

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.

July 12, 2026

15th Sunday In Ordinary Time

Lord, plant your word in our hearts.

The images of the seed and God's word run through the readings today. God is both sower and seed. He provides water and light and brings growth. As we contemplate this image of a seed bursting into life, let us pause and ask the Holy Spirit to help us be open to how God is working in us, providing us the grace we need to bear abundant fruit for him.

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 ext. 116.



EMERGENCY PHONE NO.

Please Note: The Church's Emergency Phone Number has changed. Please dial 585-412-3913 for emergency assistance. Thank you.

Sunday, July 12, 2026

Ralph & Mary Destephano

Requested by Ralph Destephano & Maureen Corral



Please pray for the sick of the parish and for family and friends of parishioners: Jocelyn Buccan, Fr. Giles Conwill, Jacquelyn Dobson, Marcia Fugate, Tom Fugate, Carolyn Walker, Fr. Robert Werth, Kathy Wheeler

LECTOR SCHEDULE

Sunday, July 12, 2026

Reader I & II—Maureen Corral

Sunday, July 19, 2026

Reader I & II—Nadege Bukuru

Sunday, July 26, 2026

Reader I & II—Makeeda Tatum & Violet Booker

Sunday, August 2, 2026

Reader I & II—Joanie Fraver

Sunday, August 9, 2026

Reader I & II—Andre Fontenette

Sunday, August 16, 2026

Reader I & II—Marcia Fugate

Sunday, August 23, 2026

Reader I & II—Lynn Fulmore

Sunday, August 30, 2026

Reader I & II—Teyana Pappin

Sunday, September 6, 2026

Reader I & II—Keith Parris

Sunday, September 13, 2026

Reader I & II—Don Toyer

Sunday, September 20, 2026

Reader I & II—Norma Thom

Sunday, September 27, 2026

Reader I & II—Maureen Corral



Offerings for July 5, 2026

Offerings: \$1,986

Attendance: 67

Online Giving: \$340

Online Givers: 4

Thank you for your generous support.

THE CHURCH IN CENTRAL AND EASTERN EUROPE

Thank you for your generous contributions to the Collection for the Church in Central and Eastern Europe last week! As a parish, we collected **\$443** to restore the Church and build the future in more than 25 countries. If you missed the collection, it's not too late to give. Visit www.usccb.org/ccce.

July Christian Action

Be proud to be an American!

- Pray for our leaders and for peace in our country and our world.
- Thank a veteran/military person for their service and our freedom.
- Care for our earth: pick up litter, recycle, conserve water, and turn lights off when not in use.

How do I give my offering?

1. Weekly offering envelopes, cash or checks can be brought to Mass or mailed to: Immaculate Conception/St. Bridget's Church, 34 Monica Street, Rochester, NY 14619
2. OSV Online Giving: Visit our website (<https://www.osvhub.com/immaculateconceptionrochester/giving/funds>)
For secure one-time or recurring online giving

**We now have a QR Code to
access our online giving**



ROMAN CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF ROCHESTER

Victims of sexual abuse should always report to the civil authorities.

To receive help and guidance from the Roman Catholic Diocese of Rochester, contact our Victim Assistance Coordinator:

Deborah Housel
585-328-3228, ext. 1555
Toll-free: 1-800-388-7177, ext. 1555
or by e-mail to victimassistance@dor.org.



ROMAN CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF ROCHESTER

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

Youth Sunday



Our Religious Education youth are faithfully growing their religious ministries of altar servers, lectors and ushers! Continue to grow and develop in your faith journey. Blessings!



A big congratulations to **Nadege Bukuru**, a teenager and parishioner at Immaculate Conception/St. Bridget's, who won the Cross and Star award last week at Camp Stella Maris! Kids in each cabin vote, and the Cross and Star award is given to the most Christ-like person in the cabin. Nadege was voted to win in her cabin. Congratulations and we love you!



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL 2026

AUGUST 10-14

8:45am-noon * Grades preK4-7
Free + lunch included

Online registration form: stmonicaofrochester.org

**LIGHT OF THE
WORLD**

These are the following items we need for VBS 2026.

Please note that all food MUST be PEANUT-FREE.

Please contact Jessica.tette@dor.org to donate.

Thank you so much for supporting our youth's spiritual development!

- o Cheese sticks – 150
- o Gogo squeeze – 100
- o Hot dog buns - 100
- o Individual goldfish bags – 100
- o Individual chips bags – 200
- o Individual popcorn snack bags (pre-popped)- 100
- o Doritos bags - 70
- o Individually-wrapped Oreos – 100
- o Peanut-free granola bars – 200
- o Grapes for 80 people
- o 4 watermelons

CORN HILL ARTS FESTIVAL

TODAY

Sunday, July 12
10:00 am—5:00 pm

Red Wings Game



Tuesday, July 28th at 6:05 pm

Immaculate Conception/St. Bridget's, Emmanuel Church of the Deaf and St. Monica Church at the Red Wings Game

Tickets are \$7

and are on sale until Sunday, July 19th

Please see Myrtle Fontenette to purchase tickets.

28th Annual Clarissa Street Reunion 2026

August 15, 2026 ~ 10:00am - 7:00pm

Please join the festivities as family, neighbors, and friends gather to enjoy the following:

Presentations from 3 stages

- Clarissa & Troup: Jazz Stage
- Clarissa & Adams: Gospel, Poetry, and Song Stage
- Clarissa & Samuel McCree Way: R&B Stage
- Variety of vendors and exhibits

Happy 50th Anniversary

George & Precious Fontenette will be celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary on Friday, July 24, 2026.

And above all these put on love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony.

Colossians 3:14

The Wisdom of Fulton Sheen

God walks into your soul with silent step. God comes to you more than you go to Him. Never will his coming be what you expect, and yet never will it disappoint. The more you respond to his gentle pressure, the greater will be your freedom.

Welcome Visitors!

We are blessed by your presence.

Please come again.

St. Joseph's House of Hospitality A Rochester, NY Catholic Worker Community 402 South Avenue, Rochester, NY 14607 585-232-3262	REJOICE IN THE LORD ALWAYS. I SAY IT AGAIN REJOICE! PHILIPPIANS 4:4	
Corn Hill Neighborhood Association 133 S. Fitzhugh Street Rochester, NY 14608 www.cornhill.org	Skips on the Ridge 640 West Ridge Road Rochester, NY 14615 585-865-3896	<i>Jack & Elvira Powell</i> <i>Always Loved</i> <i>Never Forgotten</i> <i>Forever Missed</i>
In Loving Memory of the QUAMINA & HARPER FAMILIES <i>Love Gail, Elise, Joyce, Richard</i>	In Loving Memory of TALLAM & RAPHAEL NGUTI <i>Love Your Family</i>	Alzheimer's Association Our free 24/7 Helpline provides support and information. Call 800.272.3900 today.
In Loving Memory of RACHAEL ALICEA & THEODORE ALICEA-SMITH <i>Rick & Colleen Brade</i>	In Prayerful Remembrance of the Deceased Members of the CANEPA, CULLEN, MILEY FAMILIES <i>Love Ralph & Maureen</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 My Guess Family, CHARLES, MERCEDES, ERIC & MARVA <i>Out of sight but never out of mind!</i> <i>Marcia Fugate</i>	In Prayerful Remembrance of the Deceased Members of the CORRAL, DESTEPHANO FAMILIES <i>Love Ralph & Maureen</i>
In Loving Memory of JAMES STOKES <i>The Stokes Family</i>	In Loving Memory of TOM & NELLIE BOSTICK & ALICE WALTERS	<i>Linda Nash</i> <i>Always Loved</i> <i>Never Forgotten</i> <i>Forever Missed</i>
In Loving Memory of BILL CASTLE <i>The Castle Family</i>	In Loving Memory of DAVID & LOUISE MILES <i>Gone, but Never Forgotten</i> <i>Bill Sr., Bill Jr., Shannon, Shannel & Brandon</i>	<i>"In Memory of the great bass player</i> Tim Sullivan <i>Doug and Victoria Parker on behalf of the GateSwingers Big Band "</i>
In Loving Memory of JOANNE LESSLEY <i>Joanne Gordon</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 ALL THE DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE McGEE FAMILY <i>James & Melissa McGee</i>	Hart Cleaning Services LLC Professional Janitorial Contracting Services Certified NYS WMBE • Certified DBE • Veteran Jake Hart ~ 585-615-2110 hartcleaning@frontier.com • www.hartcleaningservices.com	In Loving Memory of MICHAEL & JULIANA NWOKELO SR. <i>The Nwokelo Family</i>
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