St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception Parish
254 Second Street Jersey City, NJ 07302
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PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

So they brought the colt to Jesus and put their cloaks over it. And he sat on it. Many people spread their cloaks on the road, and others spread leafy branches that they had cut from the fields. - Mk 11:7-8

"**Daily Masses:**

Monday—Friday	7:00 am (English)
Monday	7:00 pm (Holy Hour)
Tuesday	7:00 pm (Spanish)
Thursday	7:00 pm (Spanish)
Saturday	9:00 am (English)

Saturday Anticipated Mass:
5:30 pm English

Sunday Masses:

8:00 am	English
9:00 am	Tagalog First Sunday
10:00 am	Spanish
12:00 noon	English

Confessions: Saturday 4-5pm

Office hours: Monday-Friday: 10:00am-6:00 pm

Rev. Helber Victoria, Pastor
Rev. Eustace Edomobi, D.Min. Parochial Vicar
Rev. Ken Boller, S.J. Weekend Assistance

Our Parish Deacons: Deacon Pedro Gonzalez, Deacon Leopoldo Polanco, & Deacon Cesar Sarmiento.

Parish Secretary: Carmen Gonzalez
Parish Assistant and Bookkeeper: Nube Parra
Religious Education: Grades 1-8; Martha E. Falcón
Religious Education: For Religious Education of our Children from Grades 1-8; please call Martha E. Falcón: 201-795-3426

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Come and join us and create a Christ-Centered Community where strangers become friends and friends become family.

MASS SCHEDULE
For the Week of March 26, 2018 to April 1, 2018

MONDAY	**Mar. 26, 2018**	**Chrism Mass: Cathedral Basilica**
7:00AM		+Irene Higgins
7:00PM		Holy Hour
TUESDAY	**Mar. 27, 2018**	
7:00AM		+Marie Higgins
7:00PM		Accion de Gracias: Brian Carreno
WEDNESDAY	**Mar. 28, 2018**	
7:00AM		+Irene Higgins
THURSDAY	**Mar. 29, 2018**	**HOLY THURSDAY**
9:00AM		Morning prayer
7:30PM		Mass of the Lord's Supper.
FRIDAY	**Mar. 30, 2018**	**GOOD FRIDAY**
9:00AM		Morning Pray ; **3.00pm** Passion of the Lord
SATURDAY	**Mar. 31, 2018**	HOLY SATURDAY
9:00AM		Morning Prayer
8:00PM	**E. VIGIL**	Bilingual
Sunday	**Apr 1, 2018**	**EASTER SUNDAY**
8:00AM		+Maria & Jose Sorongon
10:00AM	Spanish	+Wanda Santoni;+Carlos Polanco
12:00 Noon		+Silvia Garcia

Readings for the Week of March 25, 2018

Monday: Is 42:1-7/Ps 27:1, 2, 3, 13-14 [1a]/Jn 12:1-11
Tuesday: Is 49:1-6/Ps 71:1- -15 and 17 [cf. 15ab]/Jn 13:21-33, 36-38
Wednesday: Is 50:4-9a/Ps 69:8-10, 31 and 33-34 [14c]/Mt 26:14-25
Holy Thursday: Ex 12:1-8, 11-14/Ps 116:12-13, 15-16bc, 17-18 [cf. 1 Cor 10:16]/1 Cor 11:23-26/Jn 13:1-15 **Good Friday**: Is 52:13--53:12/Ps 31:2, 6, 12-13, 15-16, 17, 25 [Lk 23:46]/Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9/Jn 18:1--19:42 **Easter Vigil:** /Gn 22:1-18 or 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18/Ps 16:5, 8, 9-10, 11 [1]/Ex 14:15--15:1/Ps 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11-12, 13 [2a]/Is 55:1-11/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11 [/Rom 6:3-11/Ps 118:/Mk 16:1-7

Sacramental Preparation Programs

Sacrament of Marriage: For those who plan to get married, arrangement must be made with a priest at least one year before the wedding; to ensure adequate preparation please contact the office.

Infant Baptisms: Please contact Deacon Cesar Sarmiento for our family preparation program and to set a date. Call 201-434-8500 or e-mail deaconsarmiento@aol.com

Adult Education (RCIA) For Adult Sacraments of Baptism, Holy Eucharist and Confirmation please contact the office 201-434-8500

Religious Education: For Religious Education of our Children from Grades 1-8; please call Martha E. Falcón: 201-795-3426

Holy Orders: Young men and women who have a calling to the priesthood or religious life call Archdiocesan office: 973-497-4365

Sick /Homebound: If you or your beloved ones are seriously ill, anticipating surgery; or homebound and in need of Holy Communion or Anointing, please call our Parish Office 201-434-8500.

Parish Registration: New Parishioners and those not registered, please fill the registration form at the back of the church and return it to he Parish Office. Please inform Parish Office when you move.

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

For all those in our Parish Community who are physically or spiritually ill, may the Lord in His kindness heal their illness, and encourage them in their adversities; and may He receive with joy the prayers we offer for them.

Por todos los que sufren enfermedad fisica o espiritual en nuestra comunidad, para que el Senor en su gran bondad cure nuestras dolencias, nos anime en la adversidad y reciba con agrado la oraciones que por ellos ofrecemos.

Time Talent Treasure

March 18, $3,815.00
Thank you for your generosity!
Gracias por su generosidad!

We thank our parishioners for their continued support and use of weekly envelopes. We ask you to reconsider your weekly commitment to the maintenance of our parish. We rely on your help to run our Parish.

Le damos las gracias a nuestros feligreses por su apoyo continuo y por el uso de los sobres semanales. Le pedimos que reconsideren su compromiso de la ofrenda semanal, asi ayudaremos al mantenimiento y sostenimiento de la parroquia. Contamos con su ayuda.

MEMORIAL SANCTUARY CANDLES

Sanctuary Candles are available for $5.00 each. These candles burn in front of the Blessed Sacrament at the church or in the chapel. Please call the office with your request.

VELAS PARA EL SANTÍSIMO EN MEMORIA DE UN SER QUERIDO*Las velas están disponibles a $5.00 cada una. Las cuales seran encendidas al Frente del Santísimo Sacramento en la capilla. Favor llamar a la oficina si desea ofrecer una de ellas.*

St. Mary's Sanctuary

St Boniface Chapel

+Thomas Valanzola, Jr.
The Bread and Wine is offered this week:
Good Health Dennis Hayes

PLEASE JOIN OUR PARISH DEVOTIONS

FIRST SATURDAY DEVOTION: 9:00am-10:30am, Main Church
GRUPO DE ORACION: Tuesdays after 7pm Mass, St Boniface Chapel,
OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP: Wed. after 7am Mass, St. Boniface
COFRADIA del SAGRADO CORAZON: 2nd. Sunday 11:30 am.
ALTAGRACIA GROUP: 3rd Sunday of the Month, 11:30am

***L*A GRANDEZA DE LA HUMILDAD DE DIOS EN CRISTO**

El Domingo de Ramos entra a culmen el caminar de Jesus que paso haciendo el bien y anunciando el reinado de Dios. La entrada de Jesus a Jerusalen es un poderoso signo del modo de ser de Dios. Este signo o acción simbolico atraviesa, traspasa y supera todas las instituciones que se quieren imponer en el mundo como la forma en que Dios Es y procede la religión, el poder, la moral, las leyes etc. La entrada truinfal de Jesus en Jerusalen es como un autocipacion de su plenitud o sea la resurrección y la vida.

Contemplemos a Jesus entrando a Jerusalen, como si al mismo tiempo entrara a nuestro mundo y en nuestra propia vida. Seamos concientes de que Cristo pone en evidencia los limites y deficiencias de nuestra realidad y al mismo tiempo nos llama y desafia a ir mas alla de nuestras propias seguridades Hoy es dia para abrir nuestro corazón y nuestra vida para salir a encontrar al Mesias de Dios que con el poder de su sencillez y entrega nos llama a vivir en la libertad de los hijos de Dios.

Diacono Pedro

POPE'S INTENTION MARCH 2018:

Evangelization: Formation in Spiritual Discernment: That the Church may appreciate the urgency of formation in spiritual discernment, both on the personal and communitarian levels.

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DIVINE MERCY 2018; APRIL 8.

Our annual Divine Mercy Pilgrimage to The Shrine of the Divine Mercy Stockbridge, Massachusetts will take place on April 8, 2018. Cost is $40.00 per person, which includes Transportation and breakfast**. Assembly time: 6:30am, Marin Blvd. & corner of Second Street (across from Shoprite) Please make checks payable to: Catholic Action of Mary,** & please bring your own lunch.

ENCOUNTER/SALUBONG/ENCUENTRO

For the meeting of the Blessed Mother and the Risen Lord on Easter Dawn April 1, 2018, Women will gather in front of the Rectory, 3rd Street at 7:30am; Men will gather at 2nd Street corner of Manila Avenue at 7:30am. And all process to meet at the front of the Church. All are invited to a continental Breakfast and egg Hunting at the Marian Hall after the 8:00am Mass. (For more information contact Deacon Cesar 201-388-0109 or Parish Office 201-434-8500)

Noticias de Educación Religioso:

El viernes, 16 de Marzo, once jóvenes de nuestra parroquia recibieron el Sacramento de Confirmación en nuestra parroquia de Santa María. El celebrante fue el Monseñor Gregory J. Studerus. Felicidades a nuestros jóvenes que completaron su proyecto de servicio. Orar por nuestros candidatos de Confirmación para que continúen respondiendo a la presencia del Espíritu Santo en su vida Cristiana.

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR NEWLY CONFIRMED

Congratulations to our young people who performed Christian services, attended special classes, participated in Retreat Days and received the important Sacrament of entry into full membership with the Catholic Church. We also thank their parents and teachers.

THE PONTIFICAL GOOD FRIDAY COLLECTION

Is for refugees in the Holy Land. Please be Generous

LA COLECTA PONTIFICIA DEL VIERNES SANTO

Por favor, oremos por la paz en Tierra Santa y den generosamente en la colecta anual del Viernes Santo.

Our food pantry has returned to St. Mary's Church premises, 254 2nd Street, and will continue from there twice a month on the 1st & 3rd Saturday of the month. Please take note of that and pass the news to our recipients. Your donations to the food pantry are welcome.

Nuestra dispensa de comida ha retornado a nuestra Parroquia de Sta. María– 254 Calle Segunda y continuará dos veces por mes el Primer y el tércer sábado del mes. Por favor tomar nota de ello y pasar la noticia a otras personas.

Youth Ministry

If you are interested in our youth group please contact John Moncada: **john.moncada54@gmail.com**

YOUTH CORNER: "Jesus told us "whatever you do for the least of my brothers, you do for me." Every day we are presented opportunities to help someone. Every day we have the opportunity to see the face of Jesus in others and be the face of Jesus to others. Pray for the strength and courage to stand up for those in need of our help.

HOLY WEEK/ PARISH EVENTS

Palm Sun. Masses Sat. 5:30pm; Sun: 8am, 10am &12noon

Holy Thursday: 9am prayer; 7:30 Mass of the Last Supper. **Good Friday**: 9am Prayer; 3pm Passion; 5pm Street Stations of the Cross; **6:30pm Seven last Words (Bilingual**). Collection for Holy Land will be on Good Friday March 30th. **Holy Sat:** 9am prayers; blessing Easter food; 8pm Vigil. **Easter Sunday:** 8am, 10am Spanish & 12noon.

***2018 Sharing God's Blessing Annual Appeal** is still on -going. Please take an envelop at the back of church and make your donation, if you have not done so. Our Parish benefits from your donation if we exceed our goal. Thanks.

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HOSPITALITY

There is coffee/donuts (continental-breakfast) after 8am Mass on Sundays (**except First Sunday of the Month)** This event is held at Marian Hall immediately after 8am Mass. Please feel free to join fellow parishioners for hospitality and to get to know one another better**.** Thank

MARRIAGE ENRICHMENT: Are you looking to put Christ in your marriage? Attend the next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend and learn how to refocus your marriage on what is most important. For more information contact Mike and Janet Turco at 973 427-7016 or 609 335- 6880 or email mikeandjanetwwme@gmail.com

300 CLUB

Join or **RENEW TODAY**, this will be a big help to your Church and to your family. Prizes will be drawn on the last Friday of the month. Dues: $10.00 a month—-$120.00 a year payable all at once or in two installments **at any time.** Registration Forms can be found at the rear of the Church.