# 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 **EXPOSITION OF BLESSED SACRAMENT:** Friday after 9:30 -12:00pm

PARISH OFFICE HOURS: Monday to Friday from 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon

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

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

Rectory 732-384-5925

**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.





# 4th Sunday of Ordinary Time January 28, 2024

I know who you are "the Holy One of God!"

# MASS INTENTIONS

#### SATURDAY, JANUARY 27

#### <u>St. Angela Merici, Virgin</u>

- 8:30AM +Maria Pandaraoan r/o Daughter Juvy
- 5:00PM +Barbara Lanner r/o Dawn Lanner

#### SUNDAY, JANUARY 28

- 9:00AM +Jacqueline Vesce r/o Mom & Dad
- 11:00AM +Jozef Tomasz r/o Beata & George Gnap

#### MONDAY, JANUARY 29

- 8:30AM For conversion of Joyce Werner r/o Daughter-in-law
- TUESDAY, JANUARY 30
- 8:30AM +Fr. Jasionowski r/o Altar Rosary Society

#### WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 31

St. John Bosco, Priest 8:30AM For our Parishioners

#### THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 1

8:30AM +Rosemarie E. Balak r/o Brian & Mary Carusone

#### FIRST FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 2 THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD

8:30AM Deceased Priest who worked at St. Mary's Parish

#### FIRST SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 3

#### St. Blaise, Bishop, Martyr; St. Ansgar, Bishop

- 8:30AM Reparation for the offenses committed against the Immaculate Heart of Mary
- 5:00PM Conversion of young people who lost their faith

#### **SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 4**

9:00AM For all sick parishioners of St. Mary's Parish

11:00AM +Angelina Adamczyk r/o Maria & Jan

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

For the terminally ill. We pray that those with a terminal illness, and their families, receive the necessary physical and spiritual care and accompaniment.

#### First Reading: Deuteronomy 18:15-20

Moses explains to the people that a prophet will come from among them, and that they should listen to this prophet's words, for God has told him of this prophet. God also tells Moses that anyone who pretends to speak in his words, or speaks in the name of other gods shall die.

#### Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 7:32-35

Paul tells the Corinthians how an unmarried man or woman is able to devote themselves fully to God without concern for the needs of a spouse. Paul explains that God wants to help them promote good and devote themselves more fully to God.

#### Gospel: Mark 1:21-28

As Jesus was teaching, a man with an unclean spirit came to the synagogue and asked if Jesus had come to destroy them. Jesus ordered the spirit out of the man, who shrieked violently as the spirit departed. The people were amazed at the authority he had over the spirit.

# **Reflection**

Many door-to-door proselytizers have good intentions. They want to convert you to the "truth" as they see it. They believe the Bible is the sole authority for the Christian faith. Some are taught that Catholics are prohibited from reading the Bible. However, not only do we have full access to the scriptures, we hear them proclaimed every time we celebrate Mass. In today's readings Jesus and Moses are recognized as speaking and acting with the authority of God. Both Jesus and Moses acted as a bridge between the people and God. For us the scriptures are a bridge for God's truth, but so are the sacraments and the experience of the Church-what we call Tradition. It is part of our responsibility as Jesus' disciples to listen attentively at Mass, to read scripture prayerfully for ourselves, and to learn more about the Bible through reading, studying, and learning with others.



This weekend, Saturday, February 3rd and Sunday 4th

Throats will be blessed in honor of St. Blaise.

# PARISHIONERS PRAYER LIST

NURSING HOME/ASSISTED LIVING: Joanne Felegi, Michael Gacek, Michael Sikora, Deborah Vance,

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

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

# Weekly Offerings January 21, 2024

5:00 pm - \$ 267.00 11:00 am - \$ 770.00

9:00 am - \$ 1,410.00 Mail - \$ 105.00

Total \$2,552.00

## Fuel Collection Total \$1,073.00

#### **Stewardship Scripture Reflections**

"Brothers and sisters: I should like you to be free of anxieties."- 1 Corinthians 7:32

How much anxiety do we bring upon ourselves by constantly worrying about not having enough or attaining more things? God won't necessarily give you everything you want, but He will provide everything you need. Try this – use the word "pray" instead of the word "worry" in the future. Then spend your time praying instead of worrying.

On Wednesday, January 31st at 6:00pm, we will need all your help in taking down our Christmas decorations. If you are available, please consider volunteering, we'd would love to have you. Thank you.

#### 2024 Bishop's Annual Appeal STAY WITH US, LORD: Renew our Hearts and Send Us on Mission

Please watch your mailbox for a letter from Bishop Checchio coming to you this week announcing the 2024 Bishop's Annual Appeal. Our parish can share in a successful Appeal by earning a rebate of 50% of the amount collected over goal.

Through your support of the Bishop's Annual Appeal you help those in our diocese whose needs are the greatest—the poor, the homeless, and those struggling with illness or grief. Among other needed pastoral ministries, your gift also supports the formation of seminarians and many other vital services. The many pastoral, educational and charitable ministries of the Diocese of Metuchen would not be possible without a generous contribution from every household. Please be as generous as your means allow.

## Lector Schedule January 27-28, 2024

5:00pm LectorDawn Lanner9:00 am LectorTheresa Rudnicki-Jones11:00 am LectorDiane Litwinko

#### First Friday Devotions February 2, 2023

The First Friday devotion is different from the First Saturday devotion, which is dedicated to the Immaculate Heart of Mary.



The First Friday devotion is a devotion to the **Sacred Heart of Jesus** that originated from the apparitions of Jesus Christ to St. Margaret Mary Alacoque in the 17th century. The devotion involves attending Mass, receiving Holy Communion, and going to Confession on the First Friday of the month for 9 consecutive months. It is a way of showing Love, Penance, and Reparation to Jesus for our sins. Jesus promised to those who practice this devotion the grace of final repentance and a secure refuge in His Heart at the hour of death. (pictures by pintrest.com)



#### First Saturday Devotions February 3, 2023

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. (pictures by rejijoseph.com)

### **CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS**

If you would like to receive a statement of your 2023 Church Contributions for tax purposes, please fill out the form below and return it in the collection basket.

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You must fill out this form to receive a statement. Contribution statements will not be sent out automatically. We are grateful to those who have made flower offerings in memory of their loved ones. Because of your offerings, St. Mary's always looks beautiful at Christmas.

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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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