

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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BAPTIZED
INTO
THE BODY
OF CHRIST

**MASS INTENTIONS
OF THE WEEK**

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

MONDAY, JANUARY 27

St. Angela Merici, Virgin

- 8:30AM +Barbara Lanner r/o Daughter Dawn Lanner

TUESDAY, JANUARY 28

St. Thomas Aquinas, Priest, Doctor of the Church

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

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 29

- 8:30AM For Our Parishioners

THURSDAY, JANUARY 30

- 8:30AM +Fr. Ceslaus Jasionowski r/o Altar Rosary Society

FRIDAY, JANUARY 31

St. John Bosco, Priest

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

FIRST SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 1

- 8:30AM For the Living and Deceased Members of the Ptaszynski and Cichoski Families r/o Ptaszynski Family
- 5:00PM +Annette Rossilli r/o Dawn Lanner

**THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD
FEBRUARY 2**

- 9:00AM +Mieczyslaw and Regina Ptaszynski r/o Ptaszynski Family
- 11:00AM +Marianna Jedrzejczyk r/o Friends and Family

**3RD SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME
JANUARY 26, 2025**

First Reading: Nehemiah 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10

Ezra gathered the people and read to them from the book of the Law of God. He interpreted the law clearly, so that everyone understood what he had read. He then told them to go and rejoice in the Lord.

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 12:12-30

Paul explains that a body is composed of many different parts, and that each part has its' own purpose and is important. He compares this to the Church, describing how we are one body composed of many members. All members should show concern for each other and understand that we are all vital to the body as a whole.

Gospel: Luke 1:1-4, 4:14-21

Luke discusses his decision to write about the events he and the other disciples had witnessed. He begins by telling of Jesus reading a passage from the book of Isaiah, where the anointed one is portrayed. Jesus finished by telling the people that they had seen that passage fulfilled in their hearing.



**First Saturday Devotions
February 1, 2025**

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)

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.

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 18-19, 2025

5:00 pm - \$ 403.00	11:00 am - \$ 645.00
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9:00 am - \$ 687.00	Mail - \$ 260.00
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Total \$ 1,995.00

Fuel Collection Total \$1,279.00

The 2nd collection for Catholic Spirit will be taken on February 1 and 2. Donations for The Catholic Spirit will supplement the newspaper's free distribution to the parishes.

A Special Collection for the victims of the Wildfires in California will be taken up on February 15 and 16. The proceeds will go to Catholic Charities USA who are coordinating assistance throughout the country, and the Archdiocese of Los Angeles for their local use particularly through their own Catholic Charities.

Stewardship Scriptural Reflections

“Go, eat rich foods and drink sweet drinks, and allot portions to those who had nothing prepared...” - NEHEMIAH 8:10

Ezra's instructions to the people show us that God does not forbid us from enjoying the good things in life. He wants us to be happy! However, God expects us to be grateful for all that He has given us and to generously share our blessings with those who are in need. Now here's the hard part – to share all we have without expecting anything in return.

Lector Schedule January 25-26, 2025

5:00 pm Lector	Joseph Pizzo
9:00 am Lector	Martha Ptaszynski
11:00 am Lector	Bozena Owsieniuk



**On Saturday,
February 1st and
Sunday 2nd**

**Throats will be
blessed in honor of
St. Blaise. (February 3rd)**



ALTAR ROSARY SOCIETY

St. Mary's Altar Rosary Society is seeking New Members.

If you are interested in becoming a member please come join us for coffee! Our next meeting is February 9, 2025 after the 9:00 AM Mass.

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 Mass Book for 2025 is OPEN

Each family may request :

1 Weekend Mass and 4 Weekday Masses
Your cooperation is greatly appreciated!



Please remember in your prayers the repose of the soul of

Catherine McAlick.

Eternal rest grant unto her O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon her. May she rest in peace. Amen.

"The Activated Disciple" Virtual Women's Group

Are you ready to take your faith to the next level? The Diocesan virtual Women's Group will be beginning Jeff Cavins' book, "The Activated Disciple" on January 26th. The group meets each Sunday at 2:30 PM on Zoom. Participants must purchase the book to participate. For details or to join, please contact Cristina at cdaverso@diometuchen.org

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

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 or call 732-562-1543

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 cdaverso@diometuchen.org

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.

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Gospel Today

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time | Luke 1:1-4, 4:14-21

After being anointed by the power of The Holy Spirit at His Baptism, Jesus went to His hometown of Nazareth and read from the scroll of the prophet Isaiah. Then Jesus told the people in the synagogue that by His reading, the scripture is fulfilled—made real.

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“Today this scripture passage is fulfilled in your hearing.”

LUKE 4:21

Jesus had many followers and believers. Among them were the poor, captives, blind and oppressed.

Prophet Isaiah

“The _____ of the Lord is upon me,
because He has _____ me to
bring glad tidings to the _____. He has sent me
to proclaim liberty to _____
and recovery of sight to the _____, and
let the _____ go free,
and to proclaim a year acceptable to the Lord.”

Luke 4:18-19

The words of the prophet Isaiah were talking about the works of...

a] Luke b] Jesus c] Isaiah



Fill in the blanks with the **bolded**, underlined words. The answers are in today's Gospel reading.



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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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