



**ST. MARY**  
 OF THE  
**IMMACULATE**  
**CONCEPTION**

**PARISH**

254 Second Street, Jersey City, NJ 07302

[www.stmarysparishjc.com](http://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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**12th SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME A. JUNE 25, 2023**

**ST MARY'S JERSEY CITY**

**Served by one another and by:**

Our Priests:

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

Maintenance: Benny DeCastro

**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: June 26 – July, 2023**

<b>MONDAY</b>	<b>June 26, 2023</b>
7:00 AM	+Jesus Mendoza; +Maria B. Sanchez
7:00 PM	Holy Hour
<b>TUESDAY</b>	<b>June 27, 2023</b>
7:00 AM	+Irene Higgins
7:00 PM	+Maria Montañez
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	<b>June 28, 2023</b>
7:00 AM	+Pedro Berrios; +Nita Cuento
7:00 PM	Rosary, Adoration, Divine Mercy
<b>THURSDAY</b>	<b>June 29, 2023</b>
7:00 AM	+Marie Higgins
7:00 PM	+Maria Montañez
<b>FRIDAY</b>	<b>June 30, 2023</b>
7:00 AM	+Grace Casambre
<b>SATURDAY</b>	<b>July 1, 2023 — First Saturday</b>
9:00 AM	Memorial Mass
5:30 PM	People of the Parish — Confirmation
<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>July 2, 2023</b>
8:00 AM	Thanksgiving for Glorimel Casambre
9:00 AM	Thanksgiving to St. Joseph;
	+Renato Arrieta
10:00 AM	+Jovany Sanchez;
	+Mireya Daumy
12:00 PM	+Serafin & Angelica Lozada;
	+Isabel 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 email the Parish Office (stmarys2093rdst@gmail.com) when you move from our area or if you have questions about the contribution envelopes.

**POPE'S INTENTION FOR JUNE 2023 :**

**For the abolition of torture**

We pray that the international community may commit in a concrete way to ensuring the abolition of torture and guarantee support to victims and their families.

**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, June 18 : \$2,456.00**  
**Second Collection : \$ 778.00**  
**On line : \$ 480.00**

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**

**SILENT ADORATION MONDAYS:** 7:00pm St. Boniface Chapel

**FIRST FRIDAY MASS & ADORATION:** 7PM-9PM Main Church

**FIRST SATURDAY DEVOTION:** 9:00am-10:30am, Main Church

**ROSARY/DIVINE MERCY/ ADORATION WEDNESDAYS:** 7pm 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

## Reflection

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

I heartily congratulate the 1st Holy Communion class of 2023 who receive their sacrament in May 2023. I ask for your continued prayers for the 11 candidates who are preparing to receive Confirmation on Saturday July 1st, 2023. Participating in the sacramental preparation classes is not just for your child but for the parents to be involved, informed and catechized. If your child has received 1st Holy Communion, have them become more involved, for example, altar serving. New and Returning Altar Serving training will take place this Summer 2023. I encourage parents to continue to bring your children to Sunday Mass. Remember, you are your child's first teacher. I am blessed for my own parents' decision to bring me to Sunday mass when I was younger.

St. Mary's Religious Education Program registration for the 2023-2024 Catechetical year is now open. In Person registration will take place in August 2023 and online registration is ongoing on the parish website under the Religious Education tab. Families or those who may know the families of children ages 7 to H.S in need of their sacraments of Christian Initiation: Baptism, 1st Holy Communion and Confirmation or general religious education to consider registering for the CCD program. The Religious Education team consists of dedicated volunteers and catechists. If you are interested, please contact the parish office today. Classes will begin in mid-September 2023 with the opening Catechetical Sunday mass.

Peace and Grace,

**Freddy Burke**

Director of Religious Education

### Stewardship

*"Everyone who acknowledges me before others I will acknowledge before my heavenly Father."*

MATTHEW 10:32

Would others know that you are Catholic by the way you act and speak? Do you share your Catholic faith with others? Do you defend your Catholic faith when the situation arises or do you remain silent? Do you pray in public before meals? Pray for the strength and courage to be a joyful witness of our Catholic faith when the opportunity presents itself. Let us become the radiant light and bold witness that we are called to be!

### 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](mailto:deaconsarmiento@aol.com)

### Practice of Hope

"Fear no one... What I say to you in the darkness, speak in the light." Jesus seeks to draw his followers out of fear and spur them to trust and hope in him. Rooted in the promise of eternal life with God, Christian hope flourishes even despite hardship. With such faith and hope, Christians can proclaim the good news "on the housetops."

- ◆ Dietrich Bonhoeffer, Blessed Josephine Bakhita, and Edith Stein are examples of people who showed hope in spite of suffering. Find and read one of their stories.
- ◆ Hope is found, as well, in everyday, seemingly inconsequential acts; for someone suffering from depression, getting out of bed can be an expression of hope. This week, take time to identify and become more deliberate about any hopeful actions you complete automatically, without realizing it.
- ◆ Do you have a story of hope that you would like to share with another? Put aside your fear of what another will think and tell someone your reason for hope.

### 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](http://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](http://rcan.org) / compartiendo o recoja el formulario de llamado anual en la parte posterior de la iglesia y haga su promesa hoy.

## 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 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 June 25, 2023

**26 Mon** Weekday green Gn 12:1-9/Mt 7:1-5

**27 Tue** Weekday green/white [Saint Cyril of Alexandria, Bishop and Doctor of the Church] Gn 13:2, 5-18/Mt 7:6, 12-14

**28 Wed** Saint Irenaeus, Bishop and Martyr red Memorial Gn 15:1-12, 17-18/Mt 7:15-20

**29 Thu** SAINTS PETER AND PAUL, APOSTLES red Solemnity Vigil: Acts 3:1-10/Gal 1:11-20/Jn 21:15-19 Day: Acts 12:1-11/2 Tm 4:6-8, 17-18/Mt 16:13-19 Pss Prop

**30 Fri** Weekday green/red [The First Martyrs of the Holy Roman Church] Gn 17:1, 9-10, 15-22/Mt 8:1-4

**JULY 2023 1 Sat** Weekday green/white/white [USA: Saint Junípero Serra, Priest; BVM] Gn 18:1-15/Mt 8:5-17

**2 SUN** THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME green 2 Kgs 4:8-11, 14-16a/Rom 6:3-4, 8-11/Mt 10:37-42 Pss I

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### RCIA

An invitation to join the Church! If you or someone you know would like to become fully Catholic; if you have not been baptized or were baptized in another Christian denomination, or if you were baptized Catholic but have never celebrated Eucharist or Confirmation call the Parish office or email Rene Tolentino: rptolentino321@gmail.com.

On line registration is also available on our Parish website. The first RCIA class will start in September.

### Confirmation

This year's CCD's Confirmation Mass will be Saturday, July 1 at 5:30PM.

All are invited to attend and Bishop Cruz will be our celebrant.

### EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

- ◆ We hold Eucharistic Holy Hour Every Monday from 7pm – 8pm at St Boniface Chapel.
- ◆ On Wednesdays we hold Adoration with Rosary and Divine Mercy devotions at 7pm in the Chapel.
- ◆ We also have similar Adoration and Devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus every First Friday of the month, 7pm – 8:30pm in the Church. All parishioners are invited to attend and have a wonderful opportunity to gather and reflect in quiet prayers and meditation in the Presence of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament. Please join us.

### 50th Anniversary Jubilee: Archdiocesan Pilgrimage

Saturday, September 16, 2023 is the Archdiocesan Pilgrimage to the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception located in Washington, DC.

Please call the Parish Office if interested.



## ANUNCIOS

### Confirmación

La Misa de Confirmación de CCD de este año será el sábado 1 de julio a las 5:30 p.m.

Todos están invitados a asistir y el obispo Manuel Cruz será nuestro celebrante.

### RCIA

¡Una invitación para unirse a la Iglesia! Si usted o alguien que usted conoce quisiera convertirse completamente en católico; si no ha sido bautizado o fue bautizado en otra denominación cristiana, o si fue bautizado católico pero nunca ha celebrado la Eucaristía o la Confirmación, llame a la oficina parroquial o envíe un correo electrónico a Rene Tolentino: rptolentino321@gmail.com. El registro en línea también está disponible en nuestro sitio web parroquial. La primera clase de RICA comenzará en septiembre.

### 50 Aniversario: Peregrinación Arquidiocesana

El sábado 16 de septiembre de 2023 es la Peregrinación Arquidiocesana a la Basílica del Santuario Nacional de la Inmaculada Concepción ubicada en Washington, DC. Por favor llame a la Oficina Parroquial si está interesado en asistir y deje su nombre y teléfono.