



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

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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!

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT : DECEMBER 14, 2025

MASS SCHEDULE: December 15 – December 21, 2025

MONDAY	December 15, 2025
7:00 AM	Thanksgiving for Armi Ricardo; Special Intention of Donald John; +Matthias Onochia Unokiwe
7:00 PM	Posadas / Simbang Gabi
TUESDAY	December 16, 2025
7:00 AM	Special Intention of Christopher Francis; +Presentacion Sison; +Fr. Peter Sticco; +Matthias Onochia Unokiwe
7:00 PM	Posadas / Simbang Gabi
WEDNESDAY	December 17, 2025
7:00 AM	Special Intention of Patrick Michael; Special Intention of Shervy Rebello; +Kristi Ruhlig; +Eileen Quirk
7:00 PM	Posadas / Simbang Gabi
THURSDAY	December 18, 2025
7:00 AM	+Zosima "Chuchi" Calingasan; +Roberto Almarines; +Generoso & Renee Almarines; +Matthias Onochia Unokiwe
7:00 PM	Posadas / Simbang Gabi
FRIDAY	December 19, 2025
7:00 AM	Special Intention of Sarah Jean; +Russel Scott Hein; +Aguida Somoza Awit; +Matthias Onochia Unokiwe
7:00 PM	Posadas / Simbang Gabi
SATURDAY	December 20, 2025
9:00 AM	Memorial Mass — Tree of Life +Dolores Tolentino
5:30 PM	Thanksgiving for Laila Carmen Arroyo; +Lorenzo & Juliet Solivio; +Matthias Onochia Unokiwe
7:00 PM	Posadas / Simbang Gabi
SUNDAY	December 21, 2025
8:00 AM	People of the Parish
10:00 AM	+Antonio y Rene Amurrio; +Hector Valentin; +Joseph Cosme
12:00 PM	+Omar W. Vargas, Jr.; +Claudia Jarquin; +Matthias Onochia Unokiwe
7:00 PM	Posadas / Simbang Gabi

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 on the parish website.

POPE'S INTENTION FOR DECEMBER 2025:

For Christians In Areas Of Conflict

Let us pray that Christians living in areas of war or conflict, especially in the Middle East, might be seeds of peace, reconciliation, and hope.

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, Dec. 7, 2025 : \$3,648.00

Second Collection : \$1,248.00

Immaculate Conception : \$ 469.00

Online Donation : \$ 110.00

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.

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
Sra Yolanda Muñoz

St. Boniface Chapel

+Deceased Members of Catholic Action of Mary

The Bread and Wine is offered this week for:

+Deceased Parishioners of St. Mary's Parish

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

Reflexión Dominical

El Evangelio de este tercer Domingo de Adviento, nos invita a tener una alegría permanente y ha estar llenos de gozo por la venida de nuestro Señor Jesús. El Domingo pasado vimos a Juan que con una fuerte voz decía, “preparen el camino del Señor, arrepíentanse”. Vemos a Juan el Bautista en la cárcel y teniendo dudas. El envía a unos discípulos a Jesús para hacerle la siguiente pregunta, “eres tú el que tenía que venir, o debemos esperar a otro”? Hoy esa misma pregunta debemos hacerla nosotros, es a Jesús a quien estamos esperando para ser feliz o está nuestra felicidad en otras cosas?

El Evangelio de hoy nos puede ayudar mucho porque seguimos pensando en la falsa felicidad que el mundo nos ofrece. De la misma manera debemos alimentar la fé cada día más, porque no sabemos como vamos a reaccionar cuando nos lleguen momentos de enfermedad, crisis económica, y también cuando nuestras situaciones nos generan preguntas. Dios no se ofende por nuestras dudas sino mas bien nos invita a mirar las señales de su presencia en nuestras vidas. La alegría de nuestro Señor es cuando hacemos nuestras obras y servimos a los pobres.

Diácono Leandro Ogando

REFLEXIONES

14 de diciembre de 2025 — Domingo 3º de Adviento

“Sean también pacientes. Fortalezcan sus corazones, porque la venida del Señor está cerca. Fortalezcan sus corazones, porque la venida del Señor está cerca.”

SANTIAGO 5:8

La paciencia es otra de esas cosas con las que muchos de nosotros tenemos dificultades. Queremos que las cosas vayan de acuerdo con nuestros planes y nuestros horarios; nos gustan las cosas que son convenientes. Cualquier cambio nos causa ansiedad y temor. A través de la oración diaria, Dios nos revela lo que Él quiere que hagamos con los dones que nos ha dado. Podemos alinearnos mejor con la voluntad de Dios y Su plan que es mucho mejor que cualquier cosa que podamos idear por nuestra cuenta.

FOOD PANTRY



Our food pantry is open every 1st & 3rd Saturday of the month: 7am—8:30am, located at 254 2nd Street (Marian Hall). Donations of nonperishable foods and grocery gift cards are always welcomed.

Nuestro banco de alimentos abre el primer y tercer sábado de cada mes, de 7:00 a 8:30 h, en 254 2nd Street (Salón Marian). Se agradecen las donaciones de alimentos no perecederos y tarjetas de regalo de supermercado.

YOUTH MINISTRY

If you are interested in our youth group please contact
Deacon Cesar Sarmiento : deaconsarmiento@aol.com

Practice of Hope

How can you be an ambassador of hope to “those whose hearts are frightened”? How can you work for “justice for the oppressed”? How can you provide “food to the hungry”?

- ♦ Pray to the Holy Spirit to help you discern concrete ways that you can bring hope to others in your family and community. Just as Jesus gave hope to the imprisoned John the Baptist, you too can give hope with healing words. Give comfort to someone suffering from a serious illness. Be patient with family members, pray for guidance, allow the Lord to open your deaf ears, and work for peaceful solutions.
- ♦ Examine your conscience this week. Have you spoken out against inhumane conditions in nursing homes, prisons, or refugee camps? Have you remained silent when others demean immigrants or the homeless? How has your prayer moved you to action in support of justice?

Simbang Gabi

Catholic Action of Mary invites everyone to join and celebrate Simbang Gabi, December 15—23, 2025 every night at 7:00PM located in St. Boniface's Chapel.

We will have a joint celebration with Posadas on the last night after Mass.



Advent Bilingual Penance Service

Please join us in our Advent Penance Service that will take place on Saturday, December 20, 10:00am-11:30am. There will be guest priests available for confession. Eucharistic Ministers & Lectors are required to attend.

Advent Giving Tree

Our Advent Giving Tree is still 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.



Readings for the Third Sunday of Advent

15 Mon Advent Weekday *violet* Nm 24:2-7, 15-17a/Mt 21:23-27

16 Tue Advent Weekday *violet* Zep 3:1-2, 9-13/Mt 21:28-32

17 Wed Advent Weekday *violet* Gn 49:2, 8-10/Mt 1:1-17

18 Thu Advent Weekday *violet* Jer 23:5-8/Mt 1:18-25

19 Fri Advent Weekday *violet* Jgs 13:2-7, 24-25a/Lk 1:5-25

20 Sat Advent Weekday *violet* Is 7:10-14/Lk 1:26-38

21 SUN FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT *violet* Is 7:10-14/Rom 1:1-7/Mt 1:18-24 Pss IV

Servicio de Penitencia Bilingüe de Adviento

Acompáñenos a nuestro Servicio de Penitencia de Adviento, que se llevará a cabo el sábado 20 de diciembre, de 10:00 a 11:30. Habrá sacerdotes invitados disponibles para confesiones.

Se requiere la asistencia de ministros y lectores eucarísticos.

Posadas

La Parroquia invita a todos a unirse y celebrar Posadas.

Todas las noches a las 7:00 p. m., del 15 al 23 de diciembre de 2025 en la iglesia de St. Mary.

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.



CHRISTMAS 2025 SCHEDULE

The Parish Office will be closed on these days.

Wednesday, December 24 Christmas Eve

6:30pm English Carols

7:00pm Spanish Villancicos

7:30pm (Bilingual Christmas Eve Mass)



Thursday, December 25 Christmas Day

Masses: 8am; 10am (Spanish), 12noon

HORARIO DE NAVIDAD 2025

La Oficina Parroquial estará cerrada estos días.

Miercoles 24 de diciembre Nochebuena

6:30 pm Villancicos en inglés

7:00pm Villancicos españoles

7:30pm (Misa bilingüe de Nochebuena)

Jueves 25 de diciembre Día de Navidad

Misas: 8am, 10am (español), 12pm

Wednesday, December 31, 2025 New Year's Eve

Mass: 7am



Miercoles 31 de diciembre de 2025 Nochevieja

7:00am Inglés

Thursday, January 1, 2026 Solemnity of Mary the Mother of God

Masses: 8am, 10am (Spanish) & 12noon

Jueves 1 de enero de 2026 Solemnidad de María Madre de Dios

Misas: 8am, 10am (español), 12pm