

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
Ph: 732-356-0358
Fax: 732-356-5348

Website: www.stmarys-boundbrook.com
e-mail: stmarybb1@verizon.net

Rectory
732-384-5925

*Grow
together
until
the
harvest*



15th Sunday in Ordinary Time July 16, 2023

*“The seed is the word of God,
Christ is the sower”*

MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, JULY 15 - St. Bonaventure, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

8:30AM +Ronald Stanley Dobies
r/o Nancy Lepionka
5:00PM +Joseph & Stasia Pavan
r/o Daughter Mary Ann

SUNDAY, JULY 16

9:00AM Living & Deceased Members of
St. Mary's Holy Name Society
11:00AM +Eleanor Pakosz
r/o Husband and Family

MONDAY, JULY 17

8:30AM Birthday Blessings for Cynthia Lynch
r/o Dad & Mom

TUESDAY, JULY 18

St. Camillus de Lellis, Priest

8:30AM +Wanda Czarcinski
r/o Dolores Gumerlock

WEDNESDAY, JULY 19

8:30AM For Our Parishioners

THURSDAY, JULY 20

St. Apollinaris, Bishop and Martyr

8:30AM +Jerzy Formus r/o Frank and Regina

FRIDAY, JULY 21 - St. Lawrence of Brindisi, Priest and Doctor of the Church

8:30AM God's Blessings and Good Health for
Yalil Gonzales r/o Amy

SATURDAY, JULY 22

St. Mary Magdalene

8:30AM +Zdzislaw Korzeniewski
r/o Dorota & Adam
5:00PM +Vinnie Papa r/o Family

SUNDAY, JULY 23

9:00AM +Stanley Kurkowski
r/o Wife & Family
11:00AM +Ks. Wladyslaw Grodzki
r/o Frank & Regina Grodzki

First Reading - Just as the rain and snow water the earth and make it fruitful, so does the word of God bring forth good seed.

Second Reading - Reminding all that the trials and sufferings of this life are “as nothing,” Paul says that the glory we shall receive will overshadow all things.

Gospel - Jesus tells the parable of the sower and the seed. The seed that landed on the footpath, on rocky ground, or among thorns withered and died; the seed that fell on good ground -- “the man who hears the message and takes it in” ... “bears a yield of a hundred-fold.”

Reflection

We are the soil in which God plants the seeds. Are we fertile soil or does our sinfulness or righteousness make us thorny? Are we filled with weeds of distraction and busy-ness?

We need to be attentive to the care of our soil. Sometimes we can do our own gardening. Other times we need the help of a gardener. And still other times, we offer nutrients to others trying to maintain a fertile soil. We are a community of believers. We all need one another's help to ensure good soil.

Like the rain mentioned in Isaiah, which will not return to God until it has watered the earth, God's word will not return to God void. This means it falls on fertile soil. We already know about the thorns of sin and the weeds of distraction. How will we prepare the soil today for God's word? What action have we put off that we now must do in order for God's word to land gently on us and move us to action?



Pope's Universal Intention: For a Eucharistic Life

We pray that Catholics may place the celebration of the Eucharist at the heart of their lives, transforming human relationships in a very deep way and opening to the encounter with God and with all their brothers and sisters.

PARISHIONERS PRAYER LIST

NURSING HOME/ASSISTED LIVING:

Joanne Felegi, Michael Gacek, Barbara Mendel, Michael Sikora, Deborah Vance.

HOMEBOUND: Patricia D’Allesandro, Richard Freligh, Rose Guido, Dolores Gumerlock, Millie Della Peruta, Lorraine Deleski, Frank Stock, Madeline Wojciechowski.

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

Weekly Offerings

July 1-2, 2023

5:00 pm - \$ 362.00	11:00 am - \$ 545.00
9:00 am - \$ 1503.00	Mail - \$ 80.00

Total \$2,490.00

Weekly Offerings

July 8-9, 2023

5:00 pm - \$ 252.00	11:00 am - \$ 808.00
9:00 am - \$ 1,433.00	Mail - \$ 356.00

Total \$2,849.00



**Celebrating Life!
A Day for Grandparents
& Seniors (55+)**

"His mercy is from age to age..."

Wednesday, July 26, 2023 - 9:30 am to 12:30 pm
Feast Day of Saints Joachim & Anne
St. John Neumann Pastoral Center, Piscataway

Join us for breakfast, fellowship, a guest speaker & Holy Mass. Event is free. Registration is required. Call 732-562-1543 or visit: <https://www.diometuchen.org/humanlifeanddignity>



RETROUVAILLE is a Lifeline to Help Couples Heal and Renew their Marriages sponsored by the Office of Family Life, Diocese of Metuchen, NJ. RETROUVAILLE consists of a weekend experience for married couples (no group discussions) with six follow-up sessions. The upcoming weekend is August 18-20, 2023. All inquiries are confidential. For further information, please contact Rich Colasuonno 732-236-0671 or Annette Colasuonno 732-672-0748 or email 3024@helpourmarriage.org.

Lector Schedule - July 15-16, 2023

5:00pm Lector	Stephanie DePass
9:00 am Lector	Frank Kolodzieski
11:00 am Lector	Bozena Owsieniuk

Are you suffering after an abortion?

If you or someone you know is suffering after an abortion, confidential, no-judgemental help is available!

Call Project Rachel’s local toll-free number: 1-877-877-4300 or visit: Hopeafterabortion.org

You may also call the Sisters of Life at : 1-866-575-0075 or email hopeandhealing@sistersoflife.org

"Apostle of the Apostles" is the title given Mary Magdalene by St Thomas Aquinas. Her name comes from her home town of Magdala, a fishing village on the western shore of Lake Tiberias. Jesus went from town to town announcing the Good News of the Kingdom of God, and how the Twelve Apostles were with Him together with some women who had been healed of evil spirits or infirmities, and were serving them. Among these was a certain "Mary, called the Magdalene, from whom seven demons came out." The expression 'seven demons' could indicate a serious physical or moral malady that had struck the woman and from which Jesus had freed her.

Mary Magdalene accompanies Him to Calvary and, along with other women, observes Him from afar. She is still there when Joseph of Arimathea places the body of Jesus in the sepulcher, which is closed with a stone. And on the morning of the first day of the week, she returns to the tomb, finds the stone rolled away, and runs to warn Peter and John. They in turn hurry to the empty tomb and discover that the body of the Lord is missing. The two disciples return home but Mary Magdalene remains at the tomb in tears. Her initial disbelief gradually turns to faith when she sees two angels and asks them if they know where Jesus’ body has been taken. Then she sees Jesus Himself, but fails to recognize Him. She thinks He is the gardener, and when He asks why she is crying and who she is looking for, she replies: "Sir, if you have taken Him away, tell me where you have put Him and I will go and remove Him." But Jesus says her name, "Mary" – and she recognizes Him at once: "Rabbuni!", she says, which in Hebrew means "Master!". Jesus then tells her: "Do not cling to me because I have not yet ascended to the Father; but go and find the brothers and to tell them I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God." So Mary Magdalene goes to the disciples and tells them she has seen the Lord and that He said these things to her.

Pope Francis elevated the memory of Mary Magdalene to the status of Festivity on July 22nd, 2016 in order to stress the importance of this faithful disciple of Christ.



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THE LORD'S PRAYER

*Our Father who art in Heaven,
Hallowed be thy name;
Thy kingdom come
Thy will be done
On earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
And forgive us our trespasses
As we forgive those who
trespass against us;
And lead us not into temptation
But deliver us from evil.*



DOES IT WORK?

Survey by the University of Missouri

- 97%** of families surveyed take at least one bulletin home each week.
- 74%** of all family members surveyed read every bulletin.
- 70%** of all family members surveyed consciously look at the ad page of the bulletin.
- 68%** of the families surveyed are more inclined to patronize a business that does advertise in the bulletin rather than a non-advertiser.
- 62%** of the families surveyed keep the bulletin in their home for one week.
- 41%** of all family members surveyed patronize a business specifically because it advertises in the bulletin.
- 22%** of the families surveyed go out to lunch, brunch or dinner after church each week.



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What a beautiful choice.

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- Financial Information
- Identity • Money

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