

# 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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Rectory  
732-384-5925



## MASS INTENTIONS OF THE WEEK

### **SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 8**

***St. Jerome Emiliani; St. Josephine Bakhita***

- 8:30AM For Health and God's Blessings for Paul DePass r/o Fr. John and Parishioners
- 5:00PM For the Deceased Bernardine Sisters who served and taught in our Parish r/o Fr. John and Parishioners

### **5TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME FEBRUARY 9**

- 9:00AM For the Living and Deceased Members of the Altar Rosary Society
- 11:00AM +Marian and Zofia Ozog r/o Granddaughter Ela

### **MONDAY, FEBRUARY 10**

***St. Scholastica, Virgin***

- 8:30AM For Diane Urbielewicz on Her Birthday r/o Fr. John

### **TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 11**

***OUR LADY OF LOURDES***

- 8:30AM +Jan Stec r/o Son Fr. John

### **WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 12**

- 8:30AM For Our Parishioners

### **THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 13**

- 8:30AM +George D. Marish Jr. r/o Fr. John and Parishioners

### **FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 14**

***Sts. Cyril, Monk, and Methodius, Bishop***

- 8:30AM +George D. Marish Jr. r/o Malgorzata Bogdanowicz

### **SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 15**

- 8:30AM +Bernard Graebener r/o Karen Graebener
- 5:00PM For the Deceased Members of the Galgan Family r/o Daniel Galgan

### **6TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME FEBRUARY 16**

- 9:00AM +Anna Karcz r/o Friend
- 11:00AM For Lukasz Roszkowski on His Birthday r/o Wife Anna

### **Pope's Universal Intention for February 2025**

For vocations to the priesthood and religious life. Let us pray that the ecclesial community might welcome the desires and doubts of those young people who feel a call to serve Christ's mission in the priesthood and religious life.

### **5TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME FEBRUARY 9, 2025**

*"Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching men."  
Luke 5:9-11*

#### **First Reading: Isaiah 6:1-2a, 3-8**

Isaiah recounts the awe he felt the first time he saw the Lord, who was surrounded by angels. He began to feel despair because he was a man of unclean lips, until an angel touched an ember to his lips and pronounced them clean. The Lord asked who he should send forth, to which Isaiah replied, "Here I am, send me!"

#### **Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 15:1-11**

Paul reminds the Corinthians that Christ died for us to free us from our sins. He encourages them to remember the importance of Jesus' death and resurrection. He admits that he initially failed to believe, and therefore was very grateful to be called an apostle and preach in the name of Christ.

#### **Gospel: Luke 5:1-11**

Luke tells of Jesus preaching to a crowd, then joining Peter who was about to end a fruitless day of fishing. He told Peter to lower his net back in, and a great number of fish were caught. Upon seeing this, Peter and his companions, James and John, immediately abandoned their nets to follow Jesus.

## ***OUR LADY of LOURDES*** **Feast Day February 11**

Yearly, over 2 million people journey to southeastern France to Lourdes, seeking cures, answers, believing, and praying.

On February 11, 1858, Mary appeared to 14-year-old Bernadette Soubirous, followed by 17 visits, many with 20,000 people present. When Bernadette asked the Lady's identity, she replied, "I am the Immaculate Conception."

Just four years earlier, the pope had proclaimed it a dogma that Mary was conceived immaculate without original sin. The Blessed Virgin, through Bernadette, had come to call sinners to a change of heart. Her message was a request for prayer and penance. She directed Bernadette to tell the priests that a chapel was to be built on the site and processions held.

On February 25, 1858, Our Lady told Bernadette to dig in the dirt and drink of the stream. After several attempts, she found the water and drank. The water continued to flow from that spot until it was producing over 32,000 gallons of water a day—as it still does. Over 5,000 cures have been recorded, but less than 100 of them have been declared miraculous by the Church. Most have taken place during the blessing with the Blessed Sacrament.

## 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

**February 1-2, 2025**

5:00 pm - \$ 678.00      11:00 am - \$ 790.00

9:00 am - \$ 1,050.00      Mail - \$ 285.00

**Total \$ 2,803.00**

**Catholic Spirit - Total \$700.00**

*Special 2nd Collection for*

***Victims of the Wildfires in California***

*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.

### 2025 Bishop's Annual Appeal

***PILGRIMS OF HOPE: Journeying Together in Faith, Hope and Charity***

Please watch your mailbox for a letter from Bishop Checchio coming to you this week announcing the 2025 Bishop's Annual Appeal. Visit the diocesan website [www.diometuchen.org](http://www.diometuchen.org) to learn the many ways your gift touches the lives of the faithful throughout Middlesex, Somerset, Hunterdon and Warren counties. Thanks to your generosity to the Appeal, together we are serving as instruments of hope, bringing comfort and counsel to those in crisis. We are also providing the formation of our future priests and deacons, inspiring our children and young adults to embrace our Catholic faith, and so much more. Please be as generous as your means allow.

## Lector Schedule February 8-9, 2025

5:00 pm Lector    Joseph Pizzo

9:00 am Lector    Dawn Lanner

11:00 am Lector    Anna Roszkowska

## Stewardship Scriptural Reflections

*"Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, 'Whom shall I send? Who will go for us?' 'Here I am,' I said, 'send me!'" - ISAIAH 6:8*

Every day, in little ways and in big ways, God asks, "Whom shall I send?" Whether it is someone to take on a new ministry, to give a friendly smile to a stranger or to say a word of encouragement to a friend, God constantly provides opportunities to help someone in need. God is always talking to us; we just need to pay more attention. When you hear God calling have the courage to walk through the door and say, "Here I am, Lord."



## 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 March 9, 2025 after the 9:00 AM Mass.

## 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.**

## 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).

## 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

## 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)

## 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.

## 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](mailto:dghmad@aol.com)

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## Gospel Today

### Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time | Luke 5:1-11

Simon-Peter, James and John were uncertain about another attempt at fishing, since they were out all night and caught nothing. They faithfully obeyed Jesus' command and filled their nets overflowing. With belief and trust in Jesus, they left everything and followed Him.

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answer: fish

Find and write the missing letters  
(from A to Z) **NOT** listed.



Unscramble the letters and fill in the blanks  
to complete the sentence below.

**“Don’t be afraid;  
from now on you will**

\_\_\_\_\_

**for people.”**

LUKE 5:10



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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.*

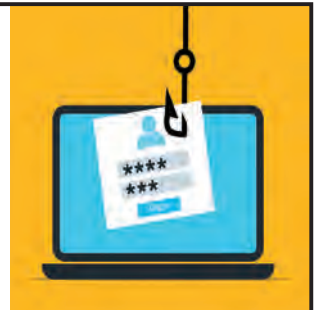
## BEWARE OF PHISHING EMAILS

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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