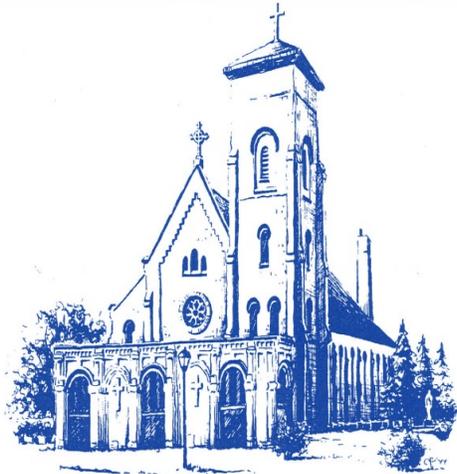


Immaculate Conception / St. Bridget's Church

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 5, 2020

14th Sunday In Ordinary Time

Jesus' kingship is one of mercy with humility and compassion for all who struggle.

In the kingship of Jesus, we celebrate his humility and gentleness, and in a particular way, his understanding of the blessings of children. His dominion is not one of power and control, but of a servant who lifts up the fallen and raises all who are burdened; he is gracious and merciful.

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.

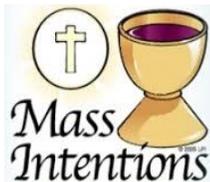
WE WORSHIP EVERY SUNDAY AT 10 AM

NEW MEMBERS ARE WELCOME!

Mass Intention

Larry Demarse

Requested by Bill Gordon



Offerings for June 28, 2020

Offerings: \$3,640 Attendance: 46

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, Alice Walters, Roxana Weber

July Birthdays ~ Happy Birthday!

Carolyn Walker	Lisa Pipitone	Colleen Brade
Candice Lucas	Renata Joseph	Thierry Muhanuka
Nadia Hica	Junior Nsabimana	

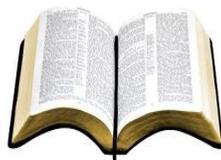
Bible Readings for Sunday, July 5, 2020

Zechariah 9:9-10 (pg. 55)
Romans 8:9, 11-13 (pg. 56)
Matthew 11:25-30 (pg. 57)



Bible Readings for Sunday, July 12, 2020

Isaiah 55:10-11 (pg. 57)
Romans 8:18-23 (pg. 58)
Matthew 13:1-23 or 13:1-9 (pg. 59)



BIBLE STUDY CORNER

“Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.”

Matthew 11:28-30

Reflection: We find no peace in situations that cause overwhelming stress. We feel abused in the workplace when coworkers expect us to carry the entire load. We get frustrated with colleagues and friends who burden us with their problems. We become paralyzed from carrying around personal baggage and secrets. We panic when we don't have the resources to meet our financial obligations. When life's burdens become too difficult to bear, we risk having a mental, emotional, spiritual, and physical breakdown.

Society adds to our stress and anxiety every day with a steady flow of messages promoting unhealthy behavior. We're conditioned to keep busy, to stay connected to our friends on the Internet, to seek comfort at the mall, to go out to fast food restaurants, to spend hours driving from one event to the next, and to find satisfaction outside the home. We suffer from chronic burnout because we don't know how to rest.

People of faith honor the Sabbath and keep the Lord's day holy. We need sacred space and time to be with God. We are yoked to the Trinity, Scriptures, and the teachings of the gospel. We need time to rest with God, to reflect on God's Word, to pray, to renew the mind, heart, soul, and body. We need Sabbath time each week to remind us that we're made in God's image and likeness, that we are very good.

Ponder: What burdens do I carry?

Prayer: Lord, you give rest to the weary of heart. Help me create space in my life to rest in your presence.

Practice: Today I will be faithful by making time to be alone with God.

Returning to Mass

Loving our neighbor looks different during a global pandemic. At Immaculate Conception/St. Bridget's, we follow state and diocesan regulations to keep everyone safe while at church. These safety measures demonstrate our respect for the life and well-being of our neighbors.

Wear a mask.

Wear your own mask or face covering during Mass. Masks are required for anyone age 2 and older.



No gloves for Holy Communion

The Precious Body cannot be distributed or received with gloved hands and will only be received by the hand. The Precious Blood is not offered at this time.

Stay home if you feel unwell.

If you are not feeling well or unsure about maintaining social distancing, please stay home and view Mass online. Bishop Matano has extended his dispensation from the obligation to attend Mass until further notice.

Thank you for your generosity!

Offertory envelopes may be placed in the collection basket passed around by the ushers. Please don't touch the baskets when they are passed around. Thank you!

Sanitize your hands.

Practice good hand hygiene by washing your hands with soap and water or using alcohol or hand sanitizer. If possible, bring your own bottle for personal use.



We are creating a new "normal" together.

Some entrances and the restrooms will be closed to reduce the areas needing cleaning. We ask that restrooms be used in emergencies only. Please use the front or Edinburgh doors of church to enter. Further information on procedures will be disseminated during Mass. We appreciate your help in keeping everyone safe and comfortable.



A hearty congratulations to Dr. Adaora Chima who graduated from her residency program in Anesthesiology from the University of Rochester School of Medicine. Dr. Chima will be leaving Rochester to pursue a one year fellowship in Pediatric Anesthesiology at Cincinnati Children's Hospital in Ohio.

Adaora's quiet, but loving and giving ways will be greatly missed here at Immaculate Conception/St. Bridget's Church.

God speed, Adaora! Our love and prayers go with you!

VOLUNTEERS

All volunteers who encounter youth and vulnerable adults need to complete online Creating a Safe Environment training, background check and sign a Code of Conduct every three years. To complete the online course, go to dor.org online training or stop by our rectory office for a packet of information to help you.

What do I do about my offering?

Life looks different during the COVID-19 pandemic. While we re-open for Mass, not all are comfortable or well enough to gather in person. You can still give during this time. Weekly offering envelopes, cash or checks can be brought to Mass or mailed to:

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Thank you for supporting our community!

Observe social distancing.

Observe social distancing at all times, including during Holy Communion. Please stay 6 feet apart from anyone who does not belong to your household. There will be markers in church to assist with social distancing. We will observe no physical contact for greetings, the Sign of Peace, and the Our Father prayer. We will use our new method for the sign of peace! Singing by the congregation is discouraged at this time, due to increased respiratory output.



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

<p>St. Joseph's House of Hospitality A Rochester, NY Catholic Worker Community 402 South Avenue, Rochester, NY 14607 585-232-3262</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">BUCKMAN'S PLAZA 2590 W. Ridge Road, Rochester</p> <p>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.</p>	
<p>CORN HILL NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION 133 S. Fitzhugh Street, Rochester, NY 14608 www.cornhill.org</p>	<p>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></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 West Ridge Plaza 640 West Ridge Road Rochester, NY 14615 585-865-3896</p>
<p>In Loving Memory of HENRY FAISON JR. <i>Love your 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 ADA FULLWOOD <i>The Augustine/Fullwood Families</i></p>	<p>In Loving Memory of RITA VIOLET AUGUSTINE <i>The Augustine Family</i></p>
<p>In Loving Memory of CRÉÔLE MON'AE FONTENETTE <i>Love your Grandparents</i></p>	<p style="text-align: center;">THIS SPACE FOR RENT</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">THIS SPACE FOR RENT</p>

*Welcome Visitors to Immaculate Conception / St. Bridget's Church
We are blessed by your presence.
Please come again!*