

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
e-mail: stmarybb1@verizon.net

Rectory
732-384-5925



MASS INTENTIONS
OF THE WEEK

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 12

8:30AM Souls in Purgatory r/o Teresa Zawrotna
5:00PM Birthday Blessings for Ritzl Dulog
r/o Sister

**28TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME,
OCTOBER 13**

9:00AM Living and Deceased Members of the
Altar Rosary Society
11:00AM +Marianna Jedrzejczyk
r/o Children and Grandchildren

MONDAY, OCTOBER 14

St. Callistus I, Pope, Martyr

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

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 15

St. Teresa of Jesus, Virgin, Doctor of the Church

8:30AM +Ferdinand & Amelia Zito
r/o Fred & Barbara

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 16

***St. Hedwig, Religious; St. Margaret Mary Alacoque,
Virgin***

8:30AM +Maria & Jozef Krzysztofciak
r/o Beata & George Gnap

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 17

St. Ignatius of Antioch, Bishop, Martyr

8:30AM For Our Parishioners

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 18

ST. LUKE, EVANGELIST

8:30AM +Father Antoni Pis
r/o Aleksandra Wlodarczyk

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 19

***Sts. John de Brebeuf and Isaac Jogues, Priests, and
Companions, Martyrs***

8:30AM +Lulu Hobayan r/o Brenda & Vince
5:00PM For all of our Sick Parishioners

**29TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME,
OCTOBER 20**

9:00AM Living and Deceased Members of the
Holy Name Society
11:00AM +Eleanor Pakosz
r/o Husband Henry & Children

**28TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME
OCTOBER 13, 2024**

*"Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of
heaven."*

First Reading: Wisdom 7:7-11

This poem discusses how the spirit of wisdom is far more beautiful than any riches could be. All gold is no more than sand when compared to the importance of wisdom, which often leads people to the other good things in life.

Second Reading: Hebrews 4:12-13

God's perception of people is called "sharper than any two-edged sword." God is able to know the thoughts and feelings of all his people. We can hide nothing from him, and will need to account for all he has seen in us.

Gospel: Mark 10:17-30

A man asks Jesus how he can share in everlasting life. Jesus tells him to sell his possessions and travel with them. The man refuses and Jesus tells his disciples how difficult it is for a rich person to enter heaven if they are too concerned with their possessions. The disciples remind Jesus that they gave up everything for him, but he assures them they will be rewarded with everlasting life.

Reflecting on God's Word

Not long ago a group of professors at Boston College studied people in America who are "super-rich," who have \$25 million or more. There are approximately 115,000 of them. Some were born into wealth, others made their wealth, while a few fell into sudden riches. You might think that having no money worries would simply make life a breeze, but you would be mistaken. Surprisingly, those who participated in the study revealed that wealth affects every aspect of their lives, and not always for the good. Marriage and friendship can be difficult ("Do they love me or love my money?"). Rich parents worry that their children will do nothing worthwhile with their lives. In ancient times the Jews believed that wealth was a sign of divine favor. To the early descendants of Abraham, wealth meant owning large flocks of sheep, goats, and cattle. By the time Jesus encountered the rich young man in today's Gospel, people acquired wealth by farming the land and through trade. Jesus challenged the man to give away his possessions—to free himself of the burden of wealth that was keeping him from the fullest possible life with God. Wealth in itself is not evil, but evil can result if we come to feel owned by our possessions. Modern Jewish teaching is not far from our own Christian understanding of wealth. The things of this world are important, but temporary. Wealth, whether in the form of skills, time, or money, is not an end but a means: a means to create a home; raise children; provide hospitality; to give time, attention, love, charity, and money; and to share with church and community for the well-being of all. Jesus promises that the one who gives up any possessions for his sake will be saved.

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, Walter Urbielewicz, Dorothy Spioch, Lorraine Deleski,

HOSPITALIZED:

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

Weekly Offerings October 5-6, 2024

5:00 pm - \$ 377.00	11:00 am - \$ 332.00
9:00 am - \$ 1,391.00	Mail - \$ 320.00

Total 2,420.00

Next weekend October 19 and 20 our 2nd Collection is for World Mission Sunday. The Mission benefits the Society for the Propagation of the Faith, the American Board for Catholic Mission. Please be as generous as you can.

World Mission Month 2024

The Importance of World Mission Sunday

Why World Mission Sunday Matters

World Mission Sunday, observed on October 20th this year, is not just another Sunday; it is a powerful reminder of our call to be missionaries. The collection taken up on this day is unique as it is mandated by the Code of Canon Law and is essential for the survival and growth of the Church in mission territories.

These funds support the pastoral and evangelizing work of the Church, including building churches, providing healthcare and education, and training future priests and religious. In places where resources are scarce, your generosity makes a profound difference. As we reflect on the theme "Go and invite everyone to the banquet," let us remember that our participation and support help invite countless souls to the feast of God's love.

Pope's Universal Intention

For a shared mission. We pray that the Church continue to sustain in all ways a synodal Lifestyle, as a sign of co-responsibility, promoting the participation, the communion and the mission shared among priests, religious and lay people.

Lector Schedule October 12-13, 2024

5:00 pm Lector	Joseph Pizzo
9:00 am Lector	Theresa Rudnicki-Jones
11:00 am Lector	Diane Litwinko

On October 26 and 27 our 2nd collection will be for the victims of Hurricane Helene. The proceeds from this collection will be used to assist with hurricane relief efforts where and when they are needed as communities continue their recovery effort.

Let us keep in prayers all those who have lost loved ones, homes, and livelihoods and with those who are responding with rescue and repair efforts.

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

"It is easier for a camel to pass through the eye of a needle than for one who is rich to enter the kingdom of God." (MARK 10:25)

Jesus uses tough language that we may not want to hear. However, we are all called to be generous with all of our gifts. Not just the ones we pick and choose, but all our gifts, and especially the one that means the most to us! That includes our time in prayer to God, our talent in participating in parish ministries and our treasure supporting our local parish and other charities.



The office is closed on Monday, October 14. In observance of the Columbus Day.



PRAY THE ROSARY DAILY

The Prayer for Life to Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament

Jesus, you came that we might have life-and have it in abundance. Together with the Father and the Holy Spirit, you form us in our mothers' wombs and call us to love you for all eternity. As your most precious gift of human life is attacked, draw us ever closer to your Real Presence in the Eucharist. Dispel the darkness of the culture of death, for you are the light that shines in the darkness, and the darkness cannot overcome it. By the power of your Eucharistic Presence, help us to defend the life of every human person at every stage. Transform our hearts to protect and cherish all whose lives are most vulnerable. For you are God, forever and ever. Amen.

Marriage Encounter

With summer winding down, why not treat yourself to a Marriage Encounter Weekend?

A Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend gives you the time and tools to enrich your marriage, deepen communication, and nourish the spirituality in your marriage.

The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend will be held October 18 - 20. Please apply ASAP as space is limited.

Phone 1-732-904-9636 for application and information (Tom & Ruth DeFalco). Visit us at: www.wwme.org for more information.

Be a Champion for Catholic Charities

As a CHAMPION for CATHOLIC CHARITIES, you are a champion in every sense of the word. Through your financial support, you provide a warm bed for someone who is homeless...food for a hungry child...emergency aid for a disaster victim...and help for a family in crisis; all of which truly makes you a champion in our eyes and in the eyes of those we serve. Please join our team today and become a CHAMPION for CATHOLIC CHARITIES by making a gift or purchasing a raffle ticket. Go to www.diometuchen.org/champions to make a gift or download a raffle form to purchase a ticket. Every gift, no matter the size, is important and greatly appreciated. Checks should be made payable to Champions for Catholic Charities and mailed to Champions for Catholic Charities, Diocese of Metuchen, PO Box 191, Metuchen, NJ 08840-0191. Questions may be directed by email to champions@diometuchen.org or by phone to 732-562-2432.

Study Theology at Georgian Court University!

All programs can be completed remotely. Master of Arts or a Graduate Certificate in Theology, with concentrations in Pastoral Ministry or Mercy Spirituality. Not sure? Take one or two classes on a non-matriculating basis to see if our programs are right for you. Generous financial aid available. New semester begins January 21, 2025. There is still time to apply. Contact department chair Johann M. Vento for more information: jvento@georgian.edu. We look forward to getting to know you and talking about your interest in studying theology.

Silver & Gold & 5 Year Wedding Anniversary Celebration

You are cordially invited to celebrate your 25th or 50th or 5th 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 20, 2024 at 3:00 PM. This year the Silver and Gold Anniversary Prayer Service will include couples celebrating 5 years of marriage. Registration is required.

Please register online at: <https://www.diometuchen.org/silver-and-gold-anniversary-celebration>. If you are unable to access, please contact the Family Life Office at 732-562-1543 or ammarshall@diometuchen.org. Registration will close on October 11, 2024. Although no fee is required, in the past many Jubilarian couples have given a donation of gratitude to the Church in memory of this special occasion. Donations of Gratitude may be made online at <https://www.diometuchen.org/silver-and-gold-anniversary-celebration> or calling 732-562-1543.



Christian Songwriter.
Artist. Storyteller.

WJ Anderson

Free Concert
Friday
October 18
7:00pm
St. Joseph Church
34 Yorktown Rd.
Hillsborough, NJ



YOUTH MINISTER MEET UP & FORMATION DAY
at **St. John Neumann Pastoral Center**
146 Metlars Ln. Piscataway, NJ

DIOCESE OF METUCHEN

Theme: Never Fail Small Groups!

All Diocese of Metuchen Youth Ministers and Youth Ministry Volunteers are invited to attend our October 19th **Youth Minister Meet-Up and Formation Day**.

Come learn advanced tactics for disciple making small groups as well as 2 simple secrets that will lead to short term success for the long haul!

DATE: OCTOBER 19, 2024

LOCATION: ST. JOHN NEUMANN PASTORAL CENTER, DINING ROOM

TIME: CHECK IN BEGINS AT 9 AM.

DAY RUNS 9:30 AM - 1:45 PM.

COST: \$15 (LUNCH IS PROVIDED)



Keynote Speaker:
Chris Bartlett, Ablaze Ministries





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OFFICE OF THE BISHOP

October 2024

Helping the Church where it is young, suffering and threatened

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

As we gather in communion this World Mission Sunday, I extend to you a heartfelt invitation from Pope Francis, inspired by the Gospel: "Go and invite everyone to the banquet (cf. Mt 22:9)." This call to mission resonates deeply with our faith's core, urging us to share God's love with the world.

Over a century ago, our own Catholic community in the United States was nurtured through the generosity of the worldwide Church that contributed to what is today this second collection. Now, we are called to extend that same generosity to our brothers and sisters in over 1,150 mission territories across Asia, Africa, Latin America, the Pacific Islands, and the Middle East.

The collection on World Mission Sunday directly supports seminaries, future religious sisters, catechists, Catholic schools that provide essential education, and healthcare centers that provide essential care, embodying the love of Christ.

As members of the Catholic Church, which is universal by its very nature, we are invited to participate actively in this mission. Our contributions and prayers on World Mission Sunday support the Church's vital work of evangelization, inviting all to experience the joy and hope found in Christ.

I urge you, dear friends, to respond generously to this call. Let us unite in prayer for the success of the Church's missionary activities and for the missionaries who dedicate their lives to spreading the Gospel. Your generosity is a powerful witness to the love and compassion at the heart of our faith.

May this World Mission Sunday deepen our commitment to the Church's universal mission. Together, let us rejoice in the opportunity to share God's love with the world, inviting everyone to the banquet of the Lord. Be assured of my prayers, gratitude and love for you and please remember to pray for me!

With renewed best wishes, I remain

Yours in Christ,

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

