



Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 4th, 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:
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Cemetery questions: Don Gabrelcik at 952-955-2563

MASS SCHEDULE / Intentions		
Sat 3rd	4pm	St Mary's Living & Deceased
Sun 4th	8:30am	Walter Swartzter+
Tues 6th	6:30pm	Thanksgiving to St Anthony
Wed 7th	8:30am	Carol & Brad Theisen+
Thur 8th	8:30am	Weldon Burchill Sr
Fri 9th	8:30am	Mary Ann Hafften+
Sat 10th	4pm	Judy Odenthal+
Sun 11th	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	
Oct 3rd	Depas (L/S), George & Jim (U)
Oct 4th	Theisens (L/S), Jim O' & Gene G (U)
Oct 10th	Dickhausens (L/S), Don G & volunteer (U)
Oct 11th	Deb D (L/S), Jim Otto & Joe N (U)

New calendars –the new 2027 calendars are here and are available on the back tables.

A Message from Fr. Kubista:

(Continued from last week...) When we are envious, it tells God that He is not good because He has not given us what we think we should have been given. We might feel slighted by God or that He is not fair. Jesus touches upon envy when he tells the parable of the vineyard owner (who is representing God) who hires workers throughout the day and gives all of them the same pay. The workers who worked all day complain to the vineyard owner and he says to them that they got the agreed upon wage and indicates that they are envious because he is generous. (Mt 20:15) In other words, God will give us what we need (He is generous) so we are not to get envious of others. It was good that all the workers got paid the same because the workers who were hired at the end of the day also needed to provide for themselves. We have been given much by God who gives us only what is good for us. Sometimes we may have not used what He has given to us as we should have, we squandered His blessings. For example, rather than study hard in school and work hard to get through college, we were lazy and did not attain that to which we had potential to attain, but that is our fault and not God's. We should not blame others (including God) for things which we have failed in because we misused or underused God's gifts. We are to use the talents and gifts God has given to us to the best of our ability and in so doing, know that we are following His good plan for us.

There are various things we can do to try to avoid envy. We should acknowledge that each one of us is unique and has been given certain gifts. We must be thankful for the gifts and talents that we have been given. We can make a list of the things that we are thankful for and the ways that God has been good to us. We can list those things we would like to have and which of them are really necessary for us to be happy, which of them are attainable with what we have been given. Maybe our expectations are too high? Do we really want to be a millionaire or rather, live a simple life, getting enough food, money, and leisure time to make life enjoyable? We are to accept where we are at and really seek the things that will make us happy, not those things which society can project onto us and tell us that we need and that will make us happy. We should be thankful for what others have. When we have envious thoughts, counter with thanks; thank God for the gifts we have and thank God for the gifts the other has. It is so easy to think that the other person has it better than we have it when in reality they have their own struggles. We might have things that others would like. When we are moved to desire what someone else has, allow that desire to reinforce in us the many blessings and gifts that God has given to us and to others. Allow that desire to move us to a greater love of God, others, and ourselves, knowing that God gives us (and others) all that we need to attain eternal happiness, to fulfill His plan for our lives. "The baptized person combats envy through goodwill, humility, and abandonment to the providence of God." (CCC 2554) Be thankful to God for what we have and for what others have.

We ask that God would help us to always be thankful for the many blessings that He has given each one of us. We can avoid envy by accepting the gifts and talents God gives us, using what we have been given to the best of our ability and helping others to do the same, thanking them for who they are, and encouraging them to be all that God wants them to be. God bless you.

Archbishop's Discernment Retreat on October 16th-18th 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.

Donut Sundays Resume October 4th. Join us on the first Sunday of each month after the 8:30am Mass, for fellowship and a wide variety of donuts, coffee and home-made treats.

Join the Serra Club of Wright County as they welcome Father Patrick Barnes from St. Henry's parish in Monticello. He will share his vocation story with them at our general meeting. ALL ARE WELCOME to join them at St. Albert's Parish Center, Friday, October 9th starting at 10:00 a.m. for coffee/donuts. At 11:15 they will join the parish in Rosary, followed by Holy Sacrifice of other Mass at noon. Opportunity for Reconciliation follows immediately after Mass.

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 teachers, helpers and volunteers. We are off to a good start and look forward to the coming year!

Our Sacrificial Giving	
<i>We offer unto you, O Lord, our sacrificial giving. Thank you.</i>	
Budgeted weekly collection income	\$3,315.00
9/27/26: Weekly Envelopes/Autobanking	\$2,590.00
Weekly Plate collection	\$681.00
Faith Formation	\$895.00
Votive Candles	\$66.80
Weekly Collection Total for 9/27/26:	\$4,232.80
YTD Budgeted Weekly Collection Income**	\$43,095.00
YTD Actual Weekly Collection (9/27/26)	\$44,619.86

* Not included in Collection Total

** Does not include income from festival

Bible Study on the Book of Daniel

Come join Fr. Kubista as we study the Book of Daniel.

Classes start on Tuesday October 6th and will go until we are finished with the Book.

Class is planned to be from 7:15pm to 8:30pm. If you miss a class, there will be handouts so you don't need to be at every class. Come and learn more about this interesting person in the Old Testament.



October is the Month of the Holy Rosary

October is designated by the Catholic Church as the "Month of the Rosary" because in this month the Church celebrates the Marian advocacy of "Our Lady of the Rosary" on Oct. 7th.

The feast of Our Lady of the Rosary, also celebrated as Our Lady of Victory or Victories, was established by Pope St. Pius V in 1571 to celebrate the miraculous victory of the Christian forces in the Battle of Lepanto on Oct. 7th of that year. Previous to the decisive battle, St. Pius V had requested all Western Christians to pray the rosary; thus he attributed the victory to the power of the Marian prayer rather than the power of ships and cannons.

Parish Events

- Oct 2nd – First Friday Mass, Adoration, Confessions, Benediction
- Oct 3rd – First Saturday devotions
- Oct 4th after Mass- Donut Sunday
- Oct 6th at 7:15 – Bible Study on Daniel
- Oct 7th at 6:30pm – Faith Formation
- Oct 13th at 7:15pm – Bible Study on Daniel
- Oct 14th – No Faith Formation - MEA
- Oct 20th at 7:15pm – Parish councils meet

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

Around 90% of our goal has been reached. There is around \$20,000 left to be pledged to reach our campaign goal of \$220,00 for our Parish. Thank you for the generosity of those who have pledged. If you have already received your pledge card, please turn it into Fr. Kubista. You can get it to him after the weekend masses. If you have not received a pledge card and would like to give, there are some pledge cards available in the church entry next to the LRYC thermometer. You can fill one out and get it to Fr. Kubista. Thank you.

Adorers Needed - We are in need of second Adorers for Wednesday Eucharistic Adoration for the following hours: 11am, 12pm, 2pm, 3pm, 4pm. We invite all parishioners to join us for Eucharistic Adoration. This is a time to sit in silence, pray, and bring your intentions before the Lord. Whether you can serve weekly, monthly, or occasionally, your presence is a beautiful gift to our parish community. All are welcome!

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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