



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

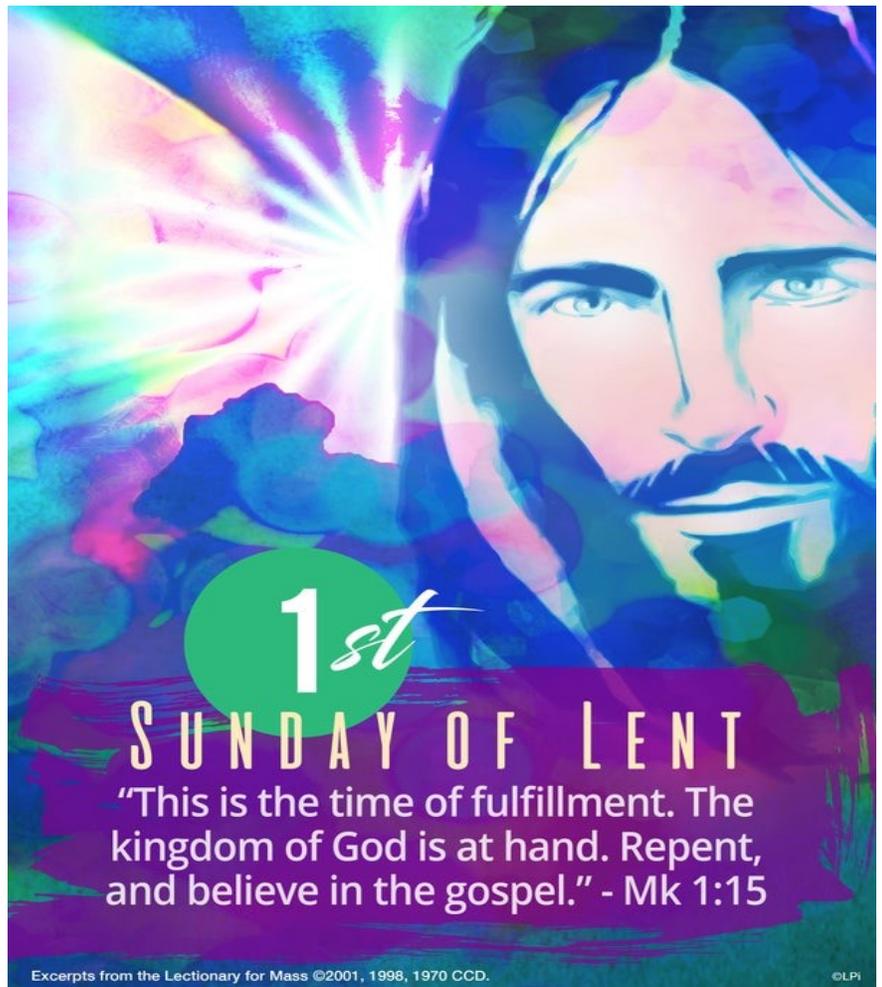
Parish Office Located At

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

PARA SOLICITAR MISAS POR SUS SERES QUERIDOS, VISITE NUESTRO SITIO WEB O LLAME A LA OFICINA PARROQUIAL.

Please consider offering your weekly donations online or by mail. Some of you are doing this already, and we are thankful for your generosity!

Por favor considere hacer sus donaciones en línea o por correo . Algunos de ustedes ya lo están haciendo y estamos muy agradecidos por su generosidad.

****Please be safe and know you are in our daily Prayers; and stay home if you do not feel well. Thanks.**

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 FEB. 22— FEB. 28, 2021

MONDAY	Feb. 22, 2021
7:00 AM	+ Alberto Merced + Carmen Martinez
7:00 PM	Holy hour
TUESDAY	Feb. 23, 2021
7:00 AM	+Trinidad Sarmiento
7:00 PM	+Antona Rivera +Marcolina Martinez
WEDNESDAY	Feb. 24, 2021
7:00 AM	In Thanksgiving for Lourdes B. Sarmiento
THURSDAY	Feb. 25, 2021
7 00 AM	+Pascuale Arpina
7:00 PM	+Difuntos Familia Vazquez
FRIDAY	Feb. 26, 2021
7:00 AM	+ Trinidad Sarmiento
7:00 PM	Station of the Cross
SATURDAY	Feb. 27, 2021
9:00 AM	Memorial Mass
5:30 PM	+Minda Sison + Trinidad Sarmiento +Romeo & Rodolfo Lozada
SUNDAY	Feb. 28, 2021 First Sunday of Lent
8:00 AM	People of the Parish
10:00 AM	+Felix Revollo + Victoriano Carballo
12:00 Noon	+Francisca Medina +Bert Kasilag

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 Freddy Burke: 201-434-8500

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
Rev Duberley Salazar, Parochial Vicar

Our Parish Deacons:

Deacon Pedro Gonzalez
Deacon Leopoldo Polanco
Deacon Cesar Sarmiento

Parish Assistant and Bookkeeper: Carmen Gonzalez
Religious Education: Grades 1-8: Freddy Burke
Sacristans: Rosalia Mendoza & Leandro Ogando

POPE'S INTENTION FOR FEBRUARY 2021: Violence Against Women
We pray for women who are victims of violence, that they may be protected by society and have their sufferings considered and heeded

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

Sunday14: \$ 2,450.00 Total Collection: \$ 2,450.00

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!

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

In loving memory of Carmen Y. Collazo

St Boniface Chapel

The Bread and Wine is offered this week:

In memory of Dr. C.M. Leevy & Family

PLEASE CONTINUE OUR PARISH DEVOTIONS

- FIRST FRIDAY MASS: 7:00am St. Boniface Chapel
- FIRST FRIDAY MASS & ADORATION: 7PM-9PM Main Church
- 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

Reflection for the First Sunday of Lent

Lent has a long history of dramatizing the 40 days of Jesus in the desert or Noah in the boat during the deluge. What is the journey of lent? It is our journey in the boat, the church through the turbulence of life. It is a long trek through the deserts and barrenness, a few oases notwithstanding. It is a time to get away from the usual things of life so that without distractions we can focus on our relationship with God as we journey.

In 40 days, we shall reflect the sacrifice of Jesus and the efforts He made to save us. To go into the dessert is to place ourselves amid evil forces, to face our challenges, our demons and overcome them. As Jesus 40 days helped him to understand himself and his relationship with the father, so is our 40 days not a time for comfort, but a time to know ourselves better.

We must go through the cleansing water and go into the dessert and face truth about ourselves and our attitudes: weak, flawed, lazy, not going to church etc., and begin to do something them. Thank you, Lord Jesus, for this time of Grace.

Fr Eustace Edomobi D.Min.,

My dear Parishioners,

I am grateful to you for making your pledges to the Archdiocesan Annual Appeal. If you have not done so, please make your pledge this week and drop them off to be counted. Thanks again.

In our first reading this Sunday, Job struggles with anxious and hopeless feelings in his time of suffering. When we suffer, we can easily find ourselves thinking that we have been abandoned by God or have done something to displease God and are now paying the price. I have heard people reason this way about the pandemic.

Suffering is not God's fault. The problem of suffering is complicated and somewhat mysterious. However, how we got there is not nearly as important as how are we going to get out. Jesus assures us of His presence in our time of need and invites us 'to cast all our burdens upon Him,' 1Peter 5:7; and our psalm response says: The Lord heals the broken-hearted Ps 147. We need to continue to approach God daily in prayer. Once again, let us 'Give thanks to God in every circumstance.' 1Thess 5:18. Have a blessed week.

Fr Eustace Edomobi D.Min.

We congratulate the winners of our February 14 50/50 Raffle

- ◆ First prize, ticket # 0134 , Virgie Casambre
- ◆ Second prize, ticket # 0945, Julie Lomba
- ◆ Third prize, ticket # 0931, Chris Miller

We thank all who participated.
Net proceeds of the raffle will benefit our church organ repair.

YOUTH MINISTRY

If you are interested in our youth group please contact
John Moncada: john.moncada54@gmail.com

Quite likely, Jesus' followers felt dismay and expectation with his words "This is the time of fulfillment. The Kingdom of God is at Hand." we too are embarking on a desert time; and if there are places of discord in our lives, this passage may give us unease. Jesus has told us how to prepare: "repent, and believe in the gospel."

- ◆ This first Sunday of Lent, examine any anxiety you may have, and prayerfully attempt to identify the source.
- ◆ What can you do to demonstrate your trust in God and your hope in his promise?
- ◆ Reread today's Psalm. Which lines from this prayer would you like to carry with you throughout these forty days?
- ◆ What is the invitation you hear in today's Gospel?

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

1st Sunday of Lent

"After John had been arrested, Jesus came to Galilee proclaiming the gospel of God...." - Mark 1:14

Do you ever think about how difficult it must have been for Jesus to come into Galilee, knowing that John had just been arrested for teaching the same message that Jesus was proclaiming. It must have taken great love and trust for Jesus to do what the Father had sent Him here on earth to do. In the same way, following a life of Stewardship takes great love and trust from us. We must be willing to surrender completely to God, trusting that God will always give us all that we need to fulfill His plan for us.

Canticos para el primer domingo de Cuaresma

Canto de Entrada: Caminaré en presencia del Señor. (bis)

Salmo (24) R. Tus sendas, Señor, son misericordia y lealtad para los que guardan tu alianza.

Preparación de las Ofrendas: Renéevanos, Señor, llénanos con tu amor. Sana el dolor de los sueños que perdimos. Renueva nuestras vidas y el camino que escogimos. Guíanos como familia en la fe.

Canto de Comuni3n: Perdona a tu pueblo, Señor, no escondas tu rostro. Perdona a tu pueblo, Señor, y volveremos a ti.

Canto de Salida: Danos un corazón grande para amar. Danos un corazón fuerte para luchar.

UP-COMING EVENTS

Stations of the Cross (bi-lingual) every Friday at 7:00 pm during Lent . Holy Hour: Mondays and Wednesdays 7pm

- ◆ El rezo del Viacrucis tendrá lugar todos los Viernes a las 7:00 pm (bilingue) Hora Santa Lunes y Miercoles 7pm