

St. Mary of Czestochowa Church

Established 1914

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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.

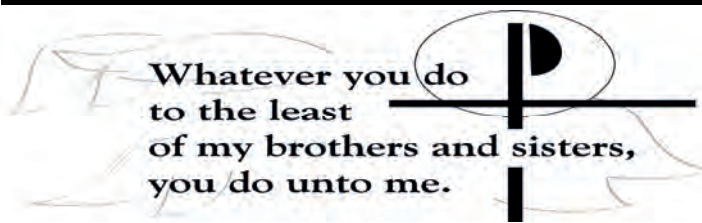
PARISH REGISTRATION: Our parish welcomes new members to our faith community. Catholic persons new to our area must complete a registration form and be interviewed by the pastor. Please call or stop by the Parish office to complete a registration form. We should also be notified if your address has changed or if you are leaving the parish..



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Whatever you do to the least of my brothers and sisters, you do unto me.

MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 25

St. Catherine of Alexandria, Virgin, Martyr

8:30AM +Joan Gleason r/o Daughter Kathy

5:00PM +Nora & Anthony Specian r/o Family

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 26

OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

9:00AM +Angelina & Antonio Giagnacovo r/o Daughter

11:00AM Caretakers get the resources available without prejudice

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 27

8:30AM Blessings for Werner Family r/o Mom

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 28

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

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 29

9:00AM For our Parishioners

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 30

ST. ANDREW, APOSTLE

8:30AM Conversion of Hadju-Nemeth Family r/o Sister

FIRST FRIDAY, DECEMBER 1

8:30AM Birthday Blessings Todd Werner r/o Wife & Kids

FIRST SATURDAY, DECEMBER 2

8:30AM Reparation for offenses against the Immaculate Heart of Mary r/o Ann Knob

5:00PM +Sophia & Stefan Singura r/o Son & Family

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT, DECEMBER 3

9:00AM +Elvira (Dolly) Kennedy r/o Elaine Krzystow

11:00AM +Barbara Dabrowski r/o Husband Miroslaw

****Reminder:**

Please make every effort to attend Mass on the dates you placed your intentions.



Pope's Universal Intention

For persons with disabilities. We pray that people living with disabilities may be at the center of attention in society, and that institutions may offer inclusive programs which value their active participation.

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe November 26, 2023

Jesus said to his disciples, "When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, he will sit upon his glorious throne, and all the nations assembled before him".

First Reading: Ezekiel 34:11-12, 15-17

This passage beautifully describes how the Lord God, as shepherd, will tend his flock. He will rescue those who are lost, bring back those who stray, heal the sick, and "pasture" all.

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 15:20-26, 28

Paul once again stresses the significance of Christ's resurrection in the total divine plan, emphasizing that Christ's rising means that those who believe in him will also rise after death. Christianity, he argues, is meaningless if it concerns only this life on earth. In the end, even death will be destroyed, and "God will be all in all."

Gospel: Matthew 25:31-46

With words both poetic and vivid, Jesus tells the disciples that since he is present in all people, whatever they do to "one of my least brothers" they do to him; and whatever they fail to do to his "least," they fail to do to him.

The Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

Formerly referred to as "Christ the King," was established by Pope Pius XI in 1925. The feast is intended to proclaim in a striking and effective manner Christ's royalty over individuals, families, society, governments, and nations.

Today's Mass establishes the titles for Christ's royalty over men:

- 1) Christ is God, the Creator of the universe and hence wields a supreme power over all things; "All things were created by Him";
- 2) Christ is our Redeemer, He purchased us by His precious Blood, and made us His property and possession;
- 3) Christ is Head of the Church, "holding in all things the primacy";
- 4) God bestowed upon Christ the nations of the world as His special possession and dominion.

Today's Mass also describes the qualities of Christ's kingdom. This kingdom is:

- 1) supreme, extending not only to all people but also to their princes and kings;
- 2) universal, extending to all nations and to all places;
- 3) eternal, for "The Lord shall sit a King forever";
- 4) spiritual, Christ's "kingdom is not of this world."

PARISHIONERS PRAYER LIST

NURSING HOME/ASSISTED LIVING:

Joanne Felegi, Michael Gacek, Michael Sikora, Deborah Vance, Walt Urbielewicz

HOMEBOUND: Patricia D'Allesandro, Richard Freligh, Rose Guido, Dolores Gumerlock, Barbara Mendel, Millie Della Peruta, Lorraine Deleski, Frank Stock, Madeline Wojciechowski, Marcella Spioch, Dorothy Spioch .

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

Reflection

When we act like God, we bend down. Our strength is in our compassion. We see this clearly in the life and ministry of Jesus. We hear it in his words, his parables. Today, the story is set squarely on our shoulders. Our work on earth is to bend toward those regarded by others as "the least." There is more: these so-called least are worth the attention we would afford to Jesus himself. For he identifies with them.

The Gospel itself presents a vision of all the people on earth standing before the throne of the Son of God. And he delivers a surprising message. Everyone in the world could understand the irresistible kind of power generated by loving compassion. Active, affective, effective compassion draws us near to its light and warmth. This compassion moves like fire throughout the earth

Stewardship Scripture Reflections

"...whatever you did for one of the least of my brothers, you did for me." – MATTHEW 25:40
Most of us are generous when it's convenient for us. We are generous when we have the time or the money. But, real generosity is the opposite of that. It means giving of one's time, money, compassion, forgiveness or mercy when it's not convenient to us, when it's not on our schedule, but on the other person's timeline.

Due to the upcoming Thanksgiving Holiday constraints with the printing company. The weekly collection will be posted on the next bulletin

We thank all of our parishioners for Remembrance of our loved ones on All Souls Day.

Since the beginning All Souls Day until November 10th. We had the Novena of Masses for the Souls of the Faithful Departed that have been listed on your All Souls envelopes.

Lector Schedule - November 25-26, 2023

5:00pm Lector	Stephanie DePass
9:00 am Lector	Frank Kolodzieski
11:00 am Lector	Anna Roszkowska

First Friday Devotions December 1, 2023



The First Friday devotion is different from the First Saturday devotion, which is dedicated to the Immaculate Heart of Mary.

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. (pictures by pintrest.com)

First Saturday Devotions December 2, 2023



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 or after the first Saturday.

The promise to those who console the Virgin Mary through this devotion is the assistance at the hour of death with the graces necessary for their salvation. The Blessed Mother also promised that this devotion will result in the salvation of souls and peace in the world. (pictures by rejijoseph.com)

Memorial Wall Candles

Renewal for the Memorial Wall Candles located in the Chapel are due in January. Renewal each year is \$100. Initial installation of a Memorial Candle is \$200. Please call the Parish Office at 732-356-0358 and let us know if you will be renewing your candle. 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.

Parish Offering Envelopes have arrived

They are in the Meeting Room and are listed Alphabetically.

If you cannot locate your envelope box, please call the Parish Office

THE SOLEMNITY OF OUR LORD, JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

On the last Sunday of each liturgical year, the Church celebrates the Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe, or Christ the King.

Pope Pius XI instituted this feast in 1925 with his encyclical *Quas primas* (“In the first”) to respond to growing secularism and atheism. He recognized that attempting to “thrust Jesus Christ and his holy law” out of public life would result in continuing discord among people and nations. This solemnity reminds us that while governments come and go, Christ reigns as King forever.

During the early twentieth century, in Mexico, Russia, and some parts of Europe, militantly secularistic regimes threatened not just the Catholic Church and its faithful but civilization itself. Pope Pius XI’s encyclical gave Catholics hope and—while governments around them crumbled—the assurance that Christ the King shall reign forever. **Jesus Christ “is very truth, and it is from him that truth must be obediently received by all mankind”** (*Quas primas*, 7).

Christ’s kingship is rooted in the Church’s teaching on the Incarnation. Jesus is fully God and fully man. He is both the divine Lord and the man who suffered and died on the Cross. One person of the Trinity unites himself to human nature and reigns over all creation as the Incarnate Son of God. “From this it follows not only that Christ is to be adored by angels and men, but that to him as man angels and men are subject, and must recognize his empire; by reason of the hypostatic union Christ has power over all creatures” (*Quas primas*, 13).

The Church calls us to acknowledge Christ’s kingship with our whole lives:



He must reign in our minds, which should assent with perfect submission and firm belief to revealed truths and to the doctrines of Christ. He must reign in our wills, which should obey the laws and precepts of God. He must reign in our hearts, which should spurn natural desires and love God above all things, and cleave to him alone. He must reign in our bodies and in our members, which should serve as instruments for the interior sanctification of our souls, or to use the words of the Apostle Paul, ‘as instruments of justice unto God.’ -

Quas primas, 33

Today, religious freedom for many people means that we can believe whatever we want in private, but when we enter the public square or the marketplace, we may not speak of anything that relates to our faith. However, the Church acknowledges the reign of Christ, not only privately, but publicly. **This solemnity encourages us to celebrate and live out our faith in public.** “Thus by sermons preached at meetings and in churches, by public adoration of the Blessed Sacrament exposed and by solemn processions, men unite in paying homage to Christ, whom God has given them for their King” (*Quas primas*, 26).



*A special thank you to our parishioners for their
flower donations for our Forty Hours Devotions*



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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

- 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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What a beautiful choice.

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