

# 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  
**Adoration:** Friday after 8:30 am Mass until 12:00pm

**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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Fax: 732-356-5348

Website: [www.stmarys-boundbrook.com](http://www.stmarys-boundbrook.com)  
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Rectory  
732-384-5925



**14TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME**  
**July 7, 2024**

*“The Spirit of the Lord is upon me for he sent me to bring glad tidings to the poor.”*

**MASS INTENTIONS**  
**OF THE WEEK**

**FIRST SATURDAY, JULY 6**

***St. Maria Goretti, Virgin, Martyr***

8:30AM Reparation for the offenses committed against the Immaculate Heart of Mary

5:00PM +Kaz Blockus r/o Kathy Blockus

**14TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME, JULY 7**

9:00AM +Albin & Stanislaw Wiszowaty r/o Wieslaw Roszkowski

11:00AM +Stanley & Basia Kurkowski r/o Sister Eleanor

**MONDAY, JULY 8**

8:30AM +Krystyna Wzorek r/o Victoria Roszkowski

**TUESDAY, JULY 9**

***St. Augustine Zhao Rong, Priest & Companions, Martyrs***

8:30AM +Apolonia Kaszynska & Czeslaw Kaszynski r/o Teresa Zawrotna

**WEDNESDAY, JULY 10**

8:30AM +Zdzislaw Formus r/o Regina Grodzki

**THURSDAY, JULY 11**

***St. Benedict, Abbot***

8:30AM For Our Parishioners

**FRIDAY, JULY 12**

8:30AM +Marie E. Sabecky r/o Ronald Jones

**SATURDAY, JULY 13**

***St. Henry***

8:30AM Souls in Purgatory

5:00PM +Lech Formus r/o Regina Grodzki

**15TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME, JULY 14**

9:00AM +Stanley Kurkowski r/o Wife Myrna

11:00AM +Jerzy Formus r/o Regina Grodzki

**Pope’s Universal Intention**

For the pastoral care of the sick. We pray that the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick confer to those who receive it and their loved ones the power of the Lord and become ever more a visible sign of compassion and hope for all.

**First Reading: Ezekiel 2:2-5**

Ezekiel is moved to respond to the call of God and to accentuate his teaching with a direct reference to the Word of God.

**Second Reading: 2 Corinthians 12:7-10**

Paul had questioned the value of his suffering, and God replied, “My grace is enough for you, for strength is made perfect in weakness.” Paul then realized that although he was weak against persecution, he was strong in faith.

**Gospel: Mark 6:1-6a**

Jesus could do little for those in his own part of the country, for their lack of faith in him was so great. Therefore, he spent much of his time teaching in neighboring villages instead.

**REFLECTION ON GOD’S WORD**

In today’s Gospel, when Jesus spoke up in the synagogue, the neighbors “took offense at him.” In Jesus’ world, there was no such thing as upward mobility. You could work harder and become better off, but once a carpenter always a carpenter. It shook all the neighbors up to hear Jesus read the scriptures and preach with authority at Sabbath services. How dare he? Jesus did not press them any harder. Mark tells us Jesus “was amazed at their lack of faith.” He quietly healed a few people and moved on with his disciples. We can learn important things here from Jesus’ example. We cannot force belief on other people, or insist they accept what we know to be true. Not everyone is ready to hear. For those parents whose grown children have drifted away from the Church, there is the temptation to pressure them to come back. Sadly, this may increase the distance and cause arguments. The other side of the coin, however, is that some people are just waiting to be asked. True stories abound of men or women who attend Mass for years with a Catholic spouse and children, and even give a generous stewardship of their time, talent, and treasure, yet never take that final step into the community until someone—and it could be you—asks, “Would you like to join the Church?”

**STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION**

*“As the Lord spoke to me, the spirit entered me and set me on my feet, and I heard the one who was speaking say to me, ‘Son of man, I am sending you...’” Ezekiel 2:2-3*

God has a plan for each of us. He calls us to do something for Him. But, He doesn’t leave us on our own to figure it out. He gives us the resources we need to do His work. Are you listening for God’s call? When you hear it, do you get on your feet and do the work He asks of you? Do not be afraid. God doesn’t call the equipped, he equips the called. Answer His call.



### PARISHIONERS PRAYER LIST

#### NURSING HOME/ASSISTED LIVING:

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

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

**HOSPITALIZED:** Rose Falcucci

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

#### Diocese of Metuchen 2024 Bishop's Annual Appeal

Summary Information as of 06.21.2024

**Goal** \$33,000.00  
**Total Pledged & Received:** \$25,456.00



### PRAY THE ROSARY DAILY



#### Summer Blessing for Families

May we make our homes places of relaxation,  
joy, love, peace and safety.  
May we be generous and considerate,  
not thinking only about ourselves,  
but helping others enjoy the blessings of the summertime.

Lord God, Creator of all things,  
guide our steps and strengthen our hearts  
during these months of summer and vacation days.  
Grant us refreshment of mind and body.  
May we constantly strive to make a meaningful difference  
in the lives of our loved ones and in the world around us  
as we enjoy the warm days of summertime.

-The Catholic Review

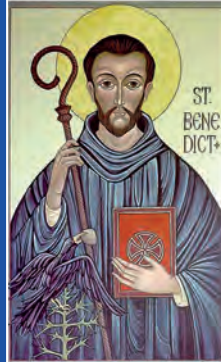


#### Don't take a vacation from God!

Many Parishioners will be travelling this summer, enjoying a much-needed vacation. Please remember to attend Mass during your time away from St. Mary's. To find a church near you, call 1-800-Mass times or [www.masstimes.org](http://www.masstimes.org).

### Lector Schedule July 6-7, 2024

**5:00 pm Lector** Martha Ptaszynski  
**9:00 am Lector** Dawn Lanner  
**11:00 am Lector** Bozena Owsieniuk



#### STORY OF ST. BENEDICT

St. Benedict the Abbot was the founder of Western monasticism, the author of the famous Benedictine Order, and the patron saint of Europe. His attributes include: a bell, cup and serpent representing poison, broken utensils, crozier, and raven. St. Benedict, twin brother of St. Scholastica, was born in Nursia in central Italy. When he got older he left for studies in Rome but was so distressed by the immorality of society that he ended up in Subiaco where he became a hermit. His faith never faltered and he soon gained followers who were in awe of his spiritual knowledge. He organized them into twelve monasteries; there he performed many miracles. He found water on a desolate mountaintop to quench the thirst of his monks, retrieved a bill hook's iron from the bottom of a lake and rejoined its handle, prevented a monk from leading a dissolute life through intervention, and made another monk walk on water to save a young man from drowning. Although his followers loved him, others grew envious of him, a jealous cleric attempted to poison him, which is now symbolized by a snake coming out of his chalice. He is also often depicted with a raven that is said to have carried away a loaf of poisoned bread that a jealous enemy had sent to him. With this final poison attempt, Benedict left and took a small group of monks to Monte Cassino where he wrote the final version of his Rule. In it he emphasized authority and obedience, stability and community life. His monks' primary occupation was the praying of the Divine Office in common, reading of sacred texts and manual work of various kinds. Benedict remained in Monte Cassino the rest of his life. He never became a priest and never intended to found a new religious order yet he influenced the growth of both Western civilization. He died on March 21, 550 and was buried alongside his sister whom he would meet once a year outside his monastery for the exchange of spiritual insights. His feast day was established as July 11, the day his remains were transferred to another site within the monastery. His Rule was followed in France, England, and Germany, and when Charlemagne initiated a reform of monasticism in 814, he chose the Rule of St. Benedict to be imposed upon all monasteries within the empire. <https://stbenedictlebanon.org/our-patron-saint/>

#### Prayer to Saint Benedict

St. Benedict, I implore you in your loving kindness to pray for me before the throne of God. To you I have recourse in the dangers that daily surround me. Shield me against my selfishness and my indifference to God and to my neighbor. Inspire me to imitate you in all things. Amen.



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heart burning within you  
**QUO VADIS**  
WHERE ARE YOU GOING?

## Quo Vadis (Camp Shiloh, Hewitt, NJ)

July 30-August 1, 2024  
Young men ages 14-17!

Please encourage your son to attend our annual Quo Vadis summer camp in July **it is free!** It is a great opportunity to have fun with your friends, play sports, share meals, grow in your faith, and continue to process where God may be calling you in your life. Please register at <https://diometuchen.org/quovadis>

### Adult Children of Divorce, Separation or Family Brokenness

A 3-day Life-Giving Wounds Healing Retreat will be held on Friday, August 23 – Sunday, August 25, 2024 at the San Alfonso Retreat House in Long Branch NJ (right on the beach).

Topics discussed will include identity, relationship with God, suffering, forgiveness, healing and reconciliation. Cost is \$300 per person which includes accommodations for 2 nights and all meals. For more information and/or to register, please visit [www.diometuchen.org/adult-children-of-divorce](http://www.diometuchen.org/adult-children-of-divorce) For questions, please contact Cristina at [cdaverso@diometuchen.org](mailto:cdaverso@diometuchen.org).

### 15 Week Adult Enrichment Course-Documents of Vatican II

Beginning September 5, 2024 Fr. Glenn Comandini, S.T.D. will present 15 classes on the Documents of Vatican II. Classes will be held at the St. John Neumann Pastoral Center, 146 Metlars Lane, Piscataway, NJ on Thursdays from 10:00 AM - 11:30 AM. Attendees will learn about the Constitutions of the Second Vatican Council: Lumen Gentium (Dogmatic Constitution on the Church), Dei Verbum (Dogmatic Constitution on Divine Revelation), Sacrosanctum Concilium (Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy) and Gaudium et Spes (Pastoral Constitution on the Church in the modern world). There is a \$35 fee per person for all 15 classes which also includes attendees receiving a copy of the book "The Documents of Vatican II". To register please visit: [www.diometuchen.org/faith-formation](http://www.diometuchen.org/faith-formation). For more information, please email: [amarshall@diometuchen.org](mailto:amarshall@diometuchen.org) or call 732-562-1543

### Are you suffering after an abortion?

If you or someone you know is suffering after an abortion, confidential, no-judgmental help is available!  
Call Project Rachel's local toll-free number: 1-877-877-4300 or visit: [Hopeafterabortion.org](http://Hopeafterabortion.org).  
You may also call the Sisters of Life at: 1-866-575-0075 or email [hopeandhealing@sistersoflife.org](mailto:hopeandhealing@sistersoflife.org)

## Cathedral of Saint Francis of Assisi 2024 Summer Choir Camp

August 12-16, 2024

The Cathedral of Saint Francis of Assisi is pleased to announce its 2<sup>nd</sup> ANNUAL SUMMER CHOIR CAMP for all rising 3<sup>rd</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grade students. **Students from any parishes within or outside of the Diocese are welcome to attend!** Every day, students will participate in choir rehearsals, music theory classes with the Camp's outstanding music faculty, work on composer projects, and sing for the Cathedral's daily 12:10 Mass. There will also be fun outdoor activities (weather permitting), games, and snacks! Plus, each chorister will have an opportunity to play the Cathedral's pipe organ!



### General information:

**Dates:** August 12-16, 2024  
**Times:** Mon-Thurs 9am – 2:30pm;  
Friday 9am – 1:30pm  
**Tuition:** \$250 per chorister  
**Food:** All chorister are required to bring a bag lunch (including drink) Monday through Thursday. Friday will conclude with an **Ice Cream Party** after the 12:10 Mass. **Dismissal is at 1:30pm on Friday, Aug 25.**  
A mid-morning snack will be provided each day by the Cathedral.

**Add'l Info:** Contact Christopher Deibert, Director of Sacred Music  
[Music@StFrancisCathedral.org](mailto:Music@StFrancisCathedral.org)

**Registration Deadline: July 8, 2024 N.B. – Full payment of tuition must accompany this registration form. Checks should be made out to Cathedral of Saint Francis of Assisi.**  
*Memo line: 2024 Summer Choir Camp*

### Healing the Whole Person Retreat Weekend September 19-21, 2024 Cathedral of St. Francis of Assisi

Experience Jesus in His mission of healing! Physical, spiritual and emotional healing, central to the Church's life and 2,000 year tradition, come to life in this teaching. Led by renown speakers and authors Dr. Bob Schuchts, Sr. Miriam James Heidland SOLT & Bart Schuchts, the uniquely engaging format will help you see and experience God's healing love through teaching, prayer, personal reflection, Adoration, worship, and the Sacraments.

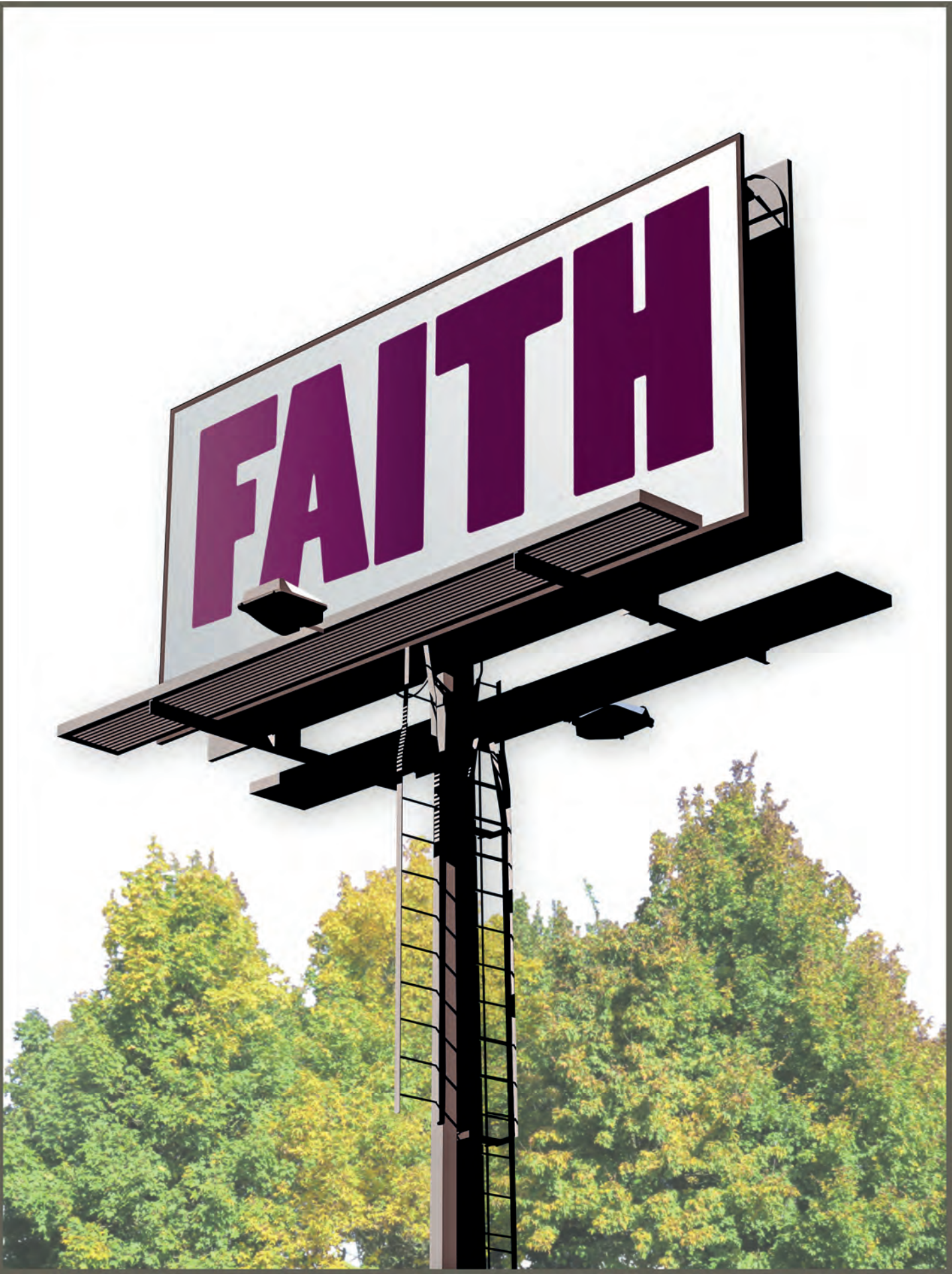
Note: Registration opens on June 17th and it most likely will sell out within the first few days of registration opening.

**In-Person Registration**  
**\$165/person**  
**Livestream Registration**

**For those who cannot attend in-person**  
**\$119/person**

**Registration information Visit: [www.diometuchen.org](http://www.diometuchen.org)**







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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.



**Life.**  
*What a beautiful choice.*

## BEWARE OF PHISHING EMAILS

Scammers are after your:

- Passwords
- Financial Information
- Identity • Money

For information on common scams, please visit

[www.consumer.ftc.gov/features/scam-alerts](http://www.consumer.ftc.gov/features/scam-alerts)



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