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ST. MARY OF CZESTOCHOWA CHURCH BOUND BROOK, NEW JERSEY



SATURDAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF EASTER, APRIL 26

8:30AM Jolanta Janiczak on her Birthday

r/o Uncle Fr. John

5:00PM Special Intention r/o Fr. John

Ninth Day of the Novena to Divine Mercy

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER (SUNDAY OF DIVINE MERCY), APRIL 27

9:00AM +John and Mary Graebener

r/o the Graebener Family

11:00AM +Jozef Sydor r/o Son, Daughter-in-Law,

& Grandchildren

4:00PM For the conversion of sinners

MONDAY, APRIL 28 - St. Peter Chanel, Priest and Martyr, St. Louis Grignion de Montifort, Priest

8:30AM +Jacqueline C. Vesce r/o Mom and Dad

TUESDAY, APRIL 29 - St. Catherine of Sienna,

Doctor of the Church

8:30AM +Katherine Habrukowich

r/o Paul and Luann New

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 30 - Saint Pius V, Pope

8:30AM For our Parishioners

THURSDAY, MAY 1 - St. Joseph The Worker

8:30AM +Stanley Rudnicki

r/o Daughter Theresa Rudnicki-Jones

and grandson Ronald Jones Jr.

FIRST FRIDAY, MAY 2 - St. Athanasius,

Bishop, Doctor of the Church

8:30AM Conversion to the Catholic Faith for

Guillermina Ferrer, Beltranena Family Carlos Alvarada & Argemira Henao

r/o Amparo Lloyd

FIRST SATURDAY, MAY 3 - STS. PHILIP & JAMES, APOSTLES

8:30AM +Barbara Dabrowski

r/o Miroslaw Dabrowski

5:00PM +Franciszek Zawrotny

r/o Teresa Zawrotna

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER, MAY 4

9:00AM For Living and Deceased Members of

St. Mary's Altar Rosary Society

11:00AM + Jadwiga & Wladyslaw Kurkowski

r/o Daughter Eleanora Pisowacki

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY April 27, 2025

"Receive the Holy Spirit. Whose sins you forgive are forgiven them, and whose sins you retain are retained."

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER (DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY)

First Reading: Acts 5:12-16

The people held the apostles in great esteem and brought sick people to them to be healed. Although some were afraid to be known, the number of Jesus' followers continued to grow steadily.

Second Reading: Revelation 1:9-11a, 12-13, 17-19

John depicts a vision of lamp-stands of gold and one like the Son of Man in a robe with a sash of gold. This apparition told John he had nothing to fear and then described himself as one who was dead but now lived again. He then instructed John to record any other visions he might have.

Gospel: John 20:19-31

Jesus appeared to the disciples and breathed on them saying, "Receive the Holy Spirit." He gives them the power to forgive people's sins or hold them accountable. Thomas, who was not present, refused to believe Jesus had appeared until he came to them once more. Jesus told Thomas to believe and added, "Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed."

2nd Collection This Weekend!

To benefit **Catholic Relief Services**

Sunday of Divine Mercy April 27, 2025

2:00pm ~ Confessions and Rosary

3:00pm ~ Exposition of the Most Blessed Sacrament, Devotions, Benediction

4:00pm ~ Mass

On Divine Mercy Sunday, our Lord promised to grant complete forgiveness of sins if:



"The soul that will go to confession and receive holy communion will obtain complete forgiveness of sins and punishment... Let no soul fear to draw near to me even though its sins be as scarlet."

Since we are in the time of Mercy, let us ask God for His graces and Infinite Mercy for ourselves and for the world. We, at St. Mary's, are satisfying the request the Lord made through Sr. Faustina by celebrating this special feast for the salvation of souls.

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.

Weekly Offerings April 12-13, 2025

5:00 pm - \$ 716.00 11:00 am - \$ 719.00

9:00 am - \$ 1,208.00 Mail - \$ 150.00

Total \$ 2,793.00

Retired Clergy of Diocese of Metuchen Collection
Total \$ 1,547

Weekly Offerings April 19-20 2025

8:30 pm - \$ 975.00 11:00 am - \$ 850.00

7:00 am - \$ 1,000.00 Mail - \$ 715.00

9:00 am - \$ 3,354.00 Total: \$ 6,894.00

<u>Diocesean Collection for the Holy Land</u> Total: \$ 1,074.00

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.

2025 Bishop's Annual Appeal

Summary Information as of: 04.18.2025

Goal \$ 33,000.00 Total Pledged \$ 13,753.30

Lector Schedule April 26 –27. 2025

Saturday

5:00PM Lector Martha Ptaszynski

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

9:00am Lector Frank Kolodzieski 11:00am Lector Elzbieta Ozog-Osewska 4:00pm Lector Paul A. New

First Friday Devotions May 2, 2025

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.



First Saturday Devotions May 3, 2025

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 to or after the first Saturday.

Pope's Universal Intentions for May 2025

For working conditions. Let us pray that through work, each person might fine fulfilment, families might be sustained in dignity, and that society might be humanized.

SEEKING A CATHOLIC EDUCATION FOR YOUR CHILD?

Saint Matthias School (Somerset, NJ) provides a Christ-centered, comprehensive and rigorous academic program for its students, grades Pre-K to grade 8.

The curriculum is based on Diocesan and New Jersey Core Content Curriculum Standards emphasizing the quality of learning.

Academic programs promote continuity and creativity to challenge our students so that they can live as disciples and citizens of the 21st century. A personalized approach, small class size, and a family atmosphere all enhance the structured yet warm learning approach in each classroom. Students learn and live leadership and compassion in a warm, child-centered learning environment.

Quality instruction in Religion, Language Arts, Math, Science, Social Studies, Health/PhysicalEducation, World Language, Music, Art and Technology prepares them to succeed in a global and technological community. Graduates are routinely offered admission to competitive private high schools and honors programs.

A comprehensive, integrated STEM program is provided via direct instruction, teacher collaboration, and up to date personalized devices for each child. Each student in Kindergarten through Grade 8 is assigned their own Chromebook to use for the school year.

Students Grades 1 through 8 learn a world language with an online Rosetta Stone program. At the beginning of each year the student will choose one language from a multiple of options.

Student activities include Drama Club, Choir, 3-D printing, Student Council, National Junior Honor Society, Marketing Club, Caring Hearts, Band, Basketball, and Math League, among others.

Before and After Care is available each school day.

For further information, please call St. Matthias School / Admissions at 732-828-1402.

Pray the Rosary daily!



The year 2025 marks the 1700th anniversary of the First Ecumenical Council of 325, and the Nicene Creed. The Roman Catholic Dioceses of the state of New Jersey, the Episcopal Dioceses of Newark and New Jersey, the Lutheran (ELCA), Presbyterian, and Reformed churches, as well as the Ukrainian Orthodox and Greek Orthodox Churches are joining together in celebration of this historic moment. There will be a service of thanksgiving for both clergy and laity at the Co-Cathedral of St. Robert Bellarmine in Freehold, New Jersey on Saturday, May 3rd at 11am, with a reception following. His Eminence, Cardinal Tobin, Archbishop of Newark, will be in attendance, and will be joined by other Christian leader.

St. Robert Bellarmine Co-Cathedral is located at 61 Georgia Rd. Freehold, NJ, 07728. All are most welcome to attend!



Nursing Services Funding

Young Catholics are a valued treasure and the future leaders of our Church. It is the responsibility of the entire Catholic community to help make our Catholic elementary and secondary schools available, accessible, and affordable to all Catholics of every socioeconomic status.

When it comes to state funding for Catholic schools, an especially important area for these schools is school health services in the form of a state-funded nurse when students are in the building.





NJCC recently issued an **Action Alert** asking you to put your faith into action by contacting your representatives in the New Jersey Legislature to express your support for increased funding in this especially important area.

The process for doing so is simple and can be accomplished with a few clicks. Start by clicking HERE or by scanning the barcode below. You will then be guided through the process, which takes less than a few minutes. Feel free to use the message NJCC has crafted (which is pre-populated on the electronic form used to contact your legislators) or customize a message to express any thoughts you wish to share.

With your help, our voices become even stronger and together we can help increase critical funding for our schools so families who wish can continue giving their children the kind of value-based education that only a Catholic school can provide.



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Gospel Today

Second Sunday of Easter (or Sunday of Divine Mercy) | John 20:19-31

When Jesus appeared to His disciples the first and second times following His Resurrection, He was merciful. He offered them peace, kindness, love and forgiveness.

The Second Sunday of Easter
(the week after Easter) is
always Divine Mercy Sunday
as requested by Jesus to
St. Faustina. Today's gospel
message introduces the Sacrament
of Penance and forgiveness.

BIBLE WORD SEARCH

Find all the words... left, right, up, down or diagonally.



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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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- Finanical Information
- Identity Money

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