



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

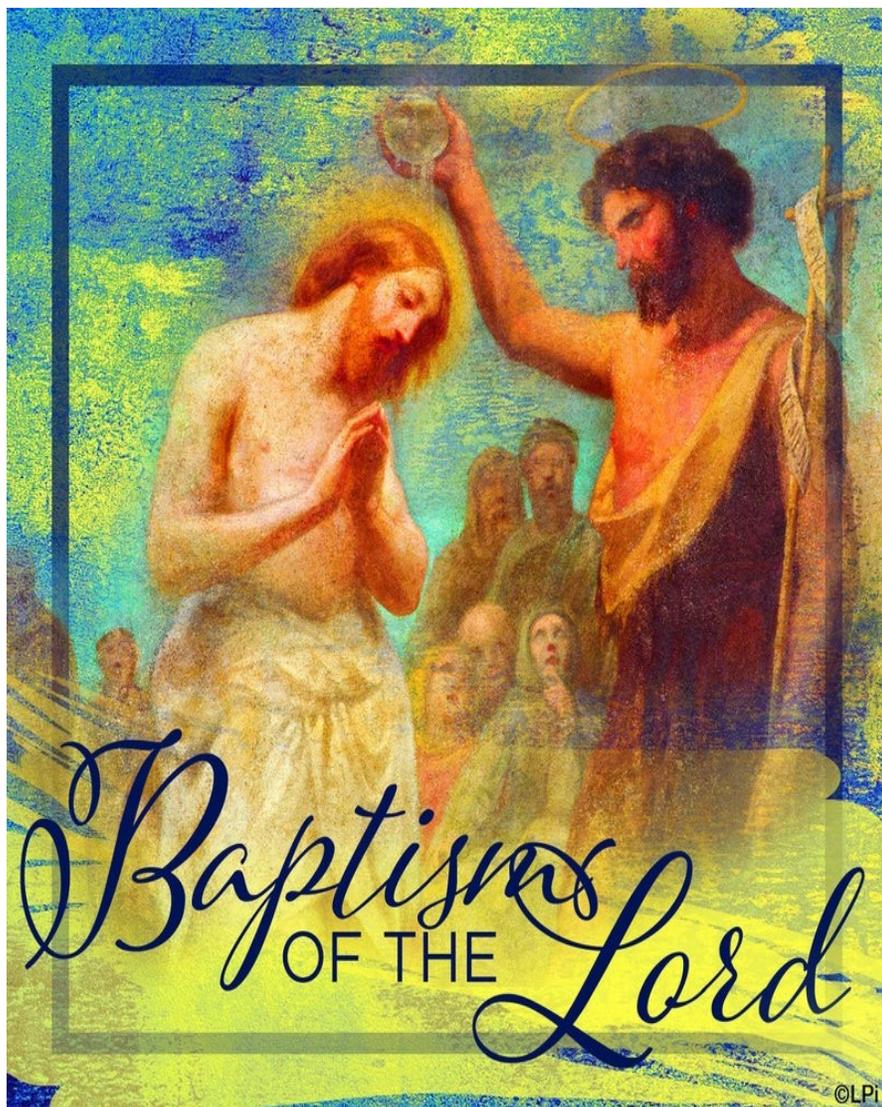
Parish Office Located At

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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!

Come and join us and create a Christ-Centered Community where Strangers become Friends and Friends become Family!

MASS SCHEDULE: January 10, - January 16, 2022

MONDAY	January, 10, 2022
7:00 AM	+Healing of Marie Beauchemin
7:00 PM	Holy Hour
TUESDAY	January, 11, 2022
7:00 AM	In Thanksgiving for Deacons: Pedro, Cesar, Leo and Marcelo
7:00 PM	+Birmania Garcia + Jose Valverde
WEDNESDAY	January, 12, 2022
7:00 AM	For healing and protection of Felix Shtrom +Arturo Casambre
THURSDAY	January, 13, 2022
7:00 AM	Parishoners of Saint Mary's
7:00 PM	+Marilyn Rivas
FRIDAY	January, 14, 2022
7:00 AM	+Juliet and Lorenzo Solivio
SATURDAY	January, 15, 2022
9:00 AM	Memorial Mass
5:30 PM	People of the Parish
SUNDAY	January, 16, 2022
8:00 AM	+Lila D' Urso
	+Perry Baisas
10:00 AM	+Gerry Ruiz
	+Alberto & Cristina Valle
12:00 N	+Benita Comes Sarmiento

Sacramental Preparation

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. Please call 201-434-8500 or email deaconsarmiento@aol.com.

Adult Education (RCIA) For Adult Sacraments of Baptism, Holy Eucharist and Confirmation please contact Rene Tolentino 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 of the Sick, 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 or online. Please inform the Parish Office when you move.

POPE'S INTENTION FOR JANUARY 2022: For true human fraternity

We pray for all those suffering from religious discrimination and persecution; may their own rights and dignity be recognized, which originate from being brothers and sisters in the human family.

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

New Year Collection:	\$ 607.00
January 02 Collection:	\$ 2, 897.00
On line Collection from 12/29 – 01/04	\$ 1,725.83
Total	\$ 5,229.83

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 Br. Lou Mauro, S.J

St Boniface Chapel

In loving memory of Diego Duque

The Bread and Wine is offered this week:

In loving memory of Judy Rzczkowski

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
- 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
- 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

REFLECTION

**“He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire.”
Luke 3:16**

John’s baptism with water is a baptism of repentance, a preparation, turning away from sin and believing in Jesus, the Messiah. Jesus’ baptism is a baptism of receiving power from the Holy Spirit. The coming of the Spirit is to have the effect of fire. Fire is an ancient symbol of judgment, refinement and purification.

Jesus was baptized, not because He was a sinner in need of repentance, but as a way of identifying himself with those He came to save. We have all been baptized as priest, prophet and king. We may not be ordained ministers but we share in the priesthood of Christ by interceding for other people. We are prophets by proclaiming the message of God’s love not only in words but more so by our action. We are kings through our stewardship of God’s resources that are entrusted to us.

We have been baptized with the Holy Spirit and fire. What an awesome gift from God.

God bless you.

Deacon Cesar Sarmiento

Stewardship

The Baptism of Our Lord Stewardship Living

“John answered them all, ‘I baptize you with water; but he who is mightier than I is coming...he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit...’ ” (Luke 3:16)

The Catholic Catechism states that “Jesus’ immersion in the water is a sign for all human beings of the need to die to themselves to do God’s will.” In other words, as baptized Catholics living in Stewardship, there is only one gift that we need to give to Jesus – the gift of ourselves. Surrender yourself to God, place your trust in Him and allow the Holy Spirit to work through you for the greater glory of God.

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

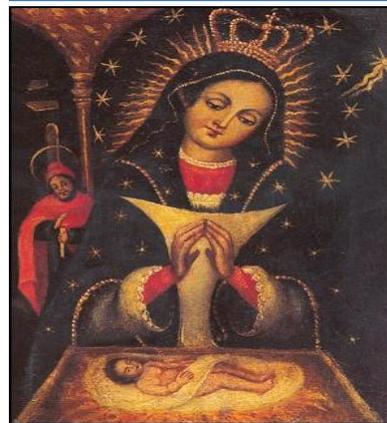
If you are interested in our youth group please contact John Moncada: john.moncada54@gmail.com

At Jesus’ baptism, God showed his love in a dramatic way: “heaven was opened and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven. “you are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased.”

Today we are affirmed as we live our baptismal call at home, community, work, or school. We just need to remind ourselves to look for these signs.

Before going to sleep, gather your memories of the day to appreciate moments of God’s presence. Be inspired by how our Creator delights in you. Send a note a a parent of a recently baptized child or to another adult who made the decision to be baptized.

Affirm this person in his or her decision to follow Christ or to raise their child in the practice of the faith.



Our Lady of Altagracia is also known as Our Lady of High Grace. She is Protector and Queen of the hearts of the Dominicans, as well as the patron saint of the Dominican Republic. They have such a devotion to her there, that January 21st is a national holiday in her honor!

O Sweetest Mother of Altagracia, Admirable Mother, who in your little house of Nazareth, served as a model for Christian mothers and wives. We ask you to bless our homes so that the sanctity and holiness of marriage will flourish in them

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

- Please notify the office when a parishioner is ill at home or hospitalized. We depend on you to be able to visit our sick parishioners.
- Synod on Synodality gathering for the parish will be held Saturday January 22, 9:30 am to 11:30am
 - Christmas season ends today, we thank you for your generous services to St Marys.

DAILY MASS READINGS FOR THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD WEEK

10 Mon Weekday (First Week in Ordinary Time) green 1 Sm 1:1-8/Mk 1:14-20 (305)

11 Tue Weekday green 1 Sm 1:9-20/Mk 1:21-28 (306) 15

12 Wed Weekday green 1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20/Mk 1:29-39 (307)

13 Thu Weekday green/white [St Hilary, Bishop /Doctor] 1 Sm 4:1-11/Mk 1:40-45 (308)

14 Fri Weekday green 1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a/Mk 2:1-12 (309)

15 Sat Weekday green/white [BVM] 1 Sm 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1a/Mk 2:13-17 (310)

16 SUN SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME green Is 62:1-5/1 Cor 12:4-11/Jn 2:1-11 (66)

Questions and answers about The Synod of Bishops

(Taken from Catholic Church, Synodal Journey website)

◆ What does 'Synodality' mean?

Synodality comes from a Greek word meaning the 'walking together' (syn-) on a 'particular way' (-hodos). The 'particular way' has been defined by the Synod of Bishops in its process for the Synod 2023.

◆ If the process is already defined, how do we 'walk together?'

Every member of the Church has the right to speak, and the obligation to allow those charged with the work of discernment the freedom to do so. Pope Francis in his book Let us Dream says "we need a respectful, mutual listening, free of ideology and predetermined agendas".

This is at the heart of the process. Each diocese will form its own means of running this listening process so that it reaches as broad a scope of people as possible.

◆ Is this just for parishes and dioceses?

No, it involves everyone. Schools, young people, hospital chaplaincies, university chaplaincies, prison chaplaincies, the religious and consecrated communities, the societies of apostolic life, those with a distinctive charism in the church all have a voice that speaks into the conversation. Catholic organizations and charities also have a role to play in this work.

Echoing the experience of the Second Vatican Council, Ecumenical and Interreligious engagement is also encouraged, and this is best facilitated at the local level. This is an important voice from outside the Church that offers an insight into the collaboration for the good of all.

◆ Will this make the Church more democratic, like other churches?

The Synodal Process is not about a democratic debate. It is place of respectful mutual listening and experiencing the call of the Holy Spirit to move in new ways. Again the Pope is clear on this:

"Another temptation that so often confuses people is treating the Synod as a kind of parliament underpinned by a 'political battle' in which in order to govern one side must defeat the other...this goes against the spirit of the synod as a protected space of community discernment."

What it will do is embed at all levels of the Church a new way of listening and hearing, of discernment and action which remains faithful to the truths received but expresses them in the context of a particular time.