

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
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Rectory
732-384-5925



Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time February 27, 2022

Every tree is known by its own fruit. For people do not pick figs from thornbushes, nor do they gather grapes from brambles.— Luke 6:44

MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 26

8:30AM For the Deceased Member of the
Hasiak Family r/o Jolanta Gnap
5:00PM Deceased Member of Galgan Family
r/o Daniel Galgan

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 27

9:00AM +Agnes Kosierowski
r/o Granddaughter Theresa
11:00AM +Genowefa Kowalska
r/o Joanna Kulesza

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 28

8:30AM +Jacqueline Vesce r/o Mom & Dad

TUESDAY, MARCH 1

8:30AM +Jan & Maria Stec r/o Son Father John

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 2

ASH WEDNESDAY

9:00AM +Ricky Dockery
12:00Noon Liturgy of the Word
7:00 PM For Our Parishioners

THURSDAY, MARCH 3

St. Katherine Drexel, Virgin

8:30AM +Anna Cunder
r/o Dominick, Joann & Cynthia

FIRST FRIDAY, MARCH 4 - St. Casimir

8:30AM +Theresa Kosinski
r/o Margaret Bogdanowicz

FIRST SATURDAY, MARCH 5

8:30AM +Kazimierz Losiewicz
r/o Daughter & Family
5:00PM +Barbara Zedzian
r/o Joanna Kulesza

SUNDAY, MARCH 6

9:00AM +Stefan Singura
r/o Stan & Lucy Singura
11:00AM +Mieczyslaw Pisowacki
r/o Wife and Daughters

First Reading - One's speech shows the bent of one's mind. Praise no one before he or she speaks .

Second Reading - We are given victory over death through Jesus. In the Lord our labor is not in vain .

Gospel - A good person produces good, an evil person produces evil. The mouth speaks from the goodness of the heart .

Ash Wednesday

Wednesday, March 2, 2022

the beginning of Lent
Day of Fast and Abstinence

Masses will be:

9:00 am - English

12 noon - Liturgy of the Word

7:00 pm - Polish

Stations of the Cross During Lent

Fridays ~ 12:00 noon ~ English
7:00 pm~ Polish

Gorzkie Zale
(Lenten Lamentations)
Every Sunday during Lent
After the 11:00 am Mass

Pope's Universal Intention:

For a Christian response to bioethical challenges.

We pray for Christians facing new bioethical challenges; May they continue to defend the dignity of all human life with prayer and action.

**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:

Wanda Czarcinski, Joanne Felegi, Michael Gacek,
Barbara Mendel, Deborah Vance.

HOMEBOUND: Patricia D'Allesandro, Lorraine
Deleski, Richard Freligh, Rose Guido, 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.

HOSPITALIZED: Michael Sikora

**Weekend Offering
February 13, 2022**

5:00 pm - \$ 426.00	11:00 am - \$ 900.00
9:00 am - \$ 1508.00	Mail - \$ 270.00
Total - \$ 3,104.00	

2022 Bishop's Annual Appeal

Celebrating 40 Years—

Continuing to Fan the Flame of Faith into Service

Our diocese has been blessed in recent years with an increased number of vocations and, thanks be to God, we presently have 21 seminarians studying for the priesthood. A large portion of our seminarians' education is being funded by the Bishop's Annual Appeal, for which they are extremely grateful. Your gift also supports a wide array of diocesan programs that foster vocations and provide ongoing formation for those called to both ordained and lay leadership roles within the Church. Your generosity also ensures that our retired priests who have served so faithfully receive the care they deserve in their later years. Please be as generous as your means allow.

Lector Schedule - February 26-27, 2022

Saturday, February 26

5:00 pm Lector Stephanie DePass

Sunday, February 27

9:00 am Lector Martha Ptaszynski

11:00 am Lector Jolanta Gnapp

*Please pray for the soul of
Bernard Murawski*

*May his soul and the souls of
all the faithful departed,
through the mercy of God,
Rest in Peace.*



Emergency Rescue Mortgage Assistance (ERMA)

Emergency Rescue Mortgage Assistance (ERMA) program from the New Jersey Housing and Mortgage Finance Agency (NJHMFA) is intended to assist homeowners with mortgage and other housing costs that may have occurred due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The ERMA program provides up to \$35,000 in assistance to cover mortgage arrearages and other housing cost delinquencies for eligible homeowners negatively impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic.

For more information:

<https://nj.gov/dca/hmfa/erma/hub/index.shtml>

Surviving Divorce March 2022

For men and women seeking healing from separation or divorce. This 8 week program, while based on the teachings of the Catholic Church, is open to anyone who needs comfort, counsel and clarity after a divorce. Meetings will be held on Wednesdays 7 p.m.– 8:30 p.m. beginning March 16, 2022 at St. Francis Cathedral Parish Center, 45 Library Place in Metuchen, NJ. For more information or to register contact Ro Bersch at 908-313-5947. Registration deadline is March 7, 2022.

Catholic Charities, Diocese of Metuchen is hiring!

Catholic Charities, Diocese of Metuchen is hiring for various positions, among them: clinicians; psychiatrists; peer counselors; substance abuse counselors; case managers; crisis intervention specialists; childcare workers/supervisors; and clinical supervisors. Consider serving your neighbors in need – carrying out the words and deeds of Christ – professionally. Employees have the benefit of medical, dental, vision and prescription plans, as well as a retirement plan, pension, employee discounts and a generous vacation and sick time package. For more information and to apply, visit: ccdom.org/careers.

Lenten Obligations

So that the Church of Metuchen may be spiritually one in a common observance of Lent, the following days of fast and abstinence are to be observed by all Catholics of the Diocese who enjoy the blessings of good health:

1. The days of fast and abstinence are Ash Wednesday and Good Friday.
2. All other Fridays of Lent are days of abstinence.
3. From the Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday until the celebration of the Easter Vigil on the evening of Holy Saturday, the Easter fast should be observed so that, with uplifted and welcoming hearts, we may be ready to celebrate the joys of the Resurrection. This ancient tradition, intimately connected with the Rites of Holy Week and the Order of Christian Initiation of Adults, is encouraged, especially in those places baptizing catechumens at the Easter Vigil.

The obligation to fast applies only to Catholics between the ages of 18 and 59. To fast in the Catholic tradition means to limit oneself to one full meal during the day so as to experience hunger.

The obligation of abstinence affects all Catholics who have reached the age of 14. Abstinence in the Catholic tradition means to abstain from meat.

The obligation of fast and abstinence, as a whole, is a serious obligation. While failure to observe any penitential day in itself may not be considered serious, the failure to observe any penitential days at all, or a substantial number of them without good cause, would be considered a grave matter. Those unable to abstain for a valid reason on any given Friday of Lent are asked to perform some other penitential act, or to abstain on another day.



Repent and believe in the Gospel—these are the words that you might hear as you come to have ashes imposed on your foreheads this Ash Wednesday. They are the same words that have been used in the past, but with a new translation that came with the *Third Edition of the Roman Missal*. In past years you would have heard, *‘turn away from sin and be faithful to the Gospel’*—words that became familiar and which to some might seem a bit ‘softer’. The word ‘repent’ scares many of us, it seems rather harsh, a very

strong command and, yet, it is the word used by many of the prophets, by John the Baptist and by Jesus himself. And so, with this new translation, we will be reminded that each one of us is called to repentance; it’s a simple fact of life since we are all human and need to rely on God’s wonderful mercy and love.



This season of Lent, then, is an opportunity to do exactly that, to repent of our sins, to return to the Lord and to accept God’s wonderful invitation to be his disciples. The Lenten practices of prayer, fasting and giving alms draw us more fully into a life of faith and gradually transform us into his holy people, a people who make Jesus the center of our lives as we spend time with him each day in prayer, as we come together with the Christian community to celebrate Mass, as we come to receive forgiveness in the Sacrament of Reconciliation, or gather to pray the Stations of the Cross. These practices transform us as we abstain from meat on Fridays, fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday, and as we abstain from habits and practices that prevent us from knowing God more fully. These practices transform us as we freely give our time, talent and tithe back to God, acknowledging that all that we have been given comes from him!



May we return to the Lord this Lent, allowing him to transform us into his holy people, a people who then go into the world announcing the Gospel of the Lord.

LENT

Being mindful of the poor is not an option for Christians. In fact, Jesus tells us that when we feed the hungry, visit the imprisoned, and clothe the naked, we are encountering Him.

Almsgiving has also been a traditional Lenten practice. As his disciples, we are called to do the same in our everyday lives, as well as in the extra steps we take outside our ordinary lives and routines.

Keeping the Corporal Works of Mercy in mind is helpful as we consider our Lenten almsgiving:

- Feed the hungry (help out at a soup kitchen, donate food)
- Give drink to the thirsty (show hospitality to those in need)
- Welcome the stranger (be welcoming to those you meet)
- Clothe the naked (donate clothing to a shelter)
- Visit the sick (visit the homebound)
- Visit the prisoner (join a prison ministry team or offer support to them)
- Bury the dead (visit a cemetery, pray for the dead)

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