



The Baptism of the Lord
January 12th, 2025

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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MASS SCHEDULE / Intentions		
Sat 11th	4pm	St Mary's Living & Deceased
Sun 12th	8:30am	Paul Gatzka+
Tues 14th	6:30pm	Special Intention
Wed 15th	8:30am	Doris Burns+
Thur 16th	8:30am	Carol & Brad Theisen+
Fri 17th	8:30am	Lorraine (Andres) Enos+
Sat 18th	4pm	Alex & Gladys Socher+
Sun 19th	8:30am	St Mary's Living & Deceased

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	
Jan 11th	Dickhausens (L/S), Don G & volunteer (U)
Jan 12th	Theisens (L/S), Jim O' & Gene G (U)
Jan 18th	George & Sue (L/S), Jim & George (U)
Jan 19th	Deb D (L/S), Jim Otto & Joe N (U)

The January issue of *The Catholic Servant* is now available on the back tables

A Message from Fr. Kubista:

(Continued from last week...) Each one of us is called to be a prophet for all of us are called to go out and proclaim to the nations the good news (the gospel). *“Christ, the great Prophet, who proclaimed the Kingdom of His Father both by the testimony of His life and the power of His words, continually fulfills His prophetic office until the complete manifestation of glory. He does this not only through the hierarchy [Pope, Bishops, Priests] who teach in His name and with His authority, but also through the laity whom He made His witnesses and to whom He gave understanding of the faith (sensu fidei) and an attractiveness in speech so that the power of the Gospel might shine forth in their daily social and family life... This evangelization, that is, this announcing of Christ by a living testimony as well as by the spoken word, takes on a specific quality and a special force in that it is carried out in the ordinary surroundings of the world.... [The laity are to] cooperate in the external spread and the dynamic growth of the Kingdom of Christ in the world. Therefore, let the laity devotedly strive to acquire a more profound grasp of revealed truth, and let them insistently beg of God the gift of wisdom.”* (Lumen Gentium, 35) We are to be an instrument to move the hearts and minds of all we meet to Christ.

All of us are called to be kings, to rule and govern ourselves and others wisely, leading all to the King of Kings and the Lord of Lords, to Christ. *“Christ, becoming obedient even unto death and because of this exalted by the Father, entered into the glory of His kingdom. To Him all things are made subject until He subjects Himself and all created things to the Father that God may be all in all. Now Christ has communicated this royal power to His disciples that they might be constituted in royal freedom and that by true penance and a holy life they might conquer the reign of sin in themselves. Further, He has shared this power so that serving Christ in their fellow men they might by humility and patience lead their brethren to that King for whom to serve is to reign. But the Lord wishes to spread His kingdom also by means of the laity... Clearly then a great promise and a great trust is committed to the disciples: “All things are yours, and you are Christ's, and Christ is God's”.... The faithful, therefore, must learn the deepest meaning and the value of all creation, as well as its role in the harmonious praise of God. They must assist each other to live holier lives even in their daily occupations. In this way the world may be permeated by the spirit of Christ and it may more effectively fulfill its purpose in justice, charity and peace. The laity have the principal role in the overall fulfillment of this duty. Therefore, by their competence in secular training and by their activity, elevated from within by the grace of Christ, let them vigorously contribute their effort, so that created goods may be perfected by human labor, technical skill and civic culture for the benefit of all men according to the design of the Creator and the light of His Word.... Moreover, let the laity also by their combined efforts remedy the customs and conditions of the world, if they are an inducement to sin, so that they all may be conformed to the norms of justice and may favor the practice of virtue rather than hinder it.”* (LG, 36) We are to use the power that we have in Christ (Grace, the Holy Spirit) to guide others to him.

We are marked in our baptism to be a friend of God. We pray that God would help us to be faithful to our baptismal call, to be priests, prophets, and kings like Christ so that one day we will be with him forever in heaven. God bless you.

Pope Francis Declares 2025 as the Jubilee Year of Hope:

The first and last paragraphs from The Bull of Indiction of the Ordinary Jubilee of the Year 2025 (Pope Francis) "SPES NON CONFUNDIT. "Hope does not disappoint" (Rom 5:5). In the spirit of hope, the Apostle Paul addressed these words of encouragement to the Christian community of Rome. Hope is also the central message of the coming Jubilee that, in accordance with an ancient tradition, the Pope proclaims every twenty-five years. My thoughts turn to all those pilgrims of hope who will travel to Rome in order to experience the Holy Year and to all those others who, though unable to visit the City of the Apostles Peter and Paul, will celebrate it in their local Churches. For everyone, may the Jubilee be a moment of genuine, personal encounter with the Lord Jesus, the "door" (cf. Jn 10:7.9) of our salvation, whom the Church is charged to proclaim always, everywhere and to all as "our hope" (1 Tim 1:1).

"Let us even now be drawn to this hope! Through our witness, may hope spread to all those who anxiously seek it. May the way we live our lives say to them in so many words: "Hope in the Lord! Hold firm, take heart and hope in the Lord!" (Ps 27:14). May the power of hope fill our days, as we await with confidence the coming of the Lord Jesus Christ, to whom be praise and glory, now and forever."

New Trustee Appointment:

Don Zimmerman has been appointed as the new Trustee replacing Andy Dickhausen. We thank Andy for his service and thank Don for being willing to serve our parish as Trustee.

Small group resumes

Coffee & Conversation small group has resumed meetings on Thursday mornings at 9:15-10:15am, Feed your body and your soul by nurturing friendship, giving gratitude, exploring the topic of prayer, and praying for needs of self and others. Join us for coffee and conversation Thursdays after the 8:30 am Mass. Current topic is Prayer 101. Feel free to come to any or all sessions.



Our Sacrificial Giving	
<i>We offer unto you, O Lord, our sacrificial giving. Thank you.</i>	
Average weekly collection income need	\$3,315.00
12/29/24 Weekly Envelopes/Autobanking	\$3,935.00
Weekly Plate collection	\$2,312.23
Collection Total for 12/29/24 :	\$14,301.23
Budgeted Collection Income YTD**	\$86,190.00
YTD Weekly Collection (as of 12/29/24)	\$111,251.11

Last week's collection information not available at time of printing.

The Monday night group hasn't yet resumed but will in the near future. More info to come.

Holy Trinity School Open House Jan 26th

Holy Trinity School in Winsted is hosting an open house and Family Fun Fest on Sunday, Jan 26th, 11am-1pm. Kindergarten roundup at 12pm. For more info visit winstedholyltrinity.org

Parish Events

- Jan 14th—Festival meeting 7:15pm
- Jan 15th at 6:30pm—Faith Formation
- Jan 19th 9-11am—Waffle/French Toast Breakfast
- Jan 21st at 7:10pm—Parish councils meet
- Feb 2nd—Donut Sunday after Mass

Save the Date for our first Waffle/French Toast Breakfast Jan. 19th—for the benefit of Cornerstone/Options for Women Pregnancy Center in St Michael. Please help spread the word to your friends and families!



Catholic Civics course starts January 21st at St Anne's in Hamel—see bulletin board for more details.

Festival Meeting Jan. 14th—this is the first of several planning meetings for our summer festival. All are welcome to attend.

Condolences—the parish wishes to extend condolences to the family Lloyd Griep, whose funeral Mass was celebrated on January 3rd. Also, his family asked to pass along this message: thank you to the parish of St. Mary of Czestochowa, Fr. Kubista, Darlene H., the volunteers who served the luncheon, and all who helped with Lloyd's funeral and welcomed us.

Congratulations to the family of Asher Leroy Molus (son of Luke and Krista Molus) who will be baptized on Sunday, Jan 12th.

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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

Jan 12th—for living and deceased members of St Mary of Czestochowa Catholic Church, Delano

Jan 19th—for the living and deceased members of Catholic United Financial Council 31, St Michael



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