

# 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



THE TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD AUGUST 6, 2023

# **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 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!

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## MASS SCHEDULE: August 7 – August 13, 2023

MONDAY August 7, 2023 7:00 AM +Carmen C. Martinez; +Dionisio Soberal +Rosalina Soberal	;
7:00 PM Holy Hour	
TUESDAY August 8, 2023	
7:00 AM +Lorenzo & Juliet Solivio; +Marie Higgins	
7:00 PM Benditas Animas del Purgatorio; +Francisca Massa	•
WEDNESDAY August 9, 2023	
7:00 AM Healing for Jesus Taktakin	
7:00 PM Rosary, Adoration, Divine Mercy	
THURSDAY August 10, 2023	
7:00 AM Thanksgiving for Saore Jean Martin; +Irene Higgins	
7:00 PM Blessings for the USA;	
+Francisca Massa	
FRIDAY August 11, 2023	
7:00 AM +Eileen Quirk	
SATURDAY August 12, 2023	
9:00 AM Memorial Mass	
5:30 PM People of the Parish	
SUNDAY August 13, 2023	
8:00 AM Thanksgiving for Mabougouri Dogoni; +Dr. Jose B. Ecal;	
+Melecio & +Micaela Albano	
10:00 AM Healing for Hunter Sanchez;	
+Elena Santalla; +Sunilda Luciano; +Andres Ulloa	
12:00 PM For Those Who Have Nobody to Pray for The	em

#### **POPE'S INTENTION FOR AUGUST 2023 :**

#### For World Youth Day

We pray the World Youth Day in Lisbon will help young people to live and witness the Gospel in their own lives.

#### 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.

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Collection Sunday, July 30 : \$2,292.00

- 2nd Collection : \$ 588.00
- On line donations : \$1,409.00

We thank our parishioners for your continued support and use of your weekly envelopes.

Agradecemos a nuestros feligreses por su continuo apoyo y uso de sus sobres semanales.

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 OUBLADY OF DEPERTUAL HELP: Wood after 7pm Mass, St Boniface

OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP: Wed. after 7am Mass, St. Boniface COFRADES DEL SAGRADO CORAZON DE JESUS: 2nd. Sunday 12:00pm

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

#### **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.

**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.

## REFLECTION

#### **Transfiguration of the Lord**

In the Gospel, Jesus takes Peter, James and John to a mountain. It was a journey to an unknown place, leaving the comforts of the Plain and known places, to the difficulties of climbing a mountain. But when they got there, it was such a big blessing that Peter wanted to remain there. This journey became for Peter and for others a removal of scandal of the passion to come, again a testimony for others.

What is the Lord saying to us today? How about us? As baptized child of God, you had an encounter with God to have a share in the blessings of the Gospel. He called you by name and promised a blessing; but the only condition is that you must come with Him and go up the mountain. Going up the mountain demands that we detach ourselves from the things below, and from our past, to begin a new journey and a new life.

When this happens, we are transfigured, we will be glad we are here. We will say like Peter, it is good for us to be here. But then the Lord says: yes, but we must go down to tell others the vision, for the son of man is now risen.

As Peter, James and John became great witnesses to Jesus, we too must become witnesses of the Gospel after our transformation with Jesus in the Holy Eucharist.

Have a blessed week.

#### Very Rev Eustace Edomobi



Food

I invite you to our BBQ this Saturday August 12th from 12noon. Please join us!!



#### Stewardship

*"…then from the cloud came a voice that said, 'This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him.'" -Matthew 17:5* 

When Peter, James and John heard this they immediately fell prostrate to the ground and they "were very much afraid." We, too, may respond the same way when we hear God's voice. How many times do you become fearful when invited to participate more fully in the life of the Church? Or, when someone says something negative about the Church, are you afraid to respond? Remember, we too, are beloved sons and daughters of God; Jesus is there to help us, but we need to listen.

#### 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**

The apostles wanted to stay with the dazzling vision of Jesus, Moses, and Elijah, but Jesus led them back down the mountain to their mission. In these times, we must look to Jesus to remind us what we as Church hope to be: not an archive of splendor but a living, active Church, with the hope of one day sharing in Jesus' eternal glory. Meanwhile, it is Jesus who dispels our fear and leads us through doubt and the temptation to rest before our work is done.

- Learn about Ignatian spirituality as a new way of listening to Jesus.
- Today is the anniversary of the death of Pope Paul VI, who had a deep hope for what the Church's role in the world could be. Read the introduction to his encyclical *Populorum progressio*, which strongly identifies with the hopes and struggles of the poor.
- Reread today's Gospel passage and spend time quietly listening to our Lord.

#### **Mass Book**

Our 2023 Mass Book is still open for the months of the year. Offering Mass is a great way to give thanks to God. We can also honor and remember our loved ones by having an intention reserved for them on their birthdays or anniversaries. Please stop by the parish office or call us to book your Masses.

#### 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 as we are attempting to reserve a bus.



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. <u>Dues</u>: \$10 a month, \$120 a year payable all at once or in 2 installments.

#### CONGRATULATIONS

CARLOS G. SISON!

Winner for the month of July!

# **Readings for the week of August 6, 2023**

**7 Mon** Weekday (Eighteenth Week in Ordinary Time) green/red/white [Saint Sixtus II, Pope, and Companions, Martyrs; Saint Cajetan, Priest] Nm 11:4b-15/Mt 14:13-21 Pss II

8 Tue Saint Dominic, Priest white Memorial Nm 12:1-13/Mt 14:22-36 or 15:1-2, 10-14

**9 Wed** Weekday green/red [Saint Teresa Benedicta of the Cross, Virgin and Martyr] Nm 13:1-2, 25—14:1, 26-29a, 34-35/Mt 15:21-28

10 Thu Saint Lawrence, Deacon and Martyr red Feast 2 Cor 9:6-10/Jn 12:24-26 Pss Prop

11 Fri Saint Clare, Virgin white Memorial Dt 4:32-40/Mt 16:24-28

12 Sat Weekday green/white/white [Saint Jane Frances de Chantal, Religious; BVM] Dt 6:4-13/Mt 17:14-20 13 SUN NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME green 1 Kgs 19:9a, 11-13a/Rom 9:1-5/Mt 14:22-33 Pss III

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

BBQ



Our Parish summer BBQ is back again! Saturday, August 12, 2023 beginning at 12 PM. The location will be in front of the parish office, 209 Third Street. After mass, there will be people at the back of the church who will accept donations. We hope to see you all there!

# CCD

Registration is ongoing for Religious Education (CCD) 2023-2024 here at St. Mary's Parish. You can register online on the parish website (<u>stmarysparishjc.com</u>)

# **Altar Servers**

Some of our young people have the opportunity to assist our Parish Community by being Altar Servers at Mass. This ministry is fairly simple, yet enables the young person to experience a special closeness to what happens during Holy Mass.

If your children would like to be Altar Servers, please call the parish office (201-434-8500) or email us at stmarys2093rdst@gmail.com or our coordinator Freddy Burke at freddyburkedre@gmail.com . Altar Server training will begin in the end of August or early September.

# **ANUNCIOS**

# **Barbacoa (BBQ)**

¡Nuestra barbacoa de verano está de regreso! Sábado 12 de agosto de 2023 a partir de las 12 hs. La ubicación será frente a la oficina parroquial, 209 Third Street. Después de la misa, habrá personas en la parte trasera de la iglesia que aceptarán donaciones.

¡Esperamos veros a todos allí!

# Educación Religiosa (CCD)

La inscripción está en curso para la Educación Religiosa (CCD) 2023-2024 aquí en la Iglesia Santa María. Puede registrarse en línea en el sitio web de la parroquia (stmarysparishjc.com)

# Acólitos

Algunos de nuestros jóvenes tienen la oportunidad de ayudar a nuestra comunidad parroquial siendo monaguillos en la misa. Este ministerio es bastante simple, pero permite que el joven experimente una cercanía especial con lo que sucede durante la Santa Misa.

Si a sus hijos les gustaría ser monaguillos, llame a la oficina parroquial (201-434-8500) o envíenos un correo electrónico a stmarys2093rdst@gmail.com o nuestro coordinador Freddy Burke a freddyburkedre@gmail.com. La capacitación de monaguillos comenzará a fines de agosto o principios de septiembre.