



ST. MARY
— OF THE —
IMMACULATE
CONCEPTION

PARISH

254 Second Street, Jersey City, NJ 07302

www.stmarysparishjc.com

Daily Masses:

Monday—Friday: 7:00 am English
[Monday: Holy Hour 7:00-8:00 pm]

Tuesday & Thursday: 7:00 pm Spanish

Saturday: 9:00 am English

Saturday Anticipated Mass:

5:30 pm English

(2000 Hail Mary's (8:00am—5:00 pm,
last Saturday of the Month)

Confessions: Saturday 4-5pm

Sunday Masses:

8:00 am English

9:00 am Tagalog (First Sunday)

10:00 am Spanish

12:00noon English

Parish Office Located At

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MARCH 15, 2020: THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

IMPORTANT REMINDER

2020: DEANERY LENTEN PENANCE SERVICE 7PM-8PM

Remaining Days for our Annual Deanery Lenten Confession Services
are as follows:

March 23rd—St Mary of the Immaculate Conception Church—
254 2nd Street (No Holy Hour)

March 30th—St Michael's Church 252 9th Street Jersey City.
Please feel free to go to Confession at any of the Churches listed on
the dates stated above. Many Priests will be available at your service.
Again, the time is 7-8pm

WELCOME TO OUR VISITORS!

We 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.

*Come and join us and create a Christ-Centered Community where Strangers become Friends and Friends
become Family!*

MASS SCHEDULE: WEEK OF MARCH 16—22, 2020

MONDAY | Mar. 16, 2020
 7:00 am | James Greico—Personal intention
 7:00PM | Holy Hour
TUESDAY | Mar. 17, 2020
 7:00AM | +William O'Connor
7:00pm +Irene Higgins
WEDNESDAY Mar. 18, 2020
 7:00am | +Marie Higgins
THURSDAY| Mar. 19. 2020
 7 00 AM | +Irene Higgins
 7:00pm | +Marie Higgins
FRIDAY | Mar. 20, 2020
 7:00AM | +Irene Higgins
 7:00 pm: Stations of the Cross
SATURDAY | Mar. 21, 2020
 9:00AM | Memorial Mass
 5:30PM: | +Isabel Muzones; +Anthony J. Petrocci
SUNDAY | Mar. 22, 2020 4th Sunday of Lent
 8:00AM | +Stella Samson; +Maria & Jose Sorongon
 9:00AM (No Tagalog Mass)
 10:00 AM ! +Carmen Gonzalez; +Alberto Merced
 12:Noon | People of the Parish

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 Brenda Santana: 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 the Parish Office. Please inform Parish Office when you move.

SERVED BY:

Rev. Helber Victoria, Pastor
 Rev. Eustace Edomobi, D.Min. Parochial Vicar

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; Brenda Santana

POPE'S INTENTION FOR MARCH 2020

Catholics in China

We pray that the Church in China may persevere in its faithfulness to the Gospel and grow in unity.

Peace Prayer - St Francis of Assisi:

Lord, make me an instrument of your peace.

Where there is hatred, let me sow love;
 where there is injury, pardon; where there is doubt, faith;
 where there is despair, hope; where there is darkness,
 light, and where there is sadness, joy.

TIME, TALENT, TREASURE.

Sunday March 8: \$2389.00

We thank our parishioners for their continued support and use of weekly envelopes. We rely on your help to run our Parish.

Thank you for your Generosity!

Gracias por su generosidad!

Remember to Pray:

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 in all our Masses.

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

The Bread and Wine is offered this week:

In Memory of Joseph Quirk

PLEASE JOIN OUR PARISH DEVOTIONS

1st FRIDAY MASS & ADORATION: 7:am-12noon St. Boniface Chapel

First SATURDAY DEVOTION: 9:00am-10:30am, Main Church

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION: 7pm-8pm Mondays, St. Boniface chapel

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

2000 HAIL MARY'S: Last Saturday of the Month., 7:30am -7pm

TODAY'S REFLECTION

"For God has not given us a spirit of fear, but of power and of love and of a sound mind." 2 Tim 1:7

"When fear or anxiety start to creep in, read these words to yourself. Fear is not of God. He instead gives us good gifts -- power, love, a clear mind. He desires more for us, and we can accept those good gifts and leave the fear and worry behind through his grace".

I found these words in internet and thought it was very proper to share them with you all today when fear rise up for what is going on in the world. On one side, the corona virus, on the other, the Stock Market and others.

We Christians, are called to be responsible and take care of ourselves and our brothers and sisters; we need to follow what public officials ask us to do around our Communities, in order to maintain safety and integrity. We should not allow fear take over our spirit and mind. We, the children of God, have seen how He provides, protects and gives us courage through history.

Hard times came in the Old Testament to Israel and God was with them not only showing His power, but encouraging the Community to move forward. In God we trust and with hope we keep praying and praising His Holy Name. May His Grace help us to avoid fear in our hearts and believe in His goodness.

Bendiciones,

Fr. Helber Victoria

St. Mary's Parish Sacrament Schedule, 2020

- Fri., March 27, 7pm** Sacrament of Confirmation,
Celebrant: Bishop Manny Cruz
Sun. March 29th, 8am: Presentation of RCIA Candidates
- Sat. April 11, 8pm** (Easter Vigil) RCIA Baptism for older children and RCIA Adults Candidates
- Sat. May 16, 12n** First Holy Communion, Children

We invite members of our parish community to mark these dates. Please join us to witness the continued journey towards full Christian initiation as members of the Catholic Faith for the children and Adults. Join us!

OUR FOOD PANTRY: 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: 7-8:30am. 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 tercer 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: More than 884 million people do not have access to safe water, according to the World Health Organization. Limited access to safe water causes disease, lack of sanitation, and political turmoil. Many women and children are forced to abandon their daily activities and education to transport water to their homes. Several groups, such as Catholic Relief Services, have developed innovative procedures and incentives to assist communities as they drill for water and install piping and sanitation systems.

Explore Catholic Relief Services' work for clean water: [www.crs.org/our-work-overseas/program-areas/water-and-sanitation], an search for other sites that seek to provide safe drinking water.

Coming Events :

STATIONS OF THE CROSS EVERY FRIDAY: 7:PM

Remaining days for deanery Penance Service: 7-8pm

March 23rd—St Mary 254 2nd Street

March 30th—St Michael's 252 9th Street Jersey City.

March 28/29 Second Collection for Black and Indian Missions, Campaign for Human Development.

The 2020 Annual Appeal has kicked off

If you have not donated to 2020 Archdiocesan annual appeal, we encourage you to pick up a brochure at the back of the church and prayerfully make donation. This will be a big help to the Archdiocese and to our parish, if we exceed our goal.

2020 MASS INTENTION BOOK.

Mass Book for 2020 is open. Please call the Parish office or stop by from Monday-Friday 10am-6pm to arrange Masses for living or deceased members of your family. You may also dedicate The Tabernacle Candle, or offer the Bread and Wine in loving memory of a loved one.

3rd Sunday of Lent Stewardship Reflection

"Everyone who drinks this water will be thirsty again." Jn 4:13

Jesus reminds us that material things, even something as basic as water, can never satisfy us for long. When we build our lives around material possessions we always want more. True Joy and Peace only comes when we follow Jesus; when we become more "God-centered" and less "self-centered".

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 a year payable all at once or in 2 installments .

PLEASE GET INVOLVED

If you would like to share your Time, Talent and Treasure with our Church, please contact our Priests or call the Parish Office. Thank you. To volunteer as a Lector, an Usher, Altar Server, a Eucharist Minister, or to sing with the Choir, please contact any of our Priests or call the parish Office. (All volunteers are subject to safe environmental procedures as directed by the Archdiocese of Newark) **THANK YOU!**