

# St. Mary of Czestochowa Catholic Church

March 8<sup>th</sup> in the year of the Lord 2020

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*St. Mary of Czestochowa was founded as a mission in 1884 and was raised to the status of a parish in 1940. Since 1991 it has shared a pastor with St. Boniface, 12 miles away in St. Bonifacius.*

## St. Mary of Czestochowa Rectory

Telephone .....952-955-1139

For general questions and non-emergencies, please leave a message at this number, otherwise contact Fr. Peter at the St. Boniface office.

## Parish Staff

- Parochial Administrator.....Father Peter Hughes
- Parish Secretary.....Mary Kay Swartzler

## Volunteer Leadership

- Organist, Choir Director.....Karen Otto
- President, Pastoral Council..... Joseph Neaton
- Chairman, Finance Committee.... Harold Theisen
- President, Men's Club.....Mark Madden
- President,CCW.....Barbara Lyrek
- Trustee.....Linda Danielson
- Trustee.....Donald Gabrelcik
- Faith Formation Co-Directors ..... Rachel Depa & Heather Dickhausen
- Bulletin Editor.....Kathleen Motzko
- Safe Environment Coordinator...Kathleen Motzko
- Mass Intentions.....Sue Roskowiak

## Sacrament of Baptism

Parents should contact Father Peter to schedule Sacramental preparation and the Baptism.

## Sacrament of Marriage

Couples should contact Father Peter at least 8 months to a year before the date they desire for their marriage.

## Religion Education From September to May

Grades Pre-K to 4 .....Wednesday 6:15 -7:00 pm

Grades 5-12 .....Wednesday 6:15 -7:30 pm

## Interested in Joining the Parish?

Please contact Fr. Peter to register

## Sunday Masses

- Saturday .....6:00pm
- Sunday .....8:30am

## Weekday Masses

- Thursday .....8:30am
- Friday .....8:30am

## Sacrament of Reconciliation

- Thursday .....8:00am
- Friday .....8:00am
- Sunday .....8:00am

or contact Father Peter for appointment

## Holy Day Masses

Please see the updated calendar on our website or at weekend Masses announcement.

## Eucharistic Adoration

First Friday of every month from 9:00am to 10:00am



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**"Serving Jesus Christ by serving others"**

Please visit our parish website: [www.stboniface-stmary.org](http://www.stboniface-stmary.org)

# Welcome to St. Mary of Czestochowa Parish

## Liturgical Celebrations

<b>Saturday 7th</b>	<b>Alex and Gladys Socher+</b>
<b>Sunday 8th</b>	<b>Parish of St Mary of Czestochowa</b>
<b>Thursday 12th</b>	<b>Dr. J. David McGill+</b>
<b>Friday 13th</b>	<b>Lynn Zimmerman+</b>
<b>Saturday 14th</b>	<b>Parish of St Mary of Czestochowa</b>
<b>Sunday 15th</b>	<b>Izy Salonek+</b>

**Mass Intentions** may be placed in the collection plate. Please enclose them in an envelope along with instructions (i.e., desired dates, number of masses, etc). Or contact Sue Roskowiak at 612-414-4705.



**Radio Rosary - 11:00 a.m. Sundays**  
KRWC - 1360 AM Buffalo

Mar 8<sup>th</sup> – in memory of Millicent Motzko – Jean Motzko,  
Watertown, MN

Mar 15<sup>th</sup> – for the living and deceased members of Catholic  
United Financial Council 31 – St Michael, MN

## KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS

Zach Ratzlaff (Military), James Ryan (Military),  
Nick Ryan (Military), Dylan Schesso (Military),  
Robert Ryan (Military), Keagan O'Brien (Military),  
Zachary Sandquist (FOCUS),  
Lt. Col. Andy Swartzter (Military),  
Major John Widmer (Military),  
Mary Lynn Swartzter, Brandon Matter,  
Walt Judd, Louie Noerenberg

## Our Sacrificial Giving

*We offer unto you, O Lord, our sacrificial giving.  
Thank you.*

Amount needed each week	\$1923.00
<b>3/1/20 – Weekly Collection</b>	<b>\$2285.00</b>
Votive candles	\$125.00
Masses	\$357.00
Easter	\$30.00
Easter Flowers	\$35.00
Christmas Flowers	\$50.00
Building Fund (to date)	\$630/\$2,000
Fuel/Utilities (to date)	\$1975/\$7,000
Budget for 7/1/19 – 6/30/20	\$100,000.00

## Liturgical Roles

*Notice: The Sacristan on Saturday is responsible to clean the two holy-water containers place on the Angels at the Entrance door of the Church. The Sacristan on Sunday is responsible to replace the Adoration Candle.*

<b>Sat Mar 14th – 6pm</b>	<b>Sun. Mar 15th – 8:30am</b>
<b>Lector:</b> Paul Depa	<b>Lector:</b> Robert Swartzter
<b>Servers:</b> Depas	<b>Servers:</b> Lily Z Volunteer
<b>EMHCs:</b> Don Gabrelcik Sue Roskowiak	<b>EMHCs:</b> Greg Glavan Robert Swartzter
<b>Sacristan:</b> Rachel Depa	<b>Sacristan:</b> Mary Glavan
<b>Ushers:</b> James Meuleners George Vanderlinde	<b>Ushers:</b> Eugene Gabrelcik Tracy Anderson

## EVENTS OUTLOOK

- **March 10<sup>th</sup> – 7 pm – Men's Club Meeting**
- **March 22<sup>nd</sup> -- 9 am to noon in dining hall - Waffle/French Toast Breakfast for benefit of local seminarians**

*Join us on Fridays during Lent for  
Stations of the Cross at 7 pm.*



## From the Pastor's Desk

“Because we know that prayer cannot be taken for granted: we must learn to pray, as if gaining back this art, even those who are very advanced in the spiritual life always feel the need to get to school to learn to pray to Jesus with authenticity...Human life without prayer, which opens our existence to the mystery God, lacks sense and direction.”” – Pope Benedict XVI

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

This past weekend, we had our first session for the introduction to prayer. There were a few things that struck my heart, and those of many of the people who attended. The focus was on how we even begin to approach prayer. A helpful image the presenter shared was to imagine that wherever you are going to pray (whether it is a particular chair in your house, a certain pew at Church, or a place outside) that God is already there waiting for you. He is constantly waiting for us for whenever we are ready to turn to Him. This takes some of the pressure off of us as we worry about whether God will hear our prayer or be present to us. He is there waiting to receive us with great joy and delight!

That leads to the second important thing; that God delights in our spending time with Him, regardless of our felt experience. Whether we feel like praying or not, whether we feel like something is happening in prayer or not, God delights that we are spending time with Him, and He showers us with His love. We want to remember that while our emotions are an important part of prayer, our quality of prayer does not rest on them. There are times that we experience prayer as a chore, as empty, or as if there is nothing going on. Sometimes that happens because we need to go to confession to open our hearts to receive Grace. But other times when we feel like this, we are still receiving grace even though we don't sense it. It can be a way that God is continuing to expand our desire and capacity for Him and His grace; other times it is God working more deeply in our heart than we can sense. We want to remember this because it is often this lack of a felt experience that causes us to become discouraged and give up on prayer.

With these two things in mind, it makes it easier for us to place ourselves in the presence of God at the beginning of our prayer. What this simply means is that before we spend our time in prayer, we take 60 seconds to remember that God is waiting for us and delights in us. In this time, we are imagining the gaze that the Father has towards us; a gaze of love, joy, and delight. This allows us to begin to connect our heart to the Heart of the Father, so that as we spend that time in prayer it is more about a communion and relationship than a list of demands or a time of distraction. These few things can radically transform our experience in prayer, and helps to kindle our relationship with God.

In Christ,

Fr. Peter

## 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Lent

### March is the Month of St. Joseph

The Church traditionally dedicates the month of March to the special veneration of St. Joseph, whose feast day is March 19th. "He was chosen by the eternal Father as the trustworthy guardian and protector of his greatest treasures, namely, his divine Son and Mary, Joseph's wife," says St. Bernardine of Siena. "He carried out this vocation with complete fidelity until at last God called him, saying 'Good and faithful servant, enter into the joy of your Lord.'" Due to St. Joseph's leadership of the Holy Family, he has been declared the protector and patron of the universal Catholic Church.



Serve the Poor Support Life  
Strengthen the Faith

How will you give alms this Lent? Help those in need – go to [GiveCSAF.org](http://GiveCSAF.org) and donate today! Thank you from the 20 Designated Ministries of the CSAF!

Questions about where exactly your dollars go when you give to the Appeal? Donated dollars come in and checks directly to the 20 Designated Ministries go out – it's truly that basic. Independent audit reports are available online at [www.csafspm.org](http://www.csafspm.org) (under "About", "Financial Reports"). Still have questions? Email us at [info@csafspm.org](mailto:info@csafspm.org) or call 612-294-6622.

**Please be sure to either mail in your CSA envelopes or place them in the collection plate.**

**If you prefer, you can specify a particular ministry or ministries (from the 20 being served by the CSAF) by including a note in the comments section (for online giving) or attach a note with your form.**

### Vocation Prayer Cards for Seminarians

We have laminated prayer cards for the seminarians currently in formation. Please consider spiritually adopting one by keeping them in your prayers this coming year while they discern God's call in their life!



St. Pope John Paul II called Serra the "Vocation Arm of the Church." We support and affirm our priests, deacons, religious and those in religious formation.

The mission of Serra is to pray for, foster and affirm vocations. It seeks to help the faithful understand that each person has a vocation and support vocations to priesthood and religious life. The Serra Club of Wright County will meet at the Kings House in Buffalo on Thursday, March 12. Our meeting will start with a rosary in the Chapel at 5:10 followed by Mass at 5:30. A light supper will be served at 6 p.m.. Reservations are required for the supper and can be made by calling Sharon, 763 -497-2454, by March 10.

Fr. Glen Jenson, pastor of Sts. Peter and Paul and St. Thomas the Apostle, will speak at 7 p.m. He is a graduate of Benilde-St. Margaret and the University of Minnesota. He entered the St. Paul seminary in 1990 and was ordained in 1995. He served parishes in LeSueur County for nine years and 13 years in parishes in Northeast Minneapolis before getting his present assignment in 2018.

We welcome you to join us and learn more about the Serra Club of Wright County and our ministry. Please call Marian Meyer at 763-497-2371 or Kate Theisen at 952-955-1544 for more information. We usually meet the second Thursday evening of each month at Christ the King Retreat Center in Buffalo. Also please visit Serra's website [www.serraus.org](http://www.serraus.org)

### Upcoming Synod prayer/listening sessions:

- March 14<sup>th</sup> at St. Alphonsus in Brooklyn Center 9 – noon

There are more scheduled that are a further drive (east and south metro). For more information and dates, check out [www.archspm.org/synod](http://www.archspm.org/synod)

### Upcoming Events

- March 13<sup>th</sup> – *Winsted KC Annual Fish Fry* – Blue Note Ballroom, Winsted – 3:30 – 7 pm.
- March 27<sup>th</sup> – **24 Hours for the Lord** – St. Boniface. Starts at 3pm on the 27<sup>th</sup> and ends at 4 pm on the 28<sup>th</sup>.

*See event details on bulletin board*

***Lenten Magnificats and Rice Bowls are available on back tables.***