



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

Parish Office Is Located At

209 Third Street, Jersey City, NJ 07302

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

Parish E-mail: info@stmarysparishjc.com

Phone: 201-434-8500 **Fax:** 201-333-1816



First Sunday of Advent

November 30, 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

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!

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT : NOVEMBER 30, 2025

MASS SCHEDULE: December 1 – December 7, 2025

MONDAY	December 1, 2025
7:00 AM	Special Intention of Christopher Francis; Special Intention of Adelaido S. Solante; +Chantale Jacquet; +Marie Higgins
7:00 PM	Holy Hour
TUESDAY	December 2, 2025
7:00 AM	Special Intention of Patrick Michael; +Amy Yeast; +Irene Higgins
7:00 PM	Accion de Gracia Yolanda Muñoz; Special Intention of Donald John
WEDNESDAY	December 3, 2025
7:00 AM	Special Intention of Sarah Jean; +Zosima "Chuchi" Calingasan; +Kristi Ruhlig
7:00 PM	Rosary, Adoration, Divine Mercy
THURSDAY	December 4, 2025
9:00 AM	Special Intention of Michael Joseph; +Ellen Rogan; +Norma McCormick
7:00 PM	Special Intention of Kimberly Kaiser
FRIDAY	December 5, 2025 — First Friday
7:00 AM	Special Intention of Chad Nathan; +James McCormick
7:00 PM	First Friday Devotion
SATURDAY	December 6, 2025 — First Saturday
9:00 AM	Memorial Mass — Tree of Life +Eileen Quirk
5:30 PM	Thanksgiving for Peter Burke; Special Intention of Donald John; +Ricardo Somoza; +Sister Beneldus
SUNDAY	December 7, 2025
8:00 AM	Thanksgiving for Scott Green; Special Intention of Richard Anthony; +Benita Comes Sarmiento
9:00 AM	No Holy Mass (Tagalog)
10:00 AM	People of the Parish
12:00 PM	Special Intention of Christopher Francis; Thanksgiving for Fr. Eustace Golden Jubilee +Ricardo Somoza

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.

POPE'S INTENTION FOR NOVEMBER 2025:

For The Prevention Of Suicide

Let us pray that those who are struggling with suicidal thoughts might find the support, care, and love they need in their community, and be open to the beauty of life.

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, Nov. 23, 2025 : \$3,175.00

Online Donation : \$ 760.00

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.

Árbol de Adviento

Nuestro Árbol de la Generosidad de Adviento ya está instalado en la iglesia. Solicitamos a nuestros feligreses que donen tarjetas de regalo para ayudar a miembros de nuestra comunidad. Las tarjetas de regalo deben ser de supermercados locales como ShopRite, ACME o tarjetas de regalo en general.



St. Mary's Sanctuary

Por Accion de Gracia del Yolanda Muñoz

St. Boniface Chapel

+Maria Pilar Monje

The Bread and Wine is offered this week for:

Thanksgiving for Fr. Eustace Edomobi

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

Pueblo de Dios,

Happy New Liturgical Year! As we begin the season of Advent, we prepare and wait for the coming of the savior. In this time of preparation, we are called to the Sacrament of Reconciliation and Penance which is offered weekly on Saturdays at 4pm in St. Mary's Parish. We witness the Advent wreath by the altar and listen to Advent songs like O Come, O Come Emmanuel. This instills in us that a joyous time is coming, Jesus, our Lord and Savior will be born! A season of patience reminds all to have a listening heart, mind and ear.

I am happy to share a new initiative within the Religious Education Program called 'Little Lights' during the four weekends of Advent before 12N and 10am masses scheduled. The goal is a special time for our young families with children up to 5 years old to immerse them in learning about our Catholic faith from a young age. Exploring the true meaning of Advent through stories, song and mini procession at the beginning of mass. During the 1st and 3rd weekends of Advent before the 12N mass and during the 2nd and 4th weekend before the 10am Mass. I ask for continued prayers for our families and children in the Religious Education Program.

Peace and Grace,

Freddy Burke

Director of Religious Education

STEWARDSHIP

"Therefore, stay awake!

For you do not know on which day your Lord will come."

MATTHEW 24:42

People who have had health issues or near-death experiences generally have a greater appreciation for each day being a gift from God. The rest of us usually take for granted that we will be around tomorrow. But when you start to look at each day as a gift, you realize all the little miracles that happen daily and you begin to see God's active presence in your life. You grow in gratitude, each day, for all that we have been given.

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

La esperanza tiene raíces muy profundas en el ser humano; habla de un deseo de plenitud y de llenarnos de cosas valiosas y grandes como la verdad, la bondad y la belleza, la justicia y el amor. Es audaz porque impulsa a las personas a trascender las seguridades individuales y las compensaciones inmediatas. La esperanza nos abre a los demás y a una vida más bella y digna para todos (ver *Fratelli tutti*, 55).

- ♦ Identifica los sueños y las esperanzas de nuestra sociedad. ¿Es lo mismo sonar que tener esperanza?
- ♦ ¿A qué se ha preparado usted? ¿Para qué quiere prepararse?

Segunda colección

La segunda colecta anual para el Fondo de Jubilación para Religiosos se llevará a cabo los días 6 y 7 de diciembre. Los fondos recaudados apoyan a los religiosos jubilados de la arquidiócesis.

Inmaculada Concepción

El lunes 8 de diciembre se celebra la Solemnidad de la Inmaculada Concepción de María. Es día de precepto.

Habrà misa matutina a las 7:00am y misa vespertina bilingüe a las 7:00pm. La oficina parroquial permanecerá cerrada ese día.

Registro Parroquial

Los nuevos feligreses y quienes no estén registrados, por favor completen el formulario de inscripción que se encuentra en la parte posterior de la iglesia o en línea. Envíen un correo electrónico a la Oficina Parroquial (stmarys2093rdst@gmail.com) si cambian de domicilio, se mudan fuera de la zona o si tienen preguntas sobre los sobres para las donaciones.

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. Habrá una recepción y un almuerzo después de la misa.

Si desea asistir, tenga la amabilidad de dar su nombre al salir de la iglesia, para ayudarnos a tener una idea de cuántos vendrán.



Readings for the First Sunday of Advent, Year A

YEAR A

30 SUN FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT *violet* Is 2:1-5/Rom 13:11-14/Mt 24:37-44 Pss I3

DECEMBER

1 Mon Advent Weekday *violet* Is 4:2-6 (second choice)/Mt 8:5-11

2 Tue Advent Weekday *violet* Is 11:1-10/Lk 10:21-24

3 Wed Saint Francis Xavier, Priest *white* Memorial Is 25:6-10a/Mt 15:29-37

4 Thu Advent Weekday *violet/white* [Saint John Damascene, Priest and Doctor of the Church]4 Is 26:1-6/Mt 7:21, 24-27

5 Fri Advent Weekday *violet* Is 29:17-24/Mt 9:27-31

6 Sat Advent Weekday *violet/white* [Saint Nicholas, Bishop] Is 30:19-21, 23-26/Mt 9:35—10:1, 5a, 6-8

7 SUN SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT *violet* Is 11:1-10/Rom 15:4-9/Mt 3:1-12 Pss II

Second Collection

The annual second collection for the Retirement Fund for Religious will be held December 6 & 7.
Proceeds support retired religious in the archdiocese.

Tagalog Mass

There will be no Tagalog Mass on Sunday, December 7, 2025 due to Fr. Eustace's Jubilee Celebration.

Immaculate Conception

Monday, December 8 is the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of Mary. This is a holy day of obligation.
We will have morning Mass at 7am and a bilingual evening Mass at 7pm.

The Parish Office will be closed on this day.

Parish Registration

New Parishioners and those not registered, please fill the registration form at the back of the church or online on the parish website. 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.

DECEMBER 7, 2025, 12noon (Bi-lingual Mass)

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. There will be reception and lunch after Mass.

If you would like to attend, kindly give your name as you leave church,
to help us have idea of how many are coming.

Advent Giving Tree

Our Advent Giving Tree is now set up in the back of the Church. We are asking our parishioners for a gift card to benefit members of our community. The gift cards should be from local food stores such as ShopRite, ACME, or general gift cards.
This will be a great help to those who, during this season of joy, look to us for help as a faith Community.

