

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.

August 4, 2024

18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

The Lord never fails us, providing for our every need.

The people expected, and trusted, that God would provide for their every need ... except when they didn't. The Lord expected that his people would obey his commands and follow his guidance ... except they often didn't. Notice who fails in this relationship: it's not God! God provided daily bread to sustain them in the desert. He provides for us the true bread of life—Jesus—to sustain us for eternity. The Lord never fails us, providing for our every need.

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.

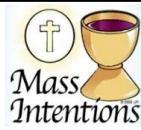
Catechumenate: Adults interested in joining the Roman Catholic Church, please call the office.

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.

Sunday, August 4, 2024

Ed Cullen

Requested by Maureen Corral & Ralph Destephano



Please pray for the sick of the parish and for family and friends of parishioners: Earl Barnes, Nellie Bostick, Fr. Robert Bradler, Jocelyn Bucchan, Fr. Giles Conwill, Tom Degnan, Jacquie Dobson, Morris Doucette, George Fontenette, Tom Fugate, Theresa Macon, Denise McGowan, Louise Miles, Harold Moore, Carolyn Walker, Alice Walters, Kathy Wheeler

LECTOR SCHEDULE

Sunday, August 4, 2024

Reader I & II—Maureen Corral

Sunday, August 11, 2024

Reader I & II—Don Toyer

Sunday, August 18, 2024

Reader I & II—Andre Fontenette

Sunday, August 25, 2024

Reader I & II—Makeeda Tatum & Violet Booker

Sunday, September 1, 2024

Reader I & II—Marcia Fugate

Sunday, September 8, 2024

Reader I & II—Norma Thom

Sunday, September 15, 2024

Reader I & II—Joanie Fraver

Sunday, September 22, 2024

Reader I & II—Keith Parris

Sunday, September 29, 2024

Reader I & II—Marcia Fugate



**MASS
INTENTIONS**

The 2025 Mass Intention book has arrived. You will now be able to schedule mass intentions for 2025. Please call or stop by the office to schedule Mass Intentions. The cost is \$10.

Offerings for July 28, 2024

Offerings: \$1,667

Attendance: 49

Online Giving: \$205

Online Givers: 3

Thank you for your generous support.

August Christian Action

Be Kind and Caring!

- Be the reason someone smiles.
- Visit, email, call or write a note to someone who is lonely.
- Let someone know you are praying for them.
- Lighten someone's load.
- Be the reason someone believes in the kindness of strangers.

Living Faith

No Expiration Date

Do not work for food that perishes but for the food that endures for eternal life... John 6:27

I hear it whenever my wife sends me to the grocery store. "Remember," she calls out to me, "get the milk and bread from the back!" It's a reminder for her forgetful husband that, like so many things in life, groceries have expiration dates. Reach into the back of the shelf, check the dates tagged on the containers and get the stuff that will last longest.

In today's Gospel, Jesus offers us a similar lesson. His listeners must have been amazed to hear him offering bread that wouldn't go bad, "The true bread from heaven."

The Son of God could feed them in ways they never imagined. And he continues to do that for us today with "food that endures for eternal life."

We are reminded of it at every Eucharist when Jesus offers us the immeasurable gift of himself.

With Christ, we don't have to look for a stamp or a tag. What he gives has no expiration date.

Dcn Greg Kandra



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

**ST. MONICA 2024
VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL**

**THE MYSTERY
OF FAITH**

**AUGUST 12-16, 2024
8:45-NOON * GRADES K-12
LUNCH INCLUDED**

REGISTER AT STMONICAOFROCHESTER.ORG

Westside Farmer's Market!
Tuesdays, 4:00-7:00 PM
St. Monica's Parking Lot

Good things to be found at the Westside Farmers Market—bike repairs done by R Community Bikes and the ability to use SNAP benefits.



Church Cookout/Family Day
August 11, 2024 ~ 12:30 pm Mass
Church Cookout following Mass

**Immaculate Conception/St.
Bridget's Gala at Harro East**
September 14, 2024 ~ 6:00 pm

Ministry Day
October 12, 2024 ~ 10:00 am



**AUCTION
ITEMS
NEEDED!**

SILENT AUCTION DONATIONS

*Please don't forget about donations for our
silent auction to be held on September 14th at our
175th Anniversary Gala!*

We are counting on your support and generosity, in either donating items yourself, or soliciting items or services from a business you may be associated with.....We would accept donations such as salon certificates, cooking classes, pet grooming services, car wash tickets, restaurant gift cards, photo shoot session, tickets to sporting or cultural events, gift baskets, etc. Please note that we cannot accept any gifts that include alcohol.

For personal donations, we welcome pieces of art, glassware, jewelry, quilts, antique pieces, pottery, small kitchen appliances, etc. which are in new or excellent condition and with a minimum value of at least \$35.00.

Maybe you have talent as a crafter..... If you paint, knit, crochet, quilt, work in wood or glass, or make jewelry or pottery – you could craft something for the auction.

We ask you to use your imaginations - the more items we collect, the more fun the auction will be.

If you need a copy of the Donation Request Letter and Form, or are planning on a personal donation, please see either Joanie Fraver or Marcia Fugate. Forms are also available in the back of the church.

**IMMACULATE CONCEPTION/
ST. BRIDGET'S CHURCH**

*Cordially invites you to an Anniversary Gala
to celebrate 175 Years of Praise!*

*We've come this far by faith!
See what the Lord has done for us!*

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 2024 6:00 pm
featuring music by DJ BacSpin

THE HARRO EAST BALLROOM
153 N. Chestnut St.
Rochester, NY 14604

EARLY BIRD TICKETS \$65 UNTIL 8/12/24
REGULAR PRICE TICKETS \$75 UNTIL AUG. 29, 2024
NO TICKETS SOLD AFTER 8/29/24
DISCOUNT FOR TABLES OF 8

Tracy Jordan 585.235.3340
Semi-formal attire

GALA

*Gala Tickets are now available. Please see Joanne
Gordon, Isabelle Walters or call the church office.*

Clarissa Street Reunion
Saturday, August 17, 2024
10:00 am—8:00 pm

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 14626 Please visit our many stores, including City Mattress, Visionworks, Pino's Deli, Megan Nail Spa, Red Cross, Sign Impressions and Orville's Appliances.	
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>	Skips on the Ridge 640 West Ridge Road Rochester, NY 14615 585-865-3896
For all Deceased Families, Friends & Parishioners of Immaculate Conception /St. Bridget's Church <i>Rose Stokes</i>	Prayerful Remembrance of the Gordons ARTHUR, SARAH, PEGGY, BUD, BOB, NANCY, GARY <i>Blessings Bill & Family</i>	In Loving Memory of JOE HAUSER <i>The Wingo Family</i>
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>	Today marks 5 years of your passing Sharla Davenport Sister's We (3) Will Always Be! Love, Lynn & Shlonda	Happy 2nd Heavenly Birthday to our Beloved Mother Linda Nash Missing you more each day, Lynn & Shlonda
In Loving Memory of BILL CASTLE <i>The Castle Family</i>	In Loving Memory of GILBERT & CHARITY ADIELE <i>The Nwokelo Family</i>	"In Memory of the great bass player Tim Sullivan <i>Doug and Victoria Parker on behalf of the GateSwingers Big Band "</i>
Words cannot say how much you are missed. You are so very loved. MOMMY <i>Love Jacquie, Kimberly, Gina & Jean</i>	In Loving Memory of JOSEPH RONALD WEBER <i>Roxana C. Weber</i>	In Loving Memory of SARAH & DONALD GORDON & HENRY BELL SR. <i>The Gordon/Bell Families</i>
In Loving Memory of JOANNE LESSLEY <i>Joanne Gordon</i>	In Loving Memory of TALLAM NGUTI <i>Love your Wife & Children</i>	In Loving Memory of MICHAEL & JULIANA NWOKELO SR. <i>The Nwokelo Family</i>
In Loving Memory of ALL THE DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE McGEE FAMILY <i>James & Melissa McGee</i>	In Loving Memory of RAPHAEL NGUTI <i>Love Mom, Michael, Camille</i>	MATH TUTORING MATH COACHING 585-247-4941