



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

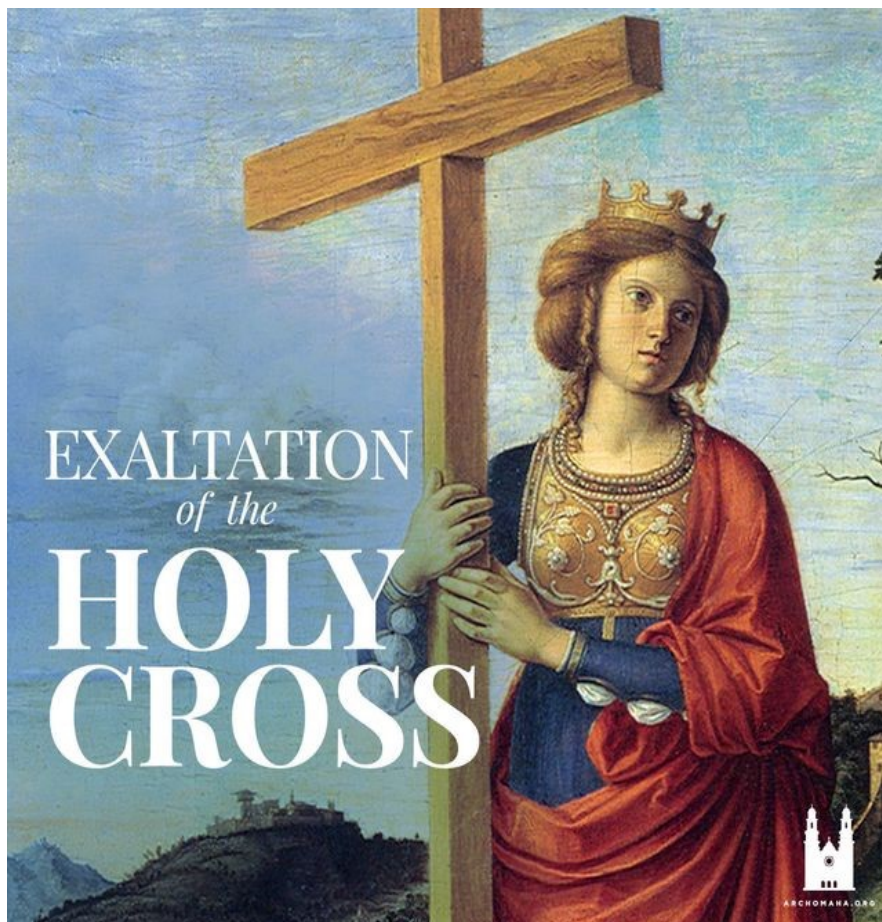
Parish Office Is Located At

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EXALTATION of the HOLY CROSS

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

Deacon Leandro Javier Ogando

Parish Assistant and Bookkeeper: Diana Encalada

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

Office Assistant: Alexis Zhu

Sacristans: Rosalia Mendoza & Kathy Sison

Maintenance: Benny DeCastro

Music Director: Eric Fahner

Trustees: Purita Berrios & Deacon Cesar Sarmiento

WELCOME TO OUR VISITORS!

Come and join us and create a Christ-Centered Community where Strangers become Friends and Friends become Family!

MASS SCHEDULE: September 15 – September 21, 2025

MONDAY 7:00 AM	September 15, 2025 Special Intention of Victor Sison +Eileen Quirk
7:00 PM	Holy Hour
TUESDAY 7:00 AM	September 16, 2025 Special Intention of Alex Pangasnan Zosima "Chuchi" Calingasan Thanksgiving for Irma Matias
7:00 PM	Thanksgiving for Roger Danoy
WEDNESDAY 7:00 AM	September 17, 2025 +Ramona Danoy & +Ernesto Danoy Thanksgiving for Amy Tiongson Thanksgiving for Amy Tiongson Rosary, Adoration, Divine Mercy
7:00 PM	
THURSDAY 7:00 AM	September 18, 2025 +Marissa Ricardo +Irene Higgins Special Intention of Abdessamad Rachidi
7:00 PM	
FRIDAY 7:00 AM	September 19, 2025 Special Intention of Dennis Keith Kaiser +Marie Higgins +Reynaldo Lim
7:00 PM	
SATURDAY 9:00 AM 5:30 PM	September 20, 2025 Memorial Mass — Tree of Life Thanksgiving for Fr. Eustace Edomobi +Susana Tizon
SUNDAY 8:00 AM 10:00 AM 12:00 PM	September 21, 2025 +Peter Matarrazo, Sr. +Antonio Amurrio y Esther Torrez +Claudina Jarquin +Angelica 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 both deaconsarmiento@aol.com and stmarys2093rdst@gmail.com.

Religious Education: For Religious Education of Children from Grades 1 through High School; please contact Freddy Burke: stmarys2093rdst@gmail.com.

Adult Education (OCIA): For Adult Sacraments of Baptism, Holy Eucharist and Confirmation please contact Rene Tolentino (stmarys2093rdst@gmail.com) or visit our parish website for more information.

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 have a change of address, will move away from the area, or if you have questions about the contribution envelopes.

POPE'S INTENTION FOR SEPTEMBER 2025:

For Our Relationship With All Of Creation

Let us pray that, inspired by Saint Francis, we might experience our interdependence with all creatures who are loved by God and worthy of love and respect.

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, September 7: \$ 2,683.00

2nd Collection : \$ 725.00

Online Donation : \$ 640.00

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 or visit 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

Por Accion de Gracia del Yolanda Muñoz

St. Boniface Chapel

In Memory of +Frank Valanzola

The Bread and Wine is offered this week for:

Special Intention of Alexis Zhu

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

Dear Friends in Christ,

This weekend is the official start of St. Mary's Religious Education Program for 2025-2026. I would like to thank our St. Mary's Catechetical team of dedicated volunteers for answering the call to teach the Word of God and the Children of God. I'd like to welcome the nine new families who have joined the program this year and welcome back our returning families. If you have a child or know of a family whose child is in need of Sacramental preparation of Baptism, Holy Eucharist or Confirmation, please join St. Mary's Religious Education program. Religious Education for children is important as we are shaping the future of the church. I am happy to share that we have new branches of the Religious Education Program in the form of Children's Bible Study and Teen Bible Study for children post first holy communion reception and to learn more about the Word.

Before transferring to Resurrection School, a Peaceable School in third grade, my mom and dad placed me in St. Mary's Religious Education program for two years (Grades 1 and 2), preparing me for my Sacrament 1st Holy Communion. This decision by my parents helped lead my faith journey from the start. We are all on our own journey of faith and God knows our path. Parents and Guardians, I remind you that children are our gifts from God. I encourage you to bring your children to church every Sunday to mass. If your child has received 1st Holy Communion, help them become Altar Servers. If your child has received Confirmation, encourage them to volunteer and be more active in our church. Our Youth are the future of the Catholic Church. At home please practice daily prayers with the children, pray the rosary and remember to tell your children that they are the children of God. St. Carlo Acutis, pray for us. Through the intercession of the Holy family, we pray for the future of the church.

Peace and Grace,

Freddy Burke

Director of Religious Education

Stewardship Reflection.

September 14, 2025 The Exaltation of the Holy Cross Stewardship Repayment

"For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son." JOHN 3:16

God created us to be in relationship with Him. Sin broke that relationship. Jesus came to earth so that we may reconcile our relationship with God. Following Jesus' example, we can be blessed with a joy-filled life on earth and eternal life in Heaven. This core message is the basis for the Stewardship of our Catholic faith. How do you live this out in your daily life?

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

AT HOME WITH THE WORD

The Cross is a paradox that is the essence of Christian hope. This simultaneous symbol of brutal failure and glorious exaltation is the ultimate reminder of God's infinite love. To realize this love, the Christian must confront the worldly view of the cross and embrace the exact opposite view: rather than death, life; rather than failure, triumph.

- ◆ Pray in front of the crucifix before or after Mass this Sunday.
- ◆ Become involved with a faith-based organization that advocates for prisoners or prison reform.

Religious Education for Children and Teens 2025-2026

Registration is still open online at our parish website. CCD orientation for all students and families will be Saturday, September 13 at 10AM in Marian Hall.

Classes will start on Saturday, September 20. Please arrive at the French American Academy entrance by 10:30am. Opening Mass/Catechetical Sunday will be on Sun September 21, 2025 at 12Noon.

OCIA

Registration is still open online at our parish website for the Order of Christian Initiation for Adults program. Registration cost is \$50. Adults seeking to become Catholic or receive the sacraments of Christian Initiation can contact the parish office for more information. Classes will begin Sunday Sept 14 after the 8am Mass in the Library in Marian Hall.

2026 Mass Intention Book

Mass Book for 2026 is now open. Please call the Parish office, email us at stmarys2093rdst@gmail.com, or stop by the parish office from Monday-Friday, 10am-5pm to arrange Masses for living or deceased members of your family.

You may also dedicate The Tabernacle Candle, or offer the Bread and Wine in loving memory of a loved one.

OLC OPEN HOUSE

Our Lady of Czestochowa School is the only PK-8 grade Catholic Education in Downtown Jersey City
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201-434-2405

Readings for the Week of the 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C

SEPTEMBER 2025

15 Mon Weekday white Our Lady of Sorrows 1 Tm 2:1-8/Jn 19:25-27 or Lk 2:33-35

16 Tue Weekday red Saints Cornelius, Pope, and Cyprian, Bishop, Martyrs 1 Tm 3:1-3/Lk 7:11-17

17 Wed Weekday green/white/white Saint Robert Bellarmine, Bishop and Doctor of the Church, Saint Hildegard of Bingen, Virgin and Doctor of the Church 1 Tm 3:14-16/Lk 7:31-35 Col 3:1-11/Lk 6:20-26

18 Thu Weekday green 1 Tm 4:12-16/Lk 7:36-50

19 Fri Weekday green/red Saint Januarius, Bishop and Martyr 1 Tm 6:2c-12/Lk 8:1-3

20 Sat Weekday red Saints Andrew Kim Tae-gon, Priest, and Paul Chong Ha-Sang, and Companions, Martyrs
1 Tm 6:13-16/Lk 8:4-15

21 SUN TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME green m 8:4-7/1 Tm 2:1-8/Lk 16:1-13 or 16:10-13

ESTUDIO BÍBLICO DEL VIERNES

Está invitado a volver al estudio bíblico de los viernes, que se reanuda el viernes 29 de septiembre a las 6:30 pm en la biblioteca. Reunámonos una vez más para explorar la Palabra de Dios. Todos son bienvenidos.

FRIDAY BIBLE STUDY

You are invited to return to Friday Bible study, which resumes on Friday, September 29, at 6:30 p.m. in the library. Let us gather once again to explore God's Word. All are welcome

OCIA

Las inscripciones para el programa de la Orden de Iniciación Cristiana para Adultos siguen abiertas en línea en el sitio web de nuestra parroquia. El costo de la inscripción es de \$50. Los adultos que deseen convertirse al catolicismo o recibir los sacramentos de la Iniciación Cristiana pueden comunicarse con la oficina parroquial para obtener más información. Las clases comenzarán el domingo 14 de septiembre después de la misa de las 8:00 a. m. en la biblioteca del Salón Mariano.

Libro de intenciones de misa 2026

El Libro de Misas para 2026 ya está abierto. Por favor, llame a la oficina parroquial, envíenos un correo electrónico a stmarys2093rdst@gmail.com o visítenos de lunes a viernes, de 10:00am a 5:00pm, para programar misas para familiares vivos o fallecidos.

También puede dedicar la Vela del Tabernáculo u ofrecer el Pan y el Vino en memoria de un ser querido.

POR FAVOR, INVOLUCRESE

Para ofrecerse como lector, ujier, monaguillo o cantar con el coro, comuníquese con la oficina parroquial llamando al (201) 434-8500 o enviándonos un correo electrónico (stmarys2093rdst@gmail.com).

Todos los voluntarios están sujetos a procedimientos ambientales seguros según lo indicado por la Arquidiócesis de Newark.

¡GRACIAS!

ADORACIÓN EUCARÍSTICA

- ♦ Celebramos la Hora Santa Eucarística todos los lunes de 7pm – 8pm en la Capilla de San Bonifacio.
- ♦ Los miércoles tenemos devociones de Adoración con Rosario y Divina Misericordia a las 7pm en la Capilla.
- ♦ También tenemos Adoración y Devoción similar al Sagrado Corazón de Jesús todos los primeros viernes de cada mes de 7:00 p. m. a 8:30 p. m. en la Iglesia.

Todos los feligreses están invitados a asistir y tener la maravillosa oportunidad de reunirse y reflexionar en oraciones silenciosas y meditación en la Presencia de Jesús en el Santísimo Sacramento.

Por favor únase a nosotros.