



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

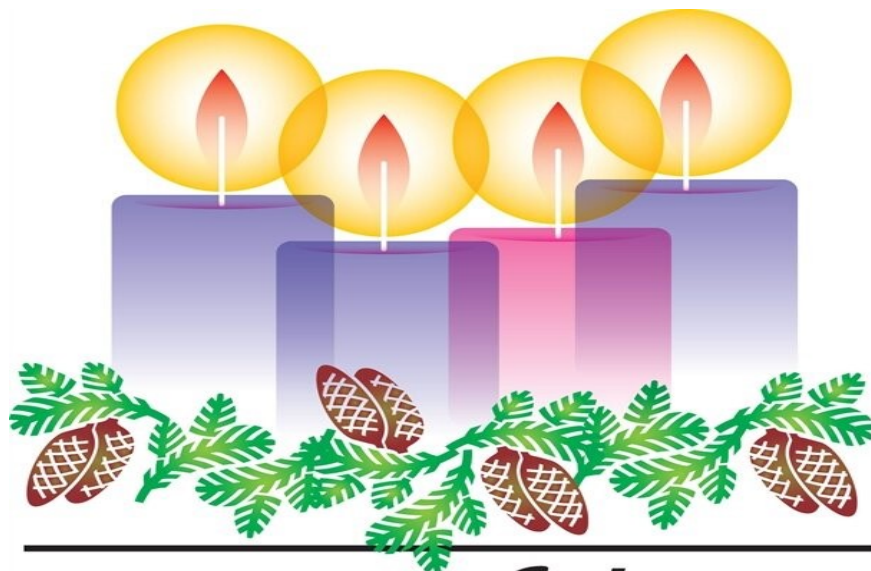
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FOURTH SUNDAY OF *Advent*

The Priests, Deacons, and Staff of
St. Mary's Parish wish everyone a safe and
Merry Christmas!



¡Los sacerdotes, diáconos y el personal de la
parroquia de Santa María les desean a todos
una Feliz Navidad y unas fiestas seguras!



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

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT : DECEMBER 21, 2025

MASS SCHEDULE: December 22 – December 28, 2025

MONDAY	December 22, 2025
7:00 AM	Special Intention of Michael Joseph; Special Intention of Donald John; +Matthias Onochia Unokiwe
7:00 PM	Posadas / Simbang Gabi
TUESDAY	December 23, 2025
7:00 AM	+Zosima "Chuchi" Calingasan; +Donald Russell Hein; +Matthias Onochia Unokiwe
7:00 PM	Posadas / Simbang Gabi
WEDNESDAY	December 24, 2025 — Christmas Eve
7:00 AM	+Norma McCormick; +Matthias Onochia Unokiwe
6:30 PM	English Christmas Carols
7:00 PM	Villancicos españoles
7:30 PM	Bilingual Mass +Aura Elena Subia
THURSDAY	December 25, 2025 — Christmas
8:00 AM	+Manuel & Tarcela Muzones; +Margaret Claudio; +Matthias Onochia Unokiwe
10:00 AM	+Danelia Guadamus; +Miss Glassgo
12:00 PM	Thanksgiving for Alexis Zhu; +Federico & Leonisa Obligacion
FRIDAY	December 26, 2025
7:00 AM	Special Intention of Donald John +Bing Sison; +James McCormick; +Matthias Onochia Unokiwe
SATURDAY	December 27, 2025
9:00 AM	Memorial Mass — Tree of Life +Kristi Ruhl; +Dolores Tolentino
5:30 PM	+Jose Reuben & Himmler Lozada; +Sister Beneldus; +Amy Yeast
SUNDAY	December 28, 2025
8:00 AM	Thanksgiving for Alexander Xavier Green; +Ricardo Somoza; +Matthias Onochia Unokiwe
10:00 AM	+Andrea Gonzalez; +Russel Scott Hein
12:00 PM	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 (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. Please email the Parish Office (stmarys2093rdst@gmail.com) when you have a change of address or will move away from the area.

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. 14, 2025 : \$1,725.00

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.

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
Sra Yolanda Muñoz

St. Boniface's Chapel

+Felices difuntos de la parroquia de Santa María

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

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

Reflection

"He did as the angel of the Lord had commanded him."

Mt 1:24

Today, as we celebrate the fourth Sunday of Advent, our Gospel is about how the birth of Jesus came about. Mary and Joseph were betrothed but before they lived together, Mary was found with child. Joseph was heart broken and decided to divorce Mary. An angel appeared to him in a dream, explained everything and told him to take Mary into his home. Although Joseph had already made his plan, he did as the angel of the Lord had commanded him.

So too must we. We should always do what the Lord has commanded us to do – to love Him and our fellow men in all circumstances even though it is against our better judgment at the moment. Father knows best.

Deacon Cesar Sarmiento

Stewardship

"When Joseph awoke, he did as the angel of the Lord had commanded him and took his wife into his home."

MATTHEW 1:24

Putting our complete trust in the Lord without expecting anything in return. Striving to put God first in all things and follow Him wherever He may lead us. Joseph was a model of these pillars of our faith. As we prepare for the birth of our Lord, pray for the strength and courage to be a model of discipleship, just as Joseph was.

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

Viviendo Nuestra Fe

El mandamiento perenne de Jesús de amar al prójimo, la Iglesia lo considera no sólo una tarea individual sino comunitaria y a todo nivel eclesial, parroquial, diocesano y universal. Implementar el mandato del Señor requiere una organización tal que haga brillar la comunión entre los fieles, de modo que a nadie se le nieguen los bienes necesarios para una vida decorosa (ver Benedicto XVI, *Dios es amor*, 20).

- ♦ ¿Qué apoyos tienen los padres de familia para cumplir su responsabilidad de educar a sus hijos integralmente?
- ♦ Las carencias que más le han afectado a usted son...
- ♦ ¿Qué apoyos promueve su asociación o grupo de fe para sostener la fidelidad de las parejas matrimoniales?

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.



Viviendo Nuestra Fe 25 de diciembre de 2025

La reciente declaración *Dignidad infinita* (2025) del Dicasterio para la Doctrina de la Fe, reafirma que todos los seres humanos poseen una dignidad intrínseca, sagrada, irreductible, inviolable y concomitante a ser criaturas hechas a imagen y semejanza de Dios. Su dignidad los llama a representar a Dios en el mundo, a cuidarlo, nutrirlo. Igualmente, varón y mujer son amados por Dios, que está atento a todo sufrimiento humano. Esto, indudablemente nos empuja a trabajar contra todo aquello que viole la dignidad social y existencial de los hijos de Dios (cf. DI, 12).

Readings for the Fourth Sunday of Advent

22 Mon Advent Weekday *violet* 1 Sm 1:24-28/Lk 1:46-56

23 Tue Advent Weekday *violet* [Saint John of Kanty, Priest] Mal 3:1-4, 23-24/Lk 1:57-66

24 Wed Advent Weekday *violet* Morning: 2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16/Lk 1:67-79

25 Thu THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD (Christmas) *white* Solemnity [Holyday of Obligation]

Vigil: Is 62:1-5/Acts 13:16-17, 22-25/Mt 1:1-25 or 1:18-25

Night: Is 9:1-6/Ti 2:11-14/Lk 2:1-14

Dawn: Is 62:11-12/Ti 3:4-7/Lk 2:15-20

Day: Is 52:7-10/Heb 1:1-6/Jn 1:1-18 or 1:1-5, 9-14 Pss Prop

26 Fri Saint Stephen, the First Martyr *red* Feast Acts 6:8-10; 7:54-59/Mt 10:17-22 Pss Prop

27 Sat Saint John, Apostle and Evangelist *white* Feast 1 Jn 1:1-4/Jn 20:1a, 2-8 Pss Prop

28 SUN THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH *white* Feast Sir 3:2-6, 12-14/Col 3:12-21 or 3:12-17/Mt 2:13-15, 19-23 Pss Prop

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 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.



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