

St. Mary of Czestochowa Church

Established 1914

201 Vosseller Avenue

Bound Brook, New Jersey 08805

REV. JOHN STEC, ADMINISTRATOR

**THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT
DECEMBER 14, 2025**



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:

Tuesday & Thursday: 9:00am - 12:00noon & 2:00pm - 5:00pm
Wednesday: 2:00pm - 5:00pm

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
Parish Secretary: Dawn Lanner

Rejoice!



SATURDAY, DECEMBER 13 - St. Lucy, Virgin, Martyr

- 8:30AM +Barbara Dabrowski
r/o Miroslaw Dabrowski
- 5:00PM +Dorothy Cimino
r/o Lorraine Deleski and Family

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT **SUNDAY, DECEMBER 14**

- 9:00AM Living and Deceased Members of
St. Mary's Altar Rosary Society
- 11:00AM +Czeslawa Gnap
r/o Beata and George Gnap

MONDAY, DECEMBER 15

- 8:30AM For the Souls in Purgatory
r/o Teresa Zawrotna

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 16

- 8:30AM +Maria Krawiec
r/o Husband Adam and Daughters

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 17

- 8:30AM For Our Parishioners

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 18

- 8:30AM +Stanley Wasilewski r/o Fr. John

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 19

- 8:30AM +Losiewicz Family
r/o Malgorzata Bogdanowicz

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 20

- 8:30AM +Ana and Esteban Diaz
r/o Family Members
- 5:00PM For Health and God's Blessings for
Walter Urbielewicz
r/o Parishioners

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT **SUNDAY, DECEMBER 21**

- 9:00AM +Myra Kurkowski r/o Grandsons
- 11:00AM +Jozef and Helena Kasprzak
r/o Jozef and Joanna Kupczak

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"Amen, I say to you, among those born of women there has been none greater than John the Baptist; yet, the least in the kingdom of

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

First Reading: Isaiah 35:1-6a, 10

Isaiah tells us that when Christ comes, the weak will be made strong, the deaf will hear, the blind will see, and, above all, "sorrow and mourning will flee."

Second Reading: James 5:7-10

As the farmer waits patiently through winter and spring for the "yield of the soil" so, too, must we wait patiently for the coming of the Messiah.

Gospel: Matthew 11:2-11

While in prison, John sends a messenger to Jesus to ask, "Are you He who is to come or do we look for another?" Jesus replies by citing the miracles he has performed for the blind, the deaf, and the crippled. He concludes by identifying John as the messenger He has sent to prepare the way.

Second Collection Today!

RETIREMENT FUND FOR RELIGIOUS

Proceeds from this collection will be designated exclusively to support retired religious sisters and brothers of the United States.

2026 Calendars

Polish and English Versions

Are available in the Meeting Room & at the rear of the Church



We extend our sincere appreciation to

Bridgewater Funeral Home

For their support and donation of the calendars for our parishioners and friends.



PARISHIONERS PRAYER LIST

NURSING HOME/ASSISTED LIVING:

Michael Gacek, Michael Sikora, Deborah Vance, Mary Freligh, Richard Freligh, Frank Stock, Barbara Mendel, Theresa Rudnicki-Jones

HOMEBOUND: Patricia D'Allesandro, Rose Guido, Dolores Gumerlock, Millie Della Peruta, Lorraine Deleski, Marcella Spioch, Ann Knob, Walter Urbielewicz, Dorothy Spioch, Anthony Cimino

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

Weekly Offering December 6-7, 2025

5:00pm - \$ 451.00	11:00am - \$ 530.00
9:00am - \$ 1,289.00	Mail - \$ 615.00

Total \$ 2,885.00

The Parish Office will be closed:
Thursday, December 24th
through
Monday, January 5th.

Wallet Cards for Catholics

Are now available in the back of the church and adjacent to the elevator.

Please take several to give to family and friends.

Fill out the card and keep in you purse or wallet at all times.

The Mass Book for 2026 is now Open

Each family may offer
2 weekend & 5 weekday Masses

Additional Masses may be scheduled after the initial period (TBD) to allow all parishioners to submit their requests. Mass offerings are \$10.00 and payable at the time Masses are scheduled.

**Your understanding and cooperation
is greatly appreciated!!!**

Pope's Universal Intention for December 2025

For Christians in area of conflict

Let us pray that Christians living in areas of war or conflict, especially the Middle East, might be seeds of peace, reconciliation, and hope.

Lector Schedule

December 13-14, 2025

Saturday
5:00pm

Joseph Pizzo

Sunday
9:00am

Janice Smith

11:00am

Dorota Sokolnicki

Decorating of our Church
will take place on
Monday, December 22 - 6pm



Please join us!! All are welcome!

5 Steps **to Making a Good Confession**

1. **Examination of Conscience** - Recall your sins
2. **Contrition** - Be sorry for your sins
3. **Resolve** not to sin again
4. **Confess** your sins to a priest
5. **Penance** - Perform the penance assigned to you

"If we confess our sins, he is faithful to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness"
1 John 1:9



Confession

Monday, December 15th 7:00PM-8:00PM
Multiple priests will be hearing confessions

SINGERS NEEDED

FOR OUR ENGLISH CHRISTMAS MASS

Old, young, men, women, families. Leave your contact information with our organist after Mass or at the church office.



Also seeking volunteers for MUSIC MINISTRY Cantors at our English SUNDAY and HOLY DAY Masses.

Please visit the choir loft, and leave your contact information with our organist, Mr. Lasko, or with the church office.

Contact information forms are located by the elevator and on the back table of the church upstairs. Thank you!!



Oplatki (Christmas Wafers)

For Christmas Vigil Dinner
are now available
in the Meeting Room

Christmas Ornaments for Sale

Sponsored by **St. Mary's Altar Rosary Society**
Suggested donation: \$4 each or 2 for \$5

Located in the Meeting Room



Handel's Messiah — Choral Concert

On **Saturday, December 20 at 7:30 PM**, The Saint Francis Cathedral Choir and Orchestra will give their annual presentation of George Frederik Handel's timeless oratorio, **Messiah**.

Under the baton of Christopher M. C. Deibert, conductor, the Advent/Christmas portion of this work will be performed in its entirety, along with excerpts from the second and third parts. Don't miss this delightful candlelit concert, set in beautiful Gothic Revival architectural surroundings. A wine and cheese reception will follow the concert.

Stress in your Marriage?



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FOR MORE INFO OR REGISTRATION:
RICH COLASUONNO @ 732-236-0671,
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For more information, email Dawn at
DRannie@ccdom.org.



Christmas Mass Schedule

Christmas Eve,

Wednesday, December 24

5:00PM (English)

Midnight Mass (Polish)

Christmas Day,

Thursday, December 25

9:00AM (English) 11:00AM (Polish)



New Year's Schedule

Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God

(Holy Day of Obligation)

New Year's Eve,

Wednesday, December 31, 2025

5:00PM (English)

New Year's Day,

Thursday, January 1, 2026

9:00AM (English) 11:00AM (Polish)



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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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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.*



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What a beautiful choice.

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