



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

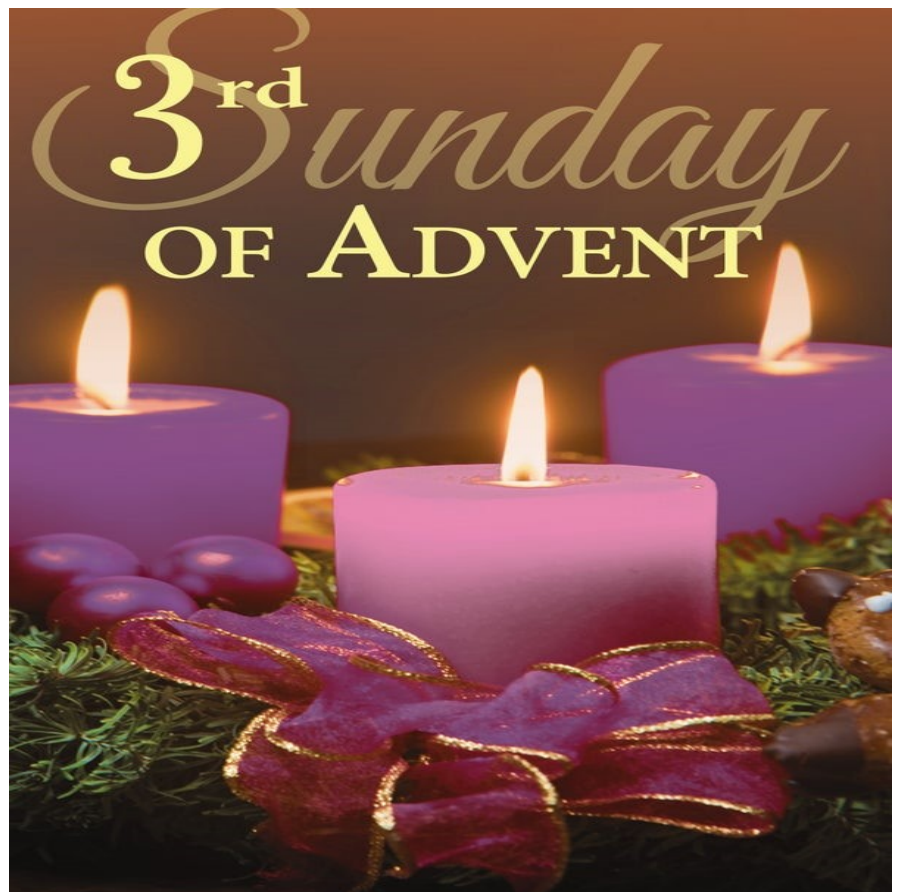
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**3rd Sunday
 OF ADVENT**

ST MARY'S JERSEY CITY

Served by one another and by:

Our Priests

Rev. Eustace Edomobi, D.Min. Pastor
 Rev Duberley Salazar, Parochial Vicar

Our Parish Deacons:

Deacon Pedro Gonzalez
 Deacon Leopoldo Polanco
 Deacon Cesar Sarmiento

Our

Parish Assistant and Bookkeeper: Carmen Gonzalez
 Religious Education: Grades 1-8: Freddy Burke
 Sacristans: Rosalia Mendoza & Leandro Ogando
 Office Assistant: Alexis Mendoza
 Trustees: Purita Berrios & Deacon Cesar Sarmiento

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!

MASS SCHEDULE: December 13- December 19, 2021

MONDAY	Dec. 13, 2021
7:00 AM	+Gregory A. Brown, Sr. Healing of Percy Sison
7:00 PM	Holy Hour
TUESDAY	Dec. 14, 2021
7:00 AM	In Thanksgiving Siriki Dogoni
7:00 PM	+Pedro Resto +Julio Rosas
WEDNESDAY	Dec. 15, 2021
7:00 AM	+Eugenio M. Rubín In thanksgiving for Fred Penanueva.
7:00 PM	Simbang Gabi
THURSDAY	Dec. 16, 2021
7:00 AM	+Claudette Freurg +Presentacion Sison In Thanksgiving for Brenda De la Disma
7:00 PM	Simbang Gabi
FRIDAY	Dec. 17, 2021
7:00 AM	In thanksgiving for Dayiri Dogoni +Marcia Brown
7:00 PM	Simbang Gabi
SATURDAY	Dec. 18, 2021
9:00 AM	Memorial Mass
5:30 PM	In thanksgiving for Laila Carmen Arroyo +Nelson de Jesus Rincon
7:00 PM	Simbang Gabi In Thanksgiving for AndyLou Baldonaza In Thanksgiving for Mark Arlou Baldonaza
SUNDAY	Dec. 19, 2021
8:00 AM	+Lila D'urso +Vicente Sorongon
10:00 AM	+Manuel +Zoila Calle + Leonardo Chicaiza
12:00 N	People of the Parish
7:00 PM	Simbang Gabi In thanksgiving for Daisy Dimaranan In thanksgiving for Lucy Baldonaza

¡Bienvenidos Todos!

Gracias por escoger a Santa María de la Inmaculada Concepción, como su lugar de culto. Le damos la bienvenida a esta comunidad de Fe. Si desea registrarse en nuestra parroquia por favor comuníquese con nuestra oficina parroquial.

POPE'S INTENTION FOR DECEMBER 2021: Catechists

Let us pray for the catechists, summoned to announce the Word of God: may they be its witnesses, with courage and creativity and in the power of the Holy Spirit.

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

December 05: \$ 3,466.00
Total: \$ 3,466.00

We thank our parishioners for your continued support and use of your 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 Thanksgiving for Maria Dolly Gozalez

St Boniface Chapel

In loving memory of our deceased Priests

The Bread and Wine is offered this week:

In loving memory of Dom Montecalvo

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
- EUCARISTIC 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
- COFRADES DEL SAGRADO CORAZON DE JESUS:** 2nd. Sunday 12:00pm
- OL OF ALTAGRACIA GROUP:** 3rd Sunday of the Month, 12:00pm
- 2000 HAIL MARY'S :** Last Saturday of the Month., 7:30am –7pm



John the Baptist and Advent

The people recognized that John was an extraordinary man of God and a true prophet who spoke in God's name. They came out to hear the "good news" (Luke 3:18) which he preached to them. And they willingly submitted to his baptism of repentance at the River Jordan where he preached. John's task was to wake people up from spiritual sleep and indifference, and to turn them back to hear God's voice and obey his commandments. John wanted the people to be in a good place to receive the Messiah and follow him.

Luke mentions two groups in particular who came to John for spiritual renewal - tax collectors and Jewish soldiers who belonged to the Roman peace-keeping force. Both groups were regarded as being spiritually unfit and unclean by the Jewish authorities and were treated as outcasts. John welcomed them with open arms along with all the multitude of people who came to hear the "good news" and be baptized in the cleansing waters of the River Jordan.

John's baptism was for repentance - turning away from sin and taking on a new way of life according to God's word. John said that the Messiah would "baptize with the Holy Spirit and with fire." Fire in biblical times was associated with God and with his action in the world and in the lives of his people. God sometimes manifested his presence by use of fire, such as the burning bush which was not consumed when God spoke to Moses. The image of fire was also used to symbolize God's glory, his protective presence, his holiness, his righteous judgment, and his wrath against sin.

In the New Testament, the image of fire is also used of the Holy Spirit who comes to cleanse us from sin and make us holy (Matthew 3:11 and Acts 2:3). God's fire both purifies us of sin and it inspires in us a reverent fear of God and of his word. And it increases our desire for holiness and for the joy of meeting the Lord when he comes again.

Do you want to be on fire for God and for the return of the Lord Jesus when he comes in his glory? Jesus is ready to give us the fire of his Spirit that we may radiate the joy of the Gospel to a world in desperate need of God's light and truth. Do you point others to Jesus Christ in the way you speak and live?

Fr. Duberley Salazar, Parochial Vicar

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

John the Baptist gave sage advice in today's Gospel to the crowds surrounding him. As a result, even the tax collectors-considered to be ruthless and dishonest were willing to be baptized and reformed. Luke tells us that the people considered John as a possible messiah because of his strong message of change and charity.

- ◆ For this Advent season, think about an organization to which your family can contribute items or time to help.
- ◆ Find your baptismal certificate or photographs and video of the event. Talk about that day and the meaning of this membership in the body of Christ.
- ◆ If you do not already have one, consider placing a bowl of blessed holy water in your home as a reminder can serve a symbol of your commitment to living with faith and hope for the next kingdom.

Stewardship Sharing

3rd Sunday of Advent

"Have no anxiety at all, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, make your requests known to God." (Philippians 4:6)

St. Paul reminds us that God is an abundant God – He is the ultimate giver of gifts. He promises to give us all that we need. Remember that we are created in God's image and likeness. We, too, are made to be generous with all of our gifts as well. Placing our trust in God frees us from being a slave to possessions. It allows us to live Stewardship by gratefully and generously sharing ourselves and our goods with others.

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, or to sing with the Choir, please contact the Parish Office. All volunteers are subject to safe environmental procedures as directed by the Archdiocese of Newark. THANK YOU! .

Important Announcements

- ◆ Simbang Gabi and Posadas start on Thursday, December 15 at 7:00 pm.
- ◆ If you have not received your 50 | 50 tickets by mail. Tickets will be available at the back of the Church. The raffle will be drawn on December 23rd. Be the lucky winner!
- ◆ Our Christmas giving tree is set up, let us be generous with those in most need.

DAILY MASS READINGS FOR THIRD WEEK OF ADVENT

- 13 Mon Saint Lucy, Virgin and Martyr red Memorial Nm 24:2-7, 15-17a/Mt 21:23-27 (187)
14 Tue Saint John of the Cross, Priest and Doctor Zep 3:1-2, 9-13/Mt 21:28-32 ()
15 Wed Advent Weekday violet Is 45:6c-8, 18, 21c-25/Lk 7:18b-23 (189)
16 Thu Advent Weekday violet Is 54:1-10/Lk 7:24-30 (190)
17 Fri Advent Weekday violet Gn 49:2, 8-10/Mt 1:1-17 (193)
18 Sat Advent Weekday violet Jer 23:5-8/Mt 1:18-25 (194)
19 SUN FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT violet Mi 5:1-4a/Heb 10:5-10/Lk 1:39-45 (12)

SPECIAL EVENT ANNOUNCEMENT: "SYNOD ON SYNODALITY."

For the past 2 Sundays, we have been passing information about the important moment going on in the church called **Synod on Synodality** which are expressions of the fundamental mystery of the church as people gathered from every corner of the earth to form one chosen people. For now, we are expected to promote a special time of prayer, listening, dialogue and recommendations. Please be attentive to the time when we will hold this event here at St Mary's, because we would like everyone to participate.

ANUNCIO ESPECIAL: "SÍNODO SOBRE SINODALIDAD".

Durante los últimos 2 domingos, hemos estado transmitiendo información sobre el momento importante que está sucediendo en la iglesia llamado Sínodo sobre sinodalidad, que son expresiones del misterio fundamental de la iglesia como personas reunidas de todos los rincones de la tierra para formar un pueblo elegido. Por ahora, se espera que promovamos un momento especial de oración, escucha, diálogo y recomendaciones. Esté atento a la hora en que realizaremos este evento aquí en St. Mary's, porque nos gustaría que todos participaran.

The Cathedral Concert Series

Candlelight Carol Sing

Wednesday December 15, and Thursday December 16, 2021

Performances Begin at 8:00 pm

Navidad Latina

Un noche de villancicos en Español

Viernes 10 de Diciembre at 8:00 pm

Cathedral Basilica of the Sacred Heart, 89 Ridge Street, Newark, NJ

