# 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

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

**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.

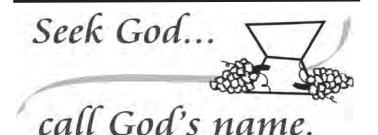
**PASTORAL CARE OF THE SICK:** Arrangements for Communion Calls to the sick at home may be made by calling the Parish Office.

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.



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

Rectory 732-384-5925



#### MASS INTENTIONS

## SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 23

- St. Pius of Pietrelcina, (Padre Pio) Priest8:30AMThanksgiving to St. Padre Pio<br/>r/o Damian Bustamante
- 5:00PM +Joseph Pavan r/o Daughter Maryann

#### **SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 24**

9:00AM Dr. Anthony Frisoli r/o Nicola & Domenica Accreditato 11:00AM +Leona & Franciszek Krawiec r/o Son

#### **MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 25**

8:30AM Deceased Members of the Short Family r/o Rose Ann & Family

#### **TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 26**

<u>Sts. Cosmas and Damian, Martyrs</u> 8:30AM Good Health & God's Blessings for Walt Urbielewicz r/o Myra Kurkowski

#### WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 27

#### St. Vincent de Paul, Priest

8:30AM For our Parishioners

#### THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 28

St. Wenceslaus, Martyr and St. Lawrence Ruiz and<br/>Companions Martyrs8:30AM+Jacqueline Vesce r/o Mom & Dad

#### FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 29

#### Sts. Michael, Gabriel and Raphael, Archangels

8:30AM +Carol J. Bonura r/o Frank Kolodzieski

#### **SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 30**

#### St. Jerome, Priest, Doctor of the Church

- 8:30AM +Stasia Pavan r/o Daughter
- 5:00PM +Ferdinand Zito r/o Family

#### SUNDAY, OCTOBER 1

9:00AM For the Living & Deceased Theresa's of the Parish r/o Theresa Rudnicki-Jones
11:00AM +Barbara Dabrowski r/o Husband Miroslaw

## 25th Sunday of Ordinary Time September 24, 2023

"For my thoughts are not your thoughts, nor are your ways my ways, says the Lord."

#### First Reading: Isaiah 55:6-9

Isaiah expresses an urgent plea that all should seek the Lord and turn to him for mercy.

#### Second Reading: Philippians 1:20c-24, 27a

In a strongly personal message from Paul while in prison, he says that he wishes "to be freed from this life and to be with Christ," but he realizes that he still has much important work to do.

#### Gospel: Matthew 20:1-16a

Jesus tells the parable of the owner of an estate who hires workmen for his vineyard. When, at the end of the day, he pays a full day's wage to those who worked only one hour, those who worked all day complained bitterly. But the owner says, "I am free to do as I please, am I not?" Jesus reminds us through this parable that "the last shall be first and the first shall be last."

#### Reflection

We expect God to be near, loving, and to pardon us. We find no contention in this description and have probably used these words to describe God ourselves.

So, why then do we find ourselves in league with the grumbling workers of the Gospel? Those guys didn't show up till almost quitting time. "It's not fair that they receive the same amount of money as the workers who came early," many people would complain. Haven't we complained in the same way? So what is a just wage?

We might say it's pay proportionate to the amount of work performed, but in todays parable we learn that God's view of a just wage is high above our view. It is the wage a person needs to live on for one day: the "daily wage." In God's view of justice a person's worth (or pay) is not determined by industriousness, righteousness, status or wealth and not by anything a person has or does. Human worth is based only on our personhood. It is not "just" in God's eyes for anyone to receive less than the wages needed to live each day in dignity.

The parable, on closer examination, is not so much about people getting more than they deserve as it is about God's generosity. In God's eyes only such indiscriminate generosity would be truly just. God's view of justice requires God and us to be generous. Whether we are speaking of spiritual or material "pay" here or hereafter, God wants to pay us not according to what we deserve, but according to what we need. All are equally worthy of a just wage in the eyes of our generous God.

#### **Pope's Universal Intention:**

For people living on the margins. We pray for those persons living on the margins of society, in inhumane life conditions; may they not be overlooked by institutions and never considered of lesser importance.

#### PARISHIONERS PRAYER LIST

#### NURSING HOME/ASSISTED LIVING:

Joanne Felegi, Michael Gacek, Michael Sikora, Deborah Vance, Walt Urbielewicz, Dorothy & Marcella Spioch, **HOMEBOUND**: Patricia D'Allesandro, Richard Freligh, Rose Guido, Dolores Gumerlock, Barbara Mendel, 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.

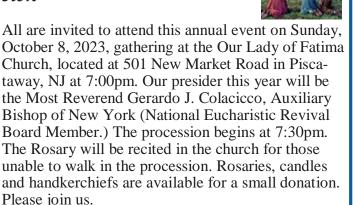
#### <u>Weekly Offerings</u> September 16-17, 2023

5:00 pm - \$ 359.00	11:00 am - \$ 703.00	
9:00 am - \$ 1,200.00	Mail - \$ 210.00	
Total 9 479 00		

## Our Lady of Fatima Parish

Invites you to join us for our

## Fatima Candlelight Procession



For information call Roberta at 732-245-9124.

## Feminine Genius Brunch - October 2023

Come join us for a beautiful morning set aside to marvel at the mystery of God and His plan for each of us! This event includes a presentation and book signing by Shannon Whitmore, author of the new book, "See Yourself as God Does: Understanding Holy Body Image through Catholic Scripture" (Ascension). The morning will include prayer and reflection, brunch and a review of some service ideas for women to get more involved in ministry. This event is for women of all ages and will be held at the St. John Neumann Pastoral Center, 146 Metlars Lane in Piscataway from 9:30 AM – 12:30 PM. For more information and/or to register please vis-

it <u>www.diometuchen.org/familylife</u> or call 732-562-1543.

#### Lector Schedule - September 23-24, 2023

5:00pm Lector 9:00 am Lector 11:00 am Lector Joseph Pizzo Theresa Rudnicki-Jones Anna Roszkowska

#### SENIOR EVENT November 8, 2023

Please save-the-date for our next event for Seniors Wednesday, November 8, 2023 9:30 am to 12:30 PM at the St. John Neumann Pastoral Center in Piscataway.

This event includes Continental breakfast, guest speaker Msgr. John Fell, STD, Episcopal Vicar For Health Care Apostolate who will speak on "Health Care Considerations for Aging Catholics", and Holy Mass. Cost is \$10 per person. Call or email Angela Marshall to register 732-562-1543 or amarshall@diometuchen.org

## NATIONAL LIFE CHAIN

This year, on Sunday Oct. 1, the pro-life people of Somerset County will again participate in the National Life Chain.

Life Chains are the coming together of people of all ages and denominations in their local communities to give prayerful, peaceful witness to the sanctity of God's gift of human life. We silently hold signs proclaiming the sacredness of human life and seek God's protection for the child in the womb, and forgiveness for the sin of abortion.

Life Chain will be in Somerville, Sunday Oct. 1, along Somerset St. and Mountain Ave., from 2:00 to 3:30 p.m. At about 1:45 p.m. an opening prayer will be offered at the flagpole in front of Immaculate Conception Church on Mountain Ave. Signs will be available outside Immaculate Conception Church and other locations along the Chain.

We invite you and your parishioners to join us at Life Chain, as we give silent public witness to the Right to Life of the child in the womb.

#### Silver & Gold Anniversary Celebration

The Diocesan Church cordially invites couples celebrating their 25th or 50th wedding anniversaries in 2023 to attend the Silver and Gold Anniversary Prayer Service with Bishop Checchio on Sunday, October 22, 2023 at 3:0 PM at the Cathedral of St. Francis of Assisi, 548 Main St., Metuchen, NJ.

Registration is required to attend the Prayer Service. **Please register online at** *https://* 

www.diometuchen.org/silver-and-gold-anniversary-celebration

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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

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	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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