

# *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

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**e-mail:** [stmarybb1@verizon.net](mailto:stmarybb1@verizon.net)

**Rectory**  
732-384-5925



## 2ND SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME JANUARY 19, 2025

### MASS INTENTIONS OF THE WEEK

#### SATURDAY, JANUARY 18

8:30AM +Jadwiga and Witold Bohdanowicz  
r/o Malgorzata Bogdanowicz

5:00PM For the Souls in Purgatory r/o Parishioner

#### SECOND SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME JANUARY 19

9:00AM For Health and God's Blessings for  
Madeline Deleski on her Birthday  
r/o Deleski Family

11:00AM For the Intentions of the Blessed Virgin  
Mary r/o Malgorzata Bogdanowicz

#### MONDAY, JANUARY 20

St. Fabian, Pope, Martyr; St. Sebastian, Martyr

8:30AM +Ronald Jones  
r/o Wife Theresa and Son Ronald Jr.

#### TUESDAY, JANUARY 21

St. Agnes, Virgin Martyr

8:30AM For the Deceased Members of the  
Kucharski Family  
r/o Malgorzata Bogdanowicz

#### WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 22

8:30AM For the Unborn r/o Altar Rosary Society

#### THURSDAY, JANUARY 23

St. Vincent, Deacon, Martyr (USA);

St. Marianne Cope, Virgin

8:30AM +William Juniver r/o Patricia O'Reilly

#### FRIDAY, JANUARY 24

St. Francis de Sales, Bishop, Doctor of the Church

8:30AM For Our Parishioners

#### SATURDAY, JANUARY 25

THE CONVERSION OF SAINT PAUL, THE APOSTLE

8:30AM For Health and God's Blessings for  
Alina and Zdzislaw Liszewski  
r/o Son Gregor with Family

5:00PM For Health of Fr. Grzegorz Oskwarek,  
OSPPE (Pauline Priest) r/o Fr. John

#### THIRD SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME JANUARY 26

9:00AM For Health and God's Blessings for  
Theresa Rudnicki-Jones  
r/o Altar Rosary Society

11:00AM +Kazimiera Pluta  
r/o Malgorzata Bogdanowicz

#### First Reading: Isaiah 62:1-5

Isaiah prophesizes that Jerusalem will again be held in high esteem by God. He states that all nations will witness its glory. He compares a groom's joy toward his bride to the joy that God will feel toward Jerusalem.

#### Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 12:4-11

Paul discusses the different gifts and talents bestowed upon different individuals. He explains that each individual receives various talents so that everyone can contribute something to society.

#### Gospel: John 2:1-11

Jesus and Mary attended a wedding where Mary informed Jesus that there was no more wine. At first he said it did not concern him, but then he turned several jugs of water into wine. His disciples were also present, and believed in him more strongly after they witnessed the first sign of glory he revealed to them.

### REFLECTION

In the first reading, God speaks in the language of a spouse and names Israel "Espoused" and "My Delight." As a bridegroom rejoices in his bride, so we are told God will rejoice in the people of Israel. The image of a marriage is familiar to Israel, but it is God who first uses it in this way. The mystery of our extraordinary relationship with God is often found in our own simple everyday realities.

When ordinary water and waiters and wine stewards and mothers wait on God's action in Jesus, they come to know something about God's life among them. Today's Gospel reading gives us signs that disclose who Jesus is. They give us insight into what the wedding of God and humankind means. At Cana, Jesus made a wonderful first impression, one that has been borne out down to this day. The wedding at Cana began the disclosure of how well it goes when humanity is wed to divinity.

Like drawn water, like Israel, like Mary and the apostles, we can recognize our maker and redeemer. When God seems far away, we founder. When we are called, we spark to life and are made new. We know ourselves anew. We are God's delight. We possess new voices to sing a new song, for our life is received fresh and new. This is a great miracle, one far greater than turning water into wine.

#### Pope's Universal Intention for January 2025

For the right to an education. Let us pray for migrants, refugees and those affected by war, that their right to an education, which is necessary to build a better world, might always be respected.

## Lector Schedule January 18-19, 2025

5:00 pm Lector Jazel Werner  
9:00 am Lector Dawn Lanner  
11:00 am Lector Anna Roszkowska

## PARISHIONERS PRAYER LIST

### **NURSING HOME/ASSISTED LIVING:**

Joanne Felegi, Michael Gacek, Michael Sikora, Deborah Vance

**HOMEBOUND:** Patricia D'Allesandro, Mary Freligh, 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 January 11-12, 2025

5:00 pm - \$ 106.00	11:00 am - \$ 219.00
9:00 am - \$ 2,219.00	Mail - \$ 354.00

**Total \$ 2,898.00**

**Reminder: The weekend of January 25th thru 26th we will have a 2nd collection for the Foundation for Catholic Education.** The entire proceeds benefit financial aid to students attending diocesan and parochial elementary and high schools in the Diocese of Metuchen.

## **Stewardship Scriptural Reflections**

*"To each individual the manifestation of the Spirit is given for some benefit."* - 1 CORINTHIANS 12:7  
St. Paul tells us that God has blessed each of us for a reason. How has God blessed you? Are you using your gifts according to God's plan? How are you helping to build God's kingdom here on earth? Remember that if you don't do the work God planned for you, no one else can do it. Live the life God has intended for you. Take time to discern your charisms (gifts from the Holy Spirit). Experience the supernatural Peace and Joy God desires for each of us.

**The Parish office will be closed on January 20th in observance of the Martin Luther King Holiday. We will re-open on Tuesday, January 21.**



**CONGRATULATIONS**  
**And**  
**BEST WISHES**

**To**  
**Donald J. Trump**  
**47th President of the**  
**United States of America**  
**Monday, January 20, 2025**

## CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS

If you would like to receive a statement of your 2024 Church Contributions for tax purposes, please fill out the form below and return it in the collection basket or place in the front office mailbox.

**Envelope Number:** \_\_\_\_\_

**NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_

**ADDRESS:** \_\_\_\_\_

**You must fill out this form to receive a statement. Contribution statements will not be sent out automatically.**



We are pleased to announce our pilgrimage to Washington DC for the Annual March for Life. We are blessed to be able to journey together again this year to be witnesses to God's precious gift of Life in all its stages.

The March is on Friday, January 24, 2025 rain or shine (or snow). There will be a Mass at 6:30am at the Cathedral.

The bus will depart at 7:00 am from Library Place.

Refreshments will be provided on the bus. We will make one rest stop each way. You are welcome to bring lunch or purchase something at the rest stop.

The cost this year will be \$25 per person. Contact Kara Kwiatkowski, [kkwiatkowski@stfranciscathedral.org](mailto:kkwiatkowski@stfranciscathedral.org)

Reservations will be on a first come/first served basis.

### 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](mailto:jvento@georgian.edu). We look forward to getting to know you and talking about your interest in studying theology.

### Eschatology Classes 2025

**Eschatology Part I: Vision of Hope** presented by Fr. Glenn J. Comandini, S.T.D.

\$20 - February 6 to March 13 - St. John Neumann Pastoral Center - 10:30 AM to 11:30 AM

This introductory course will propose that the study of the last things, end times and creation of a new heaven and new earth pivots on the axis of hope. We will explore the major themes of eschatology: the Second Coming, Heaven, hell and purgatory and also examine the resurrection of the body, particular judgment and final judgment.

**Eschatology Part II: The Book of Revelation** presented by Fr. Glenn J. Comandini, S.T.D.

\$20 - March 20 to May 29 - St. John Neumann Pastoral Center - 10:30 AM to 11:30 AM

In this continuation of the first course, we will examine this final book of the New Testament and the Apocalypse. We will dedicate extra attention, using Catholic exegesis, on The Seven Letters, The Seven Seals, The Seven Trumpets, The Woman Clothed with the Sun, The Dragon and the Lamb, The Seven Bowls, the Fate of Babylon and The Heavenly Rider. For more information or to register: [www.diometuchen.org/faith-formation](http://www.diometuchen.org/faith-formation) or call 732-562-1543

### Retrouvaille

February 28 – March 2, 2025

Stress In Your Marriage?

- \* Do you feel lost, alone or bored in your marriage?
- \* Are you frustrated, hurt or angry with your spouse?
- \* Have you thought about separation or divorce?
- \* Does talking about it only make it worse?

RETROUVAILLE is a Lifeline to Help Couples Heal and Renew their Marriages sponsored by the Office of Family Life, Diocese of Metuchen, NJ.

RETROUVAILLE consists of a weekend experience for married couples (no group discussions) with four follow-up sessions. The upcoming weekend is February 28 – March 2, 2025. All inquiries are confidential. For further information, please contact Rich Colasuonno 732-236-0671 or Annette Colasuonno 732-672-0748 or email

[3024@helpourmarriage.org](mailto:3024@helpourmarriage.org).

### CATHOLIC SCHOOL 2025-2026 TUITION ASSISTANCE ONLINE APPLICATION PROCESS OPEN

Families interested in applying for tuition assistance to attend an eligible Diocese of Metuchen elementary or high school may apply online now through FACTS Grant & Aid Assessment at <https://online.factsmgt.com/aid>. Online applications must be completed (including all required documentation) by no later than **March 31, 2025**. A **signed Parish Verification Form** is also required by the Diocese, and should be signed by your Pastor, and submitted to the school or schools your children attend. Eligibility requirements, instructions and forms can be found at <https://diometuchen.org/tuition-assistance>. Applications are available in English and Spanish.

### Virtual Workshop for Marriage-Minded Catholic Singles February 11-March 25, 2025

Building Forever – A course for marriage-minded Catholic singles to discover healthy habits, build virtue, avoid common mistakes and so much more! Every Tuesday from February 11 – March 25, 2025 at 7:00 PM on Zoom.

To register visit: <https://www.ihccnj.com/buildingforever>

For more information email [cdaver-so@diometuchen.org](mailto:cdaver-so@diometuchen.org)

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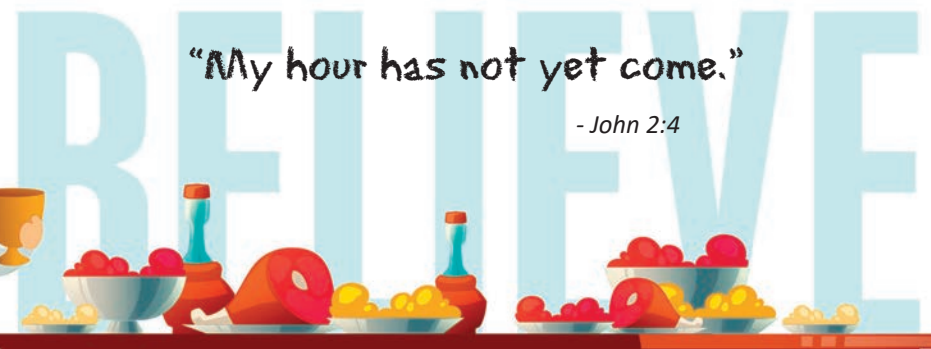
## Gospel Today Second Sunday in Ordinary Time | John 2:1-11

When the wine at the wedding feast at Cana ran out, Mary instructed the servers to do what Jesus tells them. Jesus performed His first miracle, changing the jugs of water to wine, better than had already been served. As Jesus revealed His glory, His disciples began to believe in Him.

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### BIBLE WORD SEARCH

Find all the words... left, right, up, down or diagonally.



"My hour has not yet come."  
- John 2:4

- Third
- Day
- Wedding
- Cana
- Galilee
- Mother
- Jesus
- Disciples
- Invited
- Wine
- Ran
- Short
- Six
- Stone
- Jars
- Twenty
- Thirty
- Gallons
- Filled
- Miracle
- Tasted
- Water
- Signs
- Ministry
- Called
- Best
- Beginning
- Transformed
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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

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