

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



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!

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER : MAY 14, 2023

MASS SCHEDULE: May 15 – May 21, 2023

MONDAY	May 15, 2023
7:00 AM	+Lorenzo & +Juliet Solivio
7:00 PM	Holy Hour
TUESDAY	May 16, 2023
7:00 AM	Thanksgiving for Virginia Casambre; +Irene Higgins
7:00 PM	+Zeneida Cabrera
WEDNESDAY	May 17, 2023
7:00 AM	+Violeta Pangasnan;
	+Alexander Joseph Saldanha
7:00PM	Rosary, Adoration, Divine Mercy
THURSDAY	May 18, 2023
7:00 AM	Thanksgiving for Souleymane Dogoni
7:00 PM	All Mothers, Living and Deceased
FRIDAY	May 19, 2023
7:00 AM	+Marie Higgins
SATURDAY	May 20, 2023
9:00 AM	Memorial Mass
5:30 PM	People of the Parish
SUNDAY	May 21, 2023
8:00 AM Thank	sgiving for Reynaldo Sr. & Serafin Jr. Lozada +Francisco P. Tolentino
10:00AM	+Julio Fernando Rosas; +Juan Rivera; +Andres Ulloa; +Zoila Calle
12:00 PM	+Christopher Maita; +William & +Joan Miller; +Justiniano & +Lucila Reyes

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 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, May 7		\$3,258.00
2nd Collection		\$1,129.00
Online collection	1	\$ 265.00

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:

+Nelly Mostajo de Herrera

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

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

The CCD program now begins its year's end and preparation for the annual Sacraments of Confirmation and 1st Holy Communion respectively. I ask for prayers for the twenty-one first communicants that will partake in the sacrament. Additionally, please continue to pray for the Confirmation students as they prepare for their retreat, and penance service. I heartily thank the Religious Education program volunteers, parents, children and most especially their Catechists who have undertaken this faith journey.

As the month of May is underway, we remember Jesus' mother Mary. Mary plays an essential role throughout Christ's life. We believe as Catholics that Mary was chosen by God at conception which is known as the Immaculate Conception for her mission to become co-redeemers of Adam and Eve with Jesus. She knew from the beginning she would be the Mother of the Savior, Jesus Christ. Mama Mary as she is fondly called is the perfect example of what it means to be a mother. Let us pray that Mary intercedes for us. Amen.

Peace and Grace, **Freddy Burke** Director of Religious Education



STEWARDSHIP

"For it is better to suffer for doing good, if that be God's will, than for doing evil." 1 PETER 3:17

The old line says "if you want to make God laugh, tell him your plans." Many of us are diligent in our planning and making sure things are progressing smoothly. Then disaster strikes, we don't get the result we anticipated or an unforeseen problem arises. Many times we may respond negatively and ask, "Why me? I did everything right!" Here's the thing – adversity humbles us and reminds us of our dependence on God and not on our own self-reliance. Rest assured, God has a better plan in store for you.

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 Hope

Jesus' resurrection is a new beginning. In raising Jesus to new life, the Father begins the work of transforming the world so that there might be a new heaven and a new earth, a world of peace and justice, mercy and love. That is the reason for our hope.

- Peter tells the first-century Christians to be ready to give an explanation for their hope. Imagine someone has asked you: what is the reason for your hope? Write down your reason to hope.
- This week, pray the Act of Hope: O Lord God, I hope by your grace for the pardon of all my sins and after life here to gain eternal happiness because you have promised it, who are infinitely powerful, faithful, kind, and merciful. In this hope I intend to live and die. Amen.

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

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



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 May 14, 2023

15 Mon Easter Weekday white/white [USA: Saint Isidore] Acts 16:11-15/Jn 15:26—16:4a (291)
16 Tue Easter Weekday white Acts 16:22-34/Jn 16:5-11 (292)
17 Wed Easter Weekday white Acts 17:15, 22—18:1/Jn 16:12-15 (293)
18 Thu Easter Weekday white/red [Saint John I, Pope and Martyr] Acts 18:1-8/Jn 16:16-20 (294)
19 Fri Easter Weekday white Acts 18:9-18/Jn 16:20-23 (295)
20 Sat Easter Weekday white/white [Saint Bernardine of Siena, Priest] Acts 18:23-28/Jn 16:23b-28 (296)

21 SUN <u>THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD</u> white Solemnity Acts 1:1-11/Eph 1:17-23/Mt 28:16-20 (58) Pss Prop

HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY

Today we celebrate those women in our lives who cooperated with God to create new life and those in our lives who have nurtured us with love and compassion. Yes, we believe that when we are open to children we have cooperated with God in creation. In addition, those women who have said yes should be recognized. This celebration is a profound recognition that womanhood is a blessing from God. As we hold our earthly mothers and all women in high esteem so must we hold our heavenly Mother, the Mother of our Savior, in highest esteem. Take some time and thank Mother Mary and your Mom with more than just a bunch of flowers.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Ascension Of The Lord

Solemnity of Ascension 2023 is moved to Sunday May 21. Thursday May 18, 2023 is observed everywhere in the Archdiocese of Newark as an Easter Weekday or the optional memorial of Saint John I, and it is <u>NOT</u> a Holy Day of Obligation.

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.

45th Santacruzan & Flores de Mayo

Date: May 28, 2023 Festival: 10AM — 8PM Mass: 2:30PM Followed by Procession

Feliz Día De La Madre

Hoy celebramos a aquellas mujeres en nuestras vidas que cooperaron con Dios para crear una nueva vida y aquellas en nuestras vidas que nos han nutrido con amor y compasión. Sí, creemos que cuando estamos abiertos a los niños tenemos cooperó con Dios en la creación. Además, se debe reconocer a aquellas mujeres que han dicho que sí. Este La celebración es un reconocimiento profundo de que la feminidad es una bendición de Dios. Así como tenemos en alta estima a nuestras madres terrenales ya todas las mujeres, también debemos tener en alta estima a nuestra Madre celestial, la Madre de nuestro Salvador.

Tómese un tiempo y agradezca a la Madre María y a su mamá con algo más que un ramo de flores.

ANUNCIOS

Ascensión del Señor

Solemnidad de la Ascensión 2023 se traslada al domingo 21 de mayo. El jueves 18 de mayo de 2023 se observa en todas partes en la Arquidiócesis de Newark como un día de Semana Santa o el memorial opcional de San Juan I, y <u>NO</u> es un día santo de obligación.

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.

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Fecha: 28 de mayo de 2023 Fiesta: 10 a.m. a 8 p.m. Misa: 2:30 p.m. Procesión: Inmediatamente después de la Misa (≈ 3:30PM)