

# St. Mary of Czestochowa Church

Established 1914

201 Vosseller Avenue

Bound Brook, New Jersey 08805

REV. JOHN STEC, ADMINISTRATOR

**2ND SUNDAY OF EASTER  
SUNDAY OF DIVINE MERCY  
APRIL 12, 2026**

*Jesus, I Trust in You.*



**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](http://www.stmarys-boundbrook.com)  
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Parish Secretary: Dawn Lanner

**Believe**

that you  
may have life

**MASS INTENTIONS  
OF THE WEEK**

**SATURDAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF EASTER, APRIL 11**

8:30AM +Adela Zelada r/o Patricia O'Reilly

5:00PM +Maureen Short r/o Stephanie DePass

***Ninth Day of the Novena to Divine Mercy***

**SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER  
(SUNDAY OF DIVINE MERCY) APRIL 12**

9:00AM Living and Deceased Members of  
St. Mary's Altar Rosary Society

11:00AM +Alina Liszewski (1st Anniversary)  
r/o Anna Roszkowska

4:00PM +Andrzej Janusz r/o Family

**MONDAY, APRIL 13 - St. Martin I, Pope, Martyr**

8:30AM +Barbara Dabrowski r/o Miroslaw Dabrowski

**TUESDAY, APRIL 14**

8:30AM +Wadyslaw & Jadwiga Kurkowski  
r/o Granddaughter Renee Cote

**WEDNESDAY, APRIL 15**

8:30AM For Our Parishioners

**THURSDAY, APRIL 16**

8:30AM +Thomas A. Marjorie, and Virginia Short  
r/o Rosanne Short and Family

**FRIDAY, APRIL 17**

8:30AM +Maureen Short  
r/o Jimmy DeMaio, Loretta and Allen Eliason

**SATURDAY, APRIL 18**

8:30AM +Dorothy Spioch r/o Frank Kolodzieski

5:00PM +Dorothy Cimino r/o Cimino Family

**THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER, APRIL 19**

9:00AM +James, Nellie, and Beatrice Mastrull  
r/o Rosanne Short and Family

11:00AM In Celebration of the 25th Wedding  
Anniversary of Dorota and Adam  
Sokolnicki, who wish to thank God and  
Blessed Mother for Blessings in their Marriage

**SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER  
(DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY)  
APRIL 12, 2026**

*"Receive the Holy Spirit. Whose sins you forgive are forgiven them, and whose sins you retain are retained."*



**First Reading: Acts 2:42-47**

In the early days of the Church in Jerusalem, the faithful listened intently to the teachings of the apostles. They lived a communal life, sharing all property in common and praying and taking their meals together.

**Second Reading: 1 Peter 1:3-9**

In this first letter from Peter, he speaks to the Christians with great joy and confidence, reminding them that through Christ's resurrection, they have been given a new birth and are heirs to the kingdom of heaven.

**Gospel: John 20:19-31**

After his resurrection, Jesus appears to his disciples and gives them the power to forgive sins. Thomas, who is absent, sees Christ later and believes in His resurrection after feeling His wounds. Christ admonishes Thomas by saying, "You became a believer because you saw Me. Blessed are they who have not seen and believed."

**SUNDAY MASSES**

**SATURDAY EVE:** 5:00 p.m. (English)  
**SUNDAY:** 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 MASS:** 8:30 a.m. (English)

**CONFESSION:**

**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 a.m. Mass until  
12:00pm

**PARISH OFFICE HOURS:**

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

## PARISHIONERS PRAYER LIST

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

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

**HOMEBOUND:** Patricia D'Allesandro, Dolores Gumerlock, Millie Della Peruta, Lorraine Deleski, Marcella Spioch, Ann Knob, Walter Urbielewicz, Anthony Cimino, Joann Cunder, Eleonora Pisowacki

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

### Weekly Offering April 4-5, 2026

Sat 8:00pm - \$ 1,233.00    9:00am - \$ 2,875.00

Sun 6:30am - \$ 798.00    11:00am - \$ 963.00

**Total \$ 5,869.00**

**The Holy Land Collection (Good Friday)**  
**\$ 1,164.00**

## **2026 Bishop's Annual Appeal** ***ONE IN CHRIST: Called to Love and Serve***

Your gift to the Bishop's Annual Appeal supports the work of the ***Vicariate for Evangelization and Communication***. Responsible for our website, social media platforms, videos, podcasts and written content about our Catholic faith, the Evangelization & Communication ministry is essential to how we expand our effort to share the Gospel message and make His love known to all. More and more, we have come to understand that these tools are necessary for reaching people where they live and work. A gift of any amount is important and greatly appreciated.

***Please prayerfully consider helping us reach our goal by making your pledge soon!***

***Thank you!***

To see the many ministries which benefit from this appeal, please visit  
[www.diometuchen.org](http://www.diometuchen.org)

**Our Parish Goal:            \$ 33,000.00**  
**Amount received:        \$ 12,453.00**  
**Over/Under Goal:        \$ (19,854.00)**  
**Percent of Goal Received: 37.74%**

## Lector Schedule April 11-12, 2026

### Saturday

**5:00pm**

**Dawn Lanner**

### Sunday

**9:00am**

**Frank Kolodzieski**

**11:00am**

**Arek Wojda**

**4:00pm**

**Frank Kolodzieski**



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## **THANK YOU**

to all who decorated our church, making it beautiful for

**Palm Sunday, Holy Week, and Easter.**

Thank you also for your generous donations for the Easter flowers.

### ***Sunday of Divine Mercy***

**April 12, 2026**

- 2:00pm** ~ Confessions and Rosary  
**3:00pm** ~ Exposition of the Most Blessed Sacrament, Devotions, Benediction  
**4:00pm** ~ Mass



On **Divine Mercy Sunday**, the Lord promised to grant complete forgiveness of sins provided:

***“The soul that will go to confession and receive Holy Communion will obtain complete forgiveness of sins and punishment... Let no soul fear to draw near to me even though its sins be as scarlet.”***

Since we are in the time of Mercy, let us ask God for His graces and Infinite Mercy for ourselves and for the world. We, at St. Mary's, are satisfying the request the Lord made through St. Sr. Faustina by celebrating this special feast for the salvation of souls.

### **Pope's Universal Intention for April 2026**

***For priests in crisis.***

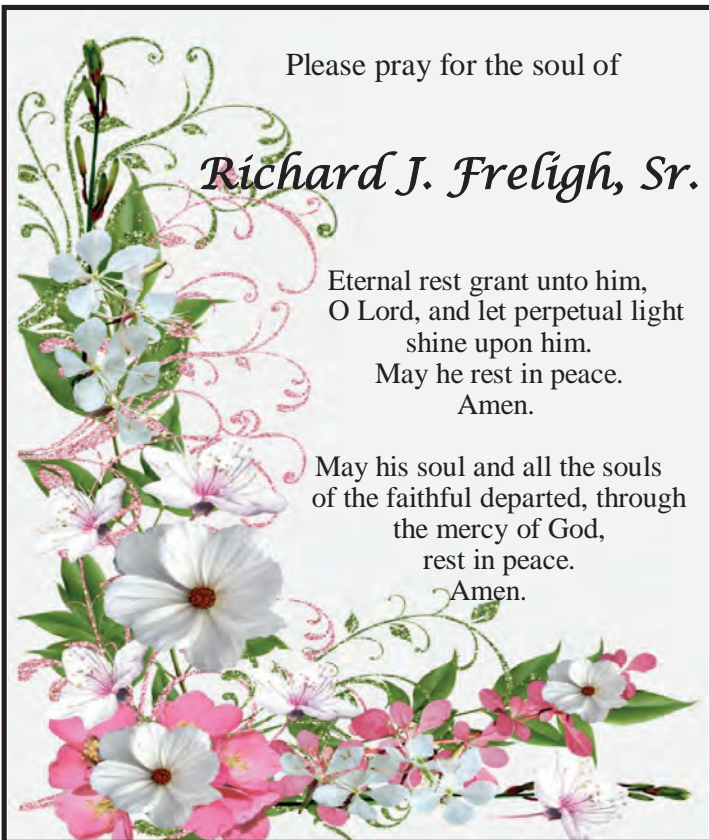
Let us pray for priests going through moments of crisis in their vocation, that they may find the accompaniment they need and that communities may support them with understanding and prayer.

Please pray for the soul of

***Richard J. Freligh, Sr.***

Eternal rest grant unto him,  
O Lord, and let perpetual light  
shine upon him.  
May he rest in peace.  
Amen.

May his soul and all the souls  
of the faithful departed, through  
the mercy of God,  
rest in peace.  
Amen.



**Recycle your Religious items from home!**

St. Mary's Altar Rosary Society is collecting Religious items to be given to **The St. Mary Recycle Mission Group**, who will distribute the items to places where they are needed. They accept \*anything Catholic, such as statues, rosaries (broken are OK), crucifixes, Holy medals, Holy cards, framed pictures, prayer books, and Bibles, as well as musical instruments. Place your items in the designated bins at the front and back of the church **between now and April 26th.**

Thank you so much !!  
Questions?  
Phone the church office  
732-356-0358


\*Items that are NOT accepted:  
Outdoor concrete statuary; religious reading books; pamphlets; wax candles; angel figurines (Saint angels are fine); Christmas decorations

**The Rutgers Catholic Experience**  
April 19, 6PM

Join us for 6PM Student Mass, pizza, and see what college life is really like!

Junior and senior high school students and parents welcome!

94 Somerset St. New Brunswick, NJ The first 10 students to register will receive a Chick-fil-A gift card!

**THE CATHOLIC CENTER**  
AT RUTGERS UNIVERSITY  
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**The Rutgers Catholic Experience**

The Catholic Center at Rutgers is inviting all High School Juniors and Seniors to join us at the Rutgers Catholic Experience this Sunday, April 19th at 6PM at St. Peter's Church, New Brunswick, NJ.

Join us for 6PM Student Mass, pizza, and see what college life is really like!

2026 SPRING SEMESTER

*The Catechism Lectures*



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# DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

The First Sunday After Easter

Sunday, April 12, 2026



## THE PROMISE

Our Lord Jesus said, "The soul that will go to Confession and receive Holy Communion shall obtain complete forgiveness of sins and punishment. On that day all the divine floodgates throughout which graces flow are opened. Let no soul fear to draw near to Me, even though its sins be as scarlet... Mankind will not have peace until it turns to the Fount of My Mercy."

— Saint Faustina, Diary, 699

## WHY IS THIS PROMISE FROM JESUS SO WONDERFUL AND MERCIFUL?

### TEMPORAL PUNISHMENT AND SUFFERING:

The Catholic Church teaches that sin has two consequences, or punishments. (CCC 1472). The first is eternal punishment in which the soul loses Heaven and is confined to an eternity in Hell. This punishment is remitted through the forgiveness of sins. The second is temporal punishment, in which a person must expiate, or make reparation for his sins. This temporal punishment remains even after sin is forgiven. This temporal punishment is known as Purgatory.

So, Jesus's amazing promise to St. Faustina amounts to offering all mankind the graces of a COMPLETE PARDON; an opportunity to have all temporal punishment, time in Purgatory, that which would be necessary before entrance into Heaven, completely removed!

### THE DIVINE MERCY FEAST DAY

"I desire that there be a feast of mercy. I want this image, which you will paint with a brush to be solemnly blessed on the first Sunday after Easter; that Sunday is to be known as the Feast of Mercy."

### THE IMAGE

"I desire that this image be venerated throughout the world. I promise that the soul that will venerate this image will not perish. I promise victory over its enemies, already here on earth, and especially at the hour of death... I Myself will defend it as My own glory."

### THE CHAPLET

"Pray unceasingly the Chaplet that I have taught you. Whoever will recite it will receive great mercy at the hour of death. Priests will recommend it to sinners as their last hope of salvation."

### THE CONVERSION PRAYER

"If you say this prayer, with a contrite heart and with faith, on behalf of some sinner, I will give that soul the grace of conversion:

*'O Blood and Water that gushed forth from the heart of Jesus, as a fount of mercy for us, I trust in You.'*

— Diary 186, 187

Know, My daughter, that this prayer is always heard and answered."

— Diary 1397

### SPREAD OF THE DEVOTION

"Do whatever is within your power to spread devotion to My mercy. I will make up for what you lack."

# JESUS, I TRUST IN YOU.



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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

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- Passwords
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