



**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: 7:00 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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**25<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY**  
**IN ORDINARY TIME**  
✠ YEAR C ✠

**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-High School: 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!**

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: September 22 – September 28, 2025**

<b>MONDAY</b> 7:00 AM	<b>September 22, 2025</b> +Zosima "Chuchi" Calingasan Thanksgiving for Dayiri Dogoni Holy Hour
7:00 PM <b>TUESDAY</b> 7:00 AM 7:00 PM	<b>September 23, 2025</b> Special Intention of Kristine Bashell Thanksgiving for Luis Carreno +Anna Maria De Pinto Martins
<b>WEDNESDAY</b> 7:00 AM	<b>September 24, 2025</b> +Irene Higgins +Vernon Dungan Rosary, Adoration, Divine Mercy
7:00 PM <b>THURSDAY</b> 7:00 AM 7:00 PM	<b>September 25, 2025</b> +Marie Higgins Special Intention Alex Bashell
<b>FRIDAY</b> 7:00 AM	<b>September 26, 2025</b> +Serafin & Angelica Lozada
<b>SATURDAY</b> 9:00 AM	<b>September 27, 2025</b> Memorial Mass — Tree of Life +Eileen Quirk People of the Parish
5:30 PM <b>SUNDAY</b> 8:00 AM	<b>September 28, 2025</b> Special Intention of Mary Joseph Thanksgiving for Rene Tolentino Thanksgiving for Charmaine Walcott +Olivia Pereira +Avilio Rojas +Nancy Mercado All Children in the CCD program +Francis and Gloria Burke +Alfredo Beniga
10:00 AM	
12:00 PM	

**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](mailto:deaconsarmiento@aol.com) and [stmarys2093rdst@gmail.com](mailto:stmarys2093rdst@gmail.com).

**Religious Education (CCD):** For Religious Education of Children & Teens from Grades 1 - High School; please contact Freddy Burke: [stmarys2093rdst@gmail.com](mailto:stmarys2093rdst@gmail.com) or visit the parish website.

**Adult Education (OCIA):** For Adult Sacraments of Baptism, Holy Eucharist and Confirmation please contact Rene Tolentino ([stmarys2093rdst@gmail.com](mailto: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](mailto: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 14: \$ 3,024.00**

**Online Donation : \$ 465.00**

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 the Burke Family

**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

## SUNDAY REFLECTION

*Generous giving is rewarded with treasure that lasts forever*

What's the point of Jesus' parable? Jesus did not praise the steward for his dishonest behavior but for his shrewd foresight in relieving the debts of others who he believed would, in turn, treat him as a friend and show him mercy, kindness, and generosity in his time of need and great want. Jesus immediately followed this parable with an exhortation to his followers to make use of the world's material goods, including "tainted money" (which in Hebrew means "unrighteous mammon"), to relieve those who are indebted to us for the material and physical help we give them in their time of need and want. In the Scriptures generous giving is connected with alms giving - the sharing of our financial and material resources with those in need.

Those who receive alms become your friends because you are merciful to them in their time of need. And God who sees all, rewards those who are generous in helping others.

**Rev. Duberley Salazar, Parochial Vicar**

### STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION: 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

*"No servant can serve two masters. He will hate one and love the other, or be devoted to one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and mammon (wealth)." LUKE 16:13*

Jesus knows that for many of us, God and money run "neck and neck" as top priority. Is money a "god" that you put before God? Giving money to support the Church and other charity is a pillar of our faith, just like attending Mass every Sunday and participating in parish ministry. Giving money frees us from becoming a slave to money. It increases our dependence on God and our trust that God will provide all that we need.

### 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](mailto:deaconsarmiento@aol.com)

## AT HOME WITH THE WORD

Amos describes a people who view religion as an inconvenience that gets in the way of making money. Like the steward in the Gospel reading, they profit by cheating the poor. It is difficult and sometimes impossible in a complicated global economy to detach our financial security from systems of oppression, but we must try. Some of our neighbors live in unimaginable distress imposed on them by systemic indifference.

- ♦ Pray to understand the daily needs and challenges of these people.
- ♦ Bring attention to the plight of those living in distress.

## Religious Education for Children and Teens 2025-2026

Registration is still open online at our parish website. Now offering a children and teen bible study class. The Religious Education Program 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 have begun on Sunday Sept 14 and will continue every Sunday 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](mailto: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  
Call or email to Schedule a tour today .

[WWW.OLCSCHOOL.ORG](http://WWW.OLCSCHOOL.ORG)  
[MARCIANIL@OLCSCHOOL.ORG](mailto:MARCIANIL@OLCSCHOOL.ORG)  
201-434-2405



## **Readings for the Week of the 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C**

### **SEPTEMBER 2025**

**22 Mon** Weekday Ezr 1:1-6; Lk 8:16-18

**23 Tue** Weekday Saint Pius of Pietrelcina, Priest; Ezr 6:7-8, 12b, 14-20; Lk 8:19-21

**24 Wed** Weekday Ezr 9:5-9; Lk 9:1-6

**25 Thu** Weekday Hg 1:1-8; Lk 9:7-9

**26 Fri** Weekday Saints Cosmas and Damian, Martyrs; Hg 2:1-9; Lk 9:18-22

**27 Sat** Weekday Saint Vincent de Paul, Priest; Zec 2:5-9, 14-15a; Lk 9:43b-45

**28 SUN** TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME; Am 6:1a, 4-7; 1 Tm 6:11-16; Lk 16:19-31

### **ESTUDIO BÍBLICO DEL VIERNES**

Está invitado a volver al estudio bíblico de los viernes, que se reanuda el viernes 26 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 26, 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 en domingo 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](mailto: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](mailto: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.