

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

209 3rd Street, Jersey City, NJ 07302 Office hours: Monday-Friday: 9AM-5PM Parish E-mail: info@stmarysparishjc.com Phone: 201-434-8500 Fax: 201-333-1816



DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY, APRIL 16

ST MARY'S JERSEY CITY

Served by one another and by:

<u>Our Priests:</u> Very 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 EASTER OR SUNDAY OF DIVINE MERCY : APRIL 16, 2023

MASS SCHEDULE: April 17 – April 23, 2023

	MONDAY	April 17, 2023
	7:00 AM	Thanksgiving for Candace Reyes
	7:00 PM	Holy Hour
	TUESDAY	April 18, 2023
	7:00 AM	+Marie Higgins
	7:00 PM	+Ramon Montañez
	WEDNESDAY	April 19, 2023
	7:00 AM	Luciana & Renato Reyes Wedding Anniversary
	THURSDAY	April 20, 2023
	9:00 AM	+Irene Higgins
	7:00 PM	+Modesto Reyes
	FRIDAY	April 21, 2023
	7:00 AM	Thanksgiving for Abby & Rey Canilao
	SATURDAY	April 22, 2023
	9:00 AM	Memorial Mass
	5:30 PM	+Ernesto Sison;
Luciana & Renato Reyes 40th Wedding Annive		iana & Renato Reyes 40th Wedding Anniversary
	SUNDAY	April 23, 2023
	8:00 AM	People of the Parish
	10:00AM	+Anselmo Pereira;
		+Antonia Garcia
	12:00 PM	+Virginia Lago

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.

<u>Religious Education:</u> For Religious Education of our Children from Grades 1-8; please call Freddy Burke: 201-434-8500.

<u>Holy Orders:</u> 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 email the Parish Office (stmarys2093rdst@gmail.com) when you move from our area or if you have questions about the contribution envelopes.

<u>POPE'S INTENTION FOR APRIL 2023 :</u> For a culture of peace and non-violence

We pray for the spread of peace and non-violence, by decreasing the use of weapons by States and citizens.

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

Holy Thursday Easter Gifts	:	\$ 845.00 \$3,588.00
	:	\$3,896.00
Holy Land (Good Friday)	:	\$1,212.00

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

En Acción de Gracias al Señor

St. Boniface Chapel

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

The Bread and Wine is offered this week:

+Feligreses Difuntos de Santa María

OUR PARISH DEVOTIONS

<u>SILENT ADORATION MONDAYS:</u> 7:00pm St. Boniface Chapel <u>FIRST FRIDAY MASS & ADORATION:</u> 7PM-9PM Main Church <u>FIRST SATURDAY DEVOTION:</u> 9:00am-10:30am, Main Church <u>ROSARY/DIVINE MERCY/ ADORATION WEDNESDAYS</u>: 7pm Chapel <u>GRUPO DE ORACION:</u> Tuesdays after 7pm Mass, St Boniface Chapel <u>OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP:</u> Wed. after 7am Mass, St. Boniface <u>COFRADES DEL SAGRADO CORAZON DE JESUS:</u> 2nd. Sunday 12:00pm

<u>OL OF ALTAGRACIA GROUP</u>: 3rd Sunday of the Month, 12:00pm 2000 HAIL MARY'S: Last Saturday of the Month, 7:30am – 7pm

Reflection for the week:

"Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." John 20:21

In the same way that the Father has sent His Son, Jesus, into the world, so is Jesus sending us to continue His mission of spreading the good news of God's love and mercy to everyone we meet.

We spread this good news both in word and in action treating everyone with compassion, forgiveness and kindness. This echoes our Lord's commandment during the Last Supper to love one another as He has loved us. No doubt, this is very difficult to do but if Jesus lives in us, we would do what Jesus would have done because we are inspired by Him and strengthened by Him as Saint Paul has said, "It is no longer I who live but it is Christ who lives in me."

May the peace of our Lord which is beyond all understanding remain with us all the days of our life.

Deacon Cesar Sarmiento

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STEWARDSHIP 2nd Sunday of Easter (Divine Mercy Sunday)

"Jesus came and stood among them and said to them, 'Peace be with you." John 20:19

Are you good at making people feel welcome? When you meet someone new, like a new neighbor, a new work colleague or a new parishioner, do you make them feel at home? When we make people feel welcome, we make them feel like they are included instead of being excluded. We are made for relationships – with God and each other. When you see yourself as a beloved son or daughter of God, you tend to see others the same way, too – just as God, Our Father, sees us.

Upcoming Events

Mother's Day Dinner Dance will be held in honor of our mothers on Saturday May 13, 2023 at 7:00PM, located at Marian Hall. Tickets are now available.

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 Deacon Cesar Sarmiento : deaconsarmiento@aol.com

Scripture Insights

The first reading from Acts provides a snapshot into the life of the early Church: "They devoted themselves to the teaching of the apostles and to the communal life, to the breaking of bread and to the prayers" (Acts 2:42). In other words, the early Church was gathered around four main elements: First, learning about the life ministry, and teachings of Jesus, as remembered and passed down from the apostles. Second, they shared a "communal life" in which believers sold possessions and shared resources in order to make sure that nobody was in need.

Third, they broke bread together, which means that they ate together sharing life over meals in their homes, but it also means that they celebrated the Lord's Supper together as part of those meals. Fourth and finally, they devoted themselves to "the prayers," which likely means both the prayers they inherited from their Jewish traditions as well as the Lord's Prayer, the prayer given to them by Jesus.

• Has your faith ever been tested (1 Peter 1:7)?

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Today is the Sunday of Divine Mercy, the Octave Day of Easter.

The Divine Mercy Sunday origin is from a revelation to Saint Faustina, a Sister of Mercy from Poland who initiated the Divine Mercy devotion. Between 1930 and 1938 Jesus requested numerous times a Feast of Divine Mercy. On May 5, 2000, five days after the canonization of Saint Faustina, the Vatican decreed that the Second Sunday of Easter would henceforth be known as Divine Mercy Sunday.



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!

Readings for the week of April 16, 2023

17 Mon Easter Weekday white Acts 4:23-31/Jn 3:1-8 Pss II

18 Tue Easter Weekday white Acts 4:32-37/Jn 3:7b-15

19 Wed Easter Weekday white Acts 5:17-26/Jn 3:16-21

20 Thu Easter Weekday white Acts 5:27-33/Jn 3:31-36

21 Fri Easter Weekday white/white [Saint Anselm, Bishop and Doctor of the Church] Acts 5:34-42/Jn 6:1-15 (271)

22 Sat Easter Weekday white Acts 6:1-7/Jn 6:16-21

23 SUN THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER white Acts 2:14, 22-33/1 Pt 1:17-21/Lk 24:13-35 Pss III

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Our Deepest Gratitude and Congratulations

THANK YOU to all who served/volunteered in the many different ways to make our Triduum and Easter Celebration a big success.

We **Congratulate** our Newly Baptized and Confirmed, and we wish them God's Blessings in their journey of Faith.

Our Lady of Good Health

The well-known image of Our Lady of Good Health (or Our Lady of Vailankanni), originally from India, will be visiting our parish for a month. Starting from Saturday April 29, 2023, to Wednesday May 31, 2023. The Basilica in Vailankanni, is a very popular pilgrimage site. This is a divine opportunity for parishioners to seek the intercession of Our Lady of Good Health, especially in this time for healing and safety.

ANNUAL APPEAL

If you haven't done so, please consider participating in this year's Appeal to help make a significant difference in many lives within our Archdiocese. Please make a gift online today by visiting rcan.org/sharing or pick up the Annual Appeal form at the back of the church and make your pledge today.

ANUNCIOS

Nuestro más profundo agradecimiento y felicitación

GRACIAS a todos los que sirvieron/se ofrecieron como voluntarios en las diferentes maneras para hacer de nuestro Triduo y Celebración de Pascua un gran éxito.

Felicitamos a nuestros Recién Bautizados y Confirmados, y les deseamos las Bendiciones de Dios en su camino de Fe.

Nuestra Señora de la Buena Salud

La conocida imagen de Nuestra Señora de la Buena Salud (o Nuestra Señora de Vailankanni), originaria de la India, estará visitando nuestra parroquia por un mes. Desde el sábado 29 de abril de 2023 hasta el miércoles 31 de mayo de 2023. La basílica de Vailankanni es un lugar de peregrinación muy popular. Esta es una oportunidad divina para que los feligreses busquen la intercesión de Nuestra Señora de la Buena Salud, especialmente en este tiempo de sanación y seguridad.

LLAMADO ANUAL

Si no lo ha hecho, por favor considere participar en la "Campaña de este año para ayudar a hacer una diferencia significativa en muchas vidas dentro de nuestra Arquidiócesis. Por favor, haga una donación en línea hoy visitando rcan.org / compartiendo o recoja el formulario de llamado anual en la parte posterior de la iglesia y haga su promesa hoy.