

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

The humble shall be exalted



Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time August 28, 2022

MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, AUGUST 27 - St. Monica

8:30AM Carlos Cruz Jiminez
For Good Health & to return home
r/o Anna Jiminez
5:00PM +Agnes & Bernard Graebener
r/o Family

SUNDAY, AUGUST 28

9:00AM +Jacqueline Vesce r/o Mom & Dad
11:00AM +Mitch & Albina Ciuksza
r/o Son-In-Law & Family

MONDAY, AUGUST 29

The Passion of St. John the Baptist

8:30AM +Marek Roszkowski
r/o Joanna Kulesza

TUESDAY, AUGUST 30

8:30AM Birthday Blessings for
Anna Roszkowska
r/o Husband & Family

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 31

8:30AM For Our Parishioners

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 1

8:30AM +Randy Knob r/o Wife Ann

FIRST FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 2

8:30AM +Zofia Chadziewicz
r/o Daughter & Family

FIRST SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 3

8:30AM Reparation for Offenses Against the
Immaculate Heart of Mary
5:00PM Special Graces, Prayers and Health
For Agnieszka Szczepanski
r/o Family

SUNDAY, AUGUST 28 - St. Gregory the Great, Pope and Doctor of the Church

9:00AM +Jacqueline Vesce r/o Mom & Dad
11:00AM +Mitch & Albina Ciuksza
r/o Son-In-Law & Family

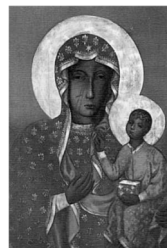
First Reading - Conduct your affairs with humility and God will favor you.

Second Reading - You have approached Jesus, the mediator of a new covenant.

Gospel - When invited to dine, take the lowest place. Those who humble themselves will be exalted.

Comment

When Sirach recommends humility in the First Reading, he is doing more than urging worldly discretion. Rather he is reminding us that the humble life "finds favor with God." Only the humble person, whose eyes are not filled with self, can see that there is more to life than meets the eye, that the world is charged with the "sublime," that God is afoot. Thus, Sirach's call for humility as the stance to be taken before God is not a call to become meek. Indeed, human beings are not supposed to blend into the woodwork or act as wallflowers when it comes to their dealings with God. Sirach wants us to understand, however, that putting ourselves "forward" in God's eyes is different from doing so in the eyes of people. God remains absolutely unimpressed with the proud or high and mighty. It is humility—our right relationship before God—that attracts the divine attention.



*We prayerfully thank
Regina and Frank Grodzki
For the beautiful
bouquets of flowers for
their 55th Wedding Anniversary
last weekend*

Pope's Universal Intention: For Small Businesses

We pray for small and medium-sized businesses; in the midst of economic crisis, may they find ways to continue operating and serving their communities.

**Our Lady of Guadalupe
Visits our families**



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

PARISHIONERS PRAYER LIST

NURSING HOME/ASSISTED LIVING:

Wanda Czarcinski, Joanne Felegi, Michael Gacek,
Valerie Kowal, Barbara Mendel, Michael Sikora,
Deborah Vance.

HOMEBOUND: Patricia D'Allesandro, Lorraine
Deleski, Richard Freligh, Rose Guido, Dolores
Gumerlock, Millie Della Peruta, Ann Pchola,
Madeline Wojciechowski.

HOSPITALIZED: Theresa Cleary

NOTE: Please call the Parish Office (732) 356-0358

**Weekend Offering
August 20-21, 2022**

5:00 pm - \$ 520.00	11:00 am - \$ 885.00
9:00 am - \$ 1,609.00	Mail - \$ 520.00

Total - \$3,534.00

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Washington, D.C.

The diocesan pilgrimage to the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, DC with Most Rev. James F. Checchio, JCD, MBA, Bishop of Metuchen will take place on Saturday, September 24, 2022 to celebrate the closing event of the 40th Anniversary of the Diocese of Metuchen. Bishop Checchio will also welcome Archbishop Christophe Pierre, Apostolic Nuncio, to the United States, the personal and official representative of Pope Francis, to join us on this prayerful day. For a schedule of the day, additional information, and a list of parishes running buses to the Basilica, please visit: www.diometuchen.org/pilgrimage-in-honor-of-the-40th-anniversary. For questions or concerns, please contact: amarshall@diometuchen.org

**God Bless
America!**

Lector Schedule - August 27-28, 2022

Saturday, August 27

5:00 pm Lector Martha Ptaszynski

Sunday, August 28

9:00 am Lector Theresa Rudnicki-Jones

11:00 am Lector Elzbieta Ozog-Osewska

**Congratulations and Blessings
Lukasz and Anna Roszkowski**

on the occasion of their

5th Wedding Anniversary

*Wishing you many more years of
blessed happiness*

First Saturday Devotions

September 3, 2022

In honor of the Blessed Mother's request to Sr. Lucia, whom she appeared to at Fatima, St. Mary of Czestochowa offers the opportunity to partake in the devotion of the Five First Saturdays.

On the first Saturday of each month, the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass is offered at 8:30 am, followed by the recitation of the rosary and 15 minutes of quiet meditation on the mysteries. The intention of this devotion is to make reparation for the offenses and blasphemies against the Immaculate Heart of Mary. Confession, which is a requirement, may be made within 8 days prior or after the first Saturday.

The promise to those who console the Virgin Mary through this devotion is the assistance at the hour of death with the graces necessary for their salvation. The Blessed Mother also promised that this devotion will result in the salvation of souls and peace in the world.

**St. Mary Byzantine Catholic Church,
1900 Brooks Boulevard, Hillsborough will hold
TRICKY TRAY AUCTION
FRIDAY, OCTOBER 7, 2022.**

Gift certificates and many prizes including flat screen TV, computer, Kindle, appliances.

50/50 will be available.

Doors open at 5:00 PM. Auction begins at 7:00 PM. Tickets are \$20 which includes one sheet of tickets, door prize ticket, delicious desserts, coffee, tea and a goodie bag. Stuffed cabbage, kielbasi and sauerkraut, pierogi, eggplant, meatball sandwiches, hotdogs, hamburgers, soda and water can be purchased, so come early. Tickets can be purchased by contacting the rectory at 908 725 0615 or Marge at 908 722 5894. Bring your friends and be ready for an evening of fun! No alcohol or outside food is permitted. Must be 18 to attend.

Tickets go fast, so don't hesitate !

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 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 and we promote a transformed Polonia – informed, united, involved, and active.”*** In accordance with its mission, 69 scholarships of \$5,000 each were awarded to students of Polonia in the past five years. Your donations made that possible!

Bishop Andrew Wypych, National Executive Director and Auxiliary Bishop of Chicago, encourages you to join the many generous people who support the Catholic League for Religious Assistance to Poland and Polonia. You may go to the website and click on ***“Donate”*** to make your contribution. 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.

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.”*** Wypełniając swoją misję, 69 stypendium \$5000 każde, zostało przyznane w ciągu ostatnich 5 lat. Twoja szczodroliwość to sprawiła.

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

OUR LADY OF CZESTOCHOWA

Feast Day—August 26



Our Lady of Czestochowa, or the Black Madonna of Poland, is a very famous painting of the Blessed Virgin holding the Child Jesus. Under this title, Mary is the Patron and Protector of Poland. Since the face of Mary is very dark, she is referred to as the Black Madonna. This darkening of the image comes from centuries of being hidden and the many years of soot and smoke from candles illuminating the icon. The picture follows the traditional form of an icon. Mary gestures toward Jesus, directing the attention away from her and pointing to Jesus as the source of salvation. The child Jesus extends his right hand in blessing to the viewer of the painting and holds a book of the gospels in his left hand. As in many icons Jesus looks like a small man, reminding us that Jesus, while still a child, is fully mature in his Divine nature.

The painting of the Madonna has a long history. Legend has it that it was painted by Saint Luke on a piece of a cedar tabletop built by Saint Joseph. Some even say it is part of the table used at the Last Supper. Saint Helen found this painting when she went to Jerusalem in search of the true cross. She gave the painting to her son, Constantine. When the city of Constantinople was invaded by the Saracens, the people prayed to Mary and the city was saved. This began the great devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary attached to this painting.

The history of the painting is more accurately documented in 1382, when Prince Ladislaus was owner of the painting. In that year, when the Tartars were invading the Prince's palace, an arrow hit the painting, lodging in the throat of Mary. Prince Ladislaus decided to take the icon to Opala, the town where he was born, in order to keep the picture safe. On the journey there, he stopped and spent the night at Czestochowa. The next day, as they began to continue the journey, the horses pulling the wagon with the painting of Our Lady refused to move. Prince Ladislaus took this as a sign that the painting was to remain in Czestochowa. The icon was placed in the care of the Order of the Hermits of Saint Paul at their monastery called the Mount of Light, or in Polish, Jasna Gora. The icon of the Black Madonna, Our Lady of Czestochowa, is there to this day.

The icon was again in danger and damaged in 1430 when the Hussites invaded the monastery. Twice the painting was struck with a sword, and before it could be hit the third time, the looter fell to the ground and died. Despite trying to repair the painting, the sword cuts and the arrow wound are still visible in the painting today.

In 1655 Swedes invaded Poland. The people prayed to Mary, and Poland was again saved from the invaders through the intercession of Mary. Our Lady of Czestochowa was thus crowned as the Queen of Poland, and this icon became the symbol of national unity.

There is even a modern legend from the time Russia invaded Poland in 1920. The Russian army was ready to attack when an image of Mary was seen in the clouds. At this vision, the troops withdrew and Poland was again saved. The Church honors Mary, the Mother of God, in various ways. Mary can intercede for us, as is evidenced by the many healings and miracles that have been attributed to prayers to Our Lady of Czestochowa over the years.

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