# St. Mary of Czestochowa Church

## Established 1914

201 Vosseller Avenue

Bound Brook, New Jersey 08805

**REV. JOHN STEC, ADMINISTRATOR** 

PALM SUNDAY APRIL 13, 2025



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

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

**PARISH OFFICE HOURS:** 

Tuesday & Thursday: 9:00am - 12:00noon & 2:00pm - 5:00pm

Wednesday: 2:00pm - 5:00pm

**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

#### SATURDAY, APRIL 12

8:30AM +Beatrice Mastrull

r/o Sister Rosanne Short and

Nieces and Nephew

5:00PM Fr. Stanislaw Sobanski (in Austria)

who is very sick r/o Fr. John (classmate)

#### PALM SUNDAY OF THE LORD'S PASSION, APRIL 13

9:00AM Living and Deceased Members of

St. Mary's Altar Rosary Society

11:00AM +Wieslaw Surtel r/o Dorota Surtel

#### MONDAY OF HOLY WEEK APRIL 14

8:30AM +Waleria Kendzierski Humiecki and

Stanislaw Humiecki r/o Ptaszynski Family

#### **TUESDAY OF HOLY WEEK APRIL 15**

8:30AM For our Parishioners

#### WEDNESDAY OF HOLY WEEK APRIL 16

8:30AM +Antoni Jedrzejczyk

r/o Daughter Marta and Family

#### HOLY THURSDAY OF THE LORD'S SUPPER, APRIL 17

7:30PM 1. Thanksgiving for the Gift of Holy Eucharist

2. Thanksgiving for the Gift of Priesthood

## FRIDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD, (GOOD FRIDAY) APRIL 18

12:00PM Stations of the Cross (English)

#### CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S PASSION

3:00 PM (English) 6:00 PM (Polish)

First Day of the Novena to Divine Mercy

## HOLY SATURDAY, APRIL 19 THE EASTER VIGIL IN THE HOLY NIGHT

8:30PM 1. Our Parishioners

2. Special Intentions

Second Day of the Novena to Divine Mercy

## EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD, APRIL 20

6:30AM +Waclaw and Wladyslawa Formus

r/o Regina and Frank Grodzki

9:00AM For our Parishioners

11:00AM +Stanislawa & Albin Wiszowaty

r/o Wieslawa Roszkowski

Third Day of the Novena to Divine Mercy

### PALM SUNDAY OF THE LORD'S PASSION April 13, 2025

Waving their branches of palm, they cried: "Hosanna in the highest."

First Reading: Isaiah 50:4-7

In a tone of quiet sadness, Isaiah describes the buffets and insults given to the Suffering Servant. The passage ends on a note of hope.

#### Second Reading: Philippians 2:6-11

In exultant tones, Paul tells the Philippians to rejoice because Christ became man, died on the cross, rose from the dead, and sits triumphantly at the right hand of the Father.

#### **Gospel: Matthew 26:14—27:66**

This is the solemn narrative of the passion and death of our Lord Jesus Christ. Matthew recounts the treachery and betrayal of Judas and then describes the events of the Last Supper, culminating in the institution of the Eucharist. Jesus endures the Agony in the Garden; he is then brought before Caiaphas and Pilate and condemned to death. After His resurrection, the centurions shouted, "Clearly this was the Son of God!"

#### **Easter Flowers**

Offerings for Easter Flowers are now being accepted. Please PRINT your request on the envelopes provided and drop it into the collection basket.



#### **Church Decoration**

If you are available (women and men) we will need your help with decorating the church for Easter on

Good Friday at 7:30 pm.

#### 2025 Bishop's Annual Appeal PILGRIMS OF HOPE: Journeying Together in Faith, Hope and Charity

Jesus gave us a perfect example to follow, constantly demonstrating love and care for those around Him. Much of the work that is done through our Church to advocate for respect for life, consoling those who are in hospital or prisons, and providing for the poor and vulnerable depends on the sharing of our financial resources through the Bishop's Annual Appeal. Please prayerfully consider a gift today.

#### Pope's Universal Intentions for April 2025

For the use of the new technologies. Let us pray that the use of the new technologies will not replace human relationships, will respect the dignity of the person, and will help us face the crises of our times.

#### Lector Schedule April 12-13, 2025

Palm Sunday

5:00 pm Lector Joseph Pizzo

Dawn Lanner

9:00 am Lector Frank Kolodzieski

Stephanie DePass

11:00 am Lector Bozena Owsieniuk

Elzbieta Ozog-Osewska

Holy Thursday

7:30 pm Lectors Stephanie DePass

**Diane Litwinko** 

Good Friday

3:00 pm Lectors Stephanie DePass

Frank Kolodzieski

6:00 pm Lectors Dorota Sokolnicki

Elzbieta Ozog-Osewska

#### **PASCHAL FAST**

The fast on Good Friday is continued until the Easter Vigil (on Holy Saturday night) as the "paschal fast" to honor the suffering and death of our Lord Jesus and to prepare ourselves to share more fully and to celebrate more readily his Resurrection.

### Weekly Offerings April 05 - 06, 2025

5:00 pm - \$ 468.00 11:00 am - \$ 671.00

9:00 am - \$ 967.00 Mail - \$ 150.00

Total \$ 2,256.00

### **Spiritual Works of Mercy**

#### **Instruct the Ignorant:**

Sharing knowledge and helping others learn about faith and God's teachings.

#### Counsel the doubtful:

Offering guidance and support to those who are struggling with questions or doubts about their faith.

#### Admonish the sinner:

Gently and lovingly confronting wrongdoing to encourage repentance and reconciliation.

#### **Bear wrongs patiently:**

Forgiving offenses and demonstrating patience in the face of adversity.

#### Forgive offenses willingly:

Extending forgiveness to those who have wronged you, mirroring God's own forgiveness.

#### **Comfort the afflicted:**

Offering solace and support to those who are suffering, whether physically or emotionally.

#### Pray for the living and the dead:

Interceding for the needs of others, both those who are alive and those who have passed away.

#### PARISHIONERS PRAYER LIST

#### NURSING HOME/ASSISTED LIVING:

Joanne Felegi, Michael Gacek, Michael Sikora, Deborah Vance, Mary Freligh, Richard Freligh, Frank Stock, Barbara Mendel, Theresa Rudnicki-Jones

**HOMEBOUND**: Patricia D'Allesandro, Rose Guido, Dolores Gumerlock, , Millie Della Peruta, Lorraine Deleski, Madeline Wojciechowski, Marcella Spioch, Walter Urbielewicz, Dorothy Spioch, Paul DePass, Anthony Cimino, Ann Knob

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



The holiest week of the calendar year begins with Palm Sunday. "Holy Week is ordered to the commemoration of Christ's Passion, beginning with his Messianic entrance into Jerusalem". The days of Holy Week, from Monday to Thursday inclusive, have precedence over all other celebrations. It is not fitting, except in the danger of death, that baptisms or confirmations be

#### The Easter Triduum: Entering into the Paschal Mystery

The Triduum is the time of the Church year when we celebrate the Passion, Death, and Resurrection of Jesus Christ, This three-



day celebration begins with the Holy Thursday Mass and continues on Good Friday with the Liturgy of the Lord's Passion. At the end of this liturgy, we leave the church in silence, waiting to celebrate the glory of our Lord's resurrection. Then, on Saturday at sundown, the Church re-gathers to celebrate the final, and most grand moment of the Triduum: the

#### THE SIGNIFICANCE OF PALMS



The four gospels in the Bible describe how Christ and his disciples returned to Jerusalem for the Jewish feast of Passover. According to the Bible, Christ entered the city of Jerusalem riding a donkey, therefore ful-

filling a prophecy about the Messiah's arrival. Crowds of people lined the path he rode, laying down their cloaks in the street in front of him.

They also placed palm branches before him-a gesture reserved for only the most honored. They sang praises to Christ, including in those praises "Hosannah," which means "save us now."

## Diocesean Collection for the Holy Land

Will be taken up

## **Good Friday**

At the Passion Services

3:00 pm (English) and 6:00 pm (Polish)

Pope Francis has asked our parish to support the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, which helps Christians in the Holy Land, where they are now less than 2% of the population.

Your support is essential to help the Church minister in parishes, provide Catholic schools, and offer religious education. The Pontifical Good Friday Collection also helps to preserve the sacred shrines of Christianity, including in Jerusalem, Nazareth, and Bethlehem, to name only a few.

The pandemic had hit Christians in the Holy Land particularly hard. Most of them depend on pilgrimages for work. The war made their situation even more dire.

In these times of crisis, the Pontifical Good Friday Collection is necessary to meet the basic needs of the People of God still living in this Land and to maintain a Christian presence where the Church was born.

When you contribute to the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, you join with Catholics around the world in solidarity with the Church in the Holy Land. PLEASE BE GENEROUS!

For more information about Christians in the Holy Land, visit www.myfranciscan.org or www.custodia.org



# Five Steps To Making A Good Confession

- 1. **Examination of Conscience -** Know your sins
- 2. **Contrition -** Be sorry for your sins
- 3. **Decide** Not to sin again
- 4. Confess your sins to a Priest
- 5. **Penance** Do the penance the Priest gives you

#### **Diocese of Metuchen**

## 2025 Bishop's Annual Appeal

Summary Information as of: 04.04.2025

Goal \$ 33,000.00

Total Pledged & Received: \$10,428.70

Amount Received: \$ 9,348.70

#### The Paschal Candle

The Blessing of the Paschal Candle located on the altar is symbolic of the Risen Christ and is lit on the Easter Vigil. It is placed at the Gospel side of the altar until Ascension Day.



It is an ornamental candle with five large grains of incense, representing the wounds of Christ, inserted in the form of a cross. The Greek letters Alpha and Omega, symbolizing Christ as the beginning and the end of all things, are located at the top and bottom of the shaft of the cross. The numbers of the current year of salvation are placed in the quadrants of the cross.

#### Chrism Mass - All Are Welcome to Attend

On Tuesday, April 15, 2025, Bishop James F. Checchio will celebrate the Chrism Mass with the priests of the Diocese. At this Mass, all priests will make a Renewal of Commitment to Priestly Service to the Bishop and the people of God. The Bishop will also bless and consecrate the Holy Oils, which each parish receives for the rites of anointing.

The Oil of Catechumens is used to anoint infants and adults before their Baptism; the Oil of the Sick is used on the forehead and hands of the infirm in the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick; and Sacred Chrism is used to anoint the head of the newly baptized, the foreheads of confirmandi, the hands of a priest at his ordination, the head of a bishop at his ordination, and the altar and walls of new churches.

All are strongly encouraged to join in-person or via Livestream in the ancient, grace-filled Chrism Mass at the Cathedral of St. Francis of Assisi in Metuchen at 4:00 PM

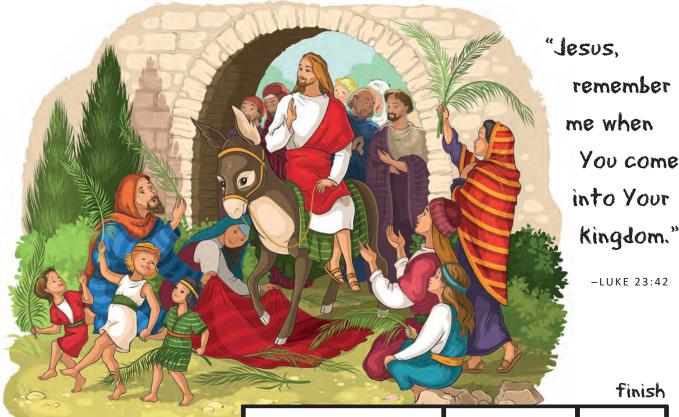


## **Gospel Today**

### Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord | Luke 22:14—23:56

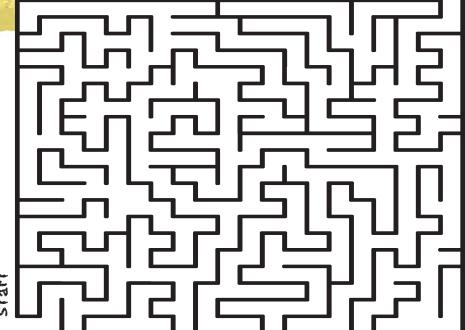
The Passion narrative ends Jesus' earthly public ministry. Creating the Eucharist at the Last Supper and continuing until His death, He is always faithful and obedient to the will of God, His Father.

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This last week in Lent, walk in Jesus' footsteps through Holy Week and be obedient to God as we:





Follow Jesus through Jerusalem as He is welcomed with palm branches.



Get involved www.stjude.org

#### 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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- Identity Money

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www.consumer.ftc.gov/features/scam-alerts

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