



**Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
September 7th, 2025

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

**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 kmotzko@stmarydelano.org

**Formed.org** sign in under St. Boniface.

MASS SCHEDULE / Intentions		
Sat 6th	4pm	St Mary's Living & Deceased
Sun 7th	8:30am	Bruce Bogenrief+
Tues 9th	6:30pm	Ronald Motzko+
Wed 10th	8:30am	Betty Judd+
Thur 11th	8:30am	Kathleen Cass Barbour+
Fri 12th	8:30am	NO MASS
Sat 13th	4pm	Walter Swartzter+
Sun 14th	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 and Liturgy of the Hours** after each weekday Mass (the iBreviary app may be used for the LOH)

Lector and Sacristan Schedule	
Sept 6th	Stephanie C (L), Sue R (S), Jim & George (U)
Sept 7th	Glavans (L/S), Jim O' & Joe M (U)
Sept 13th	Dickhausens (L/S), Don G & volunteer (U)
Sept 14th	Huns V (L), Kate T (S), Jim Otto & Dave L (U)

*For The Sake of His Sorrowful Passion, Have Mercy on Us and On The Whole World*

## **A Message from Fr. Kubista:**

(Continued from last week...) We are supposed to be serving our Lord in our work, to do it well. We can ask how the work we are doing can be a prayer and help us grow closer to our Lord. Maybe we are looking for something better or more exciting and we might underestimate our work and how (even in the smallest things) it can be a powerful way to live out our faith, to grow in love of our Lord.

When we really focus on our work and how we can do it better (using our talents, gifts, and abilities) and do it for the glory of God, we grow in our reverence for Him because we are working and doing something for Him, thinking of Him in the process, and this is a prayer. When we work, we are to allow God to come into our work, to raise our mind to Him, and ask for His guidance, to allow Him to help us in it in. If we are working on a big project or weeding in the garden, we can ask for perseverance in the work before us. If we are teaching students that we have patience with them and teach them well. In whatever we are doing, to ask for help with it and get through it in the most excellent way. If God is helping us with our work, we will do it better which helps us grow in our dependence on Him which is a powerful way to be drawn closer to Him,

Sometimes the work does not require a lot of thinking which can open us up to be inspired by God. Driving a truck or car may require a more focused effort (more than we realize) so we should make sure we are giving the job the right amount of focus. Sometimes we might have time to think of things other than the job. In this case, we can allow God to speak to us, to help us work through issues that we are dealing with in our life. Work can be a wonderful way for us to “get things out of our system”, to allow our body to be working but our mind to be cleared out and healed through the work, to work things out in our soul. Sometimes good hard work helps a person (both body and soul), for example it can be very helpful to have prisoners do work.

Work is a great way for us to allow our minds to be brought closer to God. Work keeps the mind busy and focused on something and can help us avoid sins like sloth and lust. When our minds are not wandering or bored, we tend to not allow bad things to enter. Sometimes we may have had a difficult day and sometimes it is very helpful just to do something, some form of work which can help us work through the difficulties. Work can provide an outlet for frustrations and a way for us to do something and allow the unrest to settle or be dispelled through our work.

Work provides a sense of accomplishment which uplifts the spirit; it helps the soul find purpose and helps it realize its creative potential. There is a good sense of pride and satisfaction that goes along with completing a job especially when we complete it well. Work enhances our leisure time. If we had all leisure time, it would become boring. Work enhances it; making it more attractive and helps us to appreciate it more, and can help us rest in God.

Work is important. We are to do our best at it and to indeed make it a prayer. We can allow our work to help us to see the many blessing we have been given, the gifts and talents and abilities, and to allow the work to help us draw closer to God through His inspiration. We are to see that in and through our work we are to give thanks, glory, and honor to God which can be a powerful way that we pray. God bless you.

**Faith Formation starts September 10th!** Online registration is now open. An email letter was sent out to families currently participating. The letter and registration link are also on the St Mary website. *First Communion and 1st-year Confirmation students need to provide photocopies of their Baptism certificates.* Please bring copies to the first class on Sept. 10th. The evening will start with Mass at 6:30, followed by class. **Confirmation parents and students** will remain upstairs for a meeting following Mass. All other grades will meet in the church basement. ***We are in need of teachers and helpers.*** For more information contact Rachel Depa at rachel.dep1@gmail.com or Heather Dickhausen at hdickhausen@gmail.com

**Thank you to Wade Epple of Epple Exteriors** for donating the replacement of two shingles on the church roof and cleaning out the church gutters. Very much appreciated!

**Thank you to** all those who take care of the grass around the Parish grounds. Your dedication is greatly appreciated!

**Coffee and Conversation fall session starts Sept 11th**—our women’s small group will start the fall session on September 11th after the morning Mass. Together we share the ways God has blessed us, learn from a teaching provided by Fr. Kubista, and offer intersessions for friends, family and community. The teaching this fall is on prayer. Coffee and Conversation offers ways to grow closer to Jesus together. Stay tuned for more information on the Monday night small group.



**Prayers for Those Affected by Annunciation Shootings**

We pray for all those impacted by the recent shootings especially those who have died, who have been injured, and traumatized by the incidents. We pray that God would console them and help them in this difficult time. We pray for those considering violence, that they may turn away from evil, know that they are loved, and that God calls them to respect their lives and the lives of all people. We pray that there would be a greater respect for all human life, a great gift from God. Each one of us is created in God's image. Life is so sacred and precious, each and every one of us. For the sake of his sorrowful passion, have mercy on us and on the whole world. Jesus I trust in you. Our Lady of Czestochowa, pray for us. - Fr. Kubista

**The Mary statue is back** and repairs completed. Thank you to the St Patrick’s Guild for doing such a wonderful restoration.

**Thank you to our dedicated Adorers and subs** who are participating in our Wednesday Eucharistic Adoration. If you are interested in joining as a regular Adorer or occasional substitute, please contact Sue Broll at 763-213-7923



<b>Our Sacrificial Giving</b>	
<i>We offer unto you, O Lord, our sacrificial giving. Thank you.</i>	
Average weekly collection income need	\$3,315.00
<b>8/31/25: Weekly Envelopes/Autobanking</b>	\$2,530.00
Weekly Plate collection	\$1,072.58
Religious Education	\$100.00
Stole Fee	\$200.00
<b>Collection Total for 8/31/25:</b>	<b>\$3,902.58</b>
Gaza collection*	\$576.00
Budgeted Collection Income YTD**	\$29,835.00
YTD Weekly Collection (as of 8/31/25 )	\$33,275.18

\* Not included in Collection Total

\*\* Does not include income from festival

## Parish Events

- Sept 9th at 7:15pm—Class on God
- Sept 10th at 6:30pm—Faith Formation Mass, followed by first class and Confirmation parent/student meeting

### September is the month of Our Lady of Sorrows

Devotion to Our Lady's Sorrows has existed since the early centuries of the Church. It came into particular focus in the 13th century when Our Lady appeared to the Seven Founders of the Servite Order, giving them a black garment as their habit and asking them to meditate on her Sorrows. In the 14th century, Our Lady revealed to St. Bridget of Sweden seven special graces that she would grant to those devoted to her Sorrows. She spoke at length to St. Bridget about the Passion of her Son and her own Sorrows, and made these promises to those who would say seven Hail Marys daily while meditating on her tears and sufferings:

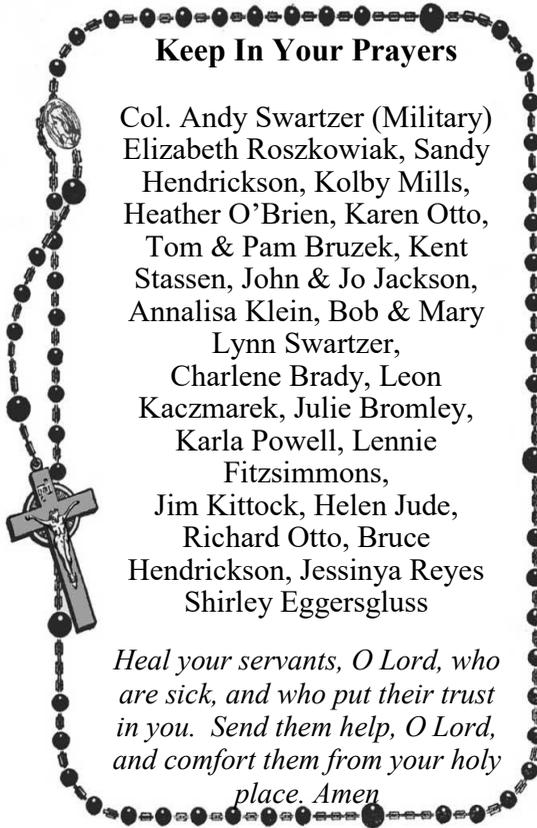
The Sorrows of Our Lady are seven particular sufferings that she endured in her life:

1. The prophecy of Simeon
2. The flight into Egypt
3. The loss of the Child Jesus for three days in the Temple
4. The meeting of Jesus and Mary on the road to Calvary
5. The crucifixion and death of Jesus
6. Jesus is taken down from the Cross and placed in the arms of His Mother
7. The burial of Jesus

-excerpt from [www.morningoffering.com](http://www.morningoffering.com)

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### Keep In Your Prayers



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Elizabeth Roszkowiak, Sandy  
Hendrickson, Kolby Mills,  
Heather O'Brien, Karen Otto,  
Tom & Pam Bruzek, Kent  
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Annalisa Klein, Bob & Mary  
Lynn Swartzter,  
Charlene Brady, Leon  
Kaczmarek, Julie Bromley,  
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Jim Kittock, Helen Jude,  
Richard Otto, Bruce  
Hendrickson, Jessinya Reyes  
Shirley Eggersgluss

*Heal your servants, O Lord, who are sick, and who put their trust in you. Send them help, O Lord, and comfort them from your holy place. Amen*

### Radio Rosary 11:00 am Sundays

KRWC - 1360 AM Buffalo

**Sept 7th**—for Pope Leo—Iten Funeral Home, Watertown and Delano

**Sept 14th**—for living and deceased members of St Mary of Czestochowa Catholic Church, Delano

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