

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 22, 2022

Sixth Sunday of Easter



As our Easter journey continues, may the promise of the Holy Spirit give us hope and strength.

Our Gospel brings us back to the Last Supper. Knowing his disciples will need encouragement for the events that lie ahead, Jesus grants them the gift of peace and the promise of the Spirit. We also need those gifts as we strive to live the Gospel life and be faithful to Christ.

Holy Days: Consult bulletin or call the office.

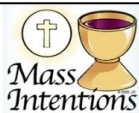
Sacrament of Reconciliation: By Appointment.

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 22, 2022



Zachary Corral

Requested by Maureen Corral & Ralph Destephano



Please pray for the sick of the parish and for family and friends of parishioners: Earl & Phyllis Barnes, Fr. Robert Bradler, Julie Coe, Fr. Giles Conwill, Morris Doucette, Tom Fugate, Denise McGowan, Yvette Reaves, Margaret Saint Joy, Carolyn Walker, Alice Walters

Bible Readings for Sunday, May 22, 2022

Act 15:1-2, 22-29

Revelation 21:10-14, 22-23

John 14:23-29



Bible Readings for Sunday, May 29, 2022

Act 7:55-60

Revelation 22:12-14, 16-17, 20

John 17:20-26

LECTOR SCHEDULE

Sunday, May 22, 2022

Reader I & II—Norma Thom

Sunday, May 29, 2022

Reader I & II—Joanie Fraver

Sunday, June 5, 2022

Reader I & II—Marcia Fugate

Sunday, June 12, 2022

Reader I & II—Keith Parris

Sunday, June 19, 2022

Reader I & II—Walter DeRouen

Sunday, June 26, 2022

Reader I & II—Makeeda Tatum & Violet Booker

**CORN HILL
ARTS FESTIVAL**

SAVE THE DATES

Saturday, July 9 & Sunday, July 10

Offerings for May 15, 2022

Offerings: \$1,548

Attendance: 71

Online Giving: \$225

Online Givers: 6

Diocesan Missions—\$400

Thank you for your generous support.



Sat. May 28 St. Joseph's House of Hospitality

Mon. May 30 Memorial Day—Office Closed

May Christian Action



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

Show them your love in a special way.

Do Something Beautiful for God

The Essential Teachings of Mother Teresa

In many places, children are neglected, but animals are cared for and pampered. Animals are given special food and other special things. I love dogs myself, very much, but still I cannot bear seeing a dog given the place of a child.



- Julian Barthelemy*
- Maria Degnan*
- Anthony DeRouen*
- Dorothy Dobson*
- Carrie Fontenette*
- Joanie Fraver*
- Sosthenes Pierre-Philippe*
- Coralie Seide*
- Isabelle Walters*

Living Faith ~ Prepare for the Holy Spirit

The Holy Spirit...will teach you everything... John 14:26

If you had the choice to having Jesus in the flesh in your daily life, as he was with the apostles, or having the Holy Spirit, which would you choose? I would be sorely tempted to choose Jesus in the flesh. Every day I would be walking with Jesus, listening to him, breaking bread with him and witnessing his miracles. But that would be the wrong choice.

Jesus said it was better that he go so that the Father would send another Advocate, the Holy Spirit. When the Spirit comes, it fills our entire being with the presence of God. We do not just listen to Jesus, we become one with him.

The truth of our transformation into Jesus, and our becoming one with the Divine, is the greatest of gifts. All are made possible by the coming of the Spirit.

Pentecost is coming soon. Let us prepare for this, the greatest of gifts.

Msgr. Stephen J. Rosetti

Justice = Peace

We pray for the victims of the horrific hate crime in Buffalo last weekend. We stand against racism in all forms and pledge to work to dismantle racist systems and ideas. May we follow Jesus' example of treating others with dignity and respect, individually and systematically.

Jesus, help us work for justice and peace.

<https://www.npr.org/.../109.../buffalo-shooting-what-we-know>



Almsgiving

As part of their Lenten project, The Immaculate Conception/St. Bridget's Religious Education youth will be collecting non-perishable food items. The collected items will be donated to a local food bank. The project will run now through June 12. A bin will be placed in the Gathering space for your donations.

Thank you for your help.

The Religious Education Students



Magnificat Rochester invites all women to a breakfast at the Brook Lea Country Club, 891 Pixley Rd, (off Chili Ave) on **Saturday, June 11th**; seating begins at 9:00 a.m.- and program ends at 12:00 noon.

Reservations \$25.00; after June 4th: \$27.00; Student \$15.00; Registration required; no tickets sold at the door. Deadline June 8th. To register, mail check to: Magnificat Rochester, PO Box 24787, Rochester NY, 14624; include your name, address, phone number and email address. You can also register via PayPal (\$26.40) on our website at www.MagnificatRochester.org.

For more information: call Diane Hayes at 585-943-4759, or send an email to: MagnificatRochester@frontier.com

LIVE THE LITURGY

Inspiration for the week

Everyone wants to experience peace. When we look to the world to provide this for us, we can easily get disappointed. We associate peace with an absence of war and conflict, good relationships between neighbors and coworkers, the achievement of success and even the absence of noise! While all of these are worthy endeavors, pursuing them exclusively as a path to experiencing peace sets us up for failure. When we look for peace outside of ourselves, it will never be found. True and lasting peace is something that comes from within and not something we can produce on our own or receive from others. Peace is discovered when we experience an inner wholeness and harmony. It is born of a sense of connectedness with a God who is larger and greater than ourselves, gifting us with His presence. It is the only the peace offered by the Risen Christ that can settle our hearts and calm our fears. Regardless of the degree of turmoil around us, this sense of completeness that Jesus gives anchors our boats and prevents us from sinking.

<p>St. Joseph's House of Hospitality</p> <p>A Rochester, NY Catholic Worker Community 402 South Avenue, Rochester, NY 14607 585-232-3262</p>	<p align="center">BUCKMAN'S PLAZA 2590 W. Ridge Road, Rochester 14626</p> <p align="center">Visit our two new stores Twisted Dolls Hair Braiding Salon and Consignkids Clothing and more. City Mattress, Visionworks, Pino's Deli, Megan Nail Spa, Red Cross, Sign Impressions, Greece Chiropractic, Orville's Appliances.</p>	
<p>Corn Hill Neighborhood Association 133 S. Fitzhugh Street Rochester, NY 14608 www.cornill.org</p>	<p>Mileage Master Center of Rochester 2488 Browncroft Blvd. Rochester, NY 14625 585-586-1870</p> <p><i>The perfect place for all of your grilling needs</i></p>	<p>Tom Zubert, Realtor RE/MAX REALTY GROUP 585-721-1313 zubert.tom@gmail.com (ICS Graduate)</p>
<p>In Loving Memory of the QUAMINA & HARPER FAMILIES <i>Love Gail, Elise, Joyce, Richard</i></p>	<p>In Loving Memory of My Wife ILONA WHITE <i>Alphonse White</i></p>	<p>Skips on the Ridge 640 West Ridge Road Rochester, NY 14615 585-865-3896</p>
<p>In Loving Memory of HENRY FAISON JR. <i>Love Mom, George, Adrian, Andre</i></p>	<p>Prayerful Remembrance of the Gordons ARTHUR, SARAH, PEGGY, BUD, BOB, NANCY, GARY <i>Blessings Bill & Family</i></p>	<p>In Loving Memory of JOE HAUSER <i>The Wingo Family</i></p>
<p>In Loving Memory of DR. NATHANIEL HURST <i>The Wingo Family</i></p>	<p>In Loving Memory of DAVID MILES <i>Love your Wife & Children</i></p>	<p>In Prayerful Remembrance of the Deceased Members of the CULLEN & CORRAL FAMILIES <i>Love Ralph & Maureen</i></p>
<p>In Loving Memory of JAMES STOKES <i>The Stokes Family</i></p>	<p>In Loving Memory of JAMES WALTERS <i>Alice Walters</i></p>	<p>In Loving Memory of JEFFREY WALTERS <i>Alice Walters</i></p>
<p>In Loving Memory of DOUGLAS SIMMONS <i>Alice Walters</i></p>	<p>In Loving Memory of GILBERT & CHARITY ADIELE <i>The Nwokelo Family</i></p>	<p align="center"><i>This Space Available</i></p>
<p>In Loving Memory of CREÓLE MON'AE FONTENETTE <i>Love your Grandparents</i></p>	<p>In Loving Memory of JOSEPH RONALD WEBER <i>Roxana C. Weber</i></p>	<p>In Loving Memory of SARAH & DONALD GORDON & HENRY BELL SR. <i>The Gordon/Bell Families</i></p>
<p>For all Deceased Families, Friends & Parishioners of Immaculate Conception / St. Bridget's Church <i>Love Rose Stokes</i></p>	<p>In Loving Memory of JOANNE LESSLEY <i>Joanne Gordon</i></p>	<p>In Loving Memory of MARY JACKSON <i>Thomas & Nellie Bostick</i></p>
<p>In Loving Memory of ALL THE DECEASED DOUCETTE FAMILY <i>Love Louise & Shannon</i></p>	<p>In Loving Memory of SARAH ANN GORDON <i>Louise & Shannon</i></p>	<p>In Loving Memory of MICHAEL NWOKELO SR. <i>The Nwokelo Family</i></p>