



Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
November 10th, 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 9th	4pm	Bill Horsch +
Sun 10th	8:30am	St Mary's Living & Deceased
Tues 12th	6:30pm	Randy, Debra, Max Gabrelcik +
Wed 13th	8:30am	Kathleen Cass Barbour +
Thur 14th	8:30am	Lorraine (Andres) Enos +
Fri 15th	8:30am	Mike Leuthner +
Sat 16th	4pm	St Mary's Living & Deceased
Sun 17th	8:30am	Arlene Korstan Litchy +

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	
Nov 9th	Dickhausens (L/S), Jim & George (U)
Nov 10th	Deb D (L/S), Jim O' & Dave L (U)
Nov 16th	George & Sue (L/S), Don G & volunteer (U)
Nov 17th	Theisens (L/S), Jim Otto & Joe M (U)

November issues of *The Catholic Servant* are now available on the back tables.

A Message from Fr. Kubista:

It is sad when a person (beautifully made in the image of God), commits suicide. The Catechism of the Catholic Church (CCC) says: *“Everyone is responsible for his life before God who has given it to him. It is God who remains the sovereign Master of life. We are obliged to accept life gratefully and preserve it for his honor and the salvation of our souls. We are stewards, not owners, of the life God has entrusted to us. It is not ours to dispose of.”*(CCC 2280) *“Suicide contradicts the natural inclination of the human being to preserve and perpetuate his life.”*(CCC 2281) *“It is gravely contrary to the just love of self. It likewise offends love of neighbor because it unjustly breaks the ties of solidarity with family, nation, and other human societies to which we continue to have obligations.”*(CCC 2281) *“Suicide is the second leading cause of death among those between the ages of 10 and 34 in the U.S. (CDC). However, studies have shown that belonging to a faith community can be a protective factor against suicide.”*

People commit suicide for various reasons. One of them is that they think the problems in their life are too great to overcome (they lose hope), so they give up. A man who jumped off the Golden Gate Bridge and survived, said that as he was falling: *“I realized then that all the problems in my life that I thought were unsolved were in fact solvable – except for having jumped.”* No matter what happens to us, God will help us get through it, so never lose hope. It does not mean that it will be easy. God loves us more than we know, so we must remain faithful and love Him in part by taking care of ourselves, by loving ourselves, realizing that our life is worth living. One source said that a majority of those who commit suicide are suffering from some form of depression, *“either the depressive phase of bipolar disorder, major depression, or alcohol- and drug- induced depressive states.”* Another source said that *“according to the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention, ninety percent of all people who die by suicide have a diagnosable psychiatric disorder at the time of their death.”* Although suicide is seriously immoral, *“grave psychological disturbances, anguish, or grave fear of hardship, suffering, or torture can diminish the responsibility of the one committing suicide.”*(CCC 2282)

If we or someone that we know has suicidal tendencies, it is important to address them. If a suicidal thought pops into our head, to immediately pray to the Lord or one of the saints for help, and then reject it. God never allows us to be tempted beyond our capacity to avoid falling into sin, for He always gives us enough grace to say no. We can pray to God or talk to someone we trust as to why we are having the thought, what is going on inside, are we discouraged or depressed? It could be the Devil tempting us, telling us that we are no good and that our life is not worth living. It is important to stay close to the Lord by praying (including saying the rosary), go to confession regularly (which can heal us and give us hope), and going to mass every week where we are strengthened and encouraged by Jesus. In our lives, we have ups and downs, so to be vigilant so that when we are down, that we realize it and take steps to avoid or minimize the negativity that can come in those moments.

We pray for those who are suicidal, that they know how much they are loved and not lose hope, realizing that God has great plans for them. God wants them to be with Him for eternity and He will take care of them if they accept His help. *“We should not despair of the eternal salvation of persons who have taken their own lives. By ways known to him alone, God can provide the opportunity for salutary repentance. The Church prays for persons who have taken their own lives.”*(CCC 2283) God bless you.

November—The Month of the Holy Souls

The month of November is dedicated to the Holy Souls in Purgatory. The Church commemorates all her faithful children who have departed from this life, but have not yet attained the joys of heaven. St. Paul warns us that we must not be ignorant concerning the dead, nor sorrowful, "even as others who have no hope ... For the Lord Himself shall come down from heaven ... and the dead who are in Christ shall rise.

The Church has always taught us to pray for those who have gone into eternity. Even in the Old Testament prayers and alms were offered for the souls of the dead by those who thought "well and religiously concerning the resurrection." It was believed that "they who had fallen asleep with godliness had great grace laid up for them" and that "it is therefore a holy and wholesome thought to pray for the dead, that they may be loosed from sins." We know that a defiled soul cannot enter into heaven.

-Excerpted from *Liturgical Meditations*,
The Sisters of St. Dominic

Check out the pamphlet *Purgatory, Indulgences, and Prayers for the Dead* (on the back tables) for more information about the teachings of the Church and suggested prayers for a cemetery visit.

Wednesday Adoration Update

We are in need of second Adorers for the 12pm and 2pm hours, and also have a need for substitutes, especially coming into the winter months when there is more seasonal travel. If you are interested or have questions, please contact Sue Broll at 763-213-7923 or Kathleen Motzko at kmotzko@stmarydelano.org



Memorial Mass Nov. 26th

Join us for a special Memorial Mass to honor the memory of our loved ones in a special way as we approach Thanksgiving. Whether it has been a recent loss or many years ago, we never forget those who are dear to us. To honor their memory in a special way, as we approach Thanksgiving, you are invited to a memorial Mass on Tuesday, November 22nd.

The rosary will be prayed at 6:15 pm, Mass begins at 6:30 pm, and the Divine Mercy Chaplet will immediately follow Mass. Come early to light a candle to place near the altar. Candles will be provided.

Refreshments and a time of sharing follow Mass in the church hall downstairs.

Book of Remembrance

During the month of November, the Book of Remembrance will be placed on a stand in the vestibule. Please feel free to add the names of deceased loved ones who will be honored and celebrated at the Memorial Mass on Tuesday, November 26th.

Our Sacrificial Giving

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

Average weekly collection income need	\$3,315.00
11/3/24 Weekly Envelopes/Autobanking	\$2,160.00
Weekly Plate collection	\$668.00
All Saints/All Souls	\$1,084.00
Faith Formation	\$30.00
Hospitality Sunday	\$106.00
Utilities Fund	\$100.00
Collection Total for 11/3/24:	\$4,148.00
Masses*	\$100.00
Budgeted Collection Income YTD**	\$59,670.00
YTD Weekly Collection (as of 11/3/24)	\$62,486.41

* Not included in Collection Total

** Does not include festival income

Parish Events

- Nov 13th—Faith Formation at 6:30pm
- Nov 17th—Confirmation Retreat after Mass
- Nov 23rd—Parish Fun Night after Mass
- Nov 26th—Memorial Mass with reception following
- Nov 28th—Thanksgiving Day Mass at 8:30am
- Dec 1st—First Sunday of Advent
- Dec 6th—First Friday Mass, Adoration, Confessions, Benediction

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.

Parish Fun Night Nov, 23rd—Join us for an evening of fellowship, food, and free bingo. A light meal will be served after Mass from 5-6pm, and bingo will go from 6-8pm.. A free-will offering will be collected for the meal. We are looking for donations for prizes so please feel free to drop them off in the basement or bring the night of the event. Please consider items such as small household gadgets and linens, tools and guy stuff, holiday décor, cash and gift cards, baked goods, canned and pickled items, candy, books, puzzles, toys and kids games. Thanks!

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*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

Nov 10th—for Pope Francis—Iten
Funeral Home, Watertown and Delano

Nov 17th—for living and Deceased
members of St Mary of Czestochowa
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