# The Parish Family of Saint Mary of Czestochowa Church

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#### **Holy Mass Schedule**

Monday, Thursday & Friday at 7:30 am Wednesday at 6:30 pm (September 1-June 30)

Saturday Vigil at 4:00 pm

Sunday at 8:30 am (Polish) & 10:30 am

#### <u>Confessions</u>

3:15 pm Saturday or by appointment

#### **Anointing of the Sick**

Please contact the rectory office

#### **Baptism**

By appointment

#### Wedding

Arrangements must be made six months in advance

Our Church is equipped with an personal PA system for the hearing impaired. Please ask an usher for assistance.

We extend a warm welcome to visitors, and hope that you find our community a place to nourish your faith. Please introduce yourself to the Pastor and call the rectory to register.

## Third Sunday of Easter~ May 1, 2022

Saturday April 30 3:15 pm **Confessions** 

4:00 pm Ted & Helen Mielczarski

Offered by his loving daughter and family

Sunday May 1

8:30 am +Helena Konior

(Polish) Offered by Sophie & Julian Tomkiewicz

10:30 am +Frank & Helen Toczko, Tadziu

Nowakowski and all deceased members of the Toczko and Wiernasz Families

Offered by Ann Nowakowski

Monday May 2

7:30 am **Eugene Dunn** 

Offered by his loving family

10:00am **May Crowning** 

With JPII students, all are welcome

May 4 Wednesday

+Ted Nowakowski and his sister 6:30pm

+Stephanie Klarich

Offered by loving nieces and nephews

Thursday May 5

7:30 am For All the Families of St. Mary of

Czestochowa Church

Friday May 6

+Ted Nowakowski 7:30 am

Offered by his loving family

Saturday May 7

3:00 pm First Saturday Devotions with

**Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament** 

3:15 pm Confessions

4:00 pm The Masses This Weekend Are Offered

> for the Intentions of All The Mothers, Grandmothers, and Godmothers Committed to Our Prayers and whose

names are on the altar

Sunday May 8

8:30 am The Masses This Weekend Are Offered (polish) for the Intentions of All The Mothers, 10:30 am Grandmothers, and Godmothers

Committed to Our Prayers and whose

names are on the altar

#### First Friday Holy Hour

May 6th

Following 7:30 am Mass in the rectory chapel

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & Recitation of the

Divine Mercy Chaplet

#### First Saturday Devotions

May 7th

3:00 pm (church)

**Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament** and Private Prayers for Reparation to the

**Immaculate Heart of Mary** 

#### Join The Most Reverend Bishop Cote

in prayer

May 12th, 6 pm

St. Bridget Church, Moodus

Come pray for those who are called to priestly

or consecrated religious life.

Join the Diocesan Prayer Team for Vocations

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## Weekly Collections

#### **April 16-17**

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#### May 2-8

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Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ.

In the Month of May, we remember Mary, the Mother of God and Mother of the Church. She is the spiritual mother of all the faithful, and in a special way the mother of priests. In his 1950 apostolic exhortation on the sanctity of priestly life, *Menti Nostrae*, Pope Pius XII writes, "Our Lady loves everyone with a most tender love, but she has a particular predilection for priests who are the living image of Jesus Christ" (No. 142).

We are grateful for our priests here in the Diocese of Norwich. They respond daily to the Lord's call to "Follow me" by serving and accompanying God's people in the day to day circumstances of life.

We are grateful for our seminarians. They are currently finishing up another year of priestly formation at Mount Saint Mary's Seminary in Emmitsburg, MD. In a couple short weeks they will return to the Diocese for their summer assignments. Let's pray for them, for a successful completion of their coursework and a smooth transition home. Please also join me in praying for Deacon Jacob Ramos who will be ordained to the Holy Priesthood on Saturday, June 25, 2022, at the Cathedral of St. Patrick in Norwich. May Mary, Mother of priests, protect and guide Deacon Jacob to a closer union with her Son, the Eternal Priest.

Lastly, and most especially, we are grateful for you. We are grateful for the role you play in supporting our priests and seminarians. A seminarian's journey to priesthood is long and arduous. Preparation typically requires six years of formation beyond college. The average annual cost for tuition, room and board and health insurance per seminarian is approximately \$42,000 per year.

To help offset these expenses, a special collection is taken up each year in support of the Diocesan Seminarian Education Fund. Donations to the Seminarian Education Fund provide tuition, room and board, and health insurance for our seminarians. I ask you to consider making a contribution to this year's Seminarian Education Fund collection. Your generosity truly makes a difference in the lives of the men preparing for the priesthood in our diocese.

As St. John Vianney once said, "The priesthood is the love of the heart of Jesus. When you see a priest, think of our Lord Jesus Christ." I ask you to continue praying for our priests, our future priests, and for an increase in vocations to the diocesan priesthood. May the Lord Jesus Christ raise up men in our diocese who will follow in His footsteps to serve the Church as priests.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Bishop of Norwich

+ Mucyael R Cots



# Do you have any laptops or tablets!



We are collecting used (or new) laptops and tablets for the Ukrainian refugee children studying in Poland. Please disable the password feature and include the charging cord if possible. Bring them to the church or parish office and we will get them where they're needed.

#### Support for Ukrainian Refugees

We continue to accept monetary donations for the Ukrainian refugees. Please use the *blue Special Collections* envelopes and drop in any collection basket. Please do not use the weekly church envelopes for this purpose. There are also two boxes in the church for donations. One is in the foyer and the other is in the back of the church. Both are labeled. Checks may be made out to St. Mary Church, ("Ukraine" in the memo).



You may also donate securely online at www.stmarymiddletown.com/donate.

The need is great, please be as generous as you can.
Thank you for your generosity.



First Holy Communion will be celebrated here in our parish on May 1st at 10:30am Mass

Keep in your prayers our young parishioners receiving Jesus in the Eucharist for the first time.

#### CALVARY CEMETERY REMINDERS

Planting season will begin soon. Planting and decorating rules are posted at the cemetery and on our website, **www.stmarymiddletown.com**.

We want to have a respectful, Catholic cemetery that is clean and maintained appropriately. We also need to be aware that the mowers cannot get off their equipment to move flowers and decorations. Thank you for your cooperation. Water will be turned on by the State soon.

Help us keep Calvary Cemetery the best in Connecticut



#### Mother's Day Remembrance Masses

Please remember your mother, grandmothers, and godmothers, both living and deceased at the Mother's Day Masses on

#### Saturday, May 7th & Sunday, May 8th

Special remembrance envelopes were included in your monthly mailing package for that special day.

Extra envelopes are available in the church foyer, and may be dropped in the offertory basket at church or mailed directly to the rectory.

# May Devotions (Litania Loretanska)



Recited in Polish every Wednesday during the Month of May following the 6:30 pm Mass (rectory chapel)

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