# 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 Ph: 732-356-0358 Fax: 732-356-5348 Website: www.stmarys-boundbrook.com e-mail: stmarybb1@verizon.net

Rectory 732-384-5925



### FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT March 9, 2025

"One does not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes forth from the mouth of God"

# MASS INTENTIONS

### SATURDAY, MARCH 8 St. John of God, Religious

8:30AM +Anna Cunder

r/o Dominick & Joann Cunder, Daughter Cynthia & Family

5:00PM +Edmund Brzuskiewicz

r/o Daughter Myra Kurkowski

### FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT MARCH 9

9:00AM Living and Deceased Members of

St. Mary's Altar Rosary Society

11:00AM +Wiktoria and Franciszek Pakosz

r/o Son and Grandchildren

### **MONDAY, MARCH 10**

8:30AM +Sister Mary Agnella Zolandz r/o Ptaszynski Family

### TUESDAY, MARCH 11

8:30AM +John Bruder r/o Patricia O'Reilly

### **WEDNESDAY, MARCH 12**

8:30AM For Our Parishioners

### THURSDAY, MARCH 13

8:30AM +Janina Krystyna Losiewicz

r/o Daughter Malgorzata Bogdanowicz

### FRIDAY, MARCH 14

8:30AM God's Blessings for Unborn Children

r/o Dominick and Joann Cunder &

the Lynch Family

### **SATURDAY, MARCH 15**

8:30AM Deceased Members of the Farrell &

Graebener Families r/o Karen Graebener

5:00PM +Giovanni Bonello r/o Maria Bonello

### SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT MARCH 16

9:00AM +Theodore Lepionka r/o Daughter Nancy

11:00AM + Maria Krawiec

r/o Husband Adam and Daughters

### First Reading: Deuteronomy 26:4-10

Moses discusses the power God has displayed in freeing his people from oppression and leading them to a rich land. He tells the people that they should make offerings to God to show their gratitude, then celebrate over the great things he has given them.

#### Second Reading: Romans 10:8-13

Paul tells us that if we proclaim, "Jesus is Lord" and truly believe that God raised him from the dead, we will be saved. For God shows his mercy toward everyone who calls upon his name.

#### Gospel: Luke 4:1-13

Jesus fasted in the desert for forty days, then Satan appeared to him and tempted him to turn stone into bread. After Jesus refused, Satan promised him great powers if Jesus would worship him. Jesus replied that he would worship God and no one else. Then Satan tried to persuade Jesus to put God to the test, but again Jesus resisted his temptation.

### **HIS WORD TODAY**

by Rev. William J. Reilly

## First Sunday of Lent March 9, 2025

"What does the Scripture say? 'The word is near you, on your lips and in your heart (that is, the word of faith we preach.) For if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord, and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved.'... When the devil had finished all this temptation he left him, to await another opportunity."

Our journey of Lent, a special time of spiritual renewal has begun. We can live this unique opportunity well, as it never more will return. Through our prayer, sacrifices and good works, we will walk the road of holiness. During this period, countless opportunities await us to deepen our relationship with Christ.

The word of Paul to Romans is a personal invitation to open the bible each day, select a passage, think about what it says, offer a prayer and live the word.

### **Pope's Universal Intentions for March 2025**

For families in crisis, let us pray that broken families might discover the cure for their wounds through forgiveness, rediscovering each other's gifts, even in their differences.

### PARISHIONERS PRAYER LIST

### NURSING HOME/ASSISTED LIVING:

Joanne Felegi, Michael Gacek, Michael Sikora, Deborah Vance, Mary Freligh, Richard Freligh, Frank Stock, Barbara Mendel

**HOMEBOUND**: Patricia D'Allesandro, Rose Guido, Dolores Gumerlock, , Millie Della Peruta, Lorraine Deleski, Madeline Wojciechowski, Marcella Spioch, Walter Urbielewicz, Dorothy Spioch, 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 March 1-2, 2025

5:00 pm - \$ 335.00 11:00 am - \$ 592.00 9:00 am - \$ 994.00 Mail - \$ 410.00

Total \$2,331.00

### 2025 Bishop's Annual Appeal

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

Your gift to the Bishop's Annual Appeal supports a number of diocesan ministries dedicated to faith formation. Through *Discipleship Formation for Children* and our *Catholic schools, Youth & Young Adult Ministry, Campus Ministry at Rutgers* and the *Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults*, we are reaching out to children, teens, young adults and older adults new to our Catholic Church. These ministries help people of all ages grow in their knowledge and practice of the faith, experience a meaningful sense of service to the community, and come to a deeper understanding of their call to discipleship. Please prayerfully consider a gift today.

### **Diocese of Metuchen**

### 2025 Bishop's Annual Appeal

**Summary Information as of 02.28.2025** 

Goal \$ 33,000.00
Total Pledged & Received: \$ 2,985.00
Amount Received: \$ 2,985.00

### Lector Schedule March 8-9, 2025

5:00 pm Lector Dawn Lanner 9:00 am Lector Martha Ptaszynski 11:00 am Lector Elzbieta Ozog-Osewska



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

#### IN THE DESERT

Jesus was led by the Spirit into the desert for forty days, and then the devil tested him. Moses and the Israelites had been in the desert for forty years before being led to the land of milk and honey. There were times when they called out to God, sure that, as Saint Paul wrote to the Romans, "everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved." We sometimes spend time in the desert as well. Not a literal desert most of the time, but a desert in which it seems difficult to perceive God's presence, times when we face difficulty and are tempted to leave God's ways behind. On this First Sunday of Lent, Jesus shows us what to do in these moments: stand firm and trust in God.

### 2025 Lenten Obligations

- 1. The days of both fast and abstinence are Ash Wednesday (March 5) and Good Friday (April 18).
- 2. The other Fridays of Lent (March 7,14,21,28,April 4 and 11) are days of Abstinence.
- 3. Fasting in the Roman Catholic tradition, means to limit oneself to one full meal with two smaller meals which together do not equal the size of your full meal. The obligation of fasting applies only to Catholics between the ages of 18 and 59.
- 4. Abstinence, in the Roman Catholic tradition, means to abstain from eating meat (beef, chicken, pork, turkey, etc.). The obligation of Abstinence applies to all Catholics who have reached the age of 14.

# Stations of the Cross During Lent

Fridays ~ 12:00 noon ~ English 7:00 pm ~ Polish

### Gorzkie Zale

(Lenten Lamentations)

Every Sunday during Lent after the 11:00 AM Mass



#### DAY OF PRAYER FOR WOMEN

April 5, 2025



'My trust is in the Lord, and I stand ready for whatever he sends." St Lucy Ellipoini

To register online: filippiniusa.org

The Religious Teachers Filippini invite you to a day of extraordinary grace

Conference, Mass & Confession with Rev. Anthony Randazzo

Arrival: 9:30 am - Departure: 3:00 pm Bring your own bag lunch. Beverages will be provided through the day.

> Villa Walsh 455 Western Avenue Morristown, New Jersey

For More Information, contact: Sr. Alice Ivanyo MPF sralicei@gmail.com 732-238-9222

### CATHOLIC SCHOOL 2025-2026 TUITION ASSISTANCE

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, signed by your Pastor, and submitted to the school(s) your children attend. Eligibility requirements, instructions and forms can be found at:

https://diometuchen.org/tuition-assistance

# EUCHARISTIC ADORATION AT THE ST. FRANCIS LADY CHAPEL

"Соме то Ме"

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

### **Corporal Works of Mercy**

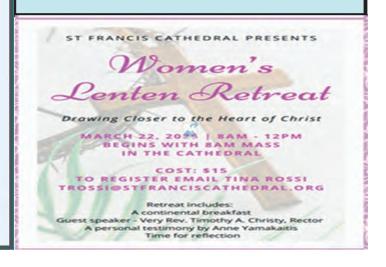
- Feed the hungry (help out at a soup kitchen, donate food)
- Give drink to the thirsty (show hospitality to those in need)
- Welcome the stranger (be welcoming to those you meet)
- Clothe the naked (donate clothing to a shelter)
- Visit the sick (visit the homebound)
- Visit the prisoner (join a prison ministry team or offer support to them)
- Bury the dead (visit a cemetery, pray for the dead)

### **Eschatology Classes 2025**

<u>Eschatology Part II: The Book of Revelation</u> 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





# Gospel Today First Sunday of Lent | Luke 4: 1-13

While Jesus was in the desert for forty days, He resisted temptation and was guarded by angels. Jesus kept His faith - His loyalty and allegiance to only God.

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For God commands the angels to guard you in all your ways.

Psalm 91:11

# BIBLE WORD SEARCH

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



Like Jesus, whose faith was tested in the desert, let us also remain loyal to God as we:



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Fasted Desert	Т	Ε	V	R	Ε	S	Ε	Α	R	G	Α	T	0	M
Forty Days	Y	0	D	G	T	0	M	В	D	F	Ε	Н	S	W
Angels Guarded	Н	U	Ν	G	R	Υ	Р	D	Е	R	Е	F	F	0
Resisted Temptation	Е	Α	Α	Ε	N	0	Т	S	D	Α	Y	S	Α	R
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Get involved www.stjude.org

### 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

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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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## **BEWARE OF PHISHING EMAILS**

Scammers are after your:

- Passwords
- Finanical Information
- Identity Money

For information on common scams, please visit

www.consumer.ftc.gov/features/scam-alerts

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