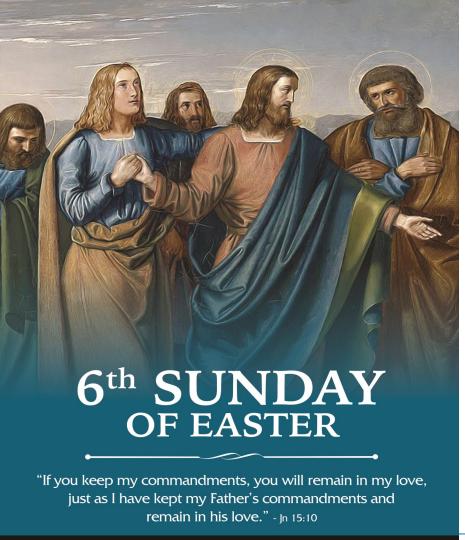


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MAY 6, 2018 SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

"It was not you who chose me, but I who chose you and appointed you to go and bear fruit that will remain, so that whatever you ask the Father in my name he may give you. This I command you: love one another." - Jn 15:16-17

"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

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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

Venga y únase con nosotros, Juntos crearemos comunidad

WELCOME TO OUR VISITORS!

Thank you for choosing to worship at the Church of Saint Mary of the Immaculate Conception! We welcome your participation in songs and prayers. If you would like to become our parishioner we can assist with your journey of faith. Please contact our Parish Office.

Bienvenidos Todos!

Gracias por escoger a Santa María de la Immaculada Concepción, como su lugar de culto. Le damos la bienvenida a esta comunidad. Si desea registrarse en nuestra parroquia por favor comuníquese con nuestra oficina Parroquial.



MASS SCHEDULE For the Week of May 7, 2018 to May 13 2018

MONDAY May 7, 2018

7:00AM +Francisco Casambre

7:00PM Holy Hour

TUESDAY May 8, 2018

7:00AM +Marie Higgins 7:00PM +Catalina Perez

WEDNESDAY May 9, 2018

7:00AM +Souls in Purgatory

THURSDAY May 10, 2018

7:00AM +Irene Higgins

.+Vitelio Dalmau + Jhulisa 7:00PM

Madonado

FRIDAY May 11, 2018

7:00AM +Francisco Casambre

SATURDAY May 12, 2018

9:00AM Memorial Mass

5:30PM Anticipated Catherine S. Arroyo (Thanksgiving)

Sunday May 13, 2018 7th SUNDAY OF EASTER

8:00AM People of the Parish

10:00AM Spanish Patricia Pereira (Thanksgiving)
12:00 Noon +Milagros Deleste, +Doris Veca

Readings for the Week of May 6, 2018

Monday: Acts 16:11-15/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a, 9b Jn 15:26--16:4a Tuesday: Acts 16:22-34/Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 7c-8 [7c]/Jn 16:5-11 Wednesday: Acts 17:15, 22--18:1/Ps 148:1-11- 13, 14/Jn 16:12-15 Thursday: Acts 18:1-8/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4 [cf. 2b]/Jn 16:16-20 Friday: Acts 18:9-18/Ps 47:2-3, 4-5, 6-7 [8a]/Jn 16:20-23 Saturday: Acts 18:23-28/Ps 47:2-3, 8-9, 10 [8a]/Jn 16:23b-28 Next Sunday: Ascension: Acts 1:1-11/Ps 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9 [6]/Eph 1:17-23 or Eph 4:1-13 or 4:1-7, 11-13/Mk 16:15-20

Sacramental Preparation Programs

<u>Sacrament of Marriage:</u> 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.

<u>Infant Baptisms:</u> 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

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

<u>Sick /Homebound:</u> 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.

<u>Parish Registration</u>: 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.



April 29, \$3,989.00

2nd Collection: Home mission \$1,204.00

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 for 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 QUERIDOLAS 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



+Isabel Castillo

St Boniface Chapel

+Carmen Rosas Preciado

The Bread and Wine is offered this week:

In Memory of +Dr. C.M Leevy

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

Today's Reflection: BLESSED ASSURANCE!

JESUS says to all of us: As the Father loves me, so I have loved you. I have come to you and so remain in my love and bear fruit. Today in our Gospel, Jesus also declares that we are no longer slaves, but friends. He has poured out his spirit upon us, and smashed the barriers of sin and fear.

What a Blessing to know that Christ has chosen us. We may stumble and fall. We may turn away in despair. We may fail in charity, faithfulness and trust, yet, Christ continues to choose us. He knocks upon locked doors when we hide in fear and desolation. He lights a lamp and sweeps the floor for a lost coin. When we have gone astray and left home, believing we can be freer away from the Father, He gazes out over the distant road, patiently waiting for us to come home. Oh, 'Blessed Assurance, Jesus is mine;' and He is yours too. He is the greatest gift we can ever have.

Fr. Eustace

POPE'S INTENTION MAY 2018:

Evangelization - The Mission of Laity

That the lay faithful may fulfill their specific mission, by responding with creativity to the challenges that face the world today

Ushers and Greeters Needed @ English Masses

Ushers and Greeters are dedicated members of our parish community who give of themselves to assure the comfort and appropriate atmosphere for those gathered to celebrate the liturgy.... Hospitality ministers are especially important for welcoming visitors, assisting latecomers, forming the offertory procession and minimizing disruptions during Mass. Formation/training will be offered. If you can help us at Saturday 5:30pm; Sun. 8:00am and 12noon Masses, please call: 201-434-8500 or email: edomobi@hotmail.com



*MOTHERS' DAY DANCE will be held in honor of our mothers on Saturday May 12th 2018, 7:00pm. Tickets are available. Please see our ushers after Mass; also please purchase your ticket for the \$500 raffle to be drawn at the mothers' day celebration.

*Santa Cruzan 2018 is on May 27th: Mass 2:00pm followed by Procession and Street Fair.

SOLEMNITY OF ASCENSION: THURSDAY MAY 10. This day marks 40th day after Jesus' Resurrection on which He Ascended to the Father. Ascension is the final action of the Paschal Mystery. It invites us to prepare for the coming of the Holy Spirit. Let us spend the 9-days after Ascension prayerfully asking the Holy Spirit to renew our heart and mind. 7am & 7pm Masses will be in main Church.

THE NATIONAL PUERTO RICAN DAY PARADE on SUNDAY, June 10th from 11am to 5pm needs dancers from our Latino Youth members. The Rosado Family siblings, Eric & John (14) and Sophia (6) will be performing a song about their Puerto Rican heritage titled "BACK 2 MY ROOTS. The Rosados can be joined by up to 30 dancers from our wonderful Latino community, of all skills, ages 6 to 16. There is no compensation for this 100% volunteer parade. You can learn more about the song, the crowd funding and the parade at Rosados.rocks or nprdpinc.org



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: As young Catholic Christians, we strive to live in the Spirit Open up your hearts to God so He may use you for His purpose. Share His love which He has poured out to you, with everyone you meet.

UP-COMING PARISH EVENTS

*Ascension of our Lord **Thursday May 10**: Mass 7am & 7pm bilingual. All Masses will be in the main Church

*Second Collection: May 12/13—Communicating God's Word.

*Mothers' Day dinner dance May 12, 7-11pm Call for Tickets.

*2018 Sharing God's Blessing Annual Appeal is still ongoing. 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.

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 get to know one another better. Thanks.

...May 6, 2018 - 6th Sunday of Easter "This is my commandment: love one another as I love you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends" — JOHN 15:12-13 Do you love Jesus? Do you consider Him your friend? Jesus says that if we love Him we would be willing to offer whatever we have to Him, not because we want praise and glory, but simply because we love Him. Does your giving seem mechanical out of obligation or do you share freely out of love?

Join or RE- JOO CLUBNEW 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.a year.
payable all at once or in two installments at any time. Registration. Forms can be found at the rear of the Church.