



Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
July 12th, 2026

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
kmotzko@stmarydelano.org

Cemetery questions: Don Gabrelcik at 952-955-2563

MASS SCHEDULE / Intentions		
Sat 11th	4pm	St Mary's Living & Deceased
Sun 12th	8:30am	James & Geraldine Motzko+
Tues 14th	6:30pm	Jackie Singer, health
Wed 15th	8:30am	Griffin Lee
Thur 16th	8:30am	NO MASS
Fri 17th	8:30am	NO MASS
Sat 18th	4pm	Fran Czantskowski+
Sun 19th	10am	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	
July 11th	Dickhausens (L/S), Jim & George (U)
July 12th	Deb D (L/S), Jim O' & Gene G (U)
July 18th	Huns V (L), Sue J (S), Don & volunteer (U)
July 19th	Glavans (L/S), Jim Otto & Joe N (U)

Thank you to all of those who volunteer to be Lectors, Sacristans, and Ushers at our masses. Your dedication is much appreciated!

A Message from Fr. Kubista:

(Continued from last week...) The dissenting House of Representative view in the 112th Congress acknowledges religion in America, that there are prominent views from the past, and states that the Establishment Clause (which states that “*Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion*”) protects religion from government and that “*In God We Trust*” violates the religious liberty of people who do not believe in God as it forces Him into their lives. Having “*In God We Trust*” on money and as our nation’s motto does not establish a religion in our country. It does acknowledge a Supreme Being (God), as stated in the Declaration of Independence which refers to “*Supreme Judge*”, “*Nature’s God*”, and “*Creator*”. The Declaration appeals to a “*Supreme Judge of the world*” for the moral goodness of the intentions of the founders, which acknowledges their understanding of a moral order with a Supreme Being (God) as the author (judge). It concludes by the founders pledging (with their lives, fortunes, and sacred honor) to support the Declaration “*with a firm reliance on the protection of divine Providence [God]*” They were so committed to adherence to the Declaration that they were willing sacrifice their lives, fortunes, and honor for it.

The founders of this country did not intend it to be a country without morals rather one founded on morals (laws) from God and thus our laws should reflect His moral order. If our founders trusted in God then why would we not trust in God and have as our motto, “*In God We Trust*”. The founders understood that the state was not supposed to edict a religion but rather be influenced by it for the good and that the system they created depends on a moral and God centered people. The Declaration of Independence states that if the state ever violates the rights that “*the Laws of Nature and of Nature’s God entitle*” to the people, then these violations can impel them (they have the right) to separate from the state and form a new government. “*We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness.*”

When we put God at the center of our country, we are not displacing others belief. They can believe what they want, that is freedom of religion (one cannot prohibit the free exercise of religion). We know that God is King and the Supreme Being, and that He ultimately rules the world. We invite others to consider this and come to Him. We do not force them, they freely choose it. They can worship as they wish as long as it does not infringe on the rights of others or violate our laws which should reflect the laws of God.

“*In God We Trust*” does not violate someone’s religious beliefs from this perspective. If one goes to a group who founded their organization on a certain individual and a picture of that individual is displayed in their offices, on their signs, or the name of the founder is written down, it does not affect one’s belief as one can still have their own belief, it does not force belief or establish a religion. (Religion is defined as an organized system of religious attitudes, beliefs, and practices.) It might get one to look into that person and change one’s belief without force, but one still has the liberty to choose. Similarly, putting “*In God We Trust*” does not limit one’s own belief.

Our country is founded on God and His laws. We should not have to apologize for being Christian and living out our faith. Our faith should influence culture and move it towards the good. When we thrive, we can help others thrive and see their true destiny. Rather than be a burden, we are a people who love the other and show them God’s love so that they too can experience the goodness of God. It is only in turning to God and trusting in Him that we will thrive and flourish. “*In God We Trust*” God bless you.

Festival Update: Our Church Festival next Sunday, July 19th from 11am - 4pm with Mass at 10am. The final festival planning meeting will be on July 14th at 7:15pm. All parishioners are encouraged to sell additional raffle tickets. Please turn in tickets (including unsold) as soon as possible so that we can get them recorded. ***Festival day volunteer signup sheets, posters and donation envelopes are available on the festival table.*** If anyone wants to buy tickets or needs more to sell, there will be a Festival Representative after weekend masses to assist you in these matters and any other questions you may have. Also, raffle tickets can be picked up or purchased after the daily Masses—see Kathleen M. or Fr. Kubista for help.

Reminders: all families are asked to donate a pan of pre-cut bars to be served at the meal. Bars should be dropped off Saturday morning or early on Sunday. Setup is on Saturday morning from 9am-2pm (or until completed).

Archdiocesan Capital Campaign—Archbishop Bernard Hebda has begun the Lord, Renew Your Church Campaign for our archdiocese. It has an overall goal of \$250 million, raised across the total of 185 parishes, including our own. He has asked that all parishes participate and that all parishioners be invited to participate. St Mary's goal is \$220,000 of which \$132,000 will come back to St. Mary's to fund our parish initiatives which include Catholic Education Scholarships, Youth Faith Formation, and Maintenance Items (like the parking lot and elevator). The remaining \$88,000 will be kept by the Archdiocese to fund their initiatives which include Educating our Children and Young People, Sustaining the Cathedral of Saint Paul and Basilica of Saint Mary, Caring for Our Clergy and Future Clergy and providing for Those in Need. I will be contacting parishioners to talk about the campaign with them. All of us can prayerfully consider how God is calling us to participate in this campaign. Fr. Kubista

Lord, Renew Your Church Campaign Prayer

Lord, Renew Your Church
by the light of the Gospel.
Pour out Your Holy Spirit
upon us so that we might
recognize you as the Giver
of all good gifts.

Bless our Lord Renew Your
Church campaign.

May it strengthen the bonds
that unite us and bring new
fruitfulness to our parishes,
schools and pastoral efforts.
Through the intercession of
Mary, Mother of the Church,
and Saint Paul, our patron,
may our generous response
give witness to Your love,
Your power and Your plan.
We ask this through Christ,
Our Lord.
AMEN



*Lord, Renew
Your Church*

Our Sacrificial Giving

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

Budgeted weekly collection income	\$3,315.00
7/5/26: Weekly Envelopes/Autobanking	\$2,595.00
Weekly Plate collection	\$651.00
Masses	\$7.00
Building Fund	\$180.00
Weekly Collection Total for 7/5/26:	\$3,433.00
Cemetery*	\$450.00
Festival Donations*	\$1,540.00
Festival tickets*	\$1,370.00
YTD Budgeted Weekly Collection Income**	\$172,380.00
YTD Actual Weekly Collection (7/5/26)	\$224,919.43

* Not included in Collection Total

** Does not include income from festival

Parish Events

- July 14th at 7:15pm—Festival meeting
- July 18th at 9am til complete—Festival setup
- July 19th at 10am -- Mass
- July 19th 11am—4pm—43rd Annual Festival
- July 21st at 7:15pm—Parish Councils meet

Wednesday Eucharistic Adoration 9am-6pm.

Contact Sue Broll at 763-213-7923 for more information, to sign up for a time, or feel free to stop in anytime. We are in need of occasional subs and second Adorers for a couple of time slots, so please consider joining us in this special time of prayer.

Thank you to the parish - The Dickhausen family wishes to express their gratitude and thankfulness for everyone who helped with the funeral and how nicely it turned out.

Thank You to all those who are donating to the food shelf collection (box located under the table in the back of church. Your generosity is much appreciated. Please feel free to leave items in grocery bags in order to aid in transporting them to the food shelf. Thanks!

Thank you to Nancy & Mike Dobratz and Dave & Linda Matter for counting money (collections) for a number of years. I have asked Don & Vonda Zimmerman and Tim & Amy Matter to take their place and they have graciously accepted. I am also grateful for Kathleen & Andy Motzko and Ken & Mary Thies who are the other money counting team. Thank you for serving our Parish in this way. Fr. Kubista

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

Keep In Your Prayers

Col. Andy Swartzter (Military),
Elizabeth Roszkowiak, Sandy
Hendrickson, Kolby Mills,
Karen Otto, Tom & Pam Bruzek,
Kent Stassen, Jo Jackson,
Annalisa Klein, Bob & Mary
Lynn Swartzter, Charlene Brady,
Leon Kaczmarek, Julie Bromley,
Karla Powell, Jim Kittock, Bruce
Hendrickson, Jessinya Reyes,
Brandon Matter, Jim Fasching,
Jennifer & Shaun Smith, Becky
Groskreutz, Mary Motzko
Gustafson, Tracy Anderson,
Andrew Glavan, Irene Calis,
Marian Krumm, Jackie Wally,
Chris Capaul, Dave Bodin,
Jackie Singer

*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

July 12th—for living and deceased
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Catholic Church, Delano, MN

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Council 31, St. Michael

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