

Immaculate Conception / St. Bridget's Church

A Roman Catholic Community of African American Tradition

"We've Come This Far By Faith"



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Mission Statement: The Parish of Immaculate Conception/St. Bridget's is a Roman Catholic faith community whose worship reflects and celebrates the cultural gifts and diversity of its members. We welcome all believers to worship God, love one another, evangelize the good news of Jesus Christ and serve those in need.

February 2, 2020

The Presentation of the Lord

Jesus Christ is the salvation prepared for all nations to see.

The feast of the Presentation of the Lord invites us to celebrate the truth that Christ is the light of all nations, and the long-awaited glory of Israel. As we celebrate God's presence among us, we are invited to reflect on our calling to bring his redemptive light into our world.

We worship every Sunday at 10 am

Holy Days: Consult bulletin or call parish office.

Sacrament of Reconciliation: By Appointment.

Sacrament of Marriage: Pre-Cana is a Diocesan Requirement. Arrangements should be made at least six months in advance.

Baptism: Please call the parish office to make arrangements.

Catechumenate: Adults interested in joining the Roman Catholic Church, please call the parish office.

NEW MEMBERS ARE WELCOME!

BECOME A MEMBER OF THE PARISH

Join our church family! Do you want to know more about how to join the parish?
Call the parish office—325-3893

Sunday, February 2, 2020

For those who are homebound



Offerings for January 26, 2020

Offerings: \$1,891 Attendance: 96

Thank you for your generous support.



Please pray for the sick of the parish and for family and friends of parishioners: Earl & Phyllis Barnes, Sybil Doucette, Sarah Gordon, Mary Ann Hartman, Denise McGowan, Nikki Turner (Barbara Turner's daughter) Roxana Weber



MASS INTENTIONS

The 2020 Mass Intention Book is available to schedule Mass Intentions for Sunday Mass by calling the church office. Please call or stop by the office to schedule Mass Intentions. The cost is \$10.

Ministry Schedule

Sunday, February 2, 2020

Lectors

Reader I—Joanie Fraver

Reader II—Keith Parris

Eucharistic Ministers

Marcia Fugate —Walter DeRouen

Ushers

George Fontenette—Bing Reaves

Wayne Uter—Alex Cooper

Sunday, February 9, 2020

Lectors

Reader I—Phyllis Barnes

Reader II—Candice Lucas

Eucharistic Ministers

Jackie Bryant—Marcia Fugate

Ushers

Athanas Hicuburundi—Lee Wingo

Mike Nwokelo—Joe Catalli

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Sat. Feb. 8 Pastoral Council Meeting—9:30 am

Fri. Feb. 14 Valentine's Day

Mon. Feb. 17 President's Day—Office Closed

Sat. Feb. 29 St. Joseph's House of Hospitality

FEBRUARY CHRISTIAN ACTION

BE CHRIST'S LOVE:



Pay a sincere compliment.

Surprise someone with a love note.

Treat someone to a coffee/lunch/ dinner.

Leave a generous tip.

Send a valentine to someone who may not receive one.

Bible Readings for Sunday, February 2, 2020

Malachi 3:1-4 (pg. 60)

Hebrews 2:14-18 (pg. 61)

Luke 2:22-40 or 2:22-32 (pg. 61)



Bible Readings for Sunday, February 9, 2020

Isaiah 58:7-10 (pg. 62)

1 Corinthians 2:1-5 (pg. 63)

Matthew 5:13-16 (pg. 64)

You can track your action on the chart on the new bulletin board in the gathering space. Please share your experiences with Parish Council by emailing Maureen Corral at relax29@rochester.rr.com or place your handwritten reflection in the folder attached to the bulletin board in the gathering space.

Immaculate Conception / St. Bridget's parishioners will make the world a better place one action at a time.

Catholic Ministries Appeal

Parish Goal ~ \$9,910

We Have Exceeded Our Goal!

\$10,150 ~ 102.42%

Thank you to all who have made their pledge and for supporting our mission and for the success of exceeding our goal. We are very blessed and grateful. If you have not mailed in your CMA pledge, you can place your CMA pledge envelope in the collection basket or mail it directly to the Diocese of Rochester.



Pastoral Council

The next Pastoral Council meeting is Saturday, February 8, 2020 at 9:30 am in the gathering space.

Blood Pressure Screening will be offered today in the sacristy. Please have your blood pressure taken before you go to coffee hour.

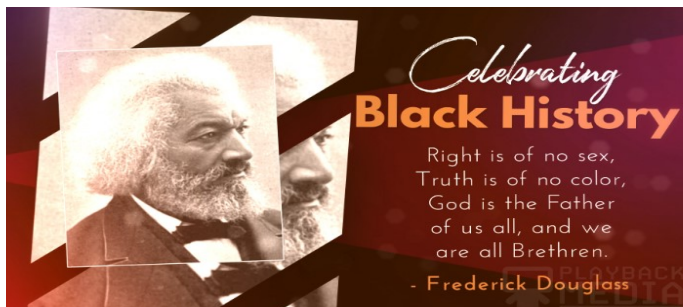


Catholics Speak Out for the Vulnerable: Oppose Physician Assisted Suicide in NYS

Next week you'll have the opportunity to sign our diocesan-wide Public Policy Weekend petition in opposition to physician assisted suicide. It will read:

I strongly oppose any legislation to legalize assisted suicide in New York state. Allowing doctors to prescribe a lethal dose for patients to end their lives devalues human life. There is also significant potential for abuse. I urge you to focus instead on improving palliative care, to ensure compassionate, comprehensive care and pain management for those who are terminally ill. We need to accompany rather than abandon them.

If you would prefer to sign the petition online, please go to www.dor.org/petition



Presentation of the Lord

Today we will celebrate the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord. The celebration will include the Blessing of Candles and procession throughout the church. You may also bring candles from your home to be blessed. At the conclusion of the mass throats will be blessed in memory of St. Blaise. Today is also National day of Prayer for the African American Family.



Word of God

Our Holy Father, Pope Francis has instituted the Sunday of the Word of God to be celebrated today the third Sunday of Ordinary Time. Due to scheduling we are not prepared to celebrate the event today. Next Sunday, February 9th we ask you to bring your personal or family bible to Mass with you. We want to emphasize the importance of the Bible in catholic life and encourage one another to read and study it as a regular part of our lives as disciples of Jesus. During the Mass we will have a commitment and blessing prayer as you hold your bibles.

Thank You

Thank you to everyone who provided Christmas gifts and food for the families of the Eastern Service Workers Association (ESWA). Your generosity is always appreciated by ESWA and the families they support.

"Walk the Walk"

Encounters with Rochester's African-American Ancestors (public performance)

February 7 @ 6:00 PM

Memorial AME Zion Church

549 Clarissa Street, Rochester, NY 14608

Enjoy this free entertaining and moving evening of theatre, as African-Americans from Rochester's past come to life to share their stories. Share the experiences of Rochesterians from the past, as you meet notables such as Frederick Douglass and Austin Steward – as well as those who may not be as well known, such as Bessie Hamm. Musical performances round out the evening. Appropriate for adults and families – all are welcome!

***If you are interested in advertising or including a Memorial
Please call the Parish Office – 325-3893***

St. Joseph's House of Hospitality A Rochester, NY Catholic Worker Community 402 South Avenue, Rochester, NY 14607 585-232-3262	BUCKMAN'S PLAZA 2590 W. Ridge Road, Rochester Visit our many stores including City Mattress, Visionworks, Pino's Deli, Megan Nail Spa, Red Cross, Hair Finale Morgan School of Driving, Orville's Appliances and many more.	
CORN HILL NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION 133 S. Fitzhugh Street, Rochester, NY 14608 www.cornill.org	Mileage Master Center of Rochester 2488 Browncroft Blvd. Rochester, NY 14625 585-586-1870 <i>The perfect place for all of your grilling needs</i>	TOM ZUBERT, REALTOR RE/MAX REALTY GROUP 585-721-1313 zubert.tom@gmail.com (ICS Graduate)
In Loving Memory of the QUAMINA & HARPER FAMILIES <i>Love Gail, Elise, Joyce, Richard</i>	In Loving Memory of My Wife ILONA WHITE <i>Alphonse White</i>	In Loving Memory of CREÔLE MON'AE FONTENETTE <i>Love your Grandparents</i>
In Loving Memory of HENRY FAISON JR. <i>Love your Mom, George, Adrian, Andre</i>	Prayerful Remembrance of the Gordons ARTHUR, SARAH, PEGGY, BUD, BOB, NANCY, GARY <i>Blessings Bill & Family</i>	THIS SPACE FOR RENT
In Loving Memory of DR. NATHANIEL HURST <i>The Wingo Family</i>	In Loving Memory of DAVID MILES <i>Love your Wife & Children</i>	In Prayerful Remembrance of the Deceased Members of the CULLEN & CORRAL FAMILIES <i>Love Ralph & Maureen</i>
In Loving Memory of JAMES STOKES <i>The Stokes Family</i>	In Loving Memory of JAMES WALTERS <i>Alice Walters</i>	In Loving Memory of JEFFREY WALTERS <i>Alice Walters</i>
In Loving Memory of DOUGLAS SIMMONS <i>Alice Walters</i>	In Loving Memory of ADA FULLWOOD <i>The Augustine/Fullwood Families</i>	In Loving Memory of RITA VIOLET AUGUSTINE <i>The Augustine Family</i>
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***Welcome Visitors to Immaculate Conception / St. Bridget's Church
We are blessed by your presence.
Please come again!***