

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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e-mail: stmarybb1@verizon.net

Rectory
732-384-5925



Fourth Sunday of Advent December 22, 2024



MASS INTENTIONS OF THE WEEK

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 21

St. Peter Canisius, Priest, Doctor of the Church

8:30AM +Lucia D'Lorenzo
r/o Domenica and Nicolo Accreditato

5:00PM For Our Parishioners

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT, DECEMBER 22

9:00AM God's Blessings and Health for our
Organist Paul DePass
r/o Fr. John and Parishioners

11:00AM For God's Blessings and Good Health for
One of our Parishioners

MONDAY, DECEMBER 23

St. John of Kanty, Priest

8:30AM +Estelle Rudnicki
r/o Daughter Theresa and Grandson Ronald

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 24

8:30AM For Health and God's Blessings for
Adam Paniak and Ewa Paniak
r/o Uncle Fr. John

VIGIL OF THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD (CHRISTMAS)

5:00PM God's Blessings for the Harden Family
r/o Fr. John and Parishioners

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 25

NATIVITY OF THE LORD (CHRISTMAS)

12:00AM **(Midnight)**
+Lucyna and Kazimierz Roszkowski
r/o Henryk and Wieslawa Roszkowski

9:00AM For Our Parishioners

11:00AM +Waclaw and Wladyslawa Formus
r/o Regina Grodzki

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 26

ST. STEPHEN, THE FIRST MARTYR

8:30AM Souls in Purgatory

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 27

ST. JOHN APOSTLE, EVANGELIST

8:30AM For Good Health and God's Blessings for
Ann Knob r/o Fr. John and Parishioners

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 28

THE HOLY INNOCENTS, MARTYRS

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

5:00PM Aurelia Gissoni r/o Dawn Lanner

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 29

THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH

9:00AM For God's Blessings and Good Health for
Paul DePass r/o Fr. John and Parishioners

11:00AM Birthday Blessings for Maria Paniak
r/o Brother Fr. John



**A BLESSED CHRISTMAS TO ALL
PARISHIONERS AND GUESTS.**



**BŁOGOSŁAWIONYCH ŚWIĄT
BOŻEGO NARODZENIA DLA WSZYSTKICH
PARAFIAN I GOŚCI.**

FATHER JOHN



First Reading: Micah 5:1-4a

Micah speaks of the ruler who will come from Bethlehem. He discusses how the people of Israel will be saved from corruption and live in peace.

Second Reading: Hebrews 10:5-10

Paul describes to the Hebrews how Jesus came into the world and offered to do God's will. We were saved through his sacrifice, the only offering sufficient for the sins of the world.

Gospel: Luke 1:39-45

Mary paid a visit to Elizabeth, whose baby stirred in her womb upon hearing Mary's greeting. Elizabeth filled with the Holy Spirit, cried out, "Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb." Elizabeth was deeply overjoyed that the words God had spoken to Mary had now been fulfilled.

**The Parish Office will be closed:
December 24th—January 2nd.**

Decorating our Church for Christmas:

**Monday, December 23, 2024
6:00 pm**

Please join your fellow parishioners in making St. Mary of Czestochowa the most beautifully decorated church in the Diocese.



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, Paul DePass, Anthony Cimino, Ann Knob

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

Weekly Offerings December 14-15, 2024

5:00 pm - \$ 316.00	11:00 am - \$ 583.00
9:00 am - \$ 1,406.00	Mail - \$ 220.00

Total \$ 2,525.00

Immaculate Conception Total \$746.00

Opening Mass for the Holy Year 2025

Pope Francis has declared 2025 to be a Holy Year of Jubilee for the Catholic Church, an event that takes place once every 25 years. Bishop James Checchio, in union with his brother Bishops around the world, will celebrate the diocesan Opening Mass for the Holy Year 2025 on Saturday, December 28 at 5 p.m. at the Cathedral of Saint Francis of Assisi in Metuchen, NJ. All are welcome; no ticket required.

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

As human beings we like solving puzzles about the world and universe we inhabit. The Church sees no contradiction between the scientific Big Bang theory and creation stories. The Genesis account in the Bible is about a mystery—that about our existence and our relationship to God, the creator and sustainer of life. A mystery in this sense is a sacred reality that goes beyond logical explanations. Another mystery is of when and how it will all end. Yet in today's Gospel, Jesus states quite clearly that no one can puzzle out when that end time will be. Only God knows. In the meantime our time is better spent on living our lives well now. As today's Psalm says, "You will show me the path to life, / fullness of joy in your presence, / the delights at your right hand forever" (Psalm 16:11) Isn't that promise enough?

Pope's Universal Intention for December 2024

We pray that this Jubilee Year strengthen our faith, helping us to recognize the Risen Christ in our daily lives, and that it may transform us into pilgrims of Christian hope.

Lector Schedule December 21/22 2024

5:00 pm Lector Stephanie DePass
9:00 am Lector Dawn Lanner
11:00 am Lector Elzbieta Ozog-Osewska

Christmas Lector Schedule December 24

5:00 pm Lector Dawn Lanner
12:00 am (Midnight) Dorota Sokolnicki
9:00 am Lector Frank Kolodzieski
11:00 am Lector Bozena Owsieniuk

Thank you

James-Michael DeMaio
Bridgewater Funeral Home
for New Year 2025 Calendars



Oplatki

for Christmas Vigil Dinner are available in the Meeting Room

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

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



The Mass Book for 2025 is OPEN

Each family may request :

1 Weekend Mass and 4 Weekday Masses

Your cooperation is greatly appreciated!

Mass Request Forms are available in the Parish Office.

2024 ADVENT & CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE

SIMBANG GABI

MONDAY, DECEMBER 23- 7:00 PM
Celebrant Homilist: MOST REV. JAMES F. CHECCHIO,
BISHOP OF METUCHEN

CATHEDRAL CONCERT- HANDEL'S MESSIAH

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 21- 7:00 PM

PARISH PENANCE SERVICE

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 17- 7:00 PM

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT MASSES

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 22- 7:30 AM, 9:00 AM, 10:30 AM
(12:00 NOON MASS WILL NOT BE CELEBRATED THIS DAY)

CHRISTMAS EVE MASS

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 24
4:00 PM 6:00 PM, *10:30 PM
Celebrant & Homilist

*Most Rev. James F. Checchio, Bishop of Metuchen

CHRISTMAS MASSES

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 25
7:30 AM, 9:00 AM, 10:30AM & 12:00 NOON

SOLEMNITY OF MARY, MOTHER OF GOD

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 31 - 5:00 VIGIL MASS
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 1
9:00 AM, 10:30 AM, 12:00 NOON

DAILY MASS

MONDAY-FRIDAY 7:00 AM, 8:00 AM, 12:10 PM/SATURDAY 8:00 AM

RECONCILIATION/PENANCE

Every Saturday: 1:00-2:00 pm

Please check the Mass schedule on
page 7 of the bulletin for
any changes.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION AT THE ST. FRANCIS LADY CHAPEL

"COME TO ME"

The best way to fall in love with a person
is to spend time with them.

The best way to fall in love with Jesus is
to spend time with him.

You are His beloved.

Jesus waits for you in the Holy Eucharist.

How will you respond?

Adoration hours: Monday, Tuesday,
Wednesday, Friday

8:30-5:00 p.m. **Thursday 8:30-10:00 p.m.**

For information or to schedule an hour contact:

Marie D'Amico: dghmad@aol.com



Dear Youth Ministers and Youth Leaders,

Happy Advent! As we prepare for Our Lord's coming, I hope your next few weeks are filled with many graces.

Just a few points covered in the *below* video:

1. Just as a reminder: please submit your **St. Timothy & St. Teresa Nominations** by **December 16th** (thank you in advance, deadline may be moved if truly needed).
2. Our **Diocesan Youth Day (2025)** will be on **April 5th** at Immaculata High School. Save the date!
3. There is a new movie about Our Lady (I Am the Immaculate Conception) showing in New Jersey theatres on **December 12th, 14th, and 17th**. It seems like a great movie to see with your ministry or your family. *The Flyer is below*

Please reach out with any questions.

God Bless!

Jay Donofrio
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732-243-4576

Come Pray a ROSARY for LIFE

with Bishop James F. Checchio

FRIDAY, JANUARY 24, 2025
AT 1:00 PM

MAIN STREET, WOODBRIDGE, NJ

IN SOLIDARITY WITH THE NATIONAL MARCH FOR LIFE

You are asked to park and meet in the
St. James Parish parking lot at 12:45 pm, 369 Amboy Ave, Woodbridge, NJ
There is a 12:10 pm daily Mass at St. James for those who wish to attend.
For more information, please contact amarshall@diometuchen.org





CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

Christmas Eve, Tuesday, December 24

5:00 pm (English)

12:00 am Midnight Mass (Polish)

Christmas Day, Wednesday, December 25

9:00 am (English), 11:00 am (Polish)

NEW YEAR'S SCHEDULE

*SOLEMNITY OF MARY,
THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD*

(Holy Day of Obligation)

New Year's Eve, Tuesday, December 31st

5:00 pm (English)

New Year's Day, Wednesday, January 1st

9:00am (English), 11:00 am (Polish)



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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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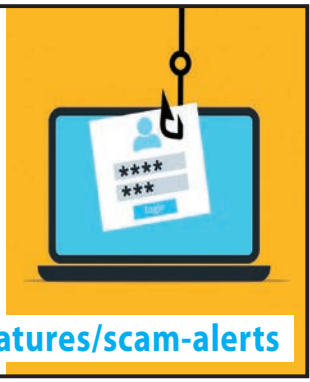
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- Identity • Money


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