

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

STAY AWAKE ! STAY AWAKE ! WATCH!



**FIRST SUNDAY OF
ADVENT**
December 3, 2023

MASS INTENTIONS

FIRST SATURDAY, DECEMBER 2

8:30AM Reparation for offenses against the
Immaculate Heart of Mary r/o Ann Knob

5:00PM +Sophia & Stefan Singura r/o Son & Family

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT, DECEMBER 3

9:00AM +Elvira (Dolly) Kennedy r/o Elaine Krzystow

11:00AM +Barbara Dabrowski r/o Husband Miroslaw

MONDAY, DECEMBER 4

St. John Damascene, Priest, Doctor of the Church

8:30AM +Romeo Pagkatipunan
r/o Daughter Jazel & Joyce

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 5

8:30AM +Maria Leonida Munoz & Encarnacion
Fernandez (For the salvation of their souls)
r/o Damian Bustamante

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 6

St. Nicholas, Bishop

8:30AM For our Parishioners

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 7

St. Ambrose, Bishop, Doctor of the Church

8:30AM +Glindovina Cusi r/o Olga & Damian

7:00PM +Rev. Stanislaw Baranowski
r/o Dorota & Adam

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 8

THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED
VIRGIN MARY

9:00AM God's Blessings & Good Health for
Mgrs. Joseph Chacko on the occasion of his
Birthday (November 27) r/o Parishioners

7:00PM +Krystyna Wabia r/o Dorota & Adam

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 9

St. Juan Diego Cuauhtlatzin

8:30AM +Mario Cruz Sarmiento
(For the salvation of his soul) r/o Damian

5:00PM +Robert Graham r/o Mary Fazan

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT, DECEMBER 10

9:00AM Living & Deceased Members of the Altar
Rosary Society

11:00AM +Stanislaw Krawiec r/o Brother

Pope's Universal Intention

For persons with disabilities. We pray that people living with disabilities may be at the center of attention in society, and that institutions may offer inclusive programs which value their active participation.

First Reading: Isaiah 63:16b-17, 19b, 64:2-7

In this straightforward psalm, the people acknowledge their sinful ways, yet plead that their Creator might reveal himself to them. They ask God to remember, not their sins, but that "We are all the work of your hands."

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 1:3-9

Paul explains to the Corinthians that they are specially favored by God who has sent his only Son to them. He reminds us all that it was through God's grace that we have been called to kinship with Christ.

Gospel: Mark 13:33-37

Just as a servant watching over the master's house does not know when he will return, we do not know the hour of the Second Coming. Mark reminds us of the warning from Jesus to always be on guard, for we know not the day nor the hour.

Reflection

"Oh, that you would rend the heavens and come down, with the mountains quaking before you, while you wrought awesome deeds we could not hope for, such as they had not heard of from of old. No ear has ever heard, no eye ever seen, any God but you doing such deeds for those who wait for him... Yet, O Lord, you are our father; we are the clay and you are the potter: we are all the work of your hands."

The prophet Isaiah, one of the principal figures for advent, speaks for us, longing for the needed Messiah, not His first coming, but for today. Can I not see that our world needing His presence, desperate to make things better? The God who made us, the potter, needs to refashion us in His image as we live the days of this holy season. He will remake us in His image, by our prayer for all around us, beginning with His reworking who we are and what He wants us to become. 'Come Lord Jesus.'

Friday, December 8

The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary (Holy Day of Obligation)

Masses will be :

Thursday, December 7 at 7:00 PM (English)

Thursday, December 8 at 9:00 AM (English)

Thursday, December 8 at 7:00 PM (Polish)

OFFICE IS CLOSED

PARISHIONERS PRAYER LIST

NURSING HOME/ASSISTED LIVING:

Joanne Felegi, Michael Gacek, Michael Sikora, Deborah Vance, Walt Urbielewicz

HOMEBOUND: Patricia D'Allesandro, Richard Freligh, Rose Guido, Dolores Gumerlock, Barbara Mendel, Millie Della Peruta, Lorraine Deleski, Frank Stock, Madeline Wojciechowski, Marcella Spioch, Dorothy Spioch, Richard Jannuzzi

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

Weekly Offerings
November 25-26, 2023

5:00 pm - \$ 614.00	11:00 am - \$ 747.00
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9:00 am - \$ 1,102.00	Mail - \$ 300.00
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Total 2,763.00

November 18-19, 2023

5:00 pm - \$ 424.00	11:00 am - \$ 791.00
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9:00 am - \$ 1,532.00	Mail - \$ 40.00
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Total 2,787.00

Additional Works Of Mercy \$ 380.00

Next weekend December 9-10, our Second Collection is for the Retirement Fund for Religious

The proceeds from this collection will be designated exclusively to support retired religious Brother and Sisters of the United States.

Stewardship Scripture Reflections

"Be watchful! Be alert! You do not know when the time will come." - Mark 13:33

We all take things for granted. In particular, we take time for granted. We make our lives too busy. We plan our days, weeks, months, even years in advance. Remember, our time on earth is a gift. None of us knows how long we will be here. Start today and begin thanking God for each and every day. Take time in silence, every day, and listen to how God is calling you right now to help build His kingdom on earth.



Oplatki for Christmas Vigil Dinner are now available in the Meeting Room

Lector Schedule - December 2-3, 2023

5:00pm Lector	Stephanie DePass
9:00 am Lector	Jazel Werner
11:00 am Lector	Elzbieta Ozog-Osewska



The Immaculate Conception

Mary was conceived in the natural human way by her parents, Joachim and Anne. But God had a plan and was eager to give Mary an utterly unique gift that could not wait until her childhood or adolescence to be unwrapped. As the author of creation, He crafted a pristine soul incapable of sin or moral disorder. Alone among all creation, Mary reaped the spiritual rewards of her Son's resurrection before its historical occurrence, saving her from death and bodily corruption, sin's cruelest punishments. Mary was simply flooded with God's grace in her very origins and has never ceased to be united with Him after that.



We are blessed to now have an automated emergency Defibrillator (AED), which is in a mounted cabinet on the wall opposite the entry doors to the worship space. This device voice prompts the untrained user what to do in the event of a suspected cardiac emergency, such as cardiac arrest or arrhythmia. Its internal computer assesses the patient's condition to determine if an electric shock to stimulate the heart is necessary. Please familiarize yourself with the location of the cabinet, should you ever need to retrieve the unit during an emergency.

ADVENT REFLECTION SERIES

Join Immaculate Conception Seminary School of Theology Seton Hall University for our Annual Daily Advent Reflection Series on “**The Hospitality of Advent**” as we prepare for the coming of our Lord at Christmas. Meditations are sent by email from December 3 through December 24.

Consider with us how Mary, Joseph, Elizabeth, and other great figures of the Gospels and Church tradition welcomed Jesus into their hearts.

How might Jesus be beckoning us this Advent to a greater understanding and appreciation of God’s desire to come to us, dwell within us, and be welcomed into our homes and hearts? How might this year’s Advent be a journey of an ever deepening hospitality of the heart?

Please register at <https://www.shu.edu/theology/immaculate-conception-seminary-advent-series.cfm>

Confessions

Monday, December 18, 2023

7:00 - 8:00 pm



Life Is an Advent Season

Life is a constant Advent season: we are continually waiting to become, to discover, to complete, to fulfill. Hope, struggle, fear, expectation and fulfillment are all part of our Advent experience.

The world is not as just, not as loving, not as whole as we know it can and should be. But the coming of Christ and his presence among us—as one of us—give us reason to live in hope: that light will shatter the darkness, that we can be liberated from our fears and prejudices, that we are never alone or abandoned. May this Advent season be a time for bringing hope, transformation and fulfillment into the Advent of our lives.



Experience

EUCCHARISTIC MIRACLES EXHIBIT

St. Jude Parish in Blairstown is extending and exciting invitation to our area Catholic Churches and Schools visit and see the wonderful Carlo Acutis Eucharistic Miracle Display.

Our Eucharistic Revival Team has secured this awesome display for us from November 27 through December 11.

Public Viewing Times

The exhibit is open to the public. Bring your family and friends!

Dates	Times
Tuesday Nov28	Closed for faith formation
Wednesday Nov 29	9:30am—9:30pm
Thursday Nov 30	9:30am—9:30pm
Friday Dec 1	9:30am—9:30pm
Saturday Dec 2	9:30am—9:30pm
Sunday Dec 3	9:30am—9:30pm
Monday Dec 4	9:30am—9:30pm
Tuesday Dec 5	9:30am—9:30pm
Wednesday Dec 6	Reserved for Schools
Thursday Dec 7	9:30am—9:30pm
Friday Dec 8	9:30am—9:30pm
Saturday Dec 9	9:30am—9:30pm
Sunday Dec 10	9:30am—9:30pm

We are keeping the date: Wednesday, December 6 open for schools that would like to come in and view this Eucharistic Miracle Display. Blessed Carlo was a typical teenager who wore Nike sneakers and loved the computer. He used his remarkable tech skills to develop a website listing Eucharistic Miracles around the world as a creative means of digital evangelization. Carlo died at age 15, and we are privileged to have this 28’ panel display available and extend this invitation to you.

Memorial Wall Candles

Renewal for the Memorial Wall Candles located in the Chapel are due in January. Renewal each year is \$100. Initial installation of a Memorial Candle is \$200. Please call the Parish Office at 732-356-0358 and let us know if you will be renewing your candle. If we do not hear from you, we can only assume that you do not wish to renew and we will then accommodate those on the waiting list.

Parish Offering Envelopes have arrived

They are in the Meeting Room and are listed Alphabetically.

If you cannot locate your envelope box, please call the Parish Office



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JINGLE BELLS CRAFT CELEBRATION

DECEMBER 9, 2023

10AM - 4PM

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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.



Life.
What a beautiful choice.

BEWARE OF PHISHING EMAILS

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- Passwords
- Financial Information
- Identity • Money

For information on common scams, please visit

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