

St. Mary of Czestochowa Church

Established 1914

201 Vosseller Avenue

Bound Brook, New Jersey 08805

REV. JOHN STEC, ADMINISTRATOR

5TH SUNDAY OF EASTER
MAY 3, 2026



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.



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)

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 a.m. Mass until 12:00pm

PARISH OFFICE HOURS:

Tues & Thurs: 9:00am - 12:00noon & 2:00pm - 5:00pm.

Wednesday: 2:00pm - 5:00pm

Parish Office

Ph: 732-356-0358

Fax: 732-356-5348

Website: www.stmarys-boundbrook.com

e-mail: stmarybb1@verizon.net

Parish Secretary: Dawn Lanner

Jesus said:
"I am The Way,
The Truth and The Life."

**MASS INTENTIONS**
OF THE WEEK

FIRST SATURDAY, MAY 2

St. Athanasius, Bishop, Doctor of the Church

- 8:30AM +John Krzysztof
r/o St. Mary's Altar Rosary Society
- 5:00PM +Dorothy Cimino r/o Family

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER, MAY 3

- 9:00AM Living and Deceased Member of
St. Mary's Altar Rosary Society
- 11:00AM +Barbara Dabrowski
r/o Miroslaw Dabrowski

MONDAY, MAY 4

- 8:30AM +Wladyslaw & Jadwiga Kurkowski
r/o Daughter Eleonora Pisowacki

TUESDAY, MAY 5

- 8:30AM God's Blessings for Marzena Karnas
on her 60th Birthday
r/o Elizabeth Laskowski

WEDNESDAY, MAY 6

- 8:30AM +Maria Alvarado, Luz Abrehu,
Guillermina Ferrer and Argemira
r/o Amparo Lloyd

THURSDAY, May 7

- 8:30AM +Adamski Family r/o Rosanne Short

FRIDAY, MAY 8

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

SATURDAY, MAY 9

- 8:30AM +Stanislawa Pis
r/o Daughter Aleksandra Wlodarczyk
- 5:00PM For Our Parishioners

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER, MAY 10

- 9:00AM For Living and Deceased Mothers
of Our Parish
- 11:00AM God's Blessings for Daniel Laskowski
on his Birthday r/o Mom Elizabeth

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
MAY 3, 2026

"In my Father's house there are many dwelling places. If there were not, would I have told you that I am going to prepare a place for you?"

First Reading: Acts 6:1-7

During the early growth of the Church, the apostles realized that they needed more disciples in order to carry out effectively the ministry of the Church. The community selected seven men, one of whom was Stephen.

Second Reading: 1 Peter 2:4-9

Citing many uses of the word "stone" in the sayings of Jesus and in the Old Testament, Peter urges the Christians to be "living stones...an edifice of spirit."

Gospel: John 14:1-12

In this beautiful passage from the words of Jesus at the Last Supper, Jesus promises that he is preparing a place for the apostles. He tells them, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life; no one comes to the Father but through me." When Philip asks Jesus to show them the Father, Jesus answers, "Whoever has seen me has seen the Father."

Mary and May

There have long been devotions to our Blessed Mother, but the dedication of the month of May to Mary is a more recent development in the long history of the Church. And so May, the lovely month of nature's motherhood, came to be dedicated to our Blessed Mother Mary.

With Mary, the apostles and first disciples kept prayerful vigil for the Spirit's coming, the culmination of Mary's faith-filled lifetime. Mary's faith was shown forth in her acceptance of the angel's word at the Annunciation, her charity in the Visitation to Elizabeth, her trust in Joseph during the flight into Egypt, her steadfast vigil beneath her Son's cross.

Throughout these joyful and sorrowful mysteries of her life, Mary's faith-filled heart embraced God's will, making her an instrument for the accomplishment of God's plan for our salvation, and a living model for us of trust and perseverance.

For Mary's undaunted faith and the selfless love it inspired, *all* generations shall call her *Blessed*.

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 25-26, 2026

5:00pm - \$ 713.00	11:00am - \$ 368.00
9:00am - \$ 947.00	Mail: - \$ 255.00

Total - \$ 2,283.00

Catholic Relief Services
Collection: \$ 520.00



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

Thank you to all who have given so generously to the 2026 Bishop's Annual appeal. If you have not made a pledge, there is still time to participate. Mail your gift to Diocese of Metuchen Bishop's Annual Appeal, PO Box 4000, Metuchen, NJ 08840-4000 or give online at <https://diometuchen.org/BAA>.

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

Our Parish Goal:	\$ 33,000.00
Total Pledged:	\$ 21,071.00
Amount received:	\$ 15,459.00
Over/Under Goal:	\$ (11,929.00)
Percent of Goal Received:	46.85%

Lector Schedule May 2-3, 2026

Saturday

5:00pm Martha Ptaszynski

Sunday

9:00am Frank Kolodziecki
11:00am Diane Litwinko

Our
May Crowning
will take place this weekend
May 3rd
following the 9 am Mass homily



Regina Grodzki
will be crowning
The statue of Our Lady

Pray the Rosary daily,
especially during
May, the month
of our
Holy Mother.



Pope's Universal Intention for May 2026

That everyone might have food.

Let us pray that everyone, from large producers to small consumers, be committed to avoid wasting food and to ensure that everyone has access to quality food.

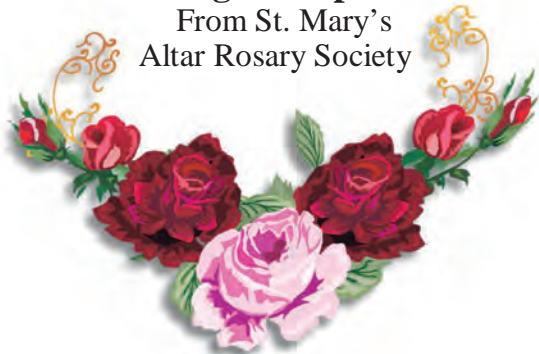
May, Our Blessed Mother Month

Altar Flower Donors this Weekend:
May 2/3, 2026

Blessed Mother Altar:
In Memory of Barbara Lanner
From Daughter Dawn

Main Altar:
In Memory of Paul DePass
From Wife Stephanie DePass

Sacred Heart of Jesus Altar:
In Memory of
Rev. Msgr. Joseph Chacko
From St. Mary's
Altar Rosary Society



Would you like to help moms in need?

If so, please take an empty baby bottle home and fill it with your spare change. **Return it by May 17.** The monies will be donated to *The Center for Great Expectations*, a non-profit agency located in Somerset, NJ. They assist homeless women who are pregnant or parenting.



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Mother's Day Gift

With Mother's Day fast approaching, why not give your wife and yourself the special gift of a **Marriage Encounter Weekend?**

A Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend gives you the time and tools to enrich your marriage, deepen communication, and nourish the spirituality in your marriage.

The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend will be held **July 17 – 19.**

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Hors d'oeuvres, Open Bar,
Brief Presentation,
Coffee & Dessert

Business/Cocktail Attire
(Red, White or Blue – optional)
- RSVP by: 5/18/2025

For more info: 973-497-4520
info@lifeneducation.org

Register online: lifeneducation.org/cocktailparty



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Diocese of Metuchen | Office of Evangelization

FORMATION EVENT FOR POLICE OFFICERS

A statewide Resiliency Conference for active and inactive (retired) police officers to support the emotional, psychological, and spiritual well-being of our men and women in uniform.

*"Courage is not simply one of the virtues,
but the form of every virtue at the testing point." - C.S. Lewis*

SATURDAY, JUNE 13

8:00 A.M. TO 12:45 P.M.

St. John Neumann Pastoral Center, Piscataway, New Jersey
Priests, Deacons, and Police Chaplains Are Welcome



Fr. Larry Richards

Best selling author of *Be A Man!*
Founder of *The Reason for Our Hope Foundation*



Dcn. Harold Burke-Sivers

Internationally renowned Author and Preacher
Host of *Beacons of Truth* on EWTN Radio



For More information:
Contact Adam Carlisle, Secretary
for Evangelization and Communication





I am the way and the truth and the life.
No one comes to the Father except through me.

—JOHN 14:6





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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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- Identity • Money

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