



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: Adoration 7:00-8:00 pm]

Tuesday & Thursday: 7:00 pm Spanish

Wednesday: 7:00pm Adoration / Rosary

Saturday: 9:00 am 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:

8:00 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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FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT
APRIL 6, 2025

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

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

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: April 7 – April 13, 2025

MONDAY	April 7, 2025
7:00 AM	+Irene Higgins
7:00 PM	Holy Hour
TUESDAY	April 8, 2025
7:00 AM	+Eileen Quirk
7:00 PM	+Marino Giraldo
WEDNESDAY	April 9, 2025
7:00 AM	+Ellen Rogan;
	+Manuel & Tarcela Muzones
7:00 PM	Rosary, Adoration, Divine Mercy
THURSDAY	April 10, 2025
7:00 AM	+Marie Higgins
7:00 PM	+Marino Giraldo
FRIDAY	April 11, 2025
7:00 AM	Cecilia Arroyo
7:00 PM	Stations of the Cross
SATURDAY	April 12, 2025
9:00 AM	Memorial Mass — Tree of Life
	+Eileen Quirk
5:30 PM	+Vitalis Elewune;
	+Mariana Iwacyk;
	+Felipa Pancrudo
SUNDAY	April 13, 2025 — Palm Sunday
8:00 AM	+Juliet & Lorenzo Solivio;
	+Perry Baisas
10:00 AM	+Claudina Jarquin
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 APRIL 2025:

FOR THE USE OF THE NEW TECHNOLOGIES

Let us pray that the use of the new technologies will not replace human relationships, will respect the dignity of the person, and will help us face the crises of our times.

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 30	:	\$2,809.00
Second Collection	:	\$ 744.00
Online Donations	:	\$ 260.00

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

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, 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

Reflection for the Week

Neither do I condemn you....” Jn 8:11

For the past two Sundays, we have been reflecting on the mercy of God who gives second chances - in the story of the fig tree that was about to be cut down, but given extra one year; and also God who gives unconditional forgiveness – in the instance of the prodigal son who returned home. And was given a sumptuous party. This Sunday we have the story of the woman caught in adultery to whom, while faced with stoning, Jesus says, 'neither do I condemn you, but go and sin no more'.

In all these instances, the mercy of God is a direct reflection of His love for us. In this Gospel, Jesus teaches us compassion and reminds us that we are all imperfect in varying degrees. Like the woman in the story, we all need mercy and forgiveness. Jesus did not approve of her sin but forgave her and urged her to change her lifestyle.

We are about to conclude the Lenten season, a time of God's abounding love and mercy, and at the same time, a time God urges us to repent, sin no more and start afresh. Isaiah tells us in the first reading: "Remember not the former things, nor consider the things of old. Behold I am doing new things." Is 43:18.

Let us accept Jesus' offer of forgiveness and learn to forgive others. No matter what the past mistakes have been, you can always begin again and allow others to have a fresh start. Have a blessed week!

Very Rev Eustace Edomobi, Pastor.
[for remarks / feedback please use:
edomobi@hotmail.com]

Stewardship

"...For his sake I have accepted the loss of all things and I consider them so much rubbish, that I may gain Christ..." (PHILIPPIANS 3:8)

The first commandment says that we should not put other gods before the Lord. Sharing all of our gifts - our time in prayer, our talent in charitable works, and our treasure to support the Church helps us keep God first in everything. It helps us from putting other gods before God. It helps us from becoming a slave to our possessions. It helps us to use our gifts for the glory of God and not for the glory of ourselves.

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: 7am—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

Como nunca, la conciencia de la interdependencia entre los hombres y los pueblos ha crecido notablemente; otro tanto ocurre con las desigualdades entre ellos. Esta inequidad se alimenta de las distintas formas de explotación, de opresión y de corrupción, que debemos erradicar. El acelerado proceso "de la interdependencia... debe estar acompañado por un crecimiento en el plano ético-social igualmente intenso... que [evite] las nefastas consecuencias de una situación de injusticia de dimensiones planetarias" (*Compendio de la doctrina social de la Iglesia*, 192)

- ◆ ¿Cómo se alimenta la vida interior de una persona? ¿Conoce usted personas de honda espiritualidad? ¿Qué hacen?
- ◆ ¿Qué elementos ejercita usted en su examen de conciencia cotidiano? ¿Cómo enriquecerlo?
- ◆ ¿Qué tipo de formación ética y moral promueve su grupo o comunidad de fe?

Estaciones de la Cruz

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

El Viernes Santo es el 18 de abril de 2025

Las ceremonias del Viernes Santo comenzarán a las 3:00 p. m. y a las 5:00 p. m. tendremos el Vía Crucis al aire libre.

Nos reuniremos y comenzaremos fuera de la Iglesia de Santa María. Las Sietes Últimas Palabras seguirán después de la estación de la Cruz.

¡Vengan a orar con todos en nuestra comunidad!

Misa familiar y búsqueda de huevos de Pascua

Durante abril de 2025, la misa familiar se celebrará el Domingo de Pascua, 20 de abril, a las 8:00 a. m. Se admiten niños de todas las edades.

Después de la misa, habrá un pequeño desayuno en el Salón Marian Hall y luego una **búsqueda de huevos de Pascua**. Si es posible, por favor, traiga su propia canasta de Pascua.

PEREGRINACIÓN DE LA DIVINA MISERICORDIA 2025

Todos están invitados a la Peregrinación anual de la Divina Misericordia 2025 el domingo 27 de abril de 2025. El horario de asamblea es a las 6:30 am en la esquina de 2nd St y Marin Blvd cerca de ShopRite. El costo es de \$50 por persona. Por favor traiga su propio almuerzo.

Primero en llegar, primero en ser atendido. El espacio es limitado. Confirme su asistencia a Freddy Burke (FreddyBurkeDRE@gmail.com) antes del sábado 19 de abril de 2025.

Readings for the Week of Fifth Sunday of Lent, Year C

7 Mon Lenten Weekday violet [Saint John Baptist de la Salle, Priest] Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 or 13:41c-62/Jn 8:12-20
(second choice)

8 Tue Lenten Weekday violet Nm 21:4-9/Jn 8:21-30

9 Wed Lenten Weekday violet Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95/Jn 8:31-42

10 Thu Lenten Weekday violet Gn 17:3-9/Jn 8:51-59

11 Fri Lenten Weekday violet [Saint Stanislaus, Bishop and Martyr] Jer 20:10-13/Jn 10:31-42

12 Sat Lenten Weekday Ez 37:21-28/Jn 11:45-56

13 SUN PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD Lk 19:28-40 (37)/Is 50:4-7/Phil 2:6-11/Lk 22:14—23:56 or 23:1-49
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Stations of the Cross

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

Pabasa

Catholic Action of Mary (CAM) invites everyone to attend the annual Pabasa ng Pasyon on Saturday, April 12 beginning at 7:00am in Marian Hall.

La Acción Católica de María (CAM) invita a todos a asistir a la Pabasa ng Pasyon anual el sábado 12 de abril a partir de las 7:00 a. m. en el Salón Mariano.

Good Friday is April 18, 2025

Good Friday ceremonies will start at 3:00pm, and at 5:00pm we will have Outside Stations of the Cross. We will assemble and begin outside St. Mary's Church. Seven Last Words will follow after Stations of the Cross.

Come and pray with everyone in our Community!

Salubong/Encuentro

All are invited to attend the annual Salubong/Encuentro on Sunday, April 20, 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.

Todos están invitados a asistir al Salubong/Encuentro anual el domingo 20 de abril, Domingo de Pascua, a partir de las 7:30 a. m.

Los hombres se reunirán en la esquina de 2nd St y Manila Ave.

Las mujeres se reunirán en la esquina de 3rd St. y Erie St.

Family Mass and Easter Egg Hunt

For the month of April 2025, Family Mass will be on Easter Sunday, April 20 at 8:00AM. Children of all ages are welcomed.

After mass there will be a small breakfast in Marian Hall and then an **Easter Egg Hunt**. If possible, please bring your own Easter basket.

Mother's Day Dinner Dance

SAVE THE DATE, GET YOUR TICKET!
The Mother's Day Dinner Dance will be Saturday, May 3, 2025 at 6:30pm.
Tickets are \$35 per person.

Día de la Madre Cena y Baile

¡RESERVA LA FECHA!
La cena-baile del Día de las Madres será el sábado 3 de mayo de 2025 a las 6:30pm.
Las entradas cuestan \$35 por persona.