

# *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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**Sunday Mass ~ 10:00 a.m.**

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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 24, 2022**

**17<sup>th</sup> Sunday In Ordinary Time**

**Knock and keep knocking trust God's goodness and don't give up.**

**Why does the man in Jesus; prayer illustration keep knocking? Two reasons: He knows his friend heard him; he knows this friend has bread. Why should we pray without giving up? We know God hears our prayers and that he is able to provide for us. When we keep seeking him and knocking, we show trust in his faithfulness.**

**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.

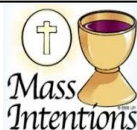
**Catechumenate:** Adults interested in joining the Roman Catholic Church, please call the office.

*We warmly welcome you to Immaculate Conception/St. Bridget's Church! We are happy that you have joined us to worship the Lord this Sunday. New members are welcome to join our parish community.*

**Sunday, July 24, 2022**

**Sarah Gordon**

**Requested by Joanne, Julian, Alana, Alia**



*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, Maria Degnan, Morris Doucette, Tom Fugate, Denise McGowan, Carolyn Walker, Alice Walters*

**Offerings for July 17, 2022**

**Offerings: \$1,602**

**Attendance: 40**

**Online Giving: \$375**

**Online Givers: 7**

*Thank you for your generous support.*

*July* 

**Wed. July 27 Finance Council Mtg.—5:30 pm**

**Bible Readings for Sunday, July 24, 2022**

*Genesis 18:20-32*

*Colossians 2:12-14*

*Luke 11:1-13*



**Bible Readings for Sunday, July 31, 2022**

*Ecclesiastes 1:2; 2:21-23*

*Colossians 3:1-5, 9-11*

*Luke 12:13-21*

**July Christian Action**



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

**LECTOR SCHEDULE**

**Sunday, July 24, 2022**

Reader I & II—Norma Thom

**Sunday, July 31, 2022**

Reader I & II—Don Toyer

**Sunday, August 7, 2022**

Reader I & II—Andre Fontenette

**Sunday, August 14, 2022**

Reader I & II—Maureen Corral

**Sunday, August 21, 2022**

Reader I & II—Makeeda Tatum & Violet Booker

**Sunday, August 28, 2022**

Reader I & II—Keith Parris



Colleen Brade

Clara Bray

Nadia Hicuburundi

Candice Lucas

Thierry Hicuburundi

Junior Nsabimana

Carolyn Walker

*Happy Birthday!*

## FOR SALE

**3 lb. packages of Red Hots—\$11.00/pack**

**Pepsi/Ice Tea/Sprite—\$3.00/6 pack**

Please see Don Toyer or Bill Castle to purchase

## Living Faith A God of Persistence

I tell you, if he does not get up to give the visitor the leaves because of their friendship, he will get up to give him whatever he needs because of his persistence.

Luke 11:8

Jesus taught us to be persistent in our prayer—to ask God for what we want and to keep on asking, I wonder if this mirrors God's own persistence with us. I sometimes get the sense that God keeps asking me for what he wants. A slight prick of conscience grows sharper if I try to ignore it. A passing impulse to help someone in need grows more insistent if I do not act on it. The other day, I was about to skip my prayer time to get a jump on my to-do list when my usually standoffish cat climbed onto my lap. It felt like God himself pinning me to my seat, insisting that I stay for a while, making the point he's persisted in making for thousands of years already: Here I am.

*Loving God, help me to heed your persistent call.*

Karla Manternach

## Worldwide Marriage Encounter Longest Married Couple Project

Do you know a married couple who bought gas for their car in 1943 for 21 cents a gallon, or who saw still pictures of Queen Elizabeth being inaugurated in 1952, or who remember making sure their children got their polio shots in 1955? If you answered YES please nominate that couple for the Longest Married Couple Project, sponsored by Worldwide Marriage Encounter (WWME) starting today. Go to [wwme.org](http://wwme.org) longest married couple link to place your nomination, email [dick.diane.baumbach@wwme.org](mailto:dick.diane.baumbach@wwme.org) or call 321-544-3440. Nominations are being made for the Longest Married Couple Project (LMC), sponsored by Worldwide Marriage Encounter (WWME) including for married couples who flew on propeller airlines or were part of World War II. WWME accepts nominations from families and friends of those who have long, long marriages. Nominations for the 12th annual Longest Married Couple Project (LMC), can be made until Sept. 15th, 2022.

## Thank You

Thank you to everyone who volunteered with the church's annual Corn Hill fundraiser. Your dedication and continued support was greatly appreciated. Also, thank you to Don Toyer and Bill Castle for all their continued hard work in organizing this fundraiser. We couldn't make it work without everyone's participation.



## KNOW WHEN TO VOTE FOR WHICH OFFICES

Primary 2: **August 23**

Voter registration **deadline: July 29**

Early Voting Dates: **August 13-21**

What's on the ballot? **Congress, NY Senate**

General Election: **November 8**

Voter registration deadline: **October 13**

Early Voting dates: **October 29-November 6**

What's on the ballot? **Governor • US Senate • Lt. Governor • NY Senate • Comptroller • NY Assembly • Attorney General • A few town and village offices**

Election Information: [VOTE411.org](http://VOTE411.org)

## Thank You

### AKOMA Scholarship Donation

Thank you to everyone at Immaculate Conception/St. Bridget's Church for your continued support and contribution to our annual Scholarship Donation. Every year you help make our scholarship a great success!

## Do Something Beautiful for God

The Essential Teachings of Mother Teresa

All of us are called to work in a special way for the sake of peace. In order to bring about that peace, we need to learn from Jesus to be meek and humble of heart. Only humility will lead us to unity, and unity to peace.

<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 align="center"><b>BUCKMAN'S PLAZA</b> <b>2590 W. Ridge Road, Rochester 14626</b></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><b>Corn Hill Neighborhood Association</b> 133 S. Fitzhugh Street Rochester, NY 14608 www.cornill.org</p>	<p><b>Mileage Master Center of Rochester</b> 2488 Browncroft Blvd. Rochester, NY 14625 585-586-1870</p> <p><i>The perfect place for all of your grilling needs</i></p>	<p><b>Tom Zubert, Realtor</b> <b>RE/MAX REALTY GROUP</b> 585-721-1313 zubert.tom@gmail.com (ICS Graduate)</p>
<p>In Loving Memory of the <b>QUAMINA &amp; HARPER FAMILIES</b> <i>Love Gail, Elise, Joyce, Richard</i></p>	<p>In Loving Memory of My Wife <b>ILONA WHITE</b> <i>Alphonse White</i></p>	<p><b>Skips on the Ridge</b> 640 West Ridge Road Rochester, NY 14615 585-865-3896</p>
<p>In Loving Memory of <b>HENRY FAISON JR.</b> <i>Love Mom, George, Adrian, Andre</i></p>	<p>Prayerful Remembrance of the Gordons <b>ARTHUR, SARAH, PEGGY, BUD, BOB, NANCY, GARY</b> <i>Blessings Bill &amp; Family</i></p>	<p>In Loving Memory of <b>JOE HAUSER</b> <i>The Wingo Family</i></p>
<p>In Loving Memory of <b>DR. NATHANIEL HURST</b> <i>The Wingo Family</i></p>	<p>In Loving Memory of <b>DAVID MILES</b> <i>Love your Wife &amp; Children</i></p>	<p>In Prayerful Remembrance of the Deceased Members of the <b>CULLEN &amp; CORRAL FAMILIES</b> <i>Love Ralph &amp; Maureen</i></p>
<p>In Loving Memory of <b>JAMES STOKES</b> <i>The Stokes Family</i></p>	<p align="center">LYNN FULMORE, MASTER INSTRUCTOR <b>EPIC TRAININGS</b></p> <p>Phone: 585-615-4379 Email: mail@epictrainings.com WEB: www.epictrainings.com Facebook: EPIC Trainings CPR First Aid Classes for Lay/Professional Responders, Safety Classes for Children, Coaches, Scouts and Seniors, Certified Just Yell Fire Training Center</p>	
<p>In Loving Memory of <b>JAMES &amp; JEFFREY WALTERS DOUGLAS SIMMONS</b></p>	<p>In Loving Memory of <b>GILBERT &amp; CHARITY ADIELE</b> <i>The Nwokelo Family</i></p>	<p>All About Toastmasters...Your Path to Leadership <b>Where Leaders are Made</b> For more information contact Jean Pryor Meeting: 1<sup>st</sup> &amp; 3<sup>rd</sup> Mondays except holidays <a href="mailto:E-mail-lyceumclub93@gmail.com">E-mail-lyceumclub93@gmail.com</a></p>
<p>In Loving Memory of <b>CREÓLE MON'AE FONTENETTE</b> <i>Love your Grandparents</i></p>	<p>In Loving Memory of <b>JOSEPH RONALD WEBER</b> <i>Roxana C. Weber</i></p>	<p>In Loving Memory of <b>SARAH &amp; DONALD GORDON &amp; HENRY BELL SR.</b> <i>The Gordon/Bell Families</i></p>
<p>In Loving Memory of <b>JOANNE LESSLEY</b> <i>Joanne Gordon</i></p>	<p>In Loving Memory of <b>TALLAM NGUTI</b> <i>Love your Wife &amp; Children</i></p>	<p>In Loving Memory of <b>MICHAEL NWOKELO SR.</b> <i>The Nwokelo Family</i></p>
<p>In Loving Memory of <b>ALL THE DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE McGEE FAMILY</b> <i>James &amp; Melissa McGee</i></p>	<p>In Loving Memory of <b>SARAH ANN GORDON</b> <i>Louise &amp; Shannon</i></p>	<p align="center">SPACE AVAILABLE</p>