



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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March 10, 2024

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!

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT : MARCH 10, 2024

MASS SCHEDULE: March 11 – March 17, 2024

MONDAY	March 11, 2024
7:00 AM	Special Intention for Chad Nathan; +Paul Narciso; +Neonita Bona
7:00 PM	Holy Hour
TUESDAY	March 12, 2024
7:00 AM	+Fernando Baez; +Irene Higgins
7:00 PM	Salud de Magdelin Hernandez; +Carmen Pichardo
WEDNESDAY	March 13, 2024
7:00 AM	+Angelica & Serafin Lozada, Sr.
7:00 PM	Rosary, Adoration, Divine Mercy
THURSDAY	March 14, 2024
7:00 AM	Special Intention for Christopher Francis
7:00 PM	Salud de Magdelin Hernandez
FRIDAY	March 15, 2024
7:00 AM	+Eriberto Sarmiento; +Marie Higgins
7:00 PM	Stations of the Cross
SATURDAY	March 16, 2024
9:00 AM	Memorial Mass
5:30 PM	+Vicente Sorongon; +Fernando Baez
SUNDAY	March 17, 2024
8:00 AM	+Lila D'Urso
10:00 AM	+Claudina Jarquin; +Sergio Cabrera; +Walter Herrera Valda; +Andrea Gonzalez
12:00 PM	People of the Parish

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 MARCH 2024:

For the new martyrs

We pray that those who risk their lives for the Gospel in various parts of the world inflame the Church with their courage and missionary enthusiasm.

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, March 3 : \$3,299.00
Online Donation : \$ 120.00

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

Benditas ánimas del Purgatorio

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 for the Fourth Sunday of Lent:

“For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, So that everyone who believes in him might not perish but might have eternal life.”

John 3:16

One Bible scholar once said that the whole Bible can be summarized in this one sentence. All of God’s commandments can be summarized in just one word – Love. Furthermore, Jesus’ mission was to save us and to lead us to eternal life.

God’s will is for everyone to be saved but not all choose to be saved. Salvation is God’s gift to us but not everyone chooses to accept that gift. God paid for that gift by giving us his only Son, Jesus paid for that gift by giving his own life on the cross. The price we have to pay is by loving God and our neighbors. But not everyone chooses to love.

During this holy season of Lent, a time of sacrifice and penance, let us sacrifice our pride, be sorry for our sins, ask forgiveness from God and from those that we have offended and at the same time, forgive those who have wronged us.

Deacon Cesar Sarmiento

Practice of Hope

Although Jesus came to save the world, “people preferred darkness to light” and ultimately condemned God’s Son, the Light of the World, to death.

- ◆ What have you said and done that you don’t want brought into the light? Bring these things before God and confess your need for God’s grace. Remember that you are God’s handiwork, saved through faith.
- ◆ What connections can you make between the Old Testament passages and the New Testament passages for this Sunday?
- ◆ Gather close friends or family members for a prayer service at night. Ask everyone to bring a candle and a Scripture passage that speaks about God’s light. Invite each person to express gratitude for the ways in which we need light. Concluded by inviting all to offer their petitions for God’s light to remain with us.



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

Jesús es el don gratuito para la humanidad de parte de Dios misericordioso. Viene en auxilio de los sedientos y necesitados, y se nos convierte en modelo a imitar (cf. CDSI, 29). La transformación social para el bienestar de todos es un compromiso que debe involucrar a todo seguidor del Señor; nada de lo que atañe a la humanidad puede ser ajeno al cristiano. Involucrarse en proyectos alternativos de mejoramiento social y ambiental resulta esencial para forjar al discípulo de Jesús.

- ◆ ¿De dónde viene el agua que emplea usted para uso diario? ¿Qué sabe de la situación hídrica de su región?
- ◆ Identifique un par de conversaciones que le hayan reportado algún cambio en su vida.
- ◆ ¿Cómo es que su comunidad de fe facilita a las personas encontrarse con Jesús?

Estaciones de la Cruz

Todos los viernes por la noche de Cuaresma, habrá Estaciones de la Cruz a las 7:00 p.m.



Las Estaciones De La Cruz

Llamado Anual 2024

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. Ayúdenos a alcanzar nuestra meta de solo \$20,000.

Reflexiones Bíblicas Semanales

10 de marzo de 2024 — 4º Domingo de Cuaresma

“Tanto amó Dios al mundo, que no dudó en entregarle a su Hijo único...” -Juan 3:16

De todos los dones maravillosos que Dios nos ha dado, el don de su propio Hijo es verdaderamente el mayor. ¿Cómo podremos agradecerle a Dios por un regalo como ese? Dios no nos pide sacrificar nuestros preciosos primogénitos, pero nos pide que seamos agradecidos y generosos con los dones que hemos recibido de Él. Que cuidemos y desarrollemos nuestros dones, y en gratitud y generosidad los demos de vuelta aumentando nuestro tiempo de oración, nuestro talento en obras de caridad y nuestros tesoros para apoyar la misión y el ministerio de nuestra parroquia, y de la Iglesia en general.

Readings for the Week of March 10, 2024

11 Mon Lenten Weekday violet Is 65:17-21/Jn 4:43-54

12 Tue Lenten Weekday violet Ez 47:1-9, 12/Jn 5:1-16

13 Wed Lenten Weekday violet Is 49:8-15/Jn 5:17-30

14 Thu Lenten Weekday violet Ex 32:7-14/Jn 5:31-47

15 Fri Lenten Weekday violet Wis 2:1a, 12-22/Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30

16 Sat Lenten Weekday violet Jer 11:18-20/Jn 7:40-53

17 SUN FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT violet Jer 31:31-34/Heb 5:7-9/Jn 12:20-33

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Catholic Cemeteries Meet & Greet

Join us for an enlightening *Meet & Greet* with a memorial planning advisor from Catholic Cemeteries after the Masses on March 16 and March 17, 2023. The Meet and Greet is a chance to gain insights, ask questions, and understand the spiritual journey of a Catholic funeral. While there's no obligation whatsoever, the recommendations will be invaluable. For those who may miss it, and for more information, do not hesitate to visit the website:

www.rcancem.org

2024 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 <https://rcan.org/sharing/>

Please help us reach our goal of only \$20,000.

Stations of the Cross

Every Friday night of Lent, there will be Stations of the Cross at 7:00PM.

Pabasa 2024

All are invited to attend the annual Pabasa ng Pasyon on Saturday, March 23, 2024 beginning at 7:00AM at St. Mary's Parish Marian Hall.

Salubong/Encuentro 2024

All are invited to attend the annual Salubong/Encuentro on Sunday March 31, Easter Sunday, beginning at 7:30AM.

Men will gather on the corner of 2nd St & Manila Ave. Women will gather on the corner of 3rd St. & Erie St.

DIVINE MERCY PILGRIMAGE 2024

All are invited to the annual Divine Mercy Pilgrimage 2024 on Sunday April 7, 2024. Assembly time is 6:30am at the corner of 2nd St and Marin Blvd near ShopRite. Cost is \$50 per person. First come, First Served. Space is limited.

Please RSVP to Freddy Burke (FreddyBurkeDRE@gmail.com) by Saturday March 23, 2024.



Safe Environment Corner **How to Report Abuse**

The Archdiocese takes very seriously any and all allegations of sexual misconduct by members of the clergy, Religious and lay staff of the Archdiocese. We encourage anyone with knowledge of an act of sexual misconduct to inform us so that we may take appropriate action to protect others and provide support to victims of sexual abuse. Call the Coordinator for the Office of Accompaniment in the

Archdiocesan Department for the Protection of the Faithful at

201-407-3256