

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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First Sunday of Lent March 6, 2022

*The word is near you,
in your mouth and in your heart.
— Romans 10:8*

MASS INTENTIONS

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

MONDAY, MARCH 7

Sts. Perpetua and Felicity, Martyrs

8:30AM +Theresa Kosinski
r/o Lorraine Deleski and Family

TUESDAY, MARCH 8

St. John of God, Religious

8:30AM +Pina Molisanti r/o Paul DePass

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 9

St. Francis of Rome, Religious

8:30AM +William & Dottie Vesce
r/o Brenda & Vince

THURSDAY, MARCH 10

8:30AM For Our Parishioners

FRIDAY, MARCH 11

8:30AM +Theresa Kosinski
r/o Barbara & George Hague

SATURDAY, MARCH 12

8:30AM +Janina Krystyna Losiewicz
r/o Daughter
5:00PM +Michael Holinko
r/o Theresa Groppi

SUNDAY, MARCH 13

9:00AM Living and Deceased Members of
St. Mary's Altar Rosary Society
11:00AM + Bozena Kasprzak & Krystyna Wabia
r/o Dorota & Adam

First Reading - The Israelites show their faith by offering the Lord first fruits of the products of their new land.

Second Reading - All who express faith in the risen Christ and confess that he is Lord will be saved.

Gospel - Jesus was led into the desert by the Spirit and was tempted.

IN THE DESERT

Jesus was led by the Spirit into the desert for forty days, and then the devil tested him. Moses and the Israelites had been in the desert for forty years before being led to the land of milk and honey. There were times when they called out to God, sure that, as Saint Paul wrote to the Romans, "everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved." We sometimes spend time in the desert as well. Not a literal desert most of the time, but a desert in which it seems difficult to perceive God's presence, times when we face difficulty and are tempted to leave God's ways behind. On this First Sunday of Lent, Jesus shows us what to do in these moments: stand firm and trust in God.

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 religious sisters and consecrated women.

We pray for religious sisters and consecrated women; thanking them for their mission and their courage, may they continue to find new responses to the challenges of our times.

**Our Lady of Guadalupe
Visits our families**



*Please invite the picture of Our Lady of Guadalupe
into your home for a month visit.*

*To sign up, please call Theresa Rudnicki-Jones at
908-526-7687.*

*Arleta Zolnierczyk will be the recipient for March.
If you desire, your name will not be announced*

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, Maria Krawiec

**Weekend Offering
February 27, 2022**

5:00 pm - \$ 784.00	11:00 am - \$ 1,004.00
9:00 am - \$ 1576.00	Mail - \$ 625.00

Total - \$ 3,989.00

**2022 Bishop's Annual Appeal
Celebrating 40 Years—**

Continuing to Fan the Flame of Faith into Service

By now you have received a letter from Bishop Checchio inviting your participation in the 2022 Bishop's Annual Appeal. The diocesan ministries supported by the Appeal directly impact many of the parishioners here in St. Mary of Czestochowa. Your gift provides formation opportunities for our catechists, youth and young adults. In the coming days, you will be receiving a letter from our pastor Fr. John encouraging your participation. If you have yet to make your gift, please prayerfully consider doing so today by either returning your pledge card in the mail or going to the secure website:
<https://diometuchen.org/BAA>.

Lector Schedule - March 6-7, 2022

Saturday, March 6

5:00 pm Lector Martha Ptaszynski

Sunday, March 7

9:00 am Lector Theresa Rudnicki-Jones

BISHOP'S APPEAL STATUS AS OF 02/28/22

To date, the Development Office has received pledges totaling \$ 9,818.50 and payments totaling \$ 9,818.50 from 31 parishioners. This represents 29.8% of your \$ 33,000.00 goal. Thank you for your efforts

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>

Lent



**Next Sunday,
March 13,
2022**

REMEMBER?

**Set Your
Clocks
Ahead!**



People in either Original Medicare or Medicare Advantage will be able to get over-the-counter COVID-19 tests at no cost starting in early spring. Under the new initiative, Medicare beneficiaries will be able to access up to eight free over-the-counter COVID-19 tests per month. Tests will be available through eligible pharmacies and other participating entities. This policy will apply to COVID-19 over-the-counter tests approved or authorized by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration.

For more information:

<https://www.cms.gov/newsroom/news-alert/biden-harris-administration-will-cover-free-over-counter-covid-19-tests-through-medicare>.



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OFFICE OF THE BISHOP

February 23, 2022

My dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

Each year during Lent, we focus in an intentional way on turning away from sin and instead turning our hearts over more fully to the Lord. In these 40 days of prayer, fasting and almsgiving, we are indeed met with challenges, yet it is through these challenges that we are able to grow even closer to our Heavenly Father.

As we mark the start of our 40-day Lenten journey – in this same year that we are celebrating the 40th Anniversary of the establishment of the Diocese of Metuchen – I cannot help but be reminded of our diocese's own 40-year journey. Our diocese certainly has been blessed in these past 40 years, but we have had our share of challenges too. Gratefully, these challenges have led us to cling more closely to our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, and His Blessed Mother.

This Lenten season, I am asking all the faithful in our diocese to commit to doing 40 works of mercy. We have over 630,000 Catholics in the Diocese of Metuchen, so if each one could commit to doing 40 works of mercy, together we will have fulfilled over 25 million works of mercy. Can you imagine what a blessing that would be to our local Church and what a witness that would be to our local communities! What a wonderful way to celebrate our anniversary and give thanks to God!

One of the works you, your family, or your school or parish community might consider is participating in Catholic Relief Services' Rice Bowl campaign. Each year through the CRS Rice Bowl, we are invited to reflect on the needs of our sisters and brothers, both here and around the world, and to consider how we might respond to their needs. Through stories, videos and other resources, we learn about the global issue of hunger and malnutrition and our Gospel call to help those experiencing these affronts to human dignity. I invite you to visit crsricebowl.org or crsplatodearroz.org to learn more and to find additional resources. If you have any questions about CRS Rice Bowl, please contact Deacon Peter Barcellona at pbarcellona@diometuchen.org.

Through these 40 works of mercy, throughout these 40 days of our Lenten journey, and in this celebratory year marking 40 years of our diocese, my hope and prayer is that we will turn our hearts over more fully to one another and, most importantly, to the Lord. Please know of my love and prayers for you and your families and I ask that you please pray for me too. May this Lenten season be for us a time of grace and provide for us a moment of encounter with the Lord and each other. Blessed Lent!

With renewed best wishes, I remain
Yours in Christ,

Most Reverend James F. Checchio,

JCD, MBA Bishop of Metuchen

In celebration of the 40th Anniversary of the Diocese of Metuchen

In celebration of the 40th Anniversary of the establishment of the Diocese of Metuchen, Bishop James F. Checchio is inviting us all to make a commitment to doing 40 works of mercy. This same commitment will help us to serve one another with the same love and mercy bestowed on us by the Father and to witness his great love in the four beautiful counties of the Diocese of Metuchen.

In his pastoral letter on the occasion of the 40th Anniversary of the Diocese of Metuchen, "Answering the Lord's Call Through Prayer, Works of Mercy and Vocations," Bishop Checchio reminds us of our call as disciples to ask in the name of Jesus, reproducing the love shown by Him in our own lives. This Lent, consider: "How I might share God's gracious love and mercy through my actions today?"

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As you know, this Lenten season Bishop Checchio is inviting us all to put mercy into action by committing to do 40 works of mercy. Each day, we are provided with opportunities to serve others, though some are more formal than others.

Works of Mercy

7 Corporal Works

1. Feed the hungry
2. Give drink to the thirsty
3. Clothe the naked
4. Shelter the homeless
5. Visit the sick
6. Visit the imprisoned
7. Bury the dead

7 Spiritual Works

1. Counsel the doubtful
2. Instruct the ignorant
3. Admonish sinners
4. Comfort the afflicted
5. Forgive offences
6. Bear wrongs patiently
7. Pray for the living and the dead

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