



# ST. MARY OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

## PARISH

254 Second Street, Jersey City, NJ 07302

[www.stmarysparishjc.com](http://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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Phone: 201-434-8500 Fax: 201-333-1816



## JULY 26, 2020 17TH SUNDAY - Year A

TO REQUEST MASSES FOR YOUR BELOVED ONES,  
PLEASE VISIT OUR WEBSITE OR CALL THE PARISH  
OFFICE.

\*\*\*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.!

### 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!*

**POPE'S INTENTION FOR JULY 2020**

**For Our Families**

We pray that today's families may be accompanied with love, respect and guidance.

**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**

Collection July 12, 2020: \$2,102.00; online: \$150.00

Total for July 12: \$2,252.00

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

*Thank you for your Generosity!*

*Gracias por su generosidad!*

**Remember to Pray:**

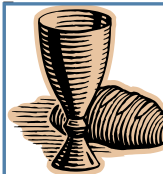
For all those in our Parish Community who are physically or spiritually ill, may the Lord in His kindness heal their illness, and encourage them in their adversities; and may He receive with joy the prayers we offer for them in all our Masses.

**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 SANTISIMO EN MEMORIA DE UN SER QUERIDO**

Las velas están disponibles a \$5.00 c/u las cuales serán encendidas al frente del Santísimo Sacramento en la capilla o en la Iglesia. Favor llame a la oficina si desea ofrecer una de ellas.



**St. Mary's Sanctuary**

**The People of St Mary's**

**St Boniface Chapel**

Melissa Pierre - Thanksgiving

**The Bread and Wine is offered this week:**

In Memory of Steven Killen

**PLEASE CONTINUE OUR PARISH DEVOTIONS**

**FIRST 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

**(DEVOTIONS HAVE RESUMED NOW)**

**MONDAY Jul. 27, 2020**

7:00AM Vita & Perp Elenwune- Family Health & healing

7:00PM Holy Hour

**TUESDAY Jul. 28, 2020**

7:00AM +Br Lou Mauro S.J

7:00PM Melissa Gonzalez-Pierre - Thanksgiving

**WEDNESDAY Jul. 29, 2020**

7:00AM +Yani Dugan

**THURSDAY Jul. 30, 2020**

7 00AM + Noriel Gomez

7:00PM +Juanita Rodriguez

**FRIDAY Jul. 31, 2020**

7:00AM Vita & Perp Elenwune- Family Health & healing

**SATURDAY Aug. 1, 2020**

9:00AM Memorial Mass

5:30PM +Lorenzo & Juliet Solivio; + Richard Torres

**SUNDAY AUG. 2, 2020 18TH SUNDAY ORD. TIME**

8:00 AM +Lorenzo Solivio

9:00am (Tagalog) +Alexander Mendoza

10:00am +Virgen de Copa Cabana;

12noon People of the Parish

All requested Masses are now said in the main Church.

**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. Eustace Edomobi, D.Min. Administrator

**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

## REFLECTION FOR THE WEEK 7/26/20

Qué bonito el mensaje que nos trae el Evangelio de hoy. Las dos primeras parábolas nos hablan de dos personas que encuentran un tesoro y la reacción de ambos: una gran alegría. Nosotros hemos descubierto el reino de Dios a través de Jesús y sin embargo no reaccionamos así. Jesús no quiere que se le siga porque sí, o buscando intereses personales, sino porque al igual que Él descubramos el reino de los Cielos. El reino de los Cielos no es una utopía, sino una realidad que debemos hacer presente en nuestra vida. El reino no es otro más que defender la verdad, trabajar por la justicia, sembrar el amor y compartir con los demás lo que tenemos y lo que somos.

How beautiful the message that today's Gospel brings us. The first two parables tell us about two people who find a treasure and their reaction: great joy. We have discovered the kingdom of God through Jesus and yet we do not react like this. Jesus does not want to be followed for its own sake, or seeking personal interests, but because like Him we discover the kingdom of Heaven. The kingdom of Heaven is not a utopia, but a reality that we must make present in our lives. The kingdom is none other than defending the truth, working for justice, sowing love and sharing with others what we have and who we are.

Nube Parra

### Nourishing Your Faith.

The parables in today's Gospel from St. Matthew are also about choices and whether we have the discernment to choose wisely. Such choices, according to these parables, may involve the giving up of other valuables and often incur sobering consequences. What is it that you treasure most; and what single gift would you request of God to bring about the greatest public good? What examples would you give to illustrate God's goodness and generosity to you? Blessings!!

### Recordatorios importantes sobre asistencia a Misa:

1. Todas las personas deben usar máscaras mientras estén en la iglesia. 2. Se debe mantener seis pies de distancia entre cada familia. 3. La entrada/ salida de la iglesia se realizará manteniendo el distanciamiento social. 4. Se suspende la procesión durante el ofertorio. 5. No debe haber contacto físico durante el signo de paz, solo un simple gesto con la cabeza o con las manos y brazos. 6. Las cestas de las colectas no se deben pasar de una familia a otra. Coloque su ofrenda en una de las cajas que están ubicadas a ambos lados de la fila central y a los costados de las bancas. Apreciamos profundamente su generosidad.

**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 de cada 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](mailto:john.moncada54@gmail.com)

**YOUTH CORNER:** When God invited Solomon to ask for anything, the king's request for wisdom showed his dedication to the people and his desire to serve them well. Jesus spoke of giving up everything to obtain the pearl of great price. The example of Solomon demonstrates love of neighbor, and Jesus' teaching explains the cost of that committed love of God.

\*Consider what you would ask for if you received the offer given to Solomon. Prayerfully request something that will help you love others more effectively.

\*Seek out an elder in your family or parish, or in an assisted living facility, and ask to hear a word of wisdom about what the person has learned in life. Have a blessed week!

### Coming Events :

Infant Baptisms have resumed throughout the Archdiocese, with limited family attendance. Please call the parish office to schedule Baptism Prep and baptism of your infants.

Confirmation for our CCD Candidates is now scheduled for November 6, at 7pm. RCIA Confirmation is being arranged.

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### 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.

### 2021 MASS INTENTION BOOK.

Mass Book for 2021 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 can book your Masses online. You may also dedicate an intention for the Tabernacle Candle, or offer the Bread and Wine in loving memory of a loved one

### July 26, 2020 Stewardship Faith 17<sup>th</sup> Sun. Ord. Time A

*"We know that all things work for good for those who love God, who are called according to his purpose." - ROMANS 8:28*

Do you really trust God? Do you really believe that God will provide all that you need? **Stewardship** faith is a challenge for everyone at times. Putting our trust in God, in everything we do, in good times and in bad, means that God's plan for our lives may be quite different than what we planned. When one door closes, another one opens. Trust in God, His plan is always better.

## **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

**COVID-19 UPDATES:** Thanks be to God we are once again allowed to open our churches for the celebration of Holy Mass. We are of course still under certain requirements and restrictions due to the Corona virus. Please note first! Your health, safety and well-being are our collective responsibility and of greatest importance. If you think your health is compromised or you have health related issues, please do not push yourself to return to Mass. God is certainly a reasonable God who understands the current pandemic. The Bishop has continued to grant dispensation from the Sunday obligation. May the Lord continue to bless and keep you safe. Muchas Gracias! *Fr Eustace*