

# *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..



**Parish Office**  
**Ph:** 732-356-0358  
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**Rectory**  
**732-384-5925**



## MASS INTENTIONS

### SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 11

8:30AM +Robin Michael Petryk  
r/o Laurie & Novena Petryk  
5:00PM +Florence Lesinski r/o Dawn Lanner

### SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 12

9:00AM Living and Deceased Members of  
St. Mary's Altar Rosary Society  
11:00AM +Czeslawa Zakrzewski  
r/o Frank & Regina

### MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 13 - St. John Chrysostom, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

8:30AM Blessed Mother Intentions  
r/o Malgorzata Bogdanowicz

### TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 14 THE EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS

8:30AM +Joseph Kosierowski  
r/o Granddaughter Theresa Rudnicki-  
Jones

### WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 15 OUR LADY OF SORROWS

8:30AM For Our Parishioners

### THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 16 - Sts. Cornelius, Pope, and Cyprian, Bishop, Martyrs

8:30AM For the Souls in Purgatory  
r/o Teresa Zawrotna

### FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 17 - St. Robert Bellarmine, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

8:30AM +Halina Pajkowski  
r/o Janina & Andrzej Bukowczyk

### SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 18

8:30AM +Zofia Chadziewicz  
r/o Daughter & Family  
5:00PM Blessings for Good Health for  
Novena Maria Petryk Cordi r/o Mom

### SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 12

9:00AM Living and Deceased Members of  
St. Mary's Holy Name Society  
11:00AM +Fr. John Novak r/o St. Mary's Altar  
Rosary Society

## Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time September 12, 2021

*"But who do you say that I am?"  
Mark 8:27-30*

**First Reading** - The Lord God is my help; who will  
prove me wrong?

**Second Reading** - Faith, if it does not have works, is  
dead.

**Gospel** - Jesus asked his disciples, "Who do you say that  
I am?"

### A REFLECTION OF THE GOSPEL

Today's gospel reading comes from a pivotal point in the Gospel of Mark. Up until this point, we have seen Jesus perform many miracles and heard Him teach many things. All along, the people have been amazed. But the question remained, who is He? In today's reading, Jesus confronted His followers about this very question. He first asked them what people thought of Him. Their response indicates that the popular opinion about Jesus was that He was a prophet, but nothing more. Jesus, to most people, is just another religious figure who we can learn from, in a line of many other good people throughout history. But Jesus' identity is not determined by popular opinion. And Jesus did not leave it at that with His followers. He then asked, "But who do you say that I am?" He is also asking each of us this question. It is, in fact, the most important question. The identity of Jesus is the hinge on which our lives pivot. Will you open the door of faith and acknowledge Jesus as Lord? Or will you close the door and choose to live contrary to His plan for you? If Jesus is merely another good man with some good moral and religious teachings, then to reject Him and His teachings doesn't really matter. But if Jesus is who He said He is—that is, if He is God in the flesh—then to reject Him is to reject God, who created and sustains us. To follow Jesus does not mean our lives will be easy or comfortable, for Jesus said, "Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me." But the way of the cross, of following Jesus as the Messiah and Lord of our lives, is truly the most fulfilling way to live. And, best of all, it leads us to salvation and eternal life.

### Pope's Universal Intention:

**An environmentally sustainable lifestyle**  
We pray that we all will make courageous choices for a simple and environmentally sustainable lifestyle, rejoicing in our young people who are resolutely committed to this.

**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.*

**PARISHIONERS PRAYER LIST**

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

**HOMEBOUND:** Tony Cimino, Wanda Czarcinski, Patricia D'Allesandro, Lorraine Deleski, Richard Frelich, Rose Guido, Theresa Kosinski, Emily Nadbielny, Vinnie Papa, Millie Della Peruta, Ann Pchola, Nora Specian, Florence Suk, Madeline Wojciechowski.

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

**Weekend Offering  
September 4-5, 2021**

5:00 pm - \$ 455.00	11:00 am - \$ 594.00
9:00 am - \$ 1,542.00	Mail - \$ 70.00
<b>Total - \$ 2,661.00</b>	
<b>Aid to Haiti - \$ 1,029.00</b>	

**19<sup>th</sup> Annual Blue Mass for Law Enforcement  
Wednesday, September 29 – 10:30 a.m.  
Cathedral of St. Francis of Assisi, Metuchen**

At 10:30 a.m. on September 29 – the Feast of St. Michael the Archangel, patron saint of police officers – Bishop James F. Checchio will celebrate the 19th Annual Blue Mass at the Cathedral of St. Francis of Assisi in Metuchen. Gathered together with local, county, state and federal law enforcement officials, we will honor and pray for those law enforcement officials of all faiths, who live and work in the Diocese of Metuchen. All are welcome to attend. More information is available on the diocesan website: [www.diometuchen.org/bluemass](http://www.diometuchen.org/bluemass).

**Lector Schedule - September 11-12, 2021**

**Saturday, September 11**

**5:00 pm Lector Evelyn Dziedzic**

**Sunday, September 12**

**9:00 am Lector Dawn Lanner**

**11:00 am Lector Bozena Owsieniuk**



Thank you to Karen Graebener for the beautiful altar flowers she donated last weekend in memory of her nephew Eric. May God bless her for generosity.

**Marriage Encounter**

With summer winding down, why not treat yourself to 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, 7:00 – 9:30 PM, presented on Monday & Thursday evenings from September 27 – October 21.

Phone Tom & Ruth DeFalco

1-732-904-9636 for application and information.

Visit us at: [www.wwme.org](http://www.wwme.org) for more information



*Please pray for the soul of  
**Dr. Randolph E. Knob**  
May his soul and the souls  
of all the faithful departed,  
Through the mercy of God,  
REST IN PEACE*

***Silver & Gold Wedding Anniversary  
Celebration***

You are cordially invited to celebrate your 25<sup>th</sup> or 50<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary with the Church of Metuchen and renew your marriage vows with Bishop James F. Checchio at a special Evening Prayer Service at the Cathedral of St. Francis of Assisi in Metuchen on Sunday, October 17, 2021 at 3:30 PM. Couples who celebrated their Silver or Gold anniversary in 2020 are also invited to attend. Registration is required. Please register online at: <https://www.diometuchen.org/silver-and-gold-anniversary-celebration>. If you are unable to access, please contact your parish secretary or the Family Life Office, 732-562-1543 or [amarshall@diometuchen.org](mailto:amarshall@diometuchen.org). Registration will

September 3, 2021

My dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Many areas of our beautiful Diocese of Metuchen, like many other parts our state, were significantly impacted by historic flooding and storms last night from the remnants of Hurricane Ida, which had already torn through Louisiana, leaving over a million there without power and with serious damage.

As we continue to deal with the effects of Hurricane Ida, both locally and nationally, and as we continue to hear of the devastation in Haiti and of the heartbreaking situation in Afghanistan, the disasters seem to be in abundance. Gratefully, so too does the grace.

With the many stories we hear, we remember too the many stories that often go untold. The stories that often go unnoticed because of their unsensational endings are often the most sensational of all: neighbors helping one another in the light of the Gospel, the human person recognizing in another the same inherent human dignity, and people offering care for a stranger or support to those most in need. Yes, our diocese is blessed with an abundance of grace!

We are only 24 hours from when the flooding in our area first began, and we have already received calls and comments from people offering their prayers for the affected, their support, and wanting to know how they can help. I am continually inspired and humbled by your generosity. If you would like to contribute to the Emergency Disaster Fund to support those in need of assistance, please visit: <https://diometuchen.org/disasterfund>.

The funds collected in this special appeal will become part of the Emergency Disaster Fund and will be used to support the efforts of Catholic agencies as they work to aid emergency relief efforts locally and nationally, unless otherwise specified. Your contribution will be used for immediate emergency needs, such as water, food, shelter, and medical care, and aid in long-term rebuilding and recovery efforts. I am grateful for your generous support of this collection.

Additionally, I am thankful too for our pastors and all our clergy, those on our diocesan staff and those working in our parishes and schools, and certainly to the men and women working for Catholic Charities, Diocese of Metuchen, who have already begun working to assess the needs in our area. If you are in need of assistance, please call Catholic Charities at (732) 387-1315.

Please know that you and your families have been in my prayers in these last weeks and days, but even more so in these past 24 hours. I ask that you kindly keep me in yours too. In your goodness, I also ask that you join me in praying for the souls of the departed and their loved ones, for those who lost their homes, cars or other property, and for all first responders who continue to come to the assistance of those in need of help.

May Our Lady of Guadalupe, through whom our diocese was consecrated, continue to protect us under her mantle and intercede for all those affected, lovingly caring for us as a mother does her children.

With renewed best wishes, I remain

Yours in Christ,

Most Reverend James F. Checchio, JCD, MBA  
Bishop of Metuchen

## *Emergency Disaster Fund*

*In light of the aftermath of Hurricane Ida, there are so many who need our help, both nationally and locally within our own Diocese. There are on-going relief efforts in Haiti and much aid needed in Afghanistan. Bishop Checchio has created the Emergency Disaster Fund – proceeds will be used to support the efforts of Catholic agencies as they work to aid emergency relief efforts locally and nationally, unless otherwise specified. Contributions will be used for immediate emergency needs, such as water, food, shelter, and medical care and in long-term rebuilding and recovery efforts.*

*In addition to this emergency parish collection, you may also donate online at [diometuchen.org](http://diometuchen.org) or mail a check made payable to “Diocese of Metuchen” with “Emergency Disaster Fund” in the memo line.*

*More information is available on the diocesan website at D-I-O-METUCHEN DOT ORG. Please give generously, as your means allow, to help our brothers and sisters who are most in need at this time.*

*Next weekend, we will take up a Second Collection for the Relief Efforts.*

*Let us help our neighbors in need.*

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