# 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.

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

Adoration: Friday after 8:30 am Mass until 12:00pm

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...



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Rectory 732-384-5925



# MASS INTENTIONS

#### FIRST SATURDAY, AUGUST 3

8:30AM Reparation for the offenses committed Against the Immaculate Heart of Mary

5:00PM +Barbara Lanner r/o Daughter Dawn

## 18TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME, AUGUST 4

9:00AM +Maria Stec r/o Son Father John

11:00AM +Henryk & Helena Mnich r/o Zofia Mnich

#### MONDAY, AUGUST 5

The Dedication of the Basilica of Saint Mary Major 8:30AM Souls In Purgatory r/o Teresa Zawrotna

#### TUESDAY, AUGUST 6

#### <u>THE TRANSFIGURATION</u> OF THE LORD

8:30AM Birthday Blessings for Ruzl Hadju-Nemeth r/o Sister

#### WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 7

St. Sixtus II, Pope, and Companions, Martyrs;
St. Cajetan, Priest

8:30AM Birthday Blessings for Fr. John r/o Sisters Maria, Janina & Marta

#### THURSDAY, AUGUST 8

St. Dominic, Priest

8:30AM For Our Parishioners

#### FIRST FRIDAY, AUGUST 9

St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross, (Edith Stein) Virgin, Martyr

8:30AM +Thomas, Marg & Virginia Short r/o Roseann Short & Family

#### FIRST SATURDAY, AUGUST 10

St. Lawrence, Deacon, Martyr

8:30AM +Janina Bogdanowicz r/o Family

5:00PM +Carole Ormiston r/o Dawn Lanner

#### 19TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME, AUGUST 11

9:00AM +Michelle Gamatko r/o St. Mary Altar Rosary Society

11:00AM +Zenon Kowalewski

r/o Christine & Edward Ciesla

#### 18TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME August 4, 2024

"One does not live on bread alone, but on every word that comes forth from the mouth of God."

#### TRANSFIGURATION AUGUST 6

The Transfiguration of Jesus is one of the key events

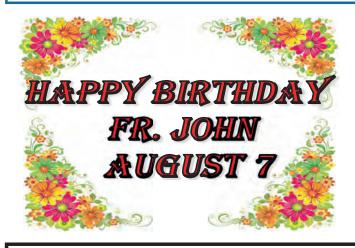


in Jesus' life. He took three apostles – Peter, James, and John – up to a high mountain to pray. As they were praying, His appearance changed, and His clothes became "dazzling white." At that point, Moses and Elijah appeared and spoke to the

Lord about His upcoming death. A cloud overshadowed the group, and God the Father's voice came from the cloud saying, "This is my Son, my Chosen; listen to him!"

Prayer: My Transfigured Lord, You promise suffering and death to all who follow You, but You also promise the hope that awaits those who endure. Grant me the grace to endure every cross in life, uniting my sufferings with Yours, so that I may one day partake in the glory of eternal life in Heaven. Jesus, I trust in You. Amen.

Fr. John's home Parish in Jablonka Orawska, Poland is the Transfiguration of the Lord. Fr. John will be celebrating Mass in his home church on the occasion of his 50th Anniversary to the Priesthood at 11:00 am on Tuesday, August 6. After the Mass there will be traditional Eucharistic Procession outside, around the church followed by the Benediction. Reception following the church will be held for Fr. John and his invited guests.



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

For political leaders. We pray that political leaders be at the service of their own people, working for integral human development and for the common good, especially caring for the poor and those who have lost their jobs.

#### WITAMY!

The Parishioners of St. Mary of Czestochowa welcomes

### WELCOME

#### Mgsr. Andrzej Mialchowski

Who will be serving in our parish while Fr. John is on his vacation in Poland.

#### First Reading: Exodus 16:2-4, 12-15

The Israelites complain that Moses led them to the desert and there is no food for them there. Then the Lord told Moses he would rain down bread from heaven so the people might know that AI, the Lord, am your God. @ God did as he had promised and in the morning the people found the bread that he had given them.

#### Second Reading: Ephesians 4:17, 20-24

Paul tells the Ephesians that they must give up their old way of life and live in accordance with the truth that Christ has brought them. He reminds them to acquire a spiritual way of thinking, and to remember that they are made in God's image and act accordingly.

#### Gospel: John 6:24-35

The people Jesus had fed on five loaves of bread follow him, and Jesus tells them they should not be looking for perishable food, but for spiritual food. The people want a sign that they should believe in him. He explains that he is the bread of life, and anyone who believes will not experience hunger or thirst. The people did not fully understand that he was speaking in the spiritual sense, and not of actual food.

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

# Weekly Offerings July 27-28, 2024

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5:00 pm - \$ 508.00	11:00 am - \$406.00
9:00 am - \$ 1,559.00	Mail - \$335.00

#### Total 2,808.00

#### Don't take a vacation from God!

Please remember to attend Mass during your time away from St. Mary's. To find a church near you, call 1-800-Mass times or www.masstimes.org.

#### Lector Schedule August 3-4, 2024

5:00 pm Lector Jazel Werner 9:00 am Lector Stephanie DePass 11:00 am Lector Diane Litwinko

#### St. Dominic, Priest August 8

Born in old Castile, Spain, Dominic was trained for the priesthood by a priest-uncle, studied the arts and theology, and became a canon of the cathedral at Osma, where there was an attempt to revive the apostolic common life described in *Acts of the Apostles*. On a journey through France with his



bishop, Dominic came face to face with the then virulent Albigensian heresy at Languedoc. The Albigensians—or Cathari, "the pure ones"—held to two principles—one good, one evil—in the world. All matter is evil—hence they denied the Incarnation and the sacraments. On the same principle, they abstained from procreation and took a minimum of food and drink. The inner circle led what some people regarded as a heroic life of purity and asceticism not shared by ordinary followers.

Dominic sensed the need for the Church to combat this heresy, and was commissioned to be part of the preaching crusade against it. He saw immediately why the preaching crusade was not succeeding: the ordinary people admired and followed the ascetical heroes of the Albigenses. Understandably, they were not impressed by the Catholic preachers who traveled with horse and retinues, stayed at the best inns and had servants. Dominic therefore, with three Cistercians, began itinerant preaching according to the gospel ideal. He continued this work for 10 years, being successful with the ordinary people but not with the leaders. His fellow preachers gradually became a community, and in 1215 Dominic founded a religious house at Toulouse, the beginning of the Order of Preachers or Dominicans. Dominic's ideal, and that of his Order, was to organically link a life with God, study, and prayer in all forms, with a ministry of salvation to people by the word of God. His ideal: *contemplata tradere*: "to pass on the fruits of contemplation" or "to speak only of God or with God."

**Reflection:** The Dominican ideal, like that of all religious communities, is for the imitation, not merely the admiration, of the rest of the Church. The effective combining of contemplation and activity is the vocation of truck driver Smith as well as theologian Aquinas. Acquired contemplation is the tranquil abiding in the presence of God, and is an integral part of any full human life. It must be the wellspring of all Christian activity.

Prayer: May God the Father, who made us, bless us. May God the Son, who redeemed us, send healing into our midst. May God the Holy Spirit, who gives us life, move within us. May God give us eyes to see to God, ears to hear God, and hands to bring God's work into the world. May we walk with God and preach the word of God to all. May the angel of peace watch over us and lead us at last by God's grace to the eternal Kingdom. Amen.



#### St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross (Edith Stein) August 9

A brilliant philosopher who stopped believing in God when she was 14, Edith Stein was so captivated by reading the autobiography of Teresa of Avila that she began a spiritual journey that

led to her baptism in 1922. Twelve years later she imitated Saint Teresa by becoming a Carmelite, taking the name Teresa Benedicta of the Cross. Born into a prominent Jewish family in Breslau, Germany—now Wroclaw, Poland—Edith abandoned Judaism in her teens. As a student at the University of Göttingen, she became fascinated by phenomenology—an approach to philosophy. Excelling as a protégé of Edmund Husserl, one of the leading phenomenologists, Edith earned a doctorate in philosophy in 1916. She continued as a university teacher until 1922, when she moved to a Dominican school in Speyer; her appointment as lecturer at the Educational Institute of Munich ended under pressure from the Nazis. After living for four years in the Cologne Carmel, Sister Teresa Benedicta moved to the Carmelite monastery in Echt, Netherlands, in 1938. The Nazis occupied that country in 1940. In retaliation for being denounced by the Dutch bishops, the Nazis arrested all Dutch Jews who had become Christians. Teresa Benedicta and her sister Rosa, also a Catholic, died in a gas chamber in Auschwitz on August 9, 1942. Pope John Paul II beatified Teresa Benedicta of the Cross in 1987 and canonized her 12 years later.

Reflection: The writings of Edith Stein fill 17 volumes, many of which have been translated into English. A woman of integrity, she followed the truth wherever it led her. After becoming a Catholic, Edith continued to honor her mother's Jewish faith. Sister Josephine Koeppel, O.C.D., translator of several of Edith's books, sums up this saint with the phrase, "Learn to live at God's hands."

Saint Teresa Benedicta of the Cross is a Patron Saint of: Converts to Christianity and Europe

Prayer: O Prince of Peace, to all who receive You, You bright light and peace. Help me to live in daily contact with You, listening to the words You have spoken and obeying them. O Divine Child, I place my hands in Yours; I shall follow You. Oh, let Your divine life flow into me. I will go unto the altar of God. It is not myself and my tiny little affairs that matter here, but the great sacrifice of atonement. I surrender myself entirely to Your divine will, O Lord. Make my heart grow greater and wider, out of itself into the Divine Life. O my God, fill my soul with holy joy, courage and strength to serve You. Enkindle Your love in me and then walk with me along the next stretch of road before me. I do not see very far ahead, but when I have arrived where the horizon now closes down, a new prospect will open before me and I shall met with peace. How wondrous are the marvels of your love, We are amazed, we stammer and grow dumb, for word and spirit fail us. Amen.

## Adult Children of Divorce, Separation or Family Brokenness

A 3-day Life-Giving Wounds Healing Retreat will be held on Friday, August 23 – Sunday, August 25, 2024 at the San Alfonso Retreat House in Long Branch NJ (right on the beach).

Topics discussed will include identity, relationship with God, suffering, forgiveness, healing and reconciliation. Cost is \$300 per person which includes accommodations for 2 nights and all meals. For more information and/or to register, please visit <a href="www.diometuchen.org/adult-children-of-divorce">www.diometuchen.org/adult-children-of-divorce</a> For questions, please contact Cristina at <a href="cdaverso@diometuchen.org">cdaverso@diometuchen.org</a>.

#### <u>Diocesan Black Catholic Gathering</u> Saturday, September 14, 2024

There will be a Diocesan Black Catholic Gathering on Saturday, September 14, 2024 from 10:00 AM – 1:00 PM at St. Peter the Apostle University & Community Parish Hall, 94 Somerset St. in New Brunswick. The Black Catholic Committee is a multi-ethnic committee of passionate Catholics who are working to implement the Pastoral Plan of Action recommended by the National Black Catholic Congress last July. A \$10 donation is requested to cover lunch. To register please visit:

www.diometuchen.org/multiculturalministry. For more information contact <a href="mailto:mperez@diometuchen.org">mperez@diometuchen.org</a> or <a href="mailto:dea-conrickfortune@gmail.com">dea-conrickfortune@gmail.com</a>

#### Healing the Whole Person Retreat Weekend, September 19-21, 2024 Cathedral of St. Francis of Assisi

Experience Jesus in His mission of healing! Physical, spiritual and emotional healing, central to the Church's life and 2,000 year tradition, come to life in this teaching. Led by renown speakers and authors Dr. Bob Schuchts, Sr. Miriam James Heidland SOLT & Bart Schuchts, the uniquely engaging format will help you see and experience God's healing love through teaching, prayer, personal reflection, Adoration, worship, and the Sacraments.

Note: Registration opens on June 17th and it most likely will sell out within the first few days of registration opening. In-Person Registration \$165/person
Livestream Registration. For those who cannot attend in-person \$119/person. Registration information Visit: <a href="https://www.diometuchen.org">www.diometuchen.org</a>

#### Are you suffering after an abortion?

If you or someone you know is suffering after an abortion, confidential, no-judgmental 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

# WEDO NOT LIVE ON BREAD ALONE.





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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%	f all family members surveyed patronize a business specifically because it dvertises in the bulletin.	
22%	of the families surveyed go out to lunch, brunch or dinner after church each week.	

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