



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

12:00 noon English

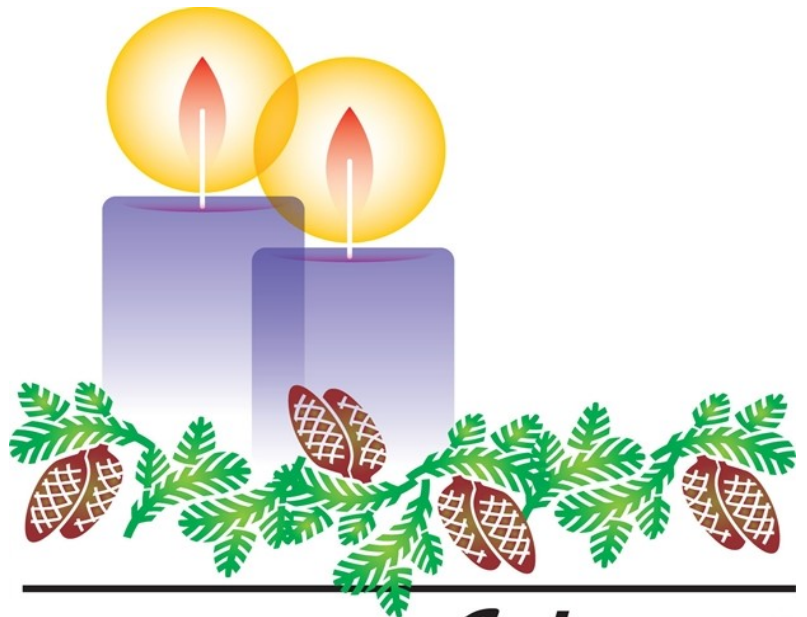
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SECOND SUNDAY OF *Advent*

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

Parish Assistant and Bookkeeper: Carmen Gonzalez

Religious Education: Grades 1-8: Freddy Burke

Office Assistant: Alexis Zhu

Sacristans: Rosalia Mendoza & Leandro Ogando

Trustees: Purita Berrios & Deacon Cesar Sarmiento

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!

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT: DECEMBER 4, 2022

MASS SCHEDULE: December 5 – December 11, 2022

MONDAY	December 5, 2022
7:00 AM	Healing for Santiago Muzones, Jr. ; +Rosa Maria Turpeau; +Marie Higgins
7:00 PM	Holy Hour
TUESDAY	December 6, 2022
7:00 AM	Thanksgiving for Andrew Sison; Healing for Santiago Muzones, Jr.
7:00 PM	+Donato Reyes; +Violeta Stracuzzi
WEDNESDAY	December 7, 2022
7:00 AM	Healing for Santiago Muzones, Jr. ; +Carmen Martinez
THURSDAY	December 8, 2022
7:00 AM	+Ramon Alvarado Cruz; +Carmen Martinez
7:00PM	+Elvira (Margie) Cortez; +Emilio Vasquez
FRIDAY	December 9, 2022
7:00 AM	Thanksgiving for Arturo Casambre, Jr. +Carmen Martinez
SATURDAY	December 10, 2022
9:00 AM	Memorial Mass
	Thanksgiving for Deacon Cesar and Lourdes Sarmiento
5:30 PM	Thanksgiving for Xavier Anthony Lopez; +Benita Comes Sarmiento
SUNDAY	December 11, 2022
8:00 AM	Thanksgiving for Deacon Cesar and Lourdes Sarmiento; +Aristotle Esporas
10:00AM	+Maria Nelly & Walter Herrera; +Iraida Nuñez; +Hector Taveras
12:00 PM	People of the Parish

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 Parish 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 from our area.

POPE'S INTENTION FOR DECEMBER 2022 :
Volunteer Not-for-Profit Organizations

We pray that volunteer non-profit organizations committed to human development find people dedicated to the common good and ceaselessly seek out new paths to international cooperation.

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 Sunday, November 27 : \$2,375.00
Thanksgiving, November 24 : \$ 427.00
Online : \$1,100.00

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! 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

Special Intention for Xavier Anthony Lopez

St. Boniface Chapel

In loving memory of + Deceased Parishioners of St. Mary's

The Bread and Wine is offered this week:

In loving memory of +Lillian Cogswel & +Peggy Weber

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
- 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

La Necesidad Humilde a la Conversión

El Evangelio nos presenta a San Juan Bautista que clama en el desierto de Judea, a orillas del río Jordán, invitando a la conversión: “Conviértanse, porque está cerca el Reino de los Cielos”. Esta invitación es también para nosotros, y su realización sólo es posible desde el reconocimiento de nuestra necesidad de ser salvados, una actitud totalmente opuesta a la soberbia de fariseos y saduceos que critica Juan llamándolos “raza de víboras”.

Quienes escuchaban a Juan Bautista y acogían su invitación a convertirse, “confesaban sus pecados y él los bautizaba en el Jordán”. Nosotros, con la confesión de nuestros pecados ante Dios y ante la comunidad — representada por el sacerdote en el Sacramento de la Reconciliación, podemos expresar nuestro reconocimiento de la acción misericordiosa de Dios, siempre dispuesto a perdonarnos, y así se renueva para nosotros la gracia del Bautismo.

Dispongámonos, pues, a que la conmemoración del Nacimiento de Jesús no se nos quede en la superficie de una navidad comercializada. Por el contrario, con nuestra actitud de conversión y de reconciliación con Dios y entre nosotros, empezando por la vida familiar, manifestemos sinceramente, unidos a María Inmaculada, lo que Jesús nos enseñó a pedir en el Padre Nuestro: Venga a nosotros tu Reino, que es, en definitiva, lo mismo que pedimos también en la Eucaristía después de la consagración del pan y del vino: Ven, Señor Jesús.!

Feliz semana!

Carmen Gonzalez

4 de diciembre de 2022

2do Domingo de Adviento

“Por lo tanto, cada árbol que no de buenos frutos será cortado y tirado al fuego.” Mateo 3:10

¿Da buenos frutos para Jesús? ¿Pasa tiempo en oración o pierde su tiempo con actividades sin sentido? ¿Utiliza sus talentos para ayudar a los demás o está demasiado ocupado? ¿Usa sus tesoros para apoyar a la Iglesia o para comprar más cosas que no utiliza? Nuestro tiempo y nuestro talento son dones de Dios. Lo que nosotros hacemos con estos dones es nuestro regalo de vuelta a Dios. ¿Qué regalos planificas darle al Señor durante esta próxima temporada navideña?

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 Maria Cabral: Theyouthofthelord@gmail.com

Scripture Insights

While Paul reassures the Christians in Rome that God has not broken his covenant with Israel, John the Baptist warns the Jewish leaders that the covenant had always required them to “produce good fruit as evidence of their repentance” (Matthew 3:8), not merely to claim Abraham as their ancestor. Jesus' baptism “with the Holy Spirit and fire” points both to Pentecost, when the Holy Spirit descends in wind and fire, and to Christ's role as the coming judge.

- ◆ Why is a good ruler one who protects the poor and afflicted?
- ◆ What is an example of “good fruit” that shows one's true repentance?
- ◆ What does it look like today to welcome those formerly estranged?

2023 Mass Intentions Book

Mass Book for 2023 is open. Please call the Parish office or stop by Monday-Friday, 9am-5pm to arrange Masses for living or deceased members of your family.

Advent Giving Tree

Our “Advent Giving Tree” is once again set up for the holiday. We are asking our parishioners for a “gift card” to benefit mothers with dependent children of Hope House, our next door neighbors. The gift cards should be from local food stores such as ShopRite, ACME or general gift cards. Thank you for your gift for the less fortunate among us.

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.

Congratulations 300 Club November Winner

Thomas A. Sember

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!

ANNOUNCEMENT

SAVE THE DATE / RESERVE LA FECHA

The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Thursday, December 8.
Light refreshments will be served after 7:00PM mass.
La Inmaculada Concepción de la Santísima Virgen María, 8 de diciembre.
Se servirán refrigerios ligeros después de la misa de las 7:00 p.m.

SIMBANG GABI

Catholic Action of Mary invites everyone to join and celebrate Simbang Gabi.
December 15—23, 2022 every night at 7:00PM located in St. Boniface's Chapel.

POSADAS

The Parish invites everyone to join and celebrate Posadas.
Every night at 7:00PM, December 15—23, 2022 located at St. Mary's church.
La Parroquia invita a todos a unirse y celebrar Posadas.
Todas las noches a las 7:00 p. m., del 15 al 23 de diciembre de 2022 en la iglesia de St. Mary.

ST MARY'S ADULT FAITH FORMATION – MOVING FROM MAINTENANCE TO MISSION

Our Programs for this week are as follows:

- ◆ Rosary, Adoration and Divine Mercy will continue this Wednesday — December 7 at 7pm in the Chapel
 - ◆ Bible study/Catechism – will be on the 2nd Friday December 9 at 6:30pm Marian Hall.
This will be the last Bible study/Catechism for the year 2022
- ◆ Also, those who gave their names for visitation of the sick will continue their training at a later date to be announced.

FORMACIÓN EN LA FE PARA ADULTOS DE SANTA MARÍA – PASAR DEL MANTENIMIENTO A LA MISIÓN

Nuestros programas para esta semana son los siguientes:

- ◆ Rosario, Adoración y Divina Misericordia continuarán este miércoles 7 de diciembre a las 7pm en la Capilla
 - ◆ Estudio bíblico / Catecismo – será el 2º viernes 9 de diciembre, 6:30pm Marian Hall.
- ◆ Además, aquellos que dieron sus nombres para la visita de los enfermos continuarán su entrenamiento en una fecha que se anunciará mas adelante.

A DAY WITH SANTA

Come join us for a day of fun and entertainment!
Each child will receive a picture with Santa and a gift!



When: December 18, 2022
Time: 12:00PM to 6:00PM
Where: Marian Hall
Cost: Adult — \$3
Child — \$7



Face painting is included. Food and raffles will be sold separately.

Please purchase your tickets in advance by calling the Parish office as the doors will close once we have 200 children.