

# 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

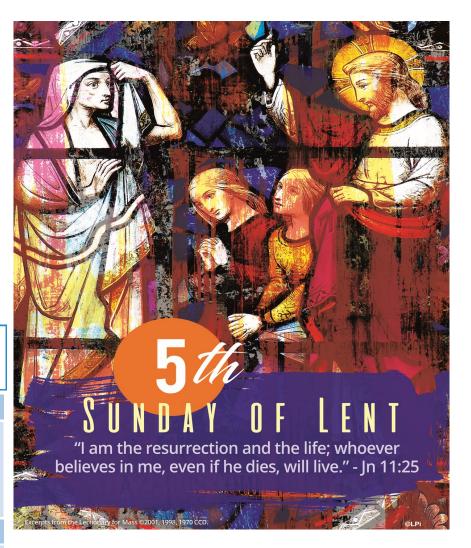
#### **Parish Office Located At**

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Office hours: Monday-Friday: 10AM-6PM

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MARCH 29, 2020: FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

**IMPORTANT REMINDER** 

**COVID - 19 RESPONSE UPDATED** 

Cardinal Joseph W. Tobin, C.Ss.R., has

Temporarily suspended weekend and week day Masses in proactive response to Coronavirus (COVID-19).

#### **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!

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT: MARCH 22, 2020

#### MASS SCHEDULE: WEEK OF MARCH 30-April 5, 2020

MONDAY | Mar. 30, 2020

7:00 am | God's protection of all our Parishioners

7:00PM | Holy Hour **TUESDAY | Mar. 31, 2020**7:00AM | +Medardo Mendoza

**7:00pm** For an end to the COVID-19 virus

WEDNESDAY Apr. 1, 2020

7:00am | +Frances Lamagra Petrocci

THURSDAY! Apr. 2, 2020

7 00 AM | For Recovery of those affected by the Virus

7:00pm

FRIDAY | Apr. 3 2020

7:00AM | Safety of Medical Personnel & all in the front line of `

duty in combating the Virus

SATURDAY | Apr. 4, 2020 First Saturday

9:00AM | Memorial Mass

5:30PM: | Thanksgiving Susan Perlez

SUNDAY | Apr. 5, 2020 Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion

8:00 AM +Manuel & Tarcela Muzones`

9:00Am (Tagalog)

10:00 AM! +Francisca & Lorenzo Gonzalez,

+Adelaida Rojas Vda, de Sosa

12pm: 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.

# <u>Peace Prayer - St Francis of Assisi:</u>

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 22:

**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 Quirk Nieces

#### PLEASE JOIN OUR PARISH DEVOTIONS

1st FRIDAY MASS & ADORATION: 7:am-12noon St. Boniface Chapel
First SATURDAY DEVOTION: 9:00am-10:30am, Main Church
EUCHARISTIC 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 APRENDAMOS"

El mundo nos cambio. Hemos quedado de rodilla ante un enemigo invisible. Los besos, los abrazos y el simple gesto de agarrarnos de la mano. Han caido por ahora al olvido. Lecciones que nos hacen despertar de cuan importante era sentirnos cerca y demostrarnos el amor. Si, estamos aislados pero al mismo tiempo estamos unidos. Dejamos de pensar en nosotros mismos para pensar en el bien común.

Ahora miramos de manera diferentes a nuestros abuelos, cuando antes quizás ni los veíamos. Todo se detuvo y nos ha hecho lo esencial de un medico, una enfermera, un trabajador abnegado de la salud. Nos apagaron los deportes, los conciertos, etc. Pero ahora nos miramos a nuestros ojos en nuestras mesas, en nuestras salas, en nuestros balcones. Hoy los animales andan libres, felices sin que nadie los afecte. Ahora los encerrados somos los seres humanos que hemos robado su espacio.

Todo esto nos brinda una lección, quizás los seres humanos necesitábamos una sacudida que nos despertaramos del letargo donde vivimos. De esta saldremos juntos y le daremos el valor a ese beso, a ese abrazo y a esa mano extendida de quien nos quiere. Este virus nos hará mejores porque nos hará comenzar de nuevo. Agarremonos de la mano porque juntos podremos llegar a donde nunca hemos ido.

**AMEN** 

**Deacon Pedro Gonzalez** 

# St. Mary's Parish Sacrament Schedule, 2020

All Sacrament schedule for the Month of March and April are postponed until further notice.

Thank you!

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 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: In the Gospel about Lazarus' death, John writes about Jesus' grief of losing His friend and seeing His loved ones grieving as well. The feeling of helplessness, anger and sadness can be overwhelming. \*How can you become more sensitive and attentive to those suffering from loss?

The reading also focuses on the centrality of the resurrection. When Jesus tells Martha that her brother will rise, Martha shows her knowledge that the dead will rise on the last day. Jesus deepens Martha's faith by declaring: "I am the resurrection and the life; whoever believes in me, even if he dies, will live...."

\*How does the reading deepen your faith in Jesus & in the Resurrection.

#### **Coming Events:**

#### All activities are suspended until further notice

#### 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.

March 29, 2020 Stewardship Faith Fifth Sunday of Lent "Jesus said to her, 'Did I not tell you that if you believe you will see the glory of God?" JOHN 11:40 Many of us say that we believe in God. We go to church on Sunday. We volunteer for events at our parish. But when life gets hard, the pressure is on, when things aren't going our way, do we really believe, do we really put our trust in the Lord? When we live a life of <u>Stewardship</u>, being thankful for the gifts we have been given, we really do see that God is providing all that we need. It opens our hearts to see God's active presence in our daily lives.

Instead, He will look into our hearts to see how much we loved Him, how much we loved others and how we showed that love by the way we used our time, talent and treasure to live **Stewardship** here on earth

# **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!**