

# 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

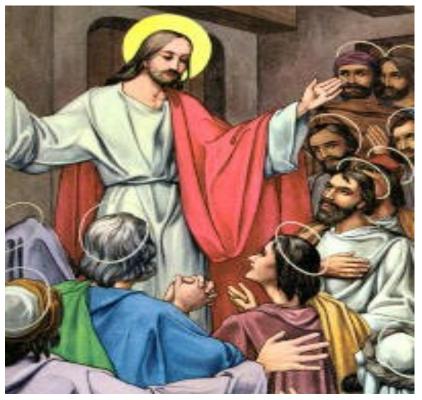
9:00 am Tagalog [First Sunday]

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



FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

# **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!

#### FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER : MAY 7, 2023

#### MASS SCHEDULE: May 8 – May 14, 2023

MONDAY	May 8, 2023
7:00 AM	+Isabel Muzones; +Marie Higgins
7:00 PM	Holy Hour
TUESDAY	May 9, 2023
7:00 AM	Thanksgiving for Virgilio Florento;
	+Febie Devera
7:00 PM	+Zeneida Cabrera
WEDNESDAY	May 10, 2023
7:00 AM	+Irene Higgins
7:00PM	Rosary, Adoration, Divine Mercy
THURSDAY	May 11, 2023
7:00 AM	+Leoniza Obligacion
7:00 PM	+Grace McGrath
FRIDAY	May 12, 2023
7:00 AM	Healing for Berth Lewis
SATURDAY	May 13, 2023
9:00 AM	Memorial Mass
5:30 PM	People of the Parish
SUNDAY	May 14, 2023
8:00 AM	Thanksgiving for Catherine S. Arroyo;
	+Lila D'Urso
10:00AM	Thanksgiving for Patricia Pereira;
	+Carmen M. Rosas
12:00 PM	Thanksgiving for Marc, Dianne, & Xavier Lopez;
	+Carmen Garay;
	+Ana Lorena Armenta Mendez

#### **Sacramental Preparation**

**<u>Sacrament of Marriage</u>**: 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.

<u>Adult Education (RCIA):</u> 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.

<u>Parish Registration</u>: 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 MAY 2023 :</u>** For church movements and groups

We pray that Church movements and groups may rediscover their mission of evangelization each day, placing their own charisms at the service of needs in the world.

#### 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, April 30 : \$2,655.00 2nd Collection : \$1,064.00

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

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 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 FOR THE WEEK**

#### Do not let your heart be troubled (John 14:1).

This week, Jesus tells us: Do not let your hearts be troubled; trust in God trust also in me. This is a call for us to allow our minds to rest in Him, place our trust in him, and do what He wants of us, and He will do the rest. We need to grow gradually in our trust of Him by taking our daily baby steps and God will do the rest. We learn to trust by trusting; a child that is afraid of falling as mom prompts him/her to walk, may never learn to walk.

Today Jesus says to us: do not let it trouble you. Come to me the way the truth and life. I will take care of you. Come and find in me a place for refuge.

Jesus cares for you. Learn to place all your concerns, all your needs, and everything in His hands, (second reading) for you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a people set apart. Do not let your heart be troubled. No matter what you go through, just focus on Jesus (not on the problem), and develop a strong trust in Him, through daily prayer and Sacraments, He will never leave you nor forsake you, but will always find a way to heal and sustain you. Have a blessed Week!

#### Very Rev Eustace Edomobi

#### ANNUAL APPEAL UPDATE

45 people have pledged to donate \$25,000. The Archdiocese of Newark has received \$16,500 thus far.

#### ACTUALIZACIÓN DE LA APELACIÓN ANUAL

45 personas se han comprometido a donar \$25,000. La Arquidiócesis de Newark ha recibido \$16,500 hasta el momento.

# **STEWARDSHIP** 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter

"The stone which the builders rejected has become the cornerstone." 1 PETER 2:7

Every person has been given gifts from the Holy Spirit. These are called "charisms" and they are used to build God's kingdom of earth. While many people are able to recognize their natural talents and abilities, they may be unsure of their charisms. If you know someone who is struggling for a direction in life, give them a little encouragement. Help them discern their charisms and how God is calling them to use them. Remember - no gift is too small or insignificant in God's salvation plan.

#### 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

#### **Practice of Faith**

"Do not let your hearts be troubled." These are difficult words for many people to adhere to. It is hard not to be anxious when suffering and sadness enter our lives. Jesus' words in the Gospel are not comparable to an ancient version of modern self-help guides. Our Lord chose to enter into the world's brokenness to reconcile all things to himself. He asks us to be part of this healing work, even when it seems too difficult. He tells us to ask for what we need and he will do it.

- Set aside a few minutes today to approach Jesus with a deep need. Make your request and trust that Jesus will give it to you.
- Learn more about Servant of God Dorothy Day, whose concern for the poor led her to found the Catholic Worker Movement.
- Doing God's work in the world can ease another's troubles. Is there someone you know whose family member is sick and could use a homecooked meal?

#### **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.

#### 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.



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 Walter Melnyk!**

Winner for the month of April!

## Readings for the week of May 7, 2023

8 Mon Easter Weekday white Acts 14:5-18/Jn 14:21-26

9 Tue Easter Weekday white Acts 14:19-28/Jn 14:27-31a

10 Wed Easter Weekday white/white/white [Saint John of Avila, Priest and Doctor of the Church; USA: Saint Damien

de Veuster, Priest] Acts 15:1-6/Jn 15:1-8

11 Thu Easter Weekday white Acts 15:7-21/Jn 15:9-11

12 Fri Easter Weekday white/red/red [Saints Nereus and Achilleus, Martyrs; Saint Pancras, Martyr] Acts 15:22-31/Jn

15:12-17

13 Sat Easter Weekday white/white [Our Lady of Fatima] Acts 16:1-10/Jn 15:18-21

14 SUN SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER white Acts 8:5-8, 14-17/1 Pt 3:15-18/Jn 14:15-21 Pss II

# **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

## **Our Lady of Fatima**

It is with great joy that we announce the visit of the pilgrim statue of Our Lady of Fatima to the Cathedral Basilica of the Sacred Heart on May 13, 2023. This statue will be sent by the Shrine of Fatima to visit the Archdiocese of Newark. This visit will be a moment of prayer, extraordinary grace, and encounter with the Mother from Heaven.



4:45PM — Arrival of Our Lady

5:00PM — Mass

6:00PM — Holy Rosary and Prayers

7:00PM — I am from Heaven (A reflection with the Message of Fatima)

# Mother's Day Dinner & Dance

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.

## **Our Lady of Good Health**

We are fortunate to have the statue of Our Lady of Good Health visit our parish for one month. Starting from Saturday April 29th to Wednesday May 31, 2023. Please join us for prayers for Good Health during the month of May, every Thursday at 12:00pm in the Chapel.

## Nuestra Señora de Fátima

Con gran alegría anunciamos la visita de la imagen peregrina de Nuestra Señora de Fátima a la Catedral Basílica del Sagrado Corazón el 13 de mayo de 2023. Esta estatua será enviada por el Santuario de Fátima a visitar la Arquidiócesis de Newark. Esta visita será un momento de oración, de gracia extraordinaria y de encuentro con la Madre del Cielo.



4:45 p.m. — Llegada de Nuestra Señora

5:00 p. m. — Misa

6:00 p. m. — Santo Rosario y Oración

7:00 p. m. — Soy del Cielo (Una reflexión con el Mensaje de Fátima)

# Cena y Baile del Día de la Madre

El Baile de la Cena del Día de la Madre se llevará a cabo en honor a nuestras madres el Sábado 13 de Mayo de 2023 a las 7:00 p.m., ubicado en Marian Hall.

# 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, hasta el miércoles 31 de mayo de 2023. Acompañenos a rezar por buena salud por nuestros seres queridos y amistades todos los jueves durante el mes de Mayo a las 12pm en la capilla.