



Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time
October 27th, 2024

St Mary of Czestochowa
CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Growing together in Christ through the power of the Holy Spirit, leading others to Him; striving to become saints.

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Welcome! If interested in becoming a member or becoming a Catholic, contact Fr. Kubista.

Baptism: Contact Fr. Kubista at least 3 months before the birth to attend a class and set a date.

Faith Formation for grades K-Confirmation Wednesday evenings from Sept 11th-April

First Confession & Holy Eucharist: Register for 2nd grade Faith Formation classes.

Confirmation: Register for 9th & 10th grade Faith Formation classes.

Marriage: Contact Fr. Kubista at least

six months before the planned wedding date.

Pastoral Care of the Sick: If you move to a nursing home or care facility and would like a priest to visit, or if unable to attend mass and would like communion at home, contact Fr. Kubista.

Anointing of the Sick: Contact Fr. Kubista when seriously ill or near death.

Funerals: Contact Fr. Kubista

Eucharistic Adoration - First Friday of every month 9-10am (including Confessions, Benediction) and Wednesdays 9am-6pm.

First Saturday devotions start 35 minutes prior to 4pm Mass.

Mass Intention Requests 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.

Bulletin Items by Thurs noon: kmotzko@stmarydelano.org

Hall Rental: Contact Mary Kay Swartzter.

Safe Environment Coordinator: Kathleen Motzko
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Formed.org sign in under St. Boniface.

MASS SCHEDULE / Intentions		
Sat 26th	4pm	Ed & Mary Schumacher +
Sun 27th	8:30am	St Mary's Living & Deceased
Tues 29th	6:30pm	Health
Wed 30th	8:30am	Deceased members of Weldon & Patricia Burchill family+
Thur 31st	8:30am	Walter Swartzter +
Fri 1st	8:30am 6:30pm	RoseAnn Motzko+ Thomas Dalbec +
Sat 2nd	4pm	St Mary's Living & Deceased
Sun 3rd	8:30am	Chris Niesen +

Reconciliation Times: One-half hour before each Mass or by appointment.

Rosary Times: starts 16 min before each weekday Mass and 20 min before Sat & Sun Masses

Divine Mercy Chaplet after each weekday Mass

Lector and Sacristan Schedule	
Oct 26th	George & Sue (L/S), Jim & George (U)
Oct 27th	Deb D (L/S), Jim O' & Gene G (U)
Nov 1st	PM mass: George & Sue (L/S), volunteers (U)
Nov 2nd	Depas (L/S), Don G & volunteer (U)
Nov 3rd	Tracy A (L/S), Jim Otto & Joe N (U)

A Message from Fr. Kubista:

Blasphemy is something that is a very serious sin. It is a sin against the second commandment: Thou shall not take the name of the Lord in vain. Blasphemy is mocking, attacking, or showing irreverence towards God.

The Catholic Encyclopedia (CE) defines blasphemy as: “*Blasphemy (Greek blaptein, "to injure", and pheme, "reputation") signifies etymologically gross irreverence towards any person or thing worthy of exalted esteem.... While etymologically blasphemy may denote the derogation of the honour due to a creature as well as of that belonging to God, in its strict acceptation it is used only in the latter sense.*”

The Catechism of the Catholic Church (CCC) says this: “*Blasphemy is directly opposed to the second commandment. It consists in uttering against God - inwardly or outwardly - words of hatred, reproach, or defiance; in speaking ill of God; in failing in respect toward him in one's speech; in misusing God's name. St. James condemns those "who blaspheme that honorable name [of Jesus] by which you are called."*(CCC #2148) The Catholic Dictionary (CD) says blasphemy is: “*Speaking against God in a contemptuous, scornful, or abusive manner... Included under blasphemy are offenses committed by thought, word, or action.*”(CD)

We owe God respect and reverence because at a minimum, He is our Creator and holds us in existence. “*Blasphemy is a sin against the virtue of religion by which we render to God the honour due to Him as our first beginning and last end.*”(CE) “*Blasphemy is contrary to the respect due God and his holy name. It is in itself a grave sin.*”(CCC #2148) The CD says: “*Blasphemy is a grave violation of charity toward God.*”(CD) Because God is so far above us, any sin directed to Him is very serious. “*The seriousness of an affront is proportioned to the dignity of the person towards whom it is directed. Since then the insult in blasphemy is offered to the ineffable majesty of God, the degree of its heinousness must be evident.*”(CE)

Blasphemy does not only apply to God, but also to other persons and things. “*The prohibition of blasphemy extends to language against Christ's Church, the saints, and sacred things.*”(CCC #2148) “*Serious contemptuous ridicule of the saints, sacred objects, or of persons consecrated to God is also blasphemous because God is indirectly attacked.*”(CD) “*It is also blasphemous to make use of God's name to cover up criminal practices, to reduce peoples to servitude, to torture persons or put them to death. The misuse of God's name to commit a crime can provoke others to repudiate religion.*”(CCC #2148) One cannot use God’s name to justify evil.

There was a blasphemous event that occurred at the 2024 Summer Olympics in France. The National Catholic Register (NCR) reported: “*The blasphemous segment mocking Jesus' Last Supper with his apostles during the Opening Ceremony of the Olympic Games on the evening of July 26 was deeply contrary to the Olympic spirit of communion and unity, according to the Catholic Church's delegate to the Olympics, Bishop Emmanuel Gobilliard.... The most offensive passage, parodying Leonardo da Vinci's iconic painting, depicted Christ as a lesbian DJ surrounded by drag queens.*” In another article, the NCR wrote: “*Freedom of expression, which is obviously not called into question, finds its limit in respect for others,*” the Holy See concluded in its statement... In [and open letter to the IOC] — signed by three cardinals and 24 bishops — the prelates stated: “*It is hard to understand how the faith of over 2 billion people can be so casually and intentionally blasphemed.*”” As Christians, we are to challenge people who are blasphemous so that it is known to them and others that what they have done is wrong and hopefully those blaspheming will change their ways for their own good.

We pray that all would show respect and reverence to God, His Church, and those things set apart for holy use (sacred things). We pray that people would not commit the sin of blasphemy so that they do not call upon themselves the disfavor of God. God bless you.

October is the Month of the Holy Rosary

A special Thank You to all who lead the Rosary. God bless you for your commitment to this powerful prayer of Our Lady.



Prayer To the Queen of the Most Holy Rosary

Queen of the most holy Rosary, in these times of such brazen impiety, manifest thy power with the signs of thine ancient victories, and from thy throne, whence thou dost dispense pardon and graces, mercifully regard the Church of thy Son, His Vicar on earth, and every order of clergy and laity, who are sore oppressed in the mighty conflict. Do thou, who art the powerful vanquisher of all heresies, hasten the hour of mercy, even though the hour of God's justice is every day provoked by the countless sins of men. For me who am the least of men, kneeling before thee in supplication, do thou obtain the grace I need to live righteously upon earth and to reign among the just in heaven, the while in company with all faithful Christians throughout the world, I salute thee and acclaim thee as Queen of the most holy Rosary. Queen of the most holy Rosary, pray for us!
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Our Sacrificial Giving

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

Average weekly collection income need	\$3,315.00
10/20/24 Weekly Envelopes/Autobanking	\$1,803.00
Weekly Plate collection	\$620.92
Utilities	\$260.00
Building Fund	\$100.00
Collection Total for 10/20/24:	\$2,783.92
Masses*	\$71.00
2nd Collection for World Missions*	\$345.00
Budgeted Collection Income YTD**	\$53,040.00
YTD Weekly Collection (as of 10/20/24)	\$52,301.41

* Not included in Collection Total

** Does not include festival income

All Saints Day Masses, Nov. 1st

Join us on All Saints' Day (which is a holy day of obligation) for Mass at 8:30am followed by First Friday devotions which include an hour of Eucharistic Adoration, Confessions, concluding with Benediction. Evening Mass is at 6:30pm.



November 3 - 9, 2024 is National Vocations Awareness Week. Every person is called to serve God and neighbor in some particular way. This is our vocation. God calls some to marriage, some to ordained ministry and some to consecrated life. It is important that we ask God how it is He wants us to receive His love, and how it is that He wants us to share that love with others. It is only in living out this two-fold call to love God and to love our neighbor that we come to know God's will for our lives, which is our surest path to joy. It is important to encourage the young members of the Church to develop a relationship with Christ that serves as an essential element for the fostering and support of all vocations.

Parish financial info

Check our the most recent parish financial statements that are posted on the bulletin board for your convenience. Also, there are copies of the festival financial report and Pastoral Council meeting minutes on the back tables.

Parish Events

- **Oct 30th—Faith Formation at 6:30pm**
- **Nov 1st - All Saints' Day Masses at 8:30am and 6:30pm. First Friday devotions follow the morning Mass.**
- **Nov 2nd—First Saturday devotions start at 3:25pm**
- **Nov 3rd—Donut Sunday**
- **Nov 17th—Confirmation Retreat**
- **Nov 23rd—Parish Fun Night after Mass**

Weekly small group discussion groups: The current topic is Prayer 101. Groups meet Monday evenings at 6pm or Thursday mornings after Mass.(9:15am).

Wednesday Eucharistic Adoration 9am-6pm. Contact Sue Broll at 763-213-7923 for more information or if you would like to sign up for a time.

Daylight Saving Time ends on Sunday, Nov 3rd! Remember to turn your clocks back 1 hour.



Election Day is Tuesday, Nov. 5th

Let us pray for a free and fair election and the for the election of candidates at all levels of government who support and defend life and who follow God's ways.

Parish Fun Night reminder—we are in need of donations for Bingo prizes for adults and kids. Please consider items such as small household gadgets and linens, holiday décor, tools, cash and gift cards, baked goods, canned and pickled items, candy, books, puzzles, toys and kids games. Thanks!

Thank you sponsors! If you are interested in placing an ad, please contact Kathleen at kmotzko@stmarydelano.org

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Karen Otto, Julie Windsperger,
Tom & Pam Bruzek, Mary
Smith, Carol McGuire, Kent
Stassen, Rosie Cappelleri, Jim
Berneck, John & Jo Jackson,
Gary Motzko

*Lord, look upon them with eyes
of mercy, may your healing hand
rest upon them, may your
lifegiving powers flow into every
cell of their bodies and into the
depths of their souls, cleansing,
purifying, restoring them to
wholeness and strength for
service in your Kingdom. Amen.*

Radio Rosary
11:00 am Sundays

KRWC - 1360 AM Buffalo

Oct 27th—for the end of the Middle East conflict—St Michael's CCW, St Michael

Nov 3rd—for the election of candidates who follow God's ways—Jean Motzko