

# 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 31, 2026*

## *The Most Holy Trinity*

**God, the Holy Trinity, is perfect Love.**

**As Christians, we believe that God is love. This love is essentially love in relationship. Saint Augustine described the Holy Trinity as God the Lover, God the Beloved, and the Love between them. May we recognize God's triune presence all around us, particularly in the experience of the loving relationships in our own lives.**

**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.

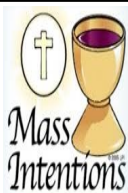


**Please Note:** The Church's Emergency Phone Number has been temporarily changed. Please dial 585-412-3913 if you are in need of emergency assistance.

Sunday, May 31, 2026

Raphael Nguti

Requested by the Nguti Family



Please pray for the sick of the parish and for family and friends of parishioners: Earl Barnes, Fr. Robert Bradler, Jocelyn Bucchan, Fr. Giles Conwill, Tom Degan, Jacquelyn Dobson, Tom Fugate, LaVaughans Holcomb, Denise McGowan, Deacon Jeff Mierzejewski, Harold Moore, Carolyn Walker, Kathy Wheeler

**LECTOR SCHEDULE**

**Sunday, May 31, 2026**

Reader I & II—Marcia Fugate & Teyana Pappin

**Sunday, June 7, 2026**

Reader I & II—Don Toyer

**Sunday, June 14, 2026**

Reader I & II—Lynn Fulmore

**Sunday, June 21, 2026**

Reader I & II—Norma Thom

**Sunday, June 28, 2026**

Reader I & II—Joanie Fraver



**Offerings for May 24, 2026**

Offerings: \$933

Attendance: 50

Online Giving: \$105

Online Givers: 2

Thank you for your generous support.

**June**

- Sat. June 6 Pastoral Council Mtg.—9:30 am
- Sun. June 7 Blood Pressure Screening following Mass in the sacristy  
Youth Sunday
- Fri. June 19 Juneteenth—Office Closed
- Sun. June 21 Father's Day
- Fri. June 26 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.



**You Are Cordially Invited!**

Most Rev. John S. Bonnici

Bishop of Rochester

Invites you to celebrate your marriage

Sunday, June 14, 2026

11:15 am

Sacred Heart Cathedral

All married couples and their guests are welcome to attend.



**MASS INTENTIONS**

Mass Intentions are available for the deceased, special intentions, birthdays or anniversaries. Please call or stop by the office if you would like to schedule Mass Intentions.



Blood Pressure Screening will be offered next Sunday, June 7<sup>th</sup> in the sacristy. Please have your blood pressure taken before leaving church.



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

**CORN HILL  
ARTS FESTIVAL**

Saturday, July 11 & Sunday, July 12

Volunteers are needed for the Corn Hill Arts Festival. Sign up sheets are available on the table in the gathering space. If you have any questions, please see Don Toyer.

**IC/SB Religious Education Doing Community Services!**



**Packing up food to donate!**



**Delivering food to Rochester Mission!**



**IMMACULATE CONCEPTION/ST. BRIDGET'S  
WEED-A-THON**

The weeds are back in the church gardens. We need your help to **ROOT EM OUT!** **When:** Saturday, June 6 & Saturday, June 13, starting at 12 noon. Come **when you can** for **as long as you can**. Let us know you're coming; text: 585-563-2431. Walk-ups will be welcome. Got your favorite tool or gloves? Bring ém!

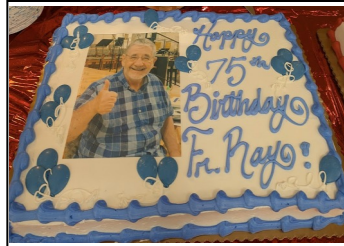
The Westside Farmers Market Starts Tuesday, June 2 and goes to Tuesday, October 6 from 4:00-7:00 pm in the St. Monica's Parking Lot, 831 Genesee Street.



**Welcome Visitors!**

**We are blessed by your presence.**

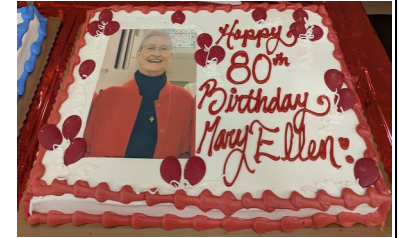
**Please come again.**



Pentecost is considered the birthday of the church, so what better day to celebrate two milestone staff birthdays? On June 5th, Fr. Ray turns 75, and on June 8th, Mary Ellen turns 80! On Pentecost Sunday when

all three parishes were together to celebrate, we surprised these beloved staff members with this birthday celebration in addition to our Pentecost festivities.

Their birthday blessing was carried out by our communities. Thank you, God, for Fr. Ray and Mary Ellen, and the wonderful gift they are to us! Amen!



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

**Caribbean  
Mass**

A CELEBRATION OF FAITH,  
*Culture & Community*

**SUNDAY  
JUNE 7  
9:00AM**

CELEBRANT:  
**FR. ELVEAU AUGUSTINE**  
CONCELEBRANT:  
**FR. RAY FLEMING**

445 Frederick Douglass Street  
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*All Are Welcome!*  
COME WORSHIP. CELEBRATE. BELONG.  
ONE FAITH. MANY CULTURES. UNITED IN CHRIST.

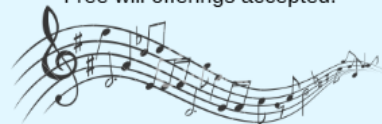
**ST. MONICA SUMMER CONCERT**

**Sunday, June 28, 2026**

**4:00 PM**

Join us for our fourth annual showcase of the talented musicians from our parish and community.

Refreshment reception to follow.  
Free will offerings accepted.



<p><b>St. Joseph's House of Hospitality</b></p> <p>A Rochester, NY Catholic Worker Community 402 South Avenue, Rochester, NY 14607 585-232-3262</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR NOTHING WILL BE IMPOSSIBLE FOR GOD.</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>LUKE 1:37</b></p>	
<p><b>Corn Hill Neighborhood Association</b> 133 S. Fitzhugh Street Rochester, NY 14608 www.cornill.org</p>	<p><b>Skips on the Ridge</b> 640 West Ridge Road Rochester, NY 14615 585-865-3896</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><i>Jack &amp; Elvira Powell</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Always Loved Never Forgotten Forever Missed</i></p>
<p style="text-align: center;">In Loving Memory of the <b>QUAMINA &amp; HARPER FAMILIES</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Love Gail, Elise, Joyce, Richard</i></p>	<p style="text-align: center;">In Loving Memory of <b>TALLAM &amp; RAPHAEL NGUTI</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Love Your Family</i></p>	<p>Caring for someone with Alzheimer's or other dementia is no easy task. Call our free 24/7 Helpline at 800.872.3900. Rochester Alzheimer's Association.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">In Loving Memory of <b>RACHAEL ALICEA &amp; THEODORE ALICEA-SMITH</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Rick &amp; Colleen Brade</i></p>	<p style="text-align: center;">In Prayerful Remembrance of the Deceased Members of the CANEPA, CULLEN, MILEY FAMILIES</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Love Ralph &amp; Maureen</i></p>	<p style="text-align: center;">In Loving Memory of <b>JOE HAUSER</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>The Wingo Family</i></p>
<p style="text-align: center;">In Loving Memory of <b>DR. NATHANIEL HURST</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>The Wingo Family</i></p>	<p style="text-align: center;">In Loving Memory of My Guess Family, CHARLES, MERCEDES, ERIC &amp; MARVA</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Out of sight but never out of mind! Marcia Fugate</i></p>	<p style="text-align: center;">In Prayerful Remembrance of the Deceased Members of the CORRAL, DESTEPHANO FAMILIES</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Love Ralph &amp; Maureen</i></p>
<p style="text-align: center;">In Loving Memory of <b>JAMES STOKES</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>The Stokes Family</i></p>	<p style="text-align: center;">In Loving Memory of <b>TOM &amp; NELLIE BOSTICK &amp; ALICE WALTERS</b></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><i>Linda Nash</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Happy Mother's Day Your Proud Legacy Lynn, Vincent, Joseph, Vanessa, Sixtt Shlonda, Terrance, Sterlin and Donavan</i></p>
<p style="text-align: center;">In Loving Memory of <b>BILL CASTLE</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>The Castle Family</i></p>	<p style="text-align: center;">In Loving Memory of <b>DAVID &amp; LOUISE MILES</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Gone, but Never Forgotten Bill Sr., Bill Jr., Shannon, Shannel &amp; Brandon</i></p>	<p style="text-align: center;">"In Memory of the great bass player <b>Tim Sullivan</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Doug and Victoria Parker on behalf of the GateSwingers Big Band "</i></p>
<p style="text-align: center;">In Loving Memory of <b>JOANNE LESSLEY</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Joanne Gordon</i></p>	<p style="text-align: center;">In Loving Memory of <b>JOSEPH RONALD WEBER</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Roxana C. Weber</i></p>	<p style="text-align: center;">In Loving Memory of <b>SARAH &amp; DONALD GORDON &amp; HENRY BELL SR.</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>The Gordon/Bell Families</i></p>
<p style="text-align: center;">In Loving Memory of <b>ALL THE DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE MCGEE FAMILY</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>James &amp; Melissa McGee</i></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>SPACE AVAILABLE</b></p>	<p style="text-align: center;">In Loving Memory of <b>MICHAEL &amp; JULIANA NWOKELO SR.</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>The Nwokelo Family</i></p>
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