

## Thaddeus Zaparucha and Catherine Byczek

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Thaddeus Zaparucha and Catherine Byczek were married in 1781 at the Catholic church located in Brzesc Kujawski. The marriage was listed for the village of Miechowice. They lived in Stary Brzesc after the wedding within the same Catholic Parish. It appears that Thaddeus was born about 1759. It is reasonable to conclude that Catherine was about the same age. A marriage record for their daughter Josephine in 1823 suggests that Catherine was 70 years old with an estimated year of birth as 1753. There are several records for both Zaparucha and Byczek families within the Brzesc Kujawski Parish during this time period.

The nine known children of Thaddeus Zaparucha and Catherine Byczek are:

Child	Birth	Notes
Rosalie Zaparucha	1790	Died in 1808, but listed as 18 (might have been more than one Rosalie)
Peter Zaparucha	About 1791	Died in 1804 (appears to have been listed as 13 years old, but baptism not verified)
Adam Zaparucha	1792	
Marianna Zaparucha	1795	Death has not been verified, but a 2nd Marianna was born two years later
Marianna Zaparucha	1797	There is a death record for Marianna in 1802, which suggests the first Marianna died 1795-1797
Paul & Prokop Zaparucha	1800	Twins. Prokop died in 1801.
Josephine Zaparucha	1803	Married in 1823. Baptism was indexed, but the record has not been found.
Catherine Zaparucha	1805	Died in 1810, but listed as 3 years old (could be more than one Catherine)

There appears to only be one Thaddeus Zaparucha in the entire parish, especially since all verified records link him to a wife named Catherine.

Their son Paul Zaparucha married Bridget Orłowski in 1825 in Dabie Kujawski. They are Michael E. Byczek's 4x-great-grandparents.

Thaddeus Zaparucha passed away in 1807 while living in Stare Brzesc. He was listed as 48 years old. This is the only known death record for anyone with that name during this time period. On balance of probabilities, it is the correct document.

The death for Catherine (Byczek) Zaparucha has not been verified.

83.

Villa Miechowice

Eadem q̄ ejusdem, eodem Anno Ego Idem q̄  
supra benedixi Matrimonium legitime contractum  
cum premissis tribus annis inter Thaddeum  
Zaparucha et Dolescentem  
et Catharinam Byczkowa Virgine  
Presentibus Testibus Honestis Alberto  
Hybak, Joanne Zekowski, Michaelo Inze-  
lak et aliis

1781 Marriage of Thaddeus Zaparucha and Catherine Byczek  
Listed under the village of Miechowice (Brzesc Kujawski Parish)

*Villa Starebrzesie* 229 223.  
Anno 1807. et 14. 8<sup>bris</sup> Obiit Labor. Thaddeus  
Zaparucha Maoratus Annus usque 48. Annis  
Annis Sacramentis innotuit sepultus est in le  
gatione S. Spiritus . . . . .  
Dennochium Bystric

1807 Death for Thaddeus Zaparucha  
Died in Stare Brzesc (Brzesc Kujawski Parish)  
Listed as 48 years old (born about 1759)

## **Children of Thaddeus Zaparucha and Catherine Byczek**

Representative documents are described below.

1791  
Vila e Stare Brzeski  
Dni 22. Auey ego qui su  
ma Baptisavi Infantem  
Nre Rozaliam Hon. Pa  
dei et Katharina Zapa  
ruchow. i. e. Pam. erant.  
Hon. Petrus Byczek.  
et Cetruda Gubow. ka  
ant eo excipra dicta Villa  
Vila. Mniebowi

1791 Baptism for Rosalie Zaparucha  
Stare Brzesc (Brzesc Kujawski Parish)  
Godfather was Peter Byczek

Villa Stare Brzesci 79.  
Die 23 Decembris fere quinquaginta  
tra Baptisavi infantez Thaddeum  
Adamum Honor Thaddeum et  
Catherina Zaporucha & C  
patini fuer Honor Symonem  
militari et Catherina Byczek  
loca an Co de Stare Brzesci  
Villa Stare Brzesci

1792 Baptism for Adam Zaporucha  
Stare Brzesc (Brzesc Kujawski Parish)  
Godmother was Catherine Byczek

1795  
Cathol  
w ym  
Jan 44  
Villa Stare Brzesce  
Die 10. Aug. Mem qui supra Bapt  
savi Thaddeum Hornich Martan  
nam Thaddeum Thaddei et Cat  
herine Zaporuchow Coniuges  
Legitimum Filium suum  
Thaddeum Adalbertum Edwardum  
et Mariannam Thaddeum  
ambo de supra dicta Villa  
Villa Praehawola

1795 Baptism for Marianna Zaparucha  
Stare Brzesc (Brzesc Kujawski Parish)

Villa Stare Brzesie  
Die 13. Aug 1897 qui supra  
Baptisavi Infantem Nre Mari  
annam Giliam . 40m Thadei et  
Catharina Zaparuchow Lem Patris  
ni suere Jakobij Krestiewicz  
et Mesgitto Obraszewierowa  
Cives Brestenses.  
Villa Pradkawola

1897 Baptism for Marianna Zaparucha  
Stare Brzesc (Brzesc Kujawski Parish)

1800  
Villa Stare Brzesce  
Die 29 Julij. 1800. qui summa Ba-  
ptisavi sub instantia Geminij  
pater 27 pres. scilicet Paulam et  
Prokopum Gilejzab, Thaddei  
et Catharina Zaporuchowa Em-  
pauli parentes fuerunt. Quam  
ny Zabowicz et Cunegunda O-  
stacha Gilejzab, genatrix kwia-  
lowski et Cunegunda Habatow-  
na omnes de supra dicta villa.

1800 Baptism for Paul and Prokop Zaparucha (twins)  
Stare Brzesc (Brzesc Kujawski Parish)

Below: Translation from volunteer translators from the website polishorigins.com

Baptismal record of the twins: Village of Stare Brześć/Old Brześć (The village where the birth took place)

On the 29th day of June I, the same as above, baptized two infants, twins, born on the 27th of the current (month & year), namely Paweł/Paul and (illegible male child), the sons of the legitimate marriage of the industrious\* Tadeusz/Thaddeus and Katarzyna/Catherine Zaparucha. The baptismal parents of Paweł/Paul were the industrious\* Jan Zakowicz(?) and Kunegunda Oslicka(?); of the illegible twin, the industrious\* Ignacy/Ignatius Kwiatkowski and Kunegunda Kabakowna, all from the above mentioned village.

Note:\*laboriosus/industrious: adjective used to describe peasants

parochia  
Kujawska Villa Stare Brzesie.  
Anno ut supra id 12 Aprilis quodam qui in  
opra baptisavit infantem nomine Ca-  
therinam natam id 11. Ejusdem honesti  
Thaddei et Catharinae Zaparuchow  
Ll. Patrum suorum honesti Joannes  
Zaparucha in Marianna Buszkiewicz  
cowa. Villa Fulber

1805 Baptism for Catherine Zaparucha  
Stare Brzesc (Brzesc Kujawski Parish)  
Godfather was John Zaparucha

Villa Starobrzesc  
In eadem mortuus est Procopius Zaporucha Thaddeus  
Pater eius Zaporucha, medij. Anni sepultus est in Cemet  
a amant no Larnia.  
Die 9. 9. Villa Starobrzesc.

1801 Death for Prokop Zaporucha  
Stare Brzesc (Brzesc Kujawski Parish)

marum s. sepulchrum  
Villa Stare Brzesce  
Die 10. hujus mortua est Marianna filia d. Thaddeus  
Tharina Zaparucha annorum mediorum: Sepulta est in ce  
meterio.  
na Wrony  
Brzesce

1802 Death for Marianna Zaparucha  
Stare Brzesc (Brzesc Kujawski Parish)

183. 180

Villa Stare Brzesie

Anno 1804 Die 9 Junij obiit Juvenis nomine Petrus  
Laboriosus Thadei et Catharine Zapanuchow filius un-  
nus aetatis 13 Senex Sepultus in Cemeterio s. Spiritus  
et 31. Ejuodem ----- Causa mortis. Hydro  
Villa Mielkowie

1804 Death for Peter Zaparucha  
Appears to be listed as 13 years old (born about 1791)  
Stare Brzesc (Brzesc Kujawski Parish)

*S. Spiritus - Sanctus*  
*Villa Starebrzesce*  
Anno ut supra id 27 Aprilis obiit Rosalia Annor  
aevitatis 14. Labor. Catharinae Zaparucha wa Virgine  
filia Omnibus Sacramentis moriturus legitime  
est in Permitt. *S. Spiritus - Sanctus*  
*Civitas Brzesce*

1808 Death for Rosalie Zaparucha  
Appears to be listed as the 14 year old daughter of the widow Catherine Zaparucha without mention of the father's name  
Note: She should be 18 years old, unless this is a 2nd Rosalie born after the 1st passed away  
Stare Brzesc (Brzesc Kujawski Parish)





Brześć

It happened on the 29th day of July 1823 at 4 p.m. In front of Us, priest Tomasz Dymowski, Civil Registrar for Brześć community, living in the city Brześć appeared:

Anastazy Józef Wojciechowski, carpenter, according to the baptism certificate from the Włocławek parish church 22 years old, living with his parents in the city Włocławek in the presence of his parents: Franciszek Wojciechowski, carpenter, 51 years old and Marianna Wojciechowska nee Rychlewska, 46 years old, both living in the city Włocławek

and

Józefa Zaparuszewska, a miss, living with her mother in the city Brześć, according to the baptism certificate from the Brześć parish church book 20 years old in the presence of her mother Katarzyna Zaparuszewska, a widow, 70 years old. Father Tadeusz Zaparuszewski is already dead

The parties who presented themselves demand that we begin the wedding ceremony arranged between them which banns were made in front of the doors of our community house, it is:

first on the 7th day of July

second on the 13th day of July in Brześć

and

first on the 13th day of July

second on the 20th day of July in Włocławek

of the current year both at noon on Sundays.

There were no obstacles for this marriage. Accepting the demand of the parties, after reading all the before mentioned papers and the sixth part of the Civil Code titled: About marriage, we asked the future husband and the future wife if they want to join themselves with each other in the union of marriage. When each of them separately answered to it that such is their will we proclaim in the name of the law that:

Anastazy Józef Wojciechowski, a young man and Józefa Zaparuszewska, a miss, a miss are connected with each other by the bond of marriage of which we wrote a document in the presence of: Mateusz Budziński, carpenter, 49 years old, Dominik Nowicki, innkeeper, 65 years old and Szymon Tobolczyk, miller, 51 years old and Jan Bindra..(cant decipher), 48 years old, all living in the city Brześć.

This act was read aloud and signed by us and two witnesses, the others re illiterate.

priest Tomasz dymowski signature, Brześć community Civil Registrar  
Budziszewski and Tobolczyk signatures

priest Józef Ugniewski, Lubotyń parish parson, serving as Civil Registrar.

## Additional Information

Thaddeus Zaparucha and Catherine Byczek are Michael E. Byczek's 5x-great-grandparents. Their son Paul Zaparucha (4x-great-grandfather) married Bridget Orłowski in 1825 in Dąbie Kujawski. Their daughter Marciana Zaparucha (3x-great-grandmother) married Ignatius Piotrowski in 1845 in Dąbie Kujawski. Their son Joseph Piotrowski (2x-great-grandfather) married Victoria Nowakowski in 1876 in Radziejów. Their daughter Margaret Piotrowski (great-grandmother) married Joseph Bykowski in 1907 in Witowo prior to settling in Chicago, IL. Their son Roman Bykowski (grandfather) arrived in the United States when he was three years old. The family lived in the Bucktown neighborhood. Roman married Antoinette Murzynowicz/Marynowski in 1936 at St. Stanislaus Kostka in the Pulaski Park neighborhood. Their daughter Betty A. Bykowski (mother) married Michael M. Byczek in 1974 at St. Helen's on Augusta and Oakley in Chicago. They have two children, Michael E. Byczek (the eldest) and Katherine S. Byczek, both born in the Bridgeport neighborhood.

Włocławek County, Kuyavian-Pomeranian Voivodeship, in north-central Poland:

- Brześć Kujawski is a town in the Kuyavian-Pomeranian Voivodeship
- Stary Brześć is a village in the administrative district of Gmina Brześć Kujawski
- Miechowice is a village in the administrative district of Gmina Brześć Kujawski

Michael E. Byczek has been compiling actual records for the Brześć Kujawski Catholic Church Parish over the past ten or more years through direct messages to diocese archives, access to digitized microfilm, and online resources. He has gathered an extensive collection of documents. This compiled documentary is an accurate source of genealogy for Thaddeus Zaparucha and Catherine Byczek.

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