



ST. MARY
— OF THE —
IMMACULATE
CONCEPTION

PARISH

**254 Second Street
Jersey City, NJ 07302**

DAILY MASSES

Monday - Friday: 7am English
Monday - Adoration 7-8pm

Tuesday & Thursday: 7pm Spanish

Wednesday: 7:00pm
Adoration/Rosary/Divine Mercy

Saturday: 9:00am English

SATURDAY MASSES

Saturday Anticipated Mass:
5:30pm English

Confessions: Saturday 4-5pm

2000 Hail Mary's 8AM-6PM
Last Saturday of the Month

SUNDAY MASSES

8:00AM English

9:00AM Tagalog [First Sunday]

10:00AM Spanish

12:00PM English



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Monday - Friday 9AM-5PM

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September 20, 2026

St. Mary's Parish at 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

Our Parish Staff:

Parish Assistant and Bookkeeper:

Diana Encalada

Religious Education: Grades K-High School:

Freddy Burke

Office Manager:

Alexis Zhu

Sacristans:

Rosalia Mendoza & Kathy Sison

Maintenance:

Benny DeCastro

Music Director:

Eric Fahner

Trustees:

Purita Berrios & Deacon Cesar Sarmiento

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

TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME : SEPTEMBER 20, 2026

MASS SCHEDULE: September 21 - September 27, 2026

MONDAY	September 21, 2026
7:00 AM	Conversion of Brian Robins +Allan Ricardo; +Peter Burke; +Irene Higgins
7:00 PM	Holy Hour
TUESDAY	September 22, 2026
7:00 AM	Healing of Patricia Sweeney Special Intention of Michael Joseph +Zosima "Chuchi" Calingasan; +Rodrigo Calica
7:00 PM	Special Intention of Christopher Francis Conversion of Jill Robins
WEDNESDAY	September 23, 2026
7:00 AM	Conversion of Ruth Robins Jose Amilcar Liberacion; +Eileen Quirk
7:00 PM	Adoration/Rosary/Divine Mercy
THURSDAY	September 24, 2026
7:00 AM	Special Intention of Patrick Michael Conversion of Kate Horton
7:00 PM	Special Intention of Chad Nathan Conversion of James Horton
FRIDAY	September 25, 2026
7:00 AM	Special Intention of Sarah Jean +Marie Higgins; +Serafin & Angelica Lozada +Nancy Mercado
SATURDAY	September 26, 2026
9:00 AM	+Dolores Tolentino
5:30 PM	+Leonidas Doñe Jose Amilcar Liberacion +Ninfa Sy
SUNDAY	September 27, 2026
8:00 AM	People of the Parish
10:00 AM	+Renan Perez; +Luis Torres +Eduarda Maldonado; +Dave Herman +Ricardo Somoza
12:00 PM	+Deceased Members of Villatoro & Flores Family



St. Mary's Sanctuary Candle
Por Acción de Gracias Yolanda Muñoz

St. Boniface Chapel Candle
+Deceased parishioners of St. Mary's Parish

The Bread and Wine is offered this week for:
+Felices difuntos de la parroquia de Santa María

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.

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 12PM
OL OF ALTAGRACIA GROUP: 3rd Sunday of the Month, 12PM
2000 HAIL MARY'S: Last Saturday of the Month, 8AM - 6PM
CATHOLIC ACTION OF MARY: First Sunday 11AM, St Bridget's Library
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS: First Sunday 1PM, St Bridget's Library

POPE'S INTENTION FOR SEPTEMBER 2026:

For The Care Of Water

Let us pray for a just and sustainable management of water, a vital resource, so that everyone may have equal access to it.

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 13, 2026 : \$2,606.00
Second Collection : \$ 758.00
Online Donation : \$ 1,579.00

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.

Please scan the QR code if you would like to donate online.



Por favor, escanee el código QR si desea donar en línea.

Sacramental Preparation & Parish Registration

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. You must be registered for at least 4 months, or bring a letter from your parish of origin.

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.

Religious Education (CCD): For Religious Education of Children & Teens from Grades Kindergarten - High School; please contact Freddy Burke: stmarys2093rdst@gmail.com or visit the parish website for more information on program enrollment and classes.

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 move away from the area.

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.

REFLECTION

Dear Friends in Christ,

This weekend, we commemorate Catechetical Sunday, with our 12:00 Noon Opening Mass marking the beginning of St. Mary's Religious Education Program for the 2026-2027 catechetical year and the commissioning of our dedicated catechists. I would like to express my sincere gratitude to our St. Mary's Religious Education catechetical team of over 20+ members—our dedicated volunteers who have answered the call to teach and share the Word of God with our children and young people.

I would also like to warmly welcome the five new families who have joined our program this year, as well as welcome back all of our returning Religious Education families. We are grateful to have you as part of the St. Mary's family. If you have a child, or know of a family with a child or young person in need of Sacramental preparation for Baptism, First Holy Communion, or Confirmation, I invite you to become part of St. Mary's K-12 Religious Education Program. St. Mary's Religious Education program is happy to announce the new Kindergarten catechesis class along with Children and Teen Bible Study weekly.

We are all on our own journey of faith, and for parents, I remind you that your children are precious gifts from God. I encourage every family to make Sunday Mass a regular and meaningful part of your family life. Bring your children to church, pray together, and continue their faith formation at home. If your child has received their First Holy Communion, consider encouraging them to become an Altar Server and take an active role in the celebration of the Mass. If your child has received Confirmation, encourage them to continue growing in their faith by volunteering, serving others, and becoming more involved in the life of our parish.

As we begin another catechetical year, may we place our children, our families, our catechists, and the future of our parish and the Church into the loving hands of God. Through the intercession of the **Holy Family—Jesus, Mary, and Joseph—**may our homes always be places where faith, love, prayer, and service can grow.

May God bless our Religious Education Program, our catechists, our families, and all of our children and young people.

Peace and Grace,

Freddy Burke

Director of Religious Education

STEWARDSHIP

*"Thus, the last will be first, and the first will be last."
-MATTHEW 20:16*

You've heard the saying "it's not where you start, but how you finish." This certainly applies to this Bible passage. We have a responsibility not only for our own lives, but for the lives of others as well. We are called to generously share our gifts with others, not hoard them for our own use. Our sincere gratitude and cheerful generosity will help us live "God-centered" lives and not "self-centered" lives.

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.

Nuestra despensa de alimentos está abierta el primer y el tercer sábado de cada mes, de 7:00 a. m. a 8:30 a. m., en el 254 de 2nd Street (Marian Hall). Siempre agradecemos las donaciones de alimentos no perecederos y tarjetas de regalo para supermercados.

Viviendo Nuestra Fe

La doctrina social de la Iglesia ha insistido en que los bienes de la tierra tienen un necesario importe social: son para todos. Tal principio está a la base del derecho universal referente al uso de los bienes que es el "primer principio de todo el ordenamiento ético-social". Se trata de un derecho natural y "originario"; "todos los demás derechos, sean los que sean, están subordinados y nadie debe obstaculizar, sino facilitar su realización, y orientarlos a su finalidad primera" (*Populorum progressio*, 22).

- ¿Qué impide a los grupos sociales minoritarios acceder a la igualdad real y justa?
- ¿Valora usted colaborar en algún ministerio eclesial? ¿Qué le significa esto a su vida cristiana?
- ¿Ha identificado su comunidad o grupo de fe a "los últimos" del entorno social? ¿Cómo los valora?

Educación Religiosa (CCD)

Ya está abierta la inscripción en línea para el programa de educación religiosa dirigido a niños y adolescentes, desde el jardín de infancia (kindergarten) hasta la escuela secundaria (high school), para el ciclo 2026-2027. Por favor, visite el sitio web de la parroquia para inscribir a su hijo.

Noche De Película Familiar

El Consejo 137 de los Caballeros de Colón organizará una Noche de Juegos en Familia el viernes 25 de septiembre de 2026 en Marian Hall. El evento comenzará a las 6:30 p. m. Se servirán alitas de pollo, papas fritas y ensalada de col.

¡Todos son bienvenidos!

Misa en honor a Carlo Acutis

Acompáñenos en una velada de fe, adoración e inspiración para honrar a San Carlo Acutis. Será una Misa bilingüe el sábado 10 de octubre de 2026 a las 7:00pm.

Día de la Madre Cabrini

La parroquia de Santa María invita a todos a la Misa anual y a la celebración en honor a la Madre Cabrini, Patrona de los Inmigrantes, el domingo 11 de octubre de 2026 a las 12:00 del mediodía.

Comenzaremos la Misa con una procesión de portadores de banderas de cada nación. Después de la Misa, les invitamos a acompañarnos en el salón Marian Hall, situado en la planta baja, donde podrán degustar platos típicos de los numerosos países participantes.





Readings for the Week of the 25th Sunday of Ordinary Time, Year A

21 Mon Saint Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist red Feast Eph 4:1-7, 11-13/Mt 9:9-13 Pss Prop

22 Tue Weekday green Prv 21:1-6, 10-13/Lk 8:19-21

23 Wed Saint Pius of Pietrelcina, Priest white Memorial Prv 30:5-9/Lk 9:1-6

24 Thu Weekday green Eccl 1:2-11/Lk 9:7-9

25 Fri Weekday green Eccl 3:1-11/Lk 9:18-22

26 Sat Weekday green/red/white [Saints Cosmas and Damian, Martyrs; BVM] Eccl 11:9—12:8/Lk 9:43b-45

27 SUN TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME green Ez 18:25-28/Phil 2:1-11 or 2:1-5/Mt 21:28-32 Pss II

Religious Education (CCD)

Registration for Religious Education of Children & Teens from Grades Kindergarten - High School is still open online for the 2026-2027 year. Please visit the parish website to register your child.

OCIA

Registration is open online at our parish website for the Order of Christian Initiation for Adults program. Adults seeking to become Catholic or receive the sacraments of Christian Initiation can contact the parish office for more information.

Family Game Night

The Knights of Columbus invites everyone to Family Movie Night on Friday, September 25, 2026 at 6:30pm located at Marian Hall. There will be chicken wings, French fries and coleslaw.

All are welcome for community, faith, and family!

Mass in Honor of Carlo Acutis

Please join us for an evening of Faith, Adoration and Inspiration as we will honor St. Carlo Acutis in a bilingual Mass on Saturday, October 10, 2026 at 7:00PM.

Mother Cabrini Day

St. Mary's Parish invites everyone to the annual Mass and celebration of Mother Cabrini, Patroness of Immigrants on Sunday, October 11, 2026 at 12Noon.

We will start the Mass with a procession of flag bearers of each nation. After Mass, please join us downstairs at Marian Hall where you can taste the foods of the many countries participating.

