



**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: 7:00am English  
 [Monday: Adoration 7:00-8:00pm]

Tuesday & Thursday: 7:00pm Spanish

Wednesday: 7:00pm Adoration / Rosary

Saturday: 9:00am English

**Saturday Anticipated Mass:**

5:30 pm English

2000 Hail Mary's 8:00am—6:00pm  
 (last Saturday of the Month)

Confessions: Saturday 4-5pm

**Sunday Masses:**

8:00am English

9:00am Tagalog [First Sunday]

10:00am Spanish

12:00noon English

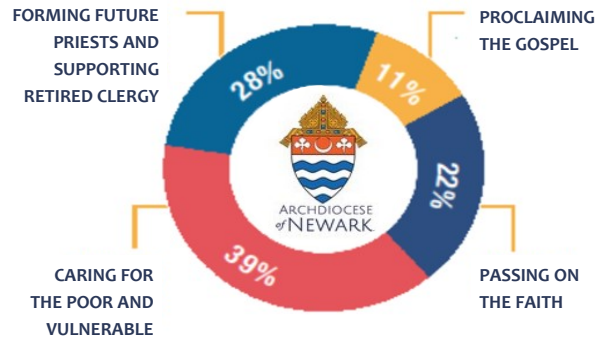
**WELCOME TO OUR VISITORS!**

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.

2025  
**ANNUAL APPEAL**  
**CASE FOR SUPPORT**



**PROCLAIMING THE GOSPEL**

**\$1,000,000**

**PROGRAMS AND MINISTRIES FUNDED INCLUDE:**

- Ministry to Multi-Ethnic Communities
- Office of Evangelization
- Office of Family Life
- International Missions
- Pastoral Ministry with the Deaf
- Ministry with Persons with Disabilities

**PASSING ON THE FAITH**

**\$2,000,000**

**PROGRAMS AND MINISTRIES FUNDED INCLUDE:**

- Office of Youth and Young Adult Ministry
- Catechetical Office
- Campus Ministry at affiliated Colleges & Universities
- Catholic Schools

**CARING FOR THE POOR AND VULNERABLE**

**\$3,500,000**

**PROGRAMS AND MINISTRIES FUNDED INCLUDE:**

- Catholic Charities
- Hospital and Prison Chaplaincy
- Respect Life Office (includes Mercy House and Pro-Life Efforts)
- Protecting God's Children

**FORMING FUTURE PRIESTS AND SUPPORTING RETIRED CLERGY**

**\$2,500,000**

**PROGRAMS AND MINISTRIES FUNDED INCLUDE:**

- Continuing Formation for Priests
- Seminarian Education
- Priest Health Care

**MASS SCHEDULE: March 3 – March 9, 2025**

<b>MONDAY</b>	<b>March 3, 2025</b>
7:00 AM	Special Intention of Deacon Marcelo David
7:00 PM	Holy Hour
<b>TUESDAY</b>	<b>March 4, 2025</b>
7:00 AM	Special Intention of Ruby David
7:00 PM	+Eileen Quirk
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	<b>March 5, 2025 — Ash Wednesday</b>
7:00 AM	<u>Mass &amp; Ashes</u>
	+Zosima Calingasan
12:00-2:00 PM	<u>Service (Ashes Only)</u>
7:00 PM	<u>Mass &amp; Ashes</u>
	Special Intention of Maria Bravo
<b>THURSDAY</b>	<b>March 6, 2025</b>
7:00 AM	+Marie Higgins
7:00 PM	+All Souls in Purgatory
<b>FRIDAY</b>	<b>March 7, 2025 — First Friday</b>
7:00 AM	+Ernesto Sison;
	+Irene Higgins;
	+Angelica & Serafin Lozada Sr.
6:30 PM	Stations of the Cross
7:00 PM	First Friday Devotion
<b>SATURDAY</b>	<b>March 8, 2025</b>
9:00 AM	Memorial Mass — Tree of Life
	+Eileen Quirk
5:30 PM	+Juliet & Lorenzo Solivio;
	+Fr. Daniel Yenkevich;
	+Fr. Frank Genevive
<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>March 9, 2025</b>
8:00 AM	Special Intention of Tamburi Family;
	+Stella Samson
10:00 AM	+Norma O. Flores;
	+Manuel Emilio Regalado
12:00 PM	People of the Parish

**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

**Religious Education: Grades 1-H.S: Freddy Burke**

**Office Assistant: Alexis Zhu**

**Sacristans: Rosalia Mendoza & Leandro Ogando**

**Maintenance: Benny DeCastro**

**Music Director: Eric Fahner**

**Trustees: Purita Berrios & Deacon Cesar Sarmiento**

**Parish Office Is Located At**

**209 Third Street, Jersey City, NJ 07302**

**Office hours: Monday-Friday: 9AM-5PM**

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**POPE'S INTENTION FOR MARCH 2025:**

**For Families In Crisis**

Let us pray that broken families might discover the cure for their wounds through forgiveness, rediscovering each other's gifts, even in their differences.

**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, February 23 : \$2,483.00**

**Second Collection : \$ 402.00**

**Online Donations : \$ 216.00**

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**

All Souls in Purgatory

**St. Boniface Chapel**

All Souls in Purgatory

**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, 8:00am – 6pm

CATHOLIC ACTION OF MARY: First Sunday 11AM, St Bridget's Library

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS: First Sunday 1PM, St Bridget's Library

COLUMBIETTES: First Sunday 1PM, Marian Hall

## Archdiocesan Annual Appeal 2025

Dear Parish Family,

This weekend, we shall make in-pew presentation of the Archdiocesan Annual Appeal 2025, for the upkeep of our Catholic Archdiocese of Newark. The extended goal given to our Parish this year is \$22,000.

Our gift to the Archdiocesan Annual Appeal is part of our personal commitment to Christian Stewardship. It is a way of giving thanks to God by returning a portion of the blessings God has given us. I have made my own donation.

We exceeded our goal last year and received a rebate from the Archdiocese in the amount of \$7,956. I thank you sincerely, and I humbly ask for your support this year. Your gift is a concrete example of being a good steward of God's gifts.

Ask the Holy Spirit to help you decide what gift is right for you, considering your circumstances and your ability. The Word of God says: Let us not grow tired of doing good, for in due time we shall reap our harvest, if we do not give up, *Galatians 6:9*.

The ideal way to give is to make a pledge and determine an amount you can manage monthly. Feel free also to make a one-time gift. Making a monthly gift enables you to give more generously in balance with your other important economic responsibilities. Fill out your pledge envelopes and return them to the church. For those who did not receive envelopes by mail, envelopes will be available in church.

Have a blessed week!

**Fr Eustace Edomobi D.Min.,**

### Stewardship

*"A good tree does not bear rotten fruit, nor does a rotten tree bear good fruit." - LUKE 6:43*

Are you using your gifts in the way God intended? Have you asked God how He would like you to use them? Do you compare yourself to others and complain about what you don't have instead of being thankful for what you do have? God gives each of us unique gifts and a unique plan. Listen to how God is calling you to use your gifts, to bear good fruit, for the glory of His name.

### Stations of the Cross

Every Friday night of Lent, there will be Stations of the Cross. March 7, (First Friday) Stations of the Cross will be at 6:30PM followed by First Friday Devotions.

### Estaciones de la Cruz

Todos los viernes por la noche de Cuaresma, habrá Vía Crucis. El 7 de marzo, (Primer Viernes) el Vía Crucis será a las 6:30 p.m. seguido de las Devociones del Primer Viernes.

### Viviendo Nuestra Fe

Tras la crisis sanitaria causada por el COVID-19, es urgente un cambio de vida en el que prevalezca la conciencia de que nos necesitamos unos a otros y que nos debemos los unos a los otros, para que, como apunta el papa Francisco, "la humanidad renazca con todos los rostros, todas las manos y todas las voces, más allá de las fronteras que hemos creado" (*Fratelli tutti*, 35)

- ◆ Enumere las medidas implementadas en su lugar de trabajo para mitigar el cambio climático.
- ◆ ¿En qué ocasiones se ha sentido usted conectado con la naturaleza? ¿Qué hace usted para preservar la vida en la casa común, el planeta?
- ◆ ¿Cómo impulsa su grupo o parroquia la vida sustentable? ¿Qué beneficios espirituales obtiene de la vida natural?

### CRS PLATO de ARROZ

Plato de Arroz de CRS cumple 50 años de ayudar a las parroquias y comunidades de fe a vivir la Cuaresma y a encontrarse con Dios a través de nuestros hermanos alrededor del mundo. Durante los 40 días de Cuaresma, con Plato de Arroz de CRS conoceremos personas en Nigeria, Guatemala y Bangladesh que están superando los desafíos del hambre y la desnutrición. Recoge tu cajita de Plato de Arroz de CRS en parte trasera de la Iglesia. Visita [crsplatodearroz.org/unidos](https://crsplatodearroz.org/unidos) para compartir tus intenciones de oración para la Cuaresma.



### CRS RICE BOWL

CRS Rice Bowl is celebrating 50 years of helping Catholic faith communities bring Lent to life and encounter God through our global family. During the 40 days of Lent, let us journey together through CRS Rice Bowl to meet people in Nigeria, Guatemala and Bangladesh who are rising above the challenges of hunger and malnutrition. Pick up your rice bowl from the back of the Church. Visit [crsricebowl.org/join](https://crsricebowl.org/join) to share your Lenten prayer intentions.

### Ash Wednesday

March 5, 2025 is Ash Wednesday.

Mass with Ashes 7:00am

Service with Ashes only 12noon — 2pm

Mass with Ashes 7:00pm



### Miércoles de ceniza

El 5 de marzo de 2025 es Miércoles de Ceniza.

Misa con Cenizas 7:00am

Servicio con Cenizas solo de 12:00 a 14:00 horas

Misa con Cenizas 7:00pm

## **Readings for the Week of March 2, 2025, Year C**

- 3 Mon** Weekday green/white [USA: Saint Katharine Drexel, Virgin] Sir 17:20-24/Mk 10:17-27  
**4 Tue** Weekday green/white [Saint Casimir] Sir 35:1-12/Mk 10:28-31  
**5 Wed** Ash Wednesday violet JI 2:12-18/2 Cor 5:20—6:2/Mt 6:1-6, 16-18 Pss IV  
**6 Thu** Thursday after Ash Wednesday violet Dt 30:15-20/Lk 9:22-25  
**7 Fri** Friday after Ash Wednesday violet [Saints Perpetua and Felicity, Martyrs] Is 58:1-9a/Mt 9:14-15  
**8 Sat** Saturday after Ash Wednesday violet [Saint John of God, Religious] Is 58:9b-14/Lk 5:27-32  
**9 SUN** FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT violet Dt 26:4-10/Rom 10:8-13/Lk 4:1-13 Pss I

### **2025 Lenten Regulations**

1. The days of both Fast and Abstinence during Lent are Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. If possible, the fast on Good Friday is continued until the Easter Vigil (on Holy Saturday night) as the “paschal fast” to honor the suffering and death of the Lord Jesus, and to prepare ourselves to share more fully and to celebrate more readily His Resurrection. The other Fridays of Lent are days of Abstinence.

On a day of Fast, only one (1) full meal is permitted, and **two (2) smaller meals, which, if added together, would not exceed the main meal in quantity.**

Those between the ages of 18 and 59 are obliged to fast.

On a day of Abstinence, no meat may be eaten. Those who have reached the age of 14 are obliged by the law of abstinence.

2. The obligation to observe the laws of Fast and Abstinence “substantially”, or as a whole, is a serious obligation.
3. The Fridays of the year, outside of Lent, are designated as days of penance, but each individual may substitute for the traditional abstinence from meat some other practice of voluntary self-denial as penance.
4. The time for fulfilling the Paschal Precept (Easter Duty\*) extends from the **First Sunday of Lent, March 9 to The Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity, June 15, 2025.**

\*Canon 920, § 1. *All the faithful, after they have been initiated into the Most Holy Eucharist, are bound by the obligation of receiving Communion at least once a year.*

### **Campaña Anual Arquidiocesana 2025**

Querida familia Parroquial,

Este fin de semana, haremos una presentación en el banco de la Campaña Anual Arquidiocesana 2025, para el mantenimiento de nuestra Arquidiócesis Católica de Newark. La meta dada a nuestra Parroquia este año es de \$22,000.

Nuestra donación a la Campaña Anual Arquidiocesana es parte de nuestro compromiso personal con la Mayordomía Cristiana. Es una forma de dar gracias a Dios devolviendo una porción de las bendiciones que Dios nos ha dado. He hecho mi propia donación.

Superamos nuestra meta el año pasado y recibimos un reembolso de la arquidiócesis por la cantidad de \$7,956. Les agradezco sinceramente y les pido humildemente su apoyo este año. Tu don es un ejemplo concreto de ser un buen administrador de los dones de Dios.

Pídele al Espíritu Santo que te ayude a decidir qué regalo es el adecuado para ti, teniendo en cuenta tus circunstancias y tu capacidad. La Palabra de Dios dice: *No nos cansemos de hacer el bien, porque a su debido tiempo segaremos nuestra cosecha, si no nos damos por vencidos, Gálatas 6:9.*

La forma ideal de donar es hacer una promesa y determinar una cantidad que puedas administrar mensualmente. Siéntase libre también de hacer un regalo único. Hacer una donación mensual le permite dar de manera más generosa en equilibrio con sus otras responsabilidades económicas importantes. Llène sus sobres de compromiso y devuélvalos a la iglesia. Para aquellos que no recibieron sobres por correo, los sobres estarán disponibles en la iglesia.

¡Que tengas una semana bendecida!

**P. Eustaquio Edomobi D. Min.,**