



Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 20th, 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 September-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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Cemetery questions: Don Gabrelcik at 952-955-2563

MASS SCHEDULE / Intentions		
Sat 19th	4pm	St Mary's Living & Deceased
Sun 20th	8:30am	James Motzko, Sr+
Tues 22nd	6:30pm	Janet & Clifford Jennison+
Wed 23rd	8:30am	Dick Florek+
Thur 24th	8:30am	Allyson Lee
Fri 25th	8:30am	Erwin Swartzter+
Sat 26th	4pm	Brenda Cole+
Sun 27th	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 19th	Huns V (L), Sue R (S), George & Jim (U)
Sept 20th	Deb D (L/S), Jim O' & Joe M (U)
Sept 26th	Depas (L/S), Don G & volunteer (U)
Sept 27th	Glavans (L/S), Jim Otto & Dave L (U)

Mass Intentions – We are booked throughout the remainder of this year. Any new requests will be scheduled in 2027. Thank you for your understanding.

A Message from Fr. Kubista:

Sin is rejecting God and His ways. There are three types of sin, original, venial, and mortal.

We are all created by God at the moment of conception with original sin. As a result of the sin of Adam and Eve, each one of us (except Mary and Jesus) is conceived with original sin. An important aspect of it is that it is the absence of God (the Holy Spirit) in our person. Adam and Eve were created with the Holy Spirit but when they sinned, He left and all their offspring are conceived without the Holy Spirit. Original sin is “washed away” when we are baptized (we receive the Holy Spirit) but its effects still remain. One effect is that we have a tendency to sin which is called concupiscence. If there is a piece of chocolate in front of us and if we have never tasted it, it will be easier to avoid eating it. Concupiscence is like we have already tasted the chocolate and like it which makes it harder for us to say no to sin because we have already “tasted” it.

Original sin is not something we choose. Personal sins are those that we choose and there are two classes of these, venial and mortal sin. A venial sin does not break our relationship with God; it is not serious. These would be minor offenses against God which “weaken charity” (CCC 1863), things like stealing a penny or saying a swear word.

Mortal sins are those that mortally wound our soul as it kills the life of God in us. In Baptism, the Holy Spirit comes into us and makes us holy; He shares the life of God with us. Mortal sin causes the Holy Spirit to leave us killing God’s life in our soul and breaks our relationship with Him.

In order for a sin to be mortal there has to be three conditions. The first is that the sin has to be of a serious nature which means it is a bigger violation of God’s plan for us, a greater rejection of His love. Missing mass on Sundays or Holy Days of Obligation, killing innocent human life, sex before marriage, and pornography are some examples of sins which are of a serious nature. We should know and let others know of the seriousness of sins because the more serious it is the more it can harm a person’s relationship with God. The second condition is that the person has to fully know it is wrong. Sometimes people do not realize that something is wrong or they may think it is not that serious which would make them less culpable, less responsible. In this case it would not be mortal because the person does not really know it’s wrong or is that big of a deal. Love calls us to let others know if something is wrong, especially if it is serious. Once the person knows then they are responsible. The final condition is that the person has to freely commit the sin. Sometimes there are conditions which diminish this third condition, for example a person was planning on going to mass at 7:30pm on Sun and their car broke down which prevented them from getting to mass.

If the three conditions are met, which really have to be determined by the individual, then the sin is mortal. The person needs to go to Confession to reconcile, be brought back into, their relationship with God before receiving communion. If a person is in the state of mortal sin and cannot get to Confession before going to Mass, they should still go to Mass but not receive communion. If a person dies in the state of mortal sin, *“it causes exclusion from Christ's kingdom and the eternal death of hell.”* (CCC 1861) They do not have eternal life for eternal life is the Holy Spirit residing in us.

Even though we sin, God extends His mercy to forgive us especially through the Sacrament of Confession. We pray that we would acknowledge our sins and allow God to forgive us. God bless you.

**September – the Month of
Our Lady of Sorrows**

O Sorrowful Mother,
pray for us and help us
to bear our crosses with
patience and love.

Unite our sufferings with yours
and help us to grow closer to your Son, Jesus. Amen.



Archbishop's Discernment Retreat on October 16-18
at Christ the King Retreat Center in Buffalo, MN. For
men ages 17-24. Join Archbishop Hebda, Fr Mark
Pavlak, and archdiocesan seminarians for a weekend of
prayer and discernment. See flyer on bulletin board for
more info.

Copies of Archbishop Hebda's Pastoral Letter to
the Families of the Archdiocese of St. Paul and
Minneapolis, *Only One Thing Is Necessary*, are now
available on the back tables.

Our Sacrificial Giving	
<i>We offer unto you, O Lord, our sacrificial giving. Thank you.</i>	
Budgeted weekly collection income	\$3,315.00
9/6/26: Weekly Envelopes/Autobanking	\$2,630.00
Weekly Plate collection	\$420.75
Building fund	\$50.00
Wedding	\$350.00
Maintenance rebate	\$6.00
Weekly Collection Total for 9/6/26:	\$3,456.75
YTD Budgeted Weekly Collection Income**	\$33,150.00
YTD Actual Weekly Collection (9/6/26)	\$34,278.38

**Financials for Sept 13th are not available this week and will be
added to next week's report.**



The Coffee & Conversation small
group resumes meetings on
Thursday, Sep. 24th, immediately
following 8:30am Mass. The study
and discussion this fall will be
about the Holy Spirit.

OCIA Starts Soon

If anyone is interested in
becoming Catholic, please
contact Fr. Kubista in
order to enter into the
Order of Christian
Initiation for Adults
(OCIA). OCIA sessions
would start this Fall and
the person would be
brought into the Church at
the Easter Vigil.



Thank You to all of our
Faith Formation
volunteers, teachers, and
helpers. We are off to a
good start and look
forward to the coming
year!

Parish Events

- Sept 23rd at 6:30pm – Faith Formation
- Sept 30th at 6:30pm – Faith Formation
- Oct 2nd – First Friday Mass, Adoration, Confessions, Benediction
- Oct 3rd – First Saturday devotions
- Oct 4th after Mass- Donut Sunday
- Oct 20th at 7:15pm – Parish councils meet

Wednesday Eucharistic Adoration 9am-6pm.

The Archdiocesan Lord, Renew Your Church capital campaign is under way.

We are currently at 86% (\$188,33) of our Lord Renew Your Church (LRYC) campaign goal of \$220,00 for our Parish. Thank you for the generosity of those who have pledged. If you have met with Fr. Kubista on the LRYC campaign, please get your pledges turned in. You can get them to him after the weekend masses. If you have not received details on the LRYC campaign from Fr. Kubista, he will be available after the weekend masses (Sept 19/20 & Sept 26/27) to share them with you so that you can discern how you would like to participate in the LRYC campaign.

Priesthood Sunday is September 27th. This nationwide event is coordinated and sponsored by the USA Council of Serra International. It is a special day set aside to honor the priesthood. It is a day to reflect upon and affirm the role of priesthood in the life of the Church as a central one. Pray for our priests, pray for vocations, be sure to thank our priests.

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, Jackie Singer, Mark Salonek, Mary Walters, Bishop Kevin Kenney, Dave Shelley, Tom Triplett

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.



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