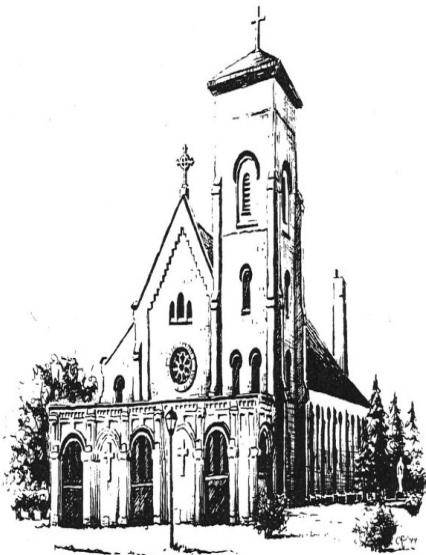


Immaculate Conception / St. Bridget's Church

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.

March 6, 2022



Faithfulness to God is rewarded with grace and strength.

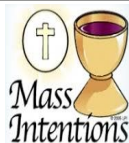
The Church has begun the spiritual journey of this holy season of Lent. With Christ, we enter the desert – to confront the Evil One and resist his false and empty promises. Once again, we seek the abundant mercy and power of God.

Lenten Regulations

Based on the 1983 Code of Canon Law, the following are the regulations for fast and abstinence during Lent:

- a) Everyone over 14 years of age is bound to observe the law of complete abstinence from meat on Ash Wednesday and all the Fridays of Lent.
- b) Everyone between 18 and 59 years of age is bound to observe the law of fast (one full meal a day and nothing between meals on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday.)

Sunday, March 6, 2022



Ann Dixon

Requested by the Fontenette Family

Offerings for February 27, 2022

Offerings: \$1,741

Attendance: 55

Online Giving: \$290

Online Givers: 5

Thank you for your generous support.



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



Sun. Mar. 13 Daylight Saving Time

Sat. Mar. 26 St. Joseph's House of Hospitality

Bible Readings for Sunday, March 6, 2022

Deuteronomy 26:4-10

Romans 10:8-13

Luke 4:1-13



Bible Readings for Sunday, March 13, 2022

Genesis 15:5-12, 17-8

Philippians 3:17—4:1 or 3:20—4:1

Luke 9:28b-36

March Christian Action



Be generous with your time:

- * Brush the snow off someone else's car.
- * Shovel someone's walkway.
- * Visit someone who is a shut-in.
- * Grocery shop for someone.
- * Spend time with a child.

Sunday, March 6, 2022

Reader I & II—Marcia Fugate

LECTOR SCHEDULE

Sunday, March 13, 2022

Reader I & II—Keith Parris



Sunday, March 20, 2022

Reader I & II—Joanie Fraver

Kevin Coffey

Ralph Destephano

Patrick Flaherty

Marcia Fugate

Kaila Knight

Patrick Lynch

Ramona Moore

MARCH BIRTHDAYS



RETURN TO THE LORD

Yet even now—oracle of the LORD—return to me with your whole heart, with fasting, weeping and mourning.

Rend your hearts, not your garments, and return to the LORD, your God, for he is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, abounding in steadfast love, and relenting in punishment.

Joel 2:12-13



Do Something Beautiful for God

The Essential Teachings of Mother Teresa

Have a deep compassion for people. To be able to have a heart full of compassion we need to pray.

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 from March 12 through June 12. A bin will be placed in the Gathering space for your donations.

Thank you for your help.

The Religious Education Students

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Immaculate Conception/St. Bridget's Church
Every Friday during Lent
Beginning Friday, March 4th at 6:00 p.m.
All are invited!

Linking Fasting and Almsgiving

It's the first week of Lent, and here we are, beginning our fast: we give up, we do with less. Why? Well, our fast can bear all sorts of fruit, certainly: clearing out obstacles on our journey with God, teaching us to be dependent on God alone, doing penance. But what do we do with what we're sacrificing—that time, attention, money and, yes, food? From ancient times, Christian tradition has linked fasting with almsgiving. Pope Leo the Great put it very plainly back in the fifth century when he said, using vivid, specific language: "...let our Christian fast times be fat and abound; and let each bestow on the weak and destitute those dainties which he denies himself."

Jesus, may my Lenten fast bear fruit for those in need.

Amy Wellborn

Immaculate Conception/St. Bridget's Newsletter



Did you know that the church has a newsletter?

Well we do! Check out our website
www.immaculateconceptionrochester.org
to see all the exciting issues you have missed.

Don't forget that we are also on Facebook.

† Holy Week

April 7-10, 2022

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

Palm Sunday Mass: 9:00 am - St. Monica Church
10:00 am - Immaculate Conception
April 10 11:00 am - Emmanuel Church of the Deaf

Holy Thursday Mass: 6:00 pm - Immaculate Conception
7:00 pm - St. Monica Church and
April 14 Emmanuel Church of the Deaf

Good Friday Service: Noon - Immaculate Conception
3:00 pm - St. Monica Church
April 15

Stations of the Cross in ASL: 7:00 pm - Emmanuel Church of the Deaf

Easter Vigil: 7:01 PM at Immaculate Conception Church
April 16 445 Frederick Douglass St. 14608



Easter Sunday Mass: April 17

9:00 am - St. Monica Church + Easter Egg Hunt
10:00 am - Immaculate Conception
11:00 am - Emmanuel Church of the Deaf

All are welcome, especially you!

Prayer for Peace in the Ukraine

O Prince of Peace,
Once more we hear the guns of war,
Once more we see the faces
Of frightened children.
We pray for the people
of Ukraine
That they may be granted peace;
We pray for the people of Russia,
That they may demand peace;
We pray for our country,
That we may be a positive part
Of peacemaking in this world.
O Prince of Peace,
Lead us from this dark time
To a deeper understanding
Of the global human family,
So all may break bread
together
In the secure embrace of peace.
Amen.

- Jane Deren, Ph.D.

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| <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>In Loving Memory of RITA VIOLET AUGUSTINE & ADA FULLWOOD <i>The Augustine/Fullwood Families</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> |