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.

May 4, 2025 3rd Sunday of Easter



Congratulations to Nadege Bukuru who received the Sacrament of Confirmation on Thursday, April 24th by Bishop Salvatore Matano at Sacred Heart Cathedral.

Sunday Mass ~ 9:00 a.m.

Holy Days: Consult bulletin or call the 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 office to make arrangements.

Catechumenate: Adults interested in joining the Roman

Catholic Church, please call the office.

Sunday, May 4, 2025

David Stinson

Mass Intentions

Requested by Musette Castle



Please pray for the sick of the parish and for family and friends of parishioners: Earl Barnes, Fr. Robert Bradler, Clara Bray, Jocelyn Bucchan, Fr. Giles Conwill, Tom Degnan, Morris Doucette, Tom Fugate, Fr. John Judie, Denise McGowan, Louise Miles, Harold Moore, Carolyn Walker, Kathy Wheeler

LECTOR SCHEDULE

Sunday, May 4, 2025

Reader I & II—Keith Parris



Reader I & II—Maureen Corral & Elvira Martin

Sunday, May 18, 2025

Reader I & II—Erin McBride

Sunday, May 25, 2025

Reader I & II—Joanie Fraver & Nadege Bukuru

Sunday, June 1, 2025

Reader I & II—Makeeda Tatum & Violet Booker

Sunday, June 8, 2025

Reader I & II—Marcia Fugate & Teyana Pappin

Sunday, June 15, 2025

Reader I & II—Don Toyer

Sunday, June 22, 2025

Reader I & II—Andre Fontenette

Sunday, June 29, 2025

Reader I & II—Norma Thom



Any concerns related to financial fraud can be reported anonymously:

Financial Fraud Hotline 1-800-388-7177 x1266

Reports may also be made in writing to: Internal Audit Department • Diocese of Rochester 1150 Buffalo Road • Rochester, NY 14624 Offerings for April 27, 2025

Offerings: \$2,485 Attendance: 73

Online Giving: \$30 Online Givers: 1

Catholic Home Missions Appeal: \$514

Good Friday: \$50

Thank you for your generous support.

May

Sun. May 4 Blood Pressure Screening following

Mass

Sat. May 24 First Aid, CPR/AED Training

10:00 am-2:00 pm

Mon. May 26 Memorial Day—Office Closed

Fri. May 30 St. Joseph's House of Hospitality

May Christian Action

Appreciate your mother, grandmother, sister, daughter, female colleague, neighbor, etc.



Show them your love in a special way.



Extending Christ's Mission
through the Catholic Ministries Appeal

Immaculate Conception/St. Bridget's Parish—Goal \$12,000

As of this date, 32 families have contributed to the CMA. Thank you to all who have made their pledge and for supporting our mission. We have exceeded our goal by 122.75% (\$14,730).

Once again, thank you.



New members are welcome at Immaculate Conception/St. Bridget's Church. For more information on how to join the parish, please call the parish office at 235-3340 ext. 116.

Living Faith Surprised by Grace

Cast the net...and you will find something. John 21:6

Before every meeting, every workshop and every direction session, I always start with a prayer. I do it for a very specific reason. I have noticed that when I do, the event always goes better. One might presume that God is always present and thus no prayer is needed, but the explicit prayer seems to make a difference.

In today's Gospel, Peter and his coworkers had been fishing all night but caught nothing. But, as Jesus' invitation and with trust in him, they lower their nets again. Their efforts are rewarded with an overflowing catch.

Lifting a prayer before each event reminds us that it is God who gives the abundance. It calls upon the Lord for a special blessing, and no prayer is ever unheeded.

Before you engage in any event or task, you might say a little prayer asking for God's blessing. You might be surprised by the result.

Msgr. Stephen J. Rossetti

Easter Sunday with the Altars Servers, Liturgical Dancers and Choir







Blood Pressure Screening will be offered today in the sacristy. Please have your blood pressure taken before leaving church.





Please remember to sign up for Coffee Hour held once a month on the second Sunday of the month.

You may now bring in homemade items as well as store bought items.

Thank you!

1ST AID, CPR/AED TRAINING



Sponsored by EPIC Trainings Participants will learn the following:

- How to handle Breathing/Choking and Cardiac Emergencies
 Current standards for Adult/Pediatric CPR
- Prevention of Airborne/Bloodborne Pathogen Dangers
 Concussion Awareness/Prevention/Treatment
- Identify and Care for Bleeding, Sudden illness and Injuries
 Treatment for: Shock, Burns, Seizures and Poisoning
 Respond in Cold and Heat related Emergencies
- 2 Year Certification Card issued upon successful completion

Saturday, May 24th, 2025 ~ 10:00 am - 2:00 pm

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\$25.00 Per Participant

To Register: Call (585) 615-4379 or email mail@epictrainings.com

Registration Deadline: May 22nd

22nd Annual Fr. Chester P. Smith National Black Catholic Men's Conference—New Orleans, LA

Registration is now open!

September 4-7, 2025 Theme: The Forge (Matthew 28:18-20)

Registration Fee: \$175 Adult; \$100 Youth age 10-17 Hilton Riverside Hotel, 2 Poydras Street, New Orleans, LA

For more information check the Bowman Francis Ministry Website: www.bowmanfrancis.org



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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 The perfect place for all of your grilling needs	Together on Earth ~ Together in Eternity Together Missed, Evermore Jack & Elvira Powell Lynn Fulmore
In Loving Memory of the QUAMINA & HARPER FAMILIES Love Gail, Elise, Joyce, Richard	In Loving Memory of My Wife ILONA WHITE Alphonse White	Skips on the Ridge 640 West Ridge Road Rochester, NY 14615 585-865-3896
In Loving Memory of RACHAEL ALICEA & THEODORE ALICEA-SMITH Rick & Colleen Brade	Prayerful Remembrance of the Gordons ARTHUR, SARAH, PEGGY, BUD, BOB, NANCY, GARY Blessings Bill & Family	In Loving Memory of JOE HAUSER The Wingo Family
In Loving Memory of DR. NATHANIEL HURST The Wingo Family	In Loving Memory of DAVID MILES Love your Wife & Children	In Prayerful Remembrance of the Deceased Members of the CULLEN, CORRAL, DESTEPHANO FAMILIES Love Ralph & Maureen
In Loving Memory of JAMES STOKES The Stokes Family	In Loving Memory of TOM & NELLIE BOSTICK & ALICE WALTERS	Linda Nash Like Dust, Dreams, Air, the Sun & Hopes Eternal She Rose Your Daughters, Lynn & Shlonda
In Loving Memory of BILL CASTLE The Castle Family	In Loving Memory of GILBERT & CHARITY ADIELE The Nwokelo Family	"In Memory of the great bass player Tim Sullivan Doug and Victoria Parker on behalf of the GateSwingers Big Band"
Words cannot say how much you are missed. You are so very loved. MOMMY Love Jacquie, Kimberly, Gina & Jean	In Loving Memory of JOSEPH RONALD WEBER Roxana C. Weber	In Loving Memory of SARAH & DONALD GORDON & HENRY BELL SR. The Gordon/Bell Families
In Loving Memory of JOANNE LESSLEY Joanne Gordon	In Loving Memory of TALLAM NGUTI Love your Wife & Children	In Loving Memory of MICHAEL & JULIANA NWOKELO SR. The Nwokelo Family
In Loving Memory of ALL THE DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE McGEE FAMILY James & Melissa McGee	In Loving Memory of RAPHAEL NGUTI Love Mom, Michael, Camille	MATH TUTORING MATH COACHING 585-247-4941