

St. Mary of Czestochowa Church

Established 1914

201 Vosseller Avenue

Bound Brook, New Jersey 08805

REV. LEON S. ANISZCZYK, PASTOR

Rev. Stanley Walega, Pastor Emeritus



SUNDAY MASSES: 8:00, 9:30 a.m., 11:00 a.m. (Polish)
SATURDAY EVE: 5:00 p.m.

MONDAY TO SATURDAY: 8:30 a.m.

NOVENAS WITH BENEDICTION:
Tuesday—after 8:30 a.m. Mass

HOLY DAYS: 9:00 a.m. and at 7:00 p.m. (English)
Vigil Mass: 7:00 p.m. (Polish)

CONFESSIONS:
Saturday: 8:00 a.m.—8:30 a.m.
4:00 p.m.—4:45 p.m.

PARISH OFFICE:

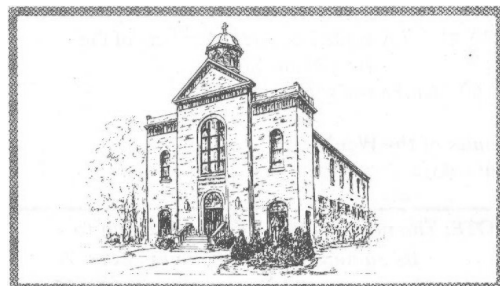
BAPTISMS: Every third Sunday of the month at 12:00. Parents are expected to attend Pre-Baptismal Classes. Arrangements to be made at the Parish Office. **Only practicing Catholics may act as Godparents.**

MARRIAGES: Specific time is set for the celebration of marriage on Saturdays. The common Policy for all the Dioceses of New Jersey require 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 you change your address or are leaving the parish..



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The Epiphany of the Lord January 8, 2012

*All kings shall pay him homage,
All nations shall serve him.*

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — You shall be radiant at what you see, your heart shall throb and overflow .

Second Reading — The Gentiles are copartners in the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel.

Gospel — The magi were overjoyed at seeing the star, and on entering the house they saw the child with Mary his mother.

Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK



MONDAY, January 9 The Baptism of the Lord

8:30 AM + Kristy Kapucinski.
r/o Rodomski Family

TUESDAY, January 10

8:30 AM + Domenico DiRe
r/o Gina Gioia

WEDNESDAY, January 11

8:30 AM + Martha Burke
r/o St. Mary's Rosary Society

THURSDAY, January 12

8:30 AM + Frank & Irene Olszewski
r/o Sister Henrietta

FRIDAY, January 13 St. Hilary

8:30 AM + Rose Hengstenberg
r/o Bea Mastrull

SATURDAY, January 7

8:30 AM + Sr. Carlotta LaRocca
r/o Sister Ellen
5:00 PM + George Matuszkiewicz
r/o Wife Marie, Children and
Grandchildren

SUNDAY, January 8

8:00 AM + Parishioners
9:30 AM + St. Mary's Holy Name Society
11:00 AM + Zofia Chadziewicz
r/o Daughter & Family

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Before long, people will be throwing Mardi Gras beads in the streets of New Orleans—purple, gold, and green. A few will be in on the secret: the colors of the beads are derived from the gifts of the magi. Gold for wealth, purple for power, green for good health. The gifts are also a key to the identity of the Christ Child: the incense for God; the gold for a king; the myrrh, fragrant burial ointment for one who comes to die.

Centuries ago, today's feast bore the heavy burden of celebrating all the manifestations of Christ's identity: the birth of Jesus, the coming of the magi, the baptism of the Lord, the wedding feast at Cana. It was too much for one day. Fortunately the one day has blossomed into a whole season of grateful celebration, stretching behind us into Advent, and ahead of us into the Baptism of the Lord and to Christ's coming again in glory. Tonight, be sure to light the Christmas lights, and gather at the crèche for a favorite carol and a prayer.

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← After the priest blesses the home, he inscribes these numbers and letters above the front door. At the beginning and end are the numbers of the year; then the names of the three kings, **Caspar**, King of Tarsus; **Melchior**, King of Arabia; and **Balthazar**, King of Ethiopia.

PARISHIONER PRAYER LIST

NURSING HOME/ASSISTED LIVING:

Betty Adriaanse, Helen Baluta, Catherine Barbati, Samuel Chiaravalli, Helen Consalvo, Bernadine Hnasko, Peter Jannone, Bronia Litowinska, Adeline Melesurgo, Betty Muskal, Donna Rabke, Lee Sarlo, Clara Vadimsky, Helen Wawrzyniak.

HOMEBOUND: Clementine Buono, Ed Chaya, Carmella Ciminelli, Andy Civiletti, Florence Colanduoni, Vicki Mitzen, Stasia Pavan, John & Ann Occhipinti, Genevieve Wawrzycki

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

Please also notify the Parish Office when the status of a parishioner changes.

GOD'S GIFT FOR GIVING

Last Sunday Our Generous Stewards of
St. Mary's Parish Contributed:

5:00 PM - \$ 2085.00 9:30 AM - \$ 1074.00

8:00 AM - \$ 507.00 11:00 AM - \$ 1182.00

Total \$4848.00

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Saturday January Classes 21, 28

No Classes January 14

2011 Bishop's Annual Appeal

If you have yet to make your gift, please do so today. Your gift should be based on your means and circumstances- a private decision between you and God. This past year, thousands of local Catholics received services through Catholic Charities- Diocese of Metuchen. Without the support of the Bishop's Annual Appeal these programs would have to be reduced or in some cases eliminated.



Tomorrow we celebrate the feast of the Baptism of the Lord, which begins National Vocation Awareness Week, a special time in which the Church prays for the renewal and strengthening of vocations

of dedicated people as married and single people, men to serve as priests, deacons, brothers, and women as religious sister. It is important that we all work together to promote and encourage vocations, especially at the parish level in our Diocese. Pray that the Diocese of Metuchen will flourish with many vocations.

Weekend Schedule January 14 - 15, 2012

Saturday, January 14

5:00 pm Lector Evelyn Dziedzic

Eucharistic Minister Joni Kent

Sunday, January 15

8:00 am Lector Carol McGinnis

Eucharistic Minister Ed Hagan

9:30 am Lector Tony Provenzano

Eucharistic Minister John Todaro

11:00 am Lector Joanna Maciorowski

Eucharistic Minister Frank Grodzki

Together in Charity Collection

Next weekend, January 14-15, the annual "Together in Charity" collection will be taken up at all Masses. The proceeds of this collection helps to fund Catholic Charities' Parish Emergency Assistance Program, which provides 24 hour/seven day a week assistance to parishes faced with individual and families with serious and urgent financial, housing or medical needs. To date this year, half of the parishes in the Diocese have availed themselves of this program. Please give generously to this collection and contribute to making this a blessed new year for a family or individual in crisis.

As we look into 2012 we look at a block of time. We see 12 months, 52 weeks, 365 days, 8,760 hours, 525,600 minutes, 31,536,000 seconds. And all is a gift from God. We have done nothing to deserve it, earn it, or purchased it. Like the air we breathe, time comes to us as a part of life.

The gift of time is not ours alone. It is given equally to each person. Rich and poor, educated and ignorant, strong and weak—every man, woman and child has the same twenty-four hours every day.

Another important thing about time is that you cannot stop it. There is no way to slow it down, turn it off, or adjust it. Time marches on.

And you cannot bring back time. Once it is gone, it is gone. Yesterday is lost forever. If yesterday is lost, tomorrow is uncertain. We may look ahead at a full year's block of time, but we really have no guarantee that we will experience any of it.

Obviously, time is one of our most precious possessions. We can waste it. We can worry over it. We can spend it on ourselves.

The new year is full of time. As the seconds tick away, will you be tossing time out the window, or will you make every minute count?"



We thank you for the Flower Offerings for your loved ones. Our church has never looked more beautiful than this year with the flowers and the renovations. Thank you to all our parishioners for your love of St. Mary of Czestochowa !

Parishioner: *In Memory of:*
 M/ M George Vadinsky -
Deceased Family Members
 Miss Lorraine Valkos - *Valkos Family*
 Anita Vance - *Kenneth W. Vance, Baita Family,*
Mazzacco Family, Ciro & Angelina Troisi
 Deborah Vance -
Vance, Troisi, and Mazzacco Families
 M/M Robert Vrabel - *Steve Vrabel, Sr.*
 M/M Leonard Wastack - *Brittany Lyn Joyce,*
John & Genevieve Danczak,
Leo & Della Wastack
 M/M Robert Wilson - *Genowefa Karzowska,*
Anne Zanadrei
 M/M Jan Wolan - *Wolan & Szafranski Families*
 M/M John Wolak
 Ms. Lucy Yannes - *James Yannes,*
Salvatore Campanella Family,
William & Agnes Yannes
 M/M Gerald Yuknis - *Krzysztof Bar*
 M/M Warren Zaccone - *Deceased Loved Ones*
 Mr. John Zolandz
 Mrs. Claire Zuromski



Marriage Encounter

Why not give your spouse something special this Christmas that will last long after the Christmas decorations have been put away?

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

The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend will be held
January 27 – 29, 2012

Early registration is advisable as space is limited. Phone **1-888-827-NJME** for registration and information. Visit us at: www.wmcentralnj.org for more information.

Stress

In your marriage?

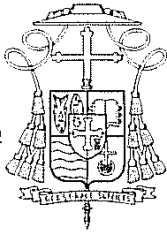
- Do you feel lost, alone or bored in your marriage?
- Are you frustrated, hurt or angry with your spouse?
- Are you constantly fighting? Or, do you simply shut down?
- Have you thought about separation or divorce?
- Does talking about it only make it worse?

.....**RETROUVAILLE** is a Lifeline to Help Couples Heal and Renew their Marriages sponsored by the Family Life Office/Diocese of Metuchen, N.J.

Retrouvaille consists of a weekend experience for married couples (no group discussions) with six follow-up sessions. The next weekend is **February 10-12, 2012**. All inquiries are confidential.

For further information please call the Family Life Office (days) 732 562-1990 x1624 or Tom & Pat McTague (732) -583- 4468.





DIOCESE OF METUCHEN

Office of the Bishop

December 14, 2011

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

We, Catholic Christians, have entered into the hope-filled darkness of Advent. It is a season of darkness because we recall the longing of our ancestors in faith for the coming of the Messiah. It is a season of hope—and joy—because we know that the Messiah, Christ Jesus, has come and will come again in glory.

As I reflect on this season, I am mindful of the many in our diocese who are immersed in darkness and experiencing diminished hope, who have lost their jobs, are having difficulty maintaining the basic necessities of life, and are seeing their life savings erode.

In his encyclical *Spe salvi (Saved by Hope)*, Pope Benedict XVI pointed out that Christian hope is not individualistic. Rather, it is community-oriented. “The Gospel,” the Holy Father wrote, “is not merely a communication of things that can be known, it is one that makes things happen and is life-changing.”

Catholic Charities is the diocesan front-line agency for assisting our brothers and sisters in need. Several years ago, as pastors experienced an increase in the number of parishioners coming to the parish for help, Catholic Charities established the *Parish Emergency Assistance Program*, which provides immediate aid to parishes trying to help families and individuals with emergency needs. Last year, the *Parish Emergency Assistance Program* came to aid of 463 individuals and families representing more than half of our parishes.

As we draw closer to the celebration of Christmas, I ask that you be an instrument of hope to a neighbor who is losing hope by supporting the *Parish Emergency Assistance Program* through the annual “Together in Charity Collection.” I know you will feel the joy and peace of being part of a life-changing experience for a neighbor whose hope has been bolstered and whose prospects have been brightened by your generosity.

With gratitude and Christmas blessings, I remain

Sincerely in the Lord,

Most Rev. Paul G. Bootkoski
Bishop of Metuchen

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