

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

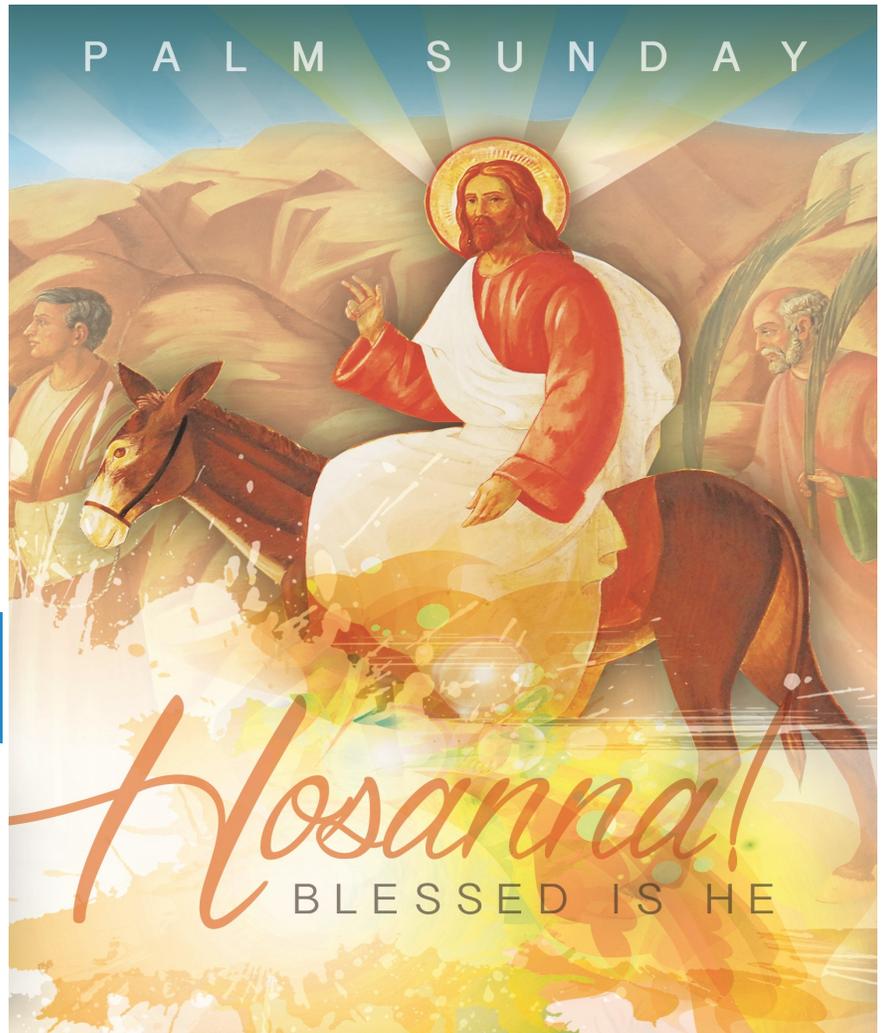
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APRIL 5, 2020: PALM SUNDAY

**WE THANK GOD WHO GAVE US JESUS
OUR KING AND REDEEMER**

*****Please consider paying your weekly contributions
online or by mail. Some of you are doing this already
and we are thankful for your generosity!**

***Please be safe and know you are in our daily Prayers.**

Thank you!

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 April 6 —12, 2020

MONDAY | Apr. 6, 2020

7:00 am | God's protection of all our Parishioners
7:00PM | No Holy Hour

TUESDAY | Apr. 7, 2020

7:00 am | Thelma Torres Sendin, Birthday/ Thanksgiving
7:00pm | For an end to the COVID-19 virus

WEDNESDAY Apr. 8, 2020

7:00am | +Romero M. Isidro

THURSDAY| Apr. 9, 2020 Holy Thursday

9 00 AM | No Mass (Private Morning Prayers)
7:00pm | Mass of Last supper (Private celebration)

FRIDAY | Apr. 10 2020 Good Friday

7:900AM | No Mass (Private morning Prayers) :
3:00 pm Passion of our Lord (Private celebration)

SATURDAY | Apr. 11, 2020 Holy Saturday

9:00AM | No Mass (Private morning Prayers)
7:30PM: | Holy Saturday Vigil (Private Celebration)

SUNDAY | Apr. 12, 2020 EASTER SUNDAY 2020

8:00 AM +Lorenzo & Juliet Solivio; Gerry & Corinne Masana (Thanksgiving)
10:00AM People of the Parish
12noon: +German Alberto Restrepo; +Anthony J. Petrocci
*All requested Masses are said in private by the Priests.

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 APRIL 2020

Freedom from Addiction

We pray that those suffering from addiction may be helped and accompanied

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.

* Please pay all your weekly contributions online or send them in by mail.

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 Dr C.M Leevy Family

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 :

Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you shall find; knock and it will be opened to you." Matthew 7:7

As we journey into Holy Week, we are preparing our hearts to enter into the time of Jesus' passion, death, and resurrection. It was on Palm Sunday that Jesus entered willingly into Jerusalem. At first, He was welcomed with great praise. However, He knew that soon he would be carrying his cross to Calvary, and so he was preparing His heart for what was to come.

This year we rejoiced in January at the coming of a new year, and we are now faced with a global pandemic. The faithful are called to celebrate Holy Week, the highlight of our Liturgical year as Catholics, at home in obedience, prayer, spiritual communion, and fasting. It is a time to focus on fortifying our "domestic church" at home. A reminder that as church buildings are closed, **WE ARE THE CHURCH OF CHRIST.**

Let us embrace this call from our homes! Prepare the Altar in the worship space at home as a symbol of our Lord's presence within our sacred space! Let us focus on the true hope and gift of this pandemic, which is an opportunity to see our Lord's presence in the midst of the alarming fact-driven news. Before this crisis, how often do we take the time to pray and thank Jesus for everything he does for us?

Let us enter into an unprecedented Holy Week continuing on our Lenten resolutions of fasting from our normal daily lives, in exchange for a prayerful and peaceful time at home with our loved ones. A time to give alms by checking in on our loved ones and neighbors with a phone call. Prayer, to join the Pope's plea to pray daily for healing and hope for an end to this pandemic. Let us remember to rejoice on Easter Sunday acknowledging the Lord's presence in our lives! **We are the Church of Christ!**

Brenda Santana,
Director Religious Education

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 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: Today's Gospel is the passion narrative according to Matthew's account. We hear in graphic details how Jesus is betrayed, derided, judged, sentenced and finally crucified... The Disciples who celebrated a final meal with Jesus deserted him. Peter denied that he even knew Jesus. Pilate was afraid of losing his own power...

*Have you read about others who have taken difficult journeys such as Mahatma Ghandi, St. (Mother) Teresa of Calcutta, or another Saint? *Make a step-by-step plan of a difficult task or life goal that you need to accomplish (for others). Ask for God's help along the way this Holy Week.

*Affirm friends and family members who are inching toward a new beginning or going through difficult times., congratulate them for persevering like Jesus.

Coming Events :

All Parish events and Sacrament schedule for the Month of March and April are postponed until further notice. Please continue to visit our website for updates and notifications of any uploaded videos. Please be safe and know you are in our daily Prayers. Thank you!

The 2020 Annual Appeal

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.

Stewardship Reflection: April 5, 2020 Palm Sunday"

As they were marching out, they came upon a man of Cyrene, Simon by name; this man they pressed into service to carry his cross." Mt. 27:32

The Lord calls us to love God and to love our neighbor. Every day we are presented with **Stewardship** opportunities to love our neighbor and help him "carry his cross". These opportunities aren't usually big events, they are usually ordinary occurrences like helping someone carry their groceries or holding the door open for them. The key is putting the other person's needs before our own and not expecting anything in return.

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!**