



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

Parish Office Located At

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Fourth 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!

MASS SCHEDULE: December 19 – December 25, 2022

MONDAY	December 19, 2022
7:00 AM	Special Intention for Sheirly Mary +Coulbaly Tehe Yacouba
7:00 PM	Simbang Gabi
TUESDAY	December 20, 2022
7:00 AM	+Fangbe Aholi Bernadette
7:00 PM	Simbang Gabi
WEDNESDAY	December 21, 2022
7:00 AM	+Antonia Rivera
7:00 PM	Simbang Gabi
THURSDAY	December 22, 2022
7:00 AM	+Deceased Priests of St. Mary's Parish
7:00 PM	Simbang Gabi
FRIDAY	December 23, 2022
7:00 AM	+Marilyn Rivas; +Brother Lou Mauro, S.J.
7:00 PM	Simbang Gabi
SATURDAY	December 24, 2022
9:00 AM	Memorial Mass
5:30 PM	Vigil Mass
6:30 PM	Christmas Carols (Spanish)
7:00 PM	Christmas Carols (English)
7:30 PM	Bilingual Christmas Eve Mass
SUNDAY	December 25, 2022
8:00 AM	People of the Parish
10:00AM	+Rosa Mendez; +Segundo Bravo
12:00 PM	Thanksgiving for Alexander Xavier Green; +Manuel & Tarcela Muzones

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, December 11 : \$2,325.00
Second Collection : \$1,061.00
Immaculate Conception : \$ 666.00

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

+Las Benditas Animas del Purgatorio

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 +Judy Rzeczkowski

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

SPECIAL MESSAGE FOR 4TH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Dear brothers and sisters, as we enter the last week of Advent, I would like to thank all of you for your contributions to the success of this year's Annual Appeal. Because of your generosity, our parish has received \$24,730.00 in pledges from 62 families. To date, we have collected \$23,400.00. We will receive 100% of all funds collected over our assigned goal of \$20,000.00.

This is beneficial to our parish because we will be able to use it to complete our sidewalk repairs. If you have not redeemed your pledge to 2022 annual appeal, please do your best to pay off your pledge. Be sure to designate St Mary of the Immaculate Conception, Jersey City, as your parish when you do so.

Enclosed in this week's bulletin is a summary of the 2022 Impact Report from the Archdiocese. Thank you so much for your overwhelming generosity to the 2022 annual appeal.

May God bless you, In the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Have a Blessed Christmas!

Fr Eustace Edomobi

Queridos hermanos y hermanas, al entrar en la última semana de Adviento, me gustaría agradecerles a todos por sus contribuciones al éxito de la Campaña Anual de este año. Debido a su generosidad, nuestra parroquia ha recibido \$24,730.00 en promesas de 62 familias. Hasta la fecha, hemos recaudado \$23,400.00. Recibiremos el 100% de todos los fondos recaudados por encima de nuestra meta asignada de \$ 20,000.00.

Esto es beneficioso para nuestra parroquia porque podremos usarlo para completar nuestras reparaciones en las aceras. Si no ha canjeado su promesa a la apelación anual de 2022, haga todo lo posible para pagar su promesa. Asegúrese de designar a Santa María de la Inmaculada Concepción, Jersey City, como su parroquia cuando lo haga.

En el boletín de esta semana se adjunta un resumen del Informe de Impacto 2022 de la Arquidiócesis. Muchas gracias por su generosidad continua con el llamado anual de 2022.

Que Dios los bendiga, en el Nombre del Padre y del Hijo y del Espíritu Santo.

Fr Eustace Edomobi

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

Practice of Charity

St. Joseph was a righteous man. That is the first thing we learn about him, that he was a person who had focused his life on living according to God's laws. He was also a person of compassion, not wanting Mary to be subjected to the law's penalties. But most of all, he must have been a person who lived in a relationship with God. The angel of the Lord comes to him in a dream, and immediately he accepts what is said. Immediately he changes course. Our culture does not look kindly on changing one's mind. Often, that is perceived as hypocrisy. But changing one's mind, heart, and life is central to the Christian life. If unwilling to change, we become not righteous but self-righteous

- ◆ As we approach our feast of celebration, what do you need to turn away from in order to welcome Jesus more fully?
- ◆ Perhaps you have long-held ideas that are keeping you from a relation with another. When God looks at this person or situation, what does God see?
- ◆ As a sign of the coming of the kingdom, how can you respond with compassion to a person with whom you have had difficulty?

Advent Giving Tree

This is the last week for our "Advent Giving Tree". 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.

STEWARDSHIP GOAL

"When Joseph awoke, he did as the angel of the Lord had commanded him and took his wife into his home." MATTHEW 1:24

Putting our complete trust in the Lord without expecting anything in return. Striving to put God first in all things and follow Him wherever He may lead us. Joseph was a model of these pillars of our faith. As we prepare for the birth of our Lord, pray for the strength and courage to be a model of discipleship, just as Joseph was.

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!

ANNOUNCEMENT

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.

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.

IMPORTANT DATES

Friday — December 23: Last day of Simbang Gabi and Posadas. A combined fellowship after 7pm Mass.

Christmas Eve, Saturday Dec 24

Morning Mass 9 AM. Vigil Mass: 5:30 PM.

6:30 PM Christmas Carols Spanish; 7:00 PM Christmas Carols English

7:30 PM Bilingual Christmas Eve Mass

Christmas Day, Sunday Dec 25

8:00 AM, 10:00 AM (Spanish), 12:00 Noon Masses

Monday, Dec 26

Morning Mass 9 AM — Parish Office will be Closed

New Year's Eve, Saturday Dec 31

Mass 9 AM, Vigil Mass 5:30 PM

New Years Day, Sunday Jan 1, 2023

Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God

8:00 AM, 10:00 AM (Spanish), 12:00 Noon Masses (No Tagalog Mass)

Monday, Jan 2, 2023

Morning Mass 9 AM — Parish Office will be Closed