



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

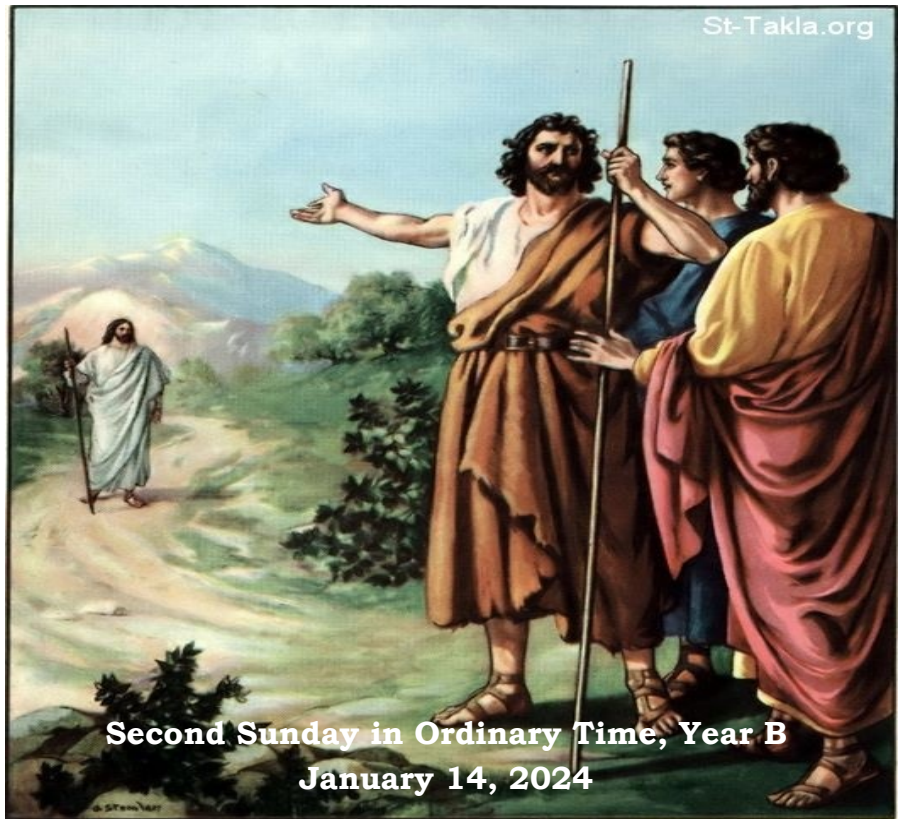
Parish Office Is Located At

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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-H.S: Freddy Burke

Office Assistant: Alexis Zhu

Sacristans: Rosalia Mendoza & Leandro Ogando

Maintenance: Benny DeCastro

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 IN ORDINARY TIME : JANUARY 14, 2024

MASS SCHEDULE: January 15 – January 21, 2024

MONDAY	January 15, 2024
9:00 AM	Thanksgiving for Benny DeCastro
7:00 PM	No Holy Hour
TUESDAY	January 16, 2024
7:00 AM	+Irene Higgins
7:00 PM	+Carmen Collazo
WEDNESDAY	January 17, 2024
7:00 AM	+Gloria Burke; +Francis X. Burke
7:00 PM	Rosary, Adoration, Divine Mercy
THURSDAY	January 18, 2024
7:00 AM	+Marie Higgins
7:00 PM	+Julio Rosas
FRIDAY	January 19, 2024
7:00 AM	In Honor of St. Joseph for the Intentions of Lissa Santiago
SATURDAY	January 20, 2024
9:00 AM	Memorial Mass
5:30 PM	+Barbio & Gloria Cebedo; +Roberto Rivarola
SUNDAY	January 21, 2024
8:00 AM	People of the Parish
10:00 AM	+Isabel German Gutierrez; +Sergio Cabrera; +Santos Rodriguez
12:00 PM	Thanksgiving for Ray Reyes; +Bert and Connie Kasilag

Sacramental Preparation & Parish Registration

Sacrament of Matrimony: 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 the 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 Children from Grades 1 to High School; 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 the sacraments 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 the area or if you have questions about the contribution envelopes.

**POPE'S INTENTION FOR JANUARY 2024 :
FOR THE GIFT OF DIVERSITY IN THE CHURCH**

We pray that the Holy Spirit may help us to recognize the gift of different charisms within the Christian community and to discover the richness of different traditions and rituals in the Catholic Church.

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, January 7 : \$3,068.00
Initial Offerings : \$ 54.00

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

+Isabel Muzones

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

Dear Friends in Christ,

As we enter the liturgical season of Ordinary Time, we are reminded of our calling to serve God and His church. I share this excerpt from the Gospel of Mark, on Jesus' time on Earth, "For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many." (Mark 10:45)

There are many different ways people are called to serve God in their life. For example, the three types of vocations are: Single, Married and Religious Life. As baptized members of the holy Catholic Church, we share the universal call to holiness and are part of God's Grand Design.

Serving our brothers and sisters in Christ are part of the Corporal and Spiritual Works of Mercy and we must continue to practice these works of mercy. The Corporal Works of Mercy are: To feed the hungry, give drink to the thirsty, clothe the naked, shelter the homeless, visit the sick, visit the imprisoned, and to bury the dead. The Spiritual Works of Mercy are: to instruct the ignorant, to counsel the doubtful, to admonish the sinner, bear wrongs patiently, to forgive offenses, give comfort to the afflicted, and to pray for the living and the dead. May God bless us in our continued mission to serve.

Local Safe Environment Coordinator
Freddy Burke

The weekend of January 20 & 21, there will be a Second Collection for Communicating God's Word.

Stewardship

"Jesus turned and saw them following him and said to them, 'What are you looking for?'" - John 1:38

When we recognize who we are, it's easier to find what we are looking for. Once we see ourselves, and others, as children of God, we spend less time looking for the material comforts of the world. Instead, our hearts long for something deeper that can only be filled by God. Ask God daily how He wants you to live the life He intended for you.

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.

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

Viviendo Nuestra Fe

Es fácil decirle al Señor, "Aquí estoy para hacer tu voluntad", pero ponerlo en practica día tras día, y en cada momento y circunstancia ya es otra cosa. Además, podríamos preguntarnos, ¿qué quiere Dios de mí? El papa Francisco en una de sus catequesis nos lo dice bien claro: la voluntad de Dios es siempre "buscar y salvar lo que estaba perdido... Si, Dios te busca" (*Audiencia general*, de marzo de 2019). Él nunca se cansa de llamarnos.

- ◆ ¿Qué le responde al Señor que, como a los discípulos, le pregunta a usted: "¿Qué buscas?" ?
- ◆ ¿Cómo dignifica usted su propio cuerpo y el de quienes lo rodean, por ser templo del Espíritu Santo?
- ◆ ¿Cómo colabora con su grupo de fe para que se oiga el llamado a quitar la iniquidad en el mundo?

REFLEXIONES DEL BOLETÍN DE CORRESPONSABILIDAD

2º Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

"Jesús se volvió, y al ver que lo seguían les preguntó: — ¿Qué están buscando?" -Juan 1:38

Cuando reconocemos quienes somos, es más fácil encontrar lo que estamos buscando. Una vez que nos vemos a nosotros mismos, y a los demás, como hijos de Dios, pasaremos menos tiempo buscando las comodidades materiales del mundo. En cambio, nuestros corazones anhelaran algo más profundo que solamente puede ser satisfecho por Dios. Pregúntele a Dios diariamente como quiere que viva su vida, la vida que él tiene dispuesta para usted.

Practice of Hope

Eli instructed Samuel to tell the Lord, "Speak, for your servant is listening." Too often we say, "Listen Lord, for your servant is speaking."

- ◆ Choose a day this week to turn off the television and your cell phone, and to avoid all social media. Find a quiet place to listen to the Lord. If you aren't sure how to listen for God, read slowly through one of the readings several times, then note a word or phrase that catches your attention. Ponder this word or phrase. Notice the thoughts and feelings that emerge within you. What response does God offer you?
- ◆ St. Paul assures us that our bodies are part of the Body of Christ and are, therefore, sacred. How do you treat your body? Do you get sufficient exercise and sleep? Do you eat healthy foods?
- ◆ What changes might you need to make to honor your body?

Readings for the Week of January 14, 2024

15 Mon Weekday green 1 Sm 15:16-23/Mk 2:18-22

16 Tue Weekday green 1 Sm 16:1-13/Mk 2:23-28

17 Wed Saint Anthony, Abbot white Memorial 1 Sm 17:32-33, 37, 40-51/Mk 3:1-6

18 Thu Weekday green 1 Sm 18:6-9; 19:1-7/Mk 3:7-12

19 Fri Weekday green 1 Sm 24:3-21/Mk 3:13-19

20 Sat Weekday green/red/red/white [Saint Fabian, Pope and Martyr; Saint Sebastian, Martyr; BVM] 2 Sm 1:1-4, 11-12, 19, 23-27/Mk 3:20-21

21 SUN THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME green Jon 3:1-5, 10/1 Cor 7:29-31/Mk 1:14-20 Pss III

ANNOUNCMENTS

Dr. Martin Luther King Day

Monday, January 15 — The Parish Office will be closed in observance of Dr. Martin Luther King Day. The morning mass will be at 9am and there will be **no** Holy Hour.

Santo Niño of Tondo

Sto. Niño of Tondo Fiesta Mass will be on Saturday, January 20, 2024 at 3:00PM in the Main Church. Please bring your family Sto. Niño for the yearly blessing.

Our Lady of Altagracia

Our Parish will honor Our Lady of Altagracia on Sunday, January 21, 2024 at 10:00AM. All are invited.

Family Game Night

The Parish is hosting a family game night supported by the Knights of Columbus. Join us on Friday, January 26 at 6:30pm for a night of fellowship and games. Refreshments are available for purchase and all are welcome!

2024 Annual Appeal

The 2024 Annual Appeal has begun! Each year we are invited to participate in the Annual Appeal, which is an opportunity to support essential ministries and programs of our Archdiocese.

Please make a gift online today by visiting rcan.org/sharing or join us for In-Pew Weekend on February 3 & 4.



ANUNCIOS

Día del Dr. Martin Luther King

Lunes 15 de enero: la oficina parroquial estará cerrada en conmemoración del Día del Dr. Martin Luther King. La misa de la mañana será a las 9 horas y no habrá Hora Santa.

Nuestra Señora de Altagracia

Nuestra Parroquia honrará a Nuestra Señora de Altagracia el domingo 21 de enero de 2024 a las 10:00 a.m. Todos están invitados.

Santo Niño de Tondo

Sto. La Misa de Fiesta del Niño de Tondo será el sábado 20 de enero de 2024 a las 3:00 p.m. en la Iglesia Principal. Por favor trae a tu familia Sto. Niño para la bendición anual.

Noche de juegos familiar

La Parroquia está organizando una noche de juegos familiar apoyada por Caballeros de Colón. Únase a nosotros el viernes 26 de enero a las 6:30 p. m. para una noche de compañerismo y juegos. ¡Hay refrescos disponibles para su compra y todos son bienvenidos!