



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

209 Third Street, Jersey City, NJ 07302

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

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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: October 20– October 26, 2025

MONDAY 9:00 AM	October 20, 2025 Special Intention : Alex Boshell +Fr Jose Parcon +Dolores Tolentino
7:00 PM	Holy Hour
TUESDAY 7:00 AM	October 21, 2025 Thanksgiving Rain & May Marcos +'Chuchi' Calingasan +Alejandro Prudente
7:00 PM	Special Intention Patric Michael
WEDNESDAY 7:00 AM	October 22, 2025 Special Intention: Joshua Boshell +Luis Santiago +Emilia P. Guerro
7:00 PM	Rosary, Adoration, Divine Mercy
THURSDAY 7:00 AM 7:00 PM	October 23, 2025 +Irene Higgins; +Ernesto Danoy Special Intention: Sara Paulich + Carlos Herrera; + Freddy Revera
FRIDAY 7:00 AM	October 24, 2025 +Marie Higgins; +Violeta Paugasnan Thanksgiving: Rebeka Grace
SATURDAY 9:00 AM	October 25, 2025 Memorial Mass — Tree of Life; +Eileen Quirk
5:30 PM	People of the Parish
SUNDAY 8:00 AM	October 26, 2025 Thanksgiving: Christine Green; Thanksgiving Jason Micamendiola
10:00 AM	+Mario Sosa; +Carmen Rodriguez; +Renon Perez Special Intention: Melissa & Jerry Pierre
12:00 PM	+Richardo Somoza +Sr Mary Lynch

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 (CCD): For Religious Education of Children & Teens from Grades 1 - High School; please contact Freddy Burke: 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) 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 OCTOBER 2025:

For collaboration between different religious traditions
Let us pray that believers in different religious traditions might work together to defend and promote peace, justice and human fraternity.

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, October 12, 2025 \$2,917.00
Online Donation : \$ 420.00

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:

+Fr. Jomari Parcon

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:

"As long as Moses held up his hand, the Israelites were winning..." — Exodus 17:11

This week, Jesus urges us to pray continually and never lose heart. He assures us that our prayers will be answered and that we will not be disappointed.

The widow in the Gospel, determined to obtain justice from the indifferent judge, stands as a powerful example of perseverance in prayer. Her strength lies in her persistence—she never gives up, even when the odds seem against her. Her unrelenting faith eventually wins her the justice she looks for.

In the first reading, Israel's victory depends on Moses keeping his hands raised in prayer, while Joshua leads the battle below. Moses could not hold up his arms alone; Aaron and Hur supported him, and together they assured Israel's success. Similarly, we too need the support of others in our spiritual journey. We must pray for one another and support each other in faith.

Let us also remember the importance of joining our community in prayer, especially through Sunday Mass, our highest form of worship. Do not stay home on Sunday—come and join your brothers and sisters in lifting your heart and hands to God. If we entrust our needs to the Lord and remain steadfast in prayer, everything else will fall into place. Let us hold up our hands in prayer—always. Have a blessed week!

Very Rev Eustace Edomobi Pastor.

Stewardship Reflection 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Persistent Stewardship

"...proclaim the word, be persistent whether it is convenient or inconvenient..." 2 TIMOTHY 4:2

It is not always convenient to be a good Steward, especially when all the temptations of our busy and materialistic world get in the way. Now add our own pride and ego into the equation and living a stewardship lifestyle may be downright uncomfortable!

Remember, God didn't call us to be comfortable. He never said that we would have an easy life. Rather, He called us to be faithful!



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

Práctica de la fe

Jesús instruye a los discípulos a orar siempre. Si queremos acercarnos a Dios, debemos persistir en nuestra oración.

“Cada vez que ore esta semana, levante los brazos hacia arriba, con las palmas hacia arriba. Este gesto significa ofrenda. ¿Qué le ofreces a Dios? ¿Qué recibes de Dios? Cuanto más tiempo pasemos en oración, más probable será que nuestras oraciones cambien.

“Mira hacia atrás a cómo has orado a lo largo de los años. ¿Cuáles son los puntos culminantes de tu vida de oración? ¿Qué son los puntos bajos? ¿Qué estaba sucediendo en tu vida en esos momentos? ¿Cómo podría cambiar tu oración ahora?

“Forme un grupo de oración o un sistema de compañeros en el que los miembros se comuniquen entre sí para compartir su oración, sus luchas en la oración y nuevas formas de orar.

“El éxito de Israel depende de que Moisés mantenga los brazos en alto. No podría haber hecho esto sin la ayuda de otros. ¿Cómo has necesitado el apoyo de los demás en tu vida espiritual?

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, 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.

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

Readings for the Week of the 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C

- Mon. Oct 20: First: Sirach 35:1-14, 16-18 Psalm 34:2-3, 17-18, 19, 23 Gospel: Luke 12:13-21
- Tues: October 21 First: Sirach 38:1-7, 12-14: Psalm 34:2-3, 17-18, 19, 23 Gospel: Luke 13:10-17
- Wed. Oct; 22 First : Sirach 41:10-18 Psalm: Psalm 34:2-3, 17-18, 19, 23 Gospel: Luke 13:18-23
- Thurs. Oct 23: First : Sirach 43:1-2, 10-14 Psalm: Psalm 104:2-3, 27-30 Gospel: Luke 13:23-30
- Fri. Oct 24: First : Sirach 45:1-2, 3-4, 15-16 Psalm: Psalm 128:1-2, 3, 4-5 Gospel: Luke 14:1-6
 - Sat. Oct 25 First: Romans 8:1-11 Psalm: Psalm 24:1b-2, 3-4ab, 5-6 Gospel: Luke 13:1-9
- Sunday Oct 26 Sirach 35:12-14, 16-18 Psalm: 34:2-3, 17-18, 2Tim 4:6-18; Gospel: Luke 18:9-14

SAVE THE DATE DECEMBER 7, 2025, 12noon (Bi-lingual)

It is for the Golden Jubilee celebration of our pastor's priestly ordination; it is a day to thank God for our pastor's many years of priestly ministry. Please save the date. Contact: Mrs. Luz Burke: 551-358-1786; Deacon Cesar Sarmiento: 201-543-8005 or the parish office for details

RESERVE LA FECHA 7 DE DICIEMBRE DE 2025, 12 DEL MEDIODÍA (Misa bilingüe)

Es para la celebración del Jubileo de Oro de la ordenación sacerdotal de nuestro pastor; es un día para agradecer a Dios por los muchos años de ministerio sacerdotal de nuestro pastor. Por favor, guarde la fecha. Contacto: Sra. Luz Burke: 551-358-1786; Diácono Pedro Gonzalez: 201-455-4896 o la oficina parroquial para más detalles.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

- ♦ We hold Eucharistic Holy Hour Every Monday from 7pm – 8pm at St Boniface Chapel.
- ♦ On Wednesdays we hold Adoration with Rosary and Divine Mercy devotions at 7pm in the Chapel.

We also have similar Adoration and Devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus every First Friday of the month, 7pm – 8:30pm in the Church. All parishioners are invited to attend and have a wonderful opportunity to gather and reflect in quiet prayers and meditation in the Presence of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament

REFLEXIÓN DE LA SEMANA

"Mientras Moisés levantaba su mano, los israelitas estaban ganando..." — Éxodo 17:11

Esta semana, Jesús nos insta a orar continuamente y nunca desanimarnos. Nos asegura que nuestras oraciones serán respondidas y que no seremos decepcionados.

La viuda del Evangelio, decidida a obtener justicia del juez indiferente, se erige como un poderoso ejemplo de perseverancia en la oración. Su fuerza radica en su persistencia: nunca se rinde, incluso cuando las probabilidades parecen estar en su contra. Su fe implacable finalmente le gana la justicia que busca.

En la primera lectura, la victoria de Israel depende de que Moisés mantenga las manos levantadas en oración, mientras Josué lidera la batalla de abajo. Moisés no podía sostener sus brazos solo; Aarón y Hur lo apoyaron, y juntos aseguraron el éxito de Israel. Del mismo modo, nosotros también necesitamos el apoyo de otros en nuestro viaje espiritual. Debemos orar unos por otros y apoyarnos mutuamente en la fe.

Recordemos también la importancia de unirnos a nuestra comunidad en oración, especialmente a través de la Misa dominical, nuestra forma más alta de adoración. No se queden en casa el domingo, vengan y únanse a sus hermanos y hermanas para levantar su corazón y sus manos a Dios.

Si confiamos nuestras necesidades al Señor y permanecemos firmes en la oración, todo lo demás encajará en su lugar. Levantemos nuestras manos en oración, siempre.

¡Que tengas una semana bendecida!

Muy Reverendo Eustace Edomobi Pastor