new to our area must complete a registration form and be interviewed by the pastor. Please call or stop by the Parish office to complete a registration form. We should also be notified if your address has changed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



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Rectory
732-384-5925



MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, AUGUST 22 - THE QUEENSHIP OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

8:30AM +Mary Ellen Thompson
r/o Randy and Ann Knob
5:00PM +Vincent Anthony Vesce
r/o Brenda and Vince

SUNDAY, AUGUST 23

9:00AM +Jim, Mary and Dennis Kilcoyne
r/o Lottie Yefchak
11:00AM God's Blessings for Lukasz and Anna
Roszkowski on their Third Wedding
Anniversary

MONDAY, AUGUST 24

ST. BARTHOLOMEW, APOSTLE

8:30AM +Short Family r/o Rosanne, Nancy,
Maureen and Glenn

TUESDAY, AUGUST 25 - St. Louis, St. Joseph Calasanaz, Priest

8:30AM +Ann Sikora r/o Theresa Kosinski

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 26

8:30AM For Our Parishioners

THURSDAY, AUGUST 27 - St. Monica

8:30AM +Anatol Nalesnik r/o Son & Family

FRIDAY, AUGUST 28 - St. Augustine, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

8:30AM +Jacqueline Vesce r/o Mom and Dad

SATURDAY, AUGUST 29 - THE PASSION OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST

8:30AM Good Health for Ronald Jones
5:00PM +Luz Maria Collantes
r/o Damien Bustamante

SUNDAY, AUGUST 30

9:00AM +Ann Sikora
r/o Cynthia and Hannah Hill
11:00AM +Czeslawa Zakrzewska
r/o Frank & Regina

Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time August 23, 2020

*"Whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in
heaven; and whatever you loose on earth shall be
loosed in heaven."*

— Matthew 16:19

First Reading - Eliakim is destined by God to be a
father to those who live in Jerusalem.

Second Reading - How deep are the riches and the
wisdom and the knowledge of God!

Gospel - Jesus asked the disciples, "Who do you say
that I am?" Peter replied, "You are the Christ".

NOT HIRED, BUT CHOSEN

When a company is recruiting for a top management position the process is detailed and thorough. No company wants to take a chance on a person who is anything other than the best available. Contrast this with today's Gospel account. Jesus first questions his disciples. Who do people say Jesus is? They give him several answers. Then he asks them who they say he is. It is impulsive, big-hearted Peter who exclaims, "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God"). Think of Peter for a moment: a good Jew, but almost certainly illiterate and a fisherman by trade. Nevertheless, Jesus saw not only what Peter was, but what he could become. He saw into the heart and mind of this man and said, "You are Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church". The beginning of our Church lay in the hands of this one man and his fellow disciples. With the authority of God and the power of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost, Jesus promised that ultimate evil would never prevail against it. Nevertheless, the Church is made up of flawed human beings who sometimes fail as followers of Jesus. We must never forget that even Peter himself, after Jesus chose him as "the rock," failed spectacularly by denying his Lord three times. When we fail, we should not walk away but strive even more to live a faithful Christian life.

Pope's Universal Intention:

The Maritime World

We pray for all those who work and live from the
sea, among them sailors, fishermen and their
families.

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.

Charles Ilsley
will be the host for the week of
August 23 for his Birthday

Sign-up is available so all parishioners will have the opportunity to have Our Lady of Guadalupe visit their homes.

PARISHIONERS PRAYER LIST

NURSING HOME/ASSISTED LIVING:

Joanne Felegi, Deborah Vance, Lottie Yefchak.

HOMEBOUND: Tony Cimino, Patricia D'Allesandro, Richard Freligh, Rose Guido, Helen Kielbasa, Theresa Kosinski, Jean Kowalenko, Pat Musolino, Vinnie Papa, Millie Della Peruta, Ann Pchola, Mollie Rodomski, Nora Specian, Florence Suk.

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

COLLECTION
Weekend of August 9, 2020

5:00 pm - \$ 445.00	11:00 am - \$ 981.00
9:00 am - \$ 1,304.00	Mail - \$ 1,270.00
Total - \$ 4,000.00	
Assumption of Mary \$ 924.00	

As of August 13, the Development Office has received **74.9%** of our \$ 33,000.00 goal. We are still **under** our goal. If you have not made a pledge to this year's Bishop's Annual Appeal, we pray that you find in your heart to help St. Mary's reach our goal. Thank you for your efforts

God loves each of us as if there were only
one of us. ~ St. Augustine

Lector Schedule - August 22/23, 2020

Saturday, August 22

5:00 pm Lector Evelyn Dziedzic

Sunday, August 23

9:00 am Lector Theresa Rudnicki-Jones

11:00 am Lector Anna Roszkowski

WEDDING BANNERS

First Time

Alexsandra Dabrowski

- St. Paul the Apostle
Brookville, New York

Steven Bar - *St. Mary of Czestochowa*
Bound Brook, New Jersey

Next weekend, August 29 -30, there will be a Second Collection for the Catholic League for Religious Assistance to Poland and Polonia. We annually take up this collection which aids the church in Poland and Polonians here in America by offering scholarships to Polish students who will be attending Catholic colleges. Envelopes are inserted into the bulletin.

"School Choice Now Act"

COVID-19 has contributed to the permanent closure of 138 Catholic schools across 23 states. Additionally, internal surveys show ten percent of Catholic schools are now uncertain if they can open their doors this fall. That means as many as 500 or more Catholic schools could be in jeopardy. The Alexander-Scott "School Choice Now Act" provides one-time, emergency funding for scholarship-granting organizations in each state; and provides permanent dollar-for-dollar federal tax credits for contributions to scholarship granting organizations.

As the Senate prepares its next aid bill, ask your Senators that the next COVID relief package include the "School Choice Now Act" to provide immediate assistance to families through federally-funded scholarships.

Please pray for the soul of
Antoinette Banaskiewicz



May her soul and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God,
Rest In Peace



Praise be to Jesus Christ! Now and forever!

Since its creation in 1943, the Catholic League for Religious Assistance to Poland and Polonia has been helping the Church in Poland. In addition to that commitment, the League is reaching out to the Polish-American communities across the U.S. where Polonia is present.

The League's mission proclaims: *"Keeping in mind the future of our Polish-American heritage, we cultivate the gift of unity with the Roman Catholic Church of Poland and we promote a transformed Polonia – informed, united, involved, and active."*

Bishop Andrew Wypych, the National Executive Director and an Auxiliary Bishop of Chicago, encourages you to join the many generous people who support the Catholic League for Religious Assistance to Poland and Polonia during the annual campaign. The annual collection takes place close to August 26, the feast day of Our Lady of Czestochowa, the patroness of the League, or another weekend as decided by the parish. You may also donate directly through the Liga website by clicking on the "DONATE" button.

We ask for the intercession of Our Lady of Czestochowa and our beloved St. John Paul the Great. May they bless the work that is done and beseech Our Lord to bless all who support the Catholic League for Religious Assistance to Poland and Polonia. Thank you and *Bóg Zapłać!*

For more information please visit: www.catholicleaguepolonia.org



Niech będzie pochwalony Jezus Chrystus! Teraz i na wieki!

Już od 1943 roku, założona przez duchowieństwo polonijne i świeckich, Liga Katolicka Pomocy Religijnej Polsce i Polonii, niesie pomoc Kościołowi w Polsce, a także wychodzi naprzeciw katolickim, polsko-amerykańskim rodzinom w Stanach Zjednoczonych Ameryki Północnej, wszędzie tam gdzie Polonia jest obecna.

Misja Ligi głosi: „*W trosce o przyszłość naszego polsko-amerykańskiego dziedzictwa, pielęgnujemy święty dar jedności z Kościołem Rzymskokatolickim w Polsce i promujemy POLONIĘ PRZEOBRAŻONĄ: INFORMOWANĄ – ZJEDNOCZONĄ – ZAANGAŻOWANĄ – AKTYWNA.*”

Obecny Krajowy Dyrektor Wykonawczy Ligi Katolickiej - ks. bp Andrzej P. Wypych, D.D. (biskup pomocniczy Archidiecezji Chicago) zachęca Was Bracia i Siostry w wierze, do dołączenia się do grona hojnych ofiarodawców podczas corocznej składki na rzecz Ligi Katolickiej Pomocy Religijnej Polsce i Polonii. Jej termin wyznaczony jest w weekend najbliższy dacie **26 sierpnia** (Uroczystość Matki Bożej Częstochowskiej, patronki Ligi, albo w inny weekend bardziej odpowiadający warunkom w parafii). Można też złożyć bezpośrednio donację na stronie LIGI przez użycie przycisku **Donacje**.

W tym szczególnym czasie prosimy naszych Patronów o wstawiennictwo i łaskę błogosławieństwa dla owoców pracy już wykonanej przez Ligę oraz o wstawiennictwo u Naszego Pana o błogosławieństwo wszystkich dobroczyńców wspierających misję i cele Ligi Katolickiej Pomocy Religijnej Polsce i Polonii - „*Bóg zapłać!*”

Po więcej informacji zapraszamy na stronę Ligi: www.catholicleaguepolonia.org

*Please remember in your prayers
the repose of the soul of the*
Reverend Monsignor J. William Mickiewicz.



Father Mickiewicz was ordained on May 26, 1962. His first assignment was Parochial Vicar at Blessed Sacrament Parish in Trenton. He served as Parochial Vicar at Our Lady of Mt. Virgin Parish, Middlesex; St. Augustine of Canterbury, Kendall Park; St. Anthony of Padua, Port Reading and St. Matthias, Somerset. He served as pastor at St. Ann's in Hampton and was the founding pastor at S. John Neumann, Califon and served there from 1985 to 2012.

St. Monica and St. Augustine; Mother and Son - An Unlikely Happy Ending

On some level, many of us have at least heard about Sts. Augustine and Monica. Augustine was born to an upper-class family around the year 354 in what is now modern-day Algeria. His father, Patricius, was a pagan, though years later he converted to Christianity on his deathbed. His mother, Monica, was a devout Christian and raised Augustine in the Faith, though he abandoned his Faith for many years. As a young man, Augustine began a long-term affair with a woman. They never married and their relationship led to the birth of their son Adeodatus. In Latin the name meant "by God given" or "gift of God." Despite the deep faith of his mother and his Christian upbringing, he abandoned the Faith of his childhood and became a Manichean. Monica was utterly destroyed. But she never let go of the hope that someday her prodigal son would return to God. She unceasingly prayed for him many years.

Augustine was a very intelligent man. He eventually took a position teaching rhetoric in Milan. This experience led him to have more engagement and connection with Christian literature and other believers.

One hot summer day in 386, Augustine heard a childlike voice calling him to "take up and read." He took this as a divine command, picked up the Bible, and opened to read the following: "Let us conduct ourselves properly as in the day, – not in orgies and drunkenness, not in promiscuity and licentiousness, not in rivalry and jealousy. But put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provisions for the desires of the flesh." -Romans 13:13-14. Augustine was cut to the heart. The conversion his mother prayed for all those years now began in great haste.

At the next Easter Vigil, both Augustine and his son were baptized by St. Ambrose.

The radical conversion of Augustine led to him eventually becoming one of the most profound spiritual teachers and bishops of Western Christianity. To this day, he is one of the most beloved and prolific writers and thinkers in the history of Catholicism.

Lessons We Can Learn from St. Monica

Saint Monica teaches us hope and persistence when life and situations look most bleak. She hoped against all odds for the conversion of her wayward son. She persisted against all reason, believing her son would someday convert. She never gave up or stopped praying and fasting. And more importantly, she never stopped loving her son even when he went against everything she instilled in him as a child.

Lessons We Can Learn from St. Augustine

While Augustine was raised in a devout Christian home, he probably knew a lot about Jesus but did not have a personal relationship with Him. It was not until many years later as an adult that he had a personal encounter with the Living God. That experience propelled a radical conversion. The story of Augustine's whole life reminds us that no one is outside the mercy of Jesus Christ. There is no person too great a sinner for the healing and forgiveness of Jesus.

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