# 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..



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## Third Sunday of Advent December 13, 2020

Rejoice always. Pray without ceasing.
— 1 Thessalonians 5:16

### MASS INTENTIONS SATURDAY, DECEMBER 12 OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE

8:30AM +Halina Pajkowski r/o Dorota & Adam Sokolnicki

5:00PM +Thomas J. Short r/o Rosanne, Bea and Family

### THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT, DEC. 13

9:00AM Living and Deceased Members of St. Mary's Altar Rosary Society

11:00AM +Jadwiga Polycarp Kornacki r/o Krzysztof and Krystyna

### **MONDAY, DECEMBER 14**

St. John of the Cross, Priest and Doctor of the Church

8:30AM +Danuta Weselak r/o Henryk & Wieslawa Roszkowski

### **TUESDAY, DECEMBER 15**

8:30AM +Jan & Wlodziniera Hasiak r/o Jolanta & Eric Gnap

### WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 16

8:30AM For Our Parishioners

### **THURSDAY, DECEMBER 17**

8:30AM +Janina & Zygmunt Czech r/o Jolanta & Eric Gnap

### FRIDAY, DECEMBER 18

8:30AM +Frances Harty r/o Yvonne Zemeikis

### SATURDAY, DECEMBER 19

8:30AM +Irena Kasprzak

r/o Dorota & Adam Sokolnicki

5:00PM +Stanley Lobby Jr.

r/o Mom and Family

### **FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT, DEC. 20**

9:00AM Living and Deceased Members of St. Mary's Holy Name Society

11:00AM +Waclaw & Wladyslawa Formus r/o Frank & Regina Grodzki

<u>First Reading</u> - As a garden makes its growth spring up, so will God make justice spring up before all the nations.

<u>Second Reading</u> - Do not quench the Spirit. Do not despise prophetic utterances. Test everything; retain what is good.

<u>Gospel</u> - I am the voice of one crying out in the desert, make straight the way of the Lord.

### **Reflecting on God's Word**

Every Third Sunday of Advent, we anticipate the coming Christmas season, whose key word is "Rejoice." This Sunday was traditionally called Gaudete ("Rejoice") Sunday. Priests continue to wear rose-colored vestments today, signaling joy.

Joy is not only for Christmastime and the occasional Sunday. Before Vatican II, Mass began with the "prayers at the foot of the altar." The priest would begin: "I will go up to the altar of God." The server responded: "To God, my exceeding joy."

It was a reminder that God is the source of all joy and that joy is one of the great gifts of God, one of the fruits of the Holy Spirit. St. Paul reminds us that "the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control". Tell your loved ones your Christmas gift this year will be to pray throughout the coming year that the Spirit will bring them one of these gifts.

John's gift to the people who came out into the wilderness was to call them to prepare for the Lord, to give them a sense of heightened anticipation that the One coming to them would fill them with joy.

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

For a life of prayer.

That our personal relationship with Jesus Christ be nourished by the Word of God and a life of prayer.

# Our Lady of Guadalupe Visits our families







Please invite the picture of Our Lady of Guadalupe into your home for a one week visit. To sign up, please call Theresa Rudnicki-Jones at 908-526-7687.

# Owsieniuk Family Will be the host family for the week of December 13

Sign-up is available so all parishioners will have the opportunity to have Our Lady of Guadalupe visit their homes.

### PARISHIONERS PRAYER LIST

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### NURSING HOME/ASSISTED LIVING:

Joanne Felegi, Deborah Vance.

HOMEBOUND: Tony Cimino, Patricia D'Allesandro, Richard Freligh, Rose Guido, Theresa Kosinski, Jean Kowalenko, Pat Musolino, Vinnie Papa, Millie Della Peruta, Ann Pchola, Nora Specian, Florence Suk, Madeline Wojciechowski, Lottie Yefchak.

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

### Weekend Collection: December 5-6, 2020

5:00 pm -	\$ 252.00	11:00 am -	\$ 554.00
9:00 am -	\$ 1,543.00	Mail -	\$ 1,195.00

Total - \$ 3,464.00

### Memorial Wall Candles

Renewals for the Memorial Candles in the Chapel are due in January.
Renewal each year is \$100; initial installation of the Memorial Candle is \$200. Please call the Parish Office if you wish to renew your candle and send your check payable to St. Mary's Church. 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. If you have any questions, do not hesitate to call the Parish Office.

### Lector Schedule - December 12-13, 2020

Saturday, December 12

5:00 pm Lector Stephanie DePass

Sunday, December 13

9:00 am Lector Dawn Lanner

11:00 am Lector Anna Grochocki

### Christmas Flower Offerings

Are being accepted. Place your envelope in the Collection Basket. Please carefully PRINT the names of your loved ones you wish to remember.





### Oplatki (Christmas Wafers)

are available in the Meeting Room.

**2021 Calendars** in English, Polish and Italian are now available in the Meeting Room. Thank you to the Bridgewater Funeral Home for their gift.

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### **Christmas Gift**

Looking for the perfect Christmas gift for your spouse? Why not give yourselves a

### Marriage Encounter Experience.

A Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience gives you the time and tools to revitalize romance, deepen communication, and nourish the spirituality in your marriage.

Join us from the comfort of your home via Zoom for eight evening sessions presented on Sunday & Wednesday evenings from January 20 to February 14. Phone Tony & Linda Massimo1-302-220-9833for application and information. Visit us at: www.wwme-delmar.org for more information.

# WANTED

We are still seeking volunteers to count the Sunday Collections in our parish. We are looking for parishioners to help in the Counting Room ONE Sunday a month for approximately 4 hours. Please contact Fr. John



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