

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.

August 25, 2024

21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

Master, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life.

It can be challenging to be people of faith, Accepting and understanding the magnitude of the Lord's love for us, including the mystery of Jesus handing himself over for us, may be difficult at times. But faith is a gift, so although we may struggle, we can trust God to grant us the grace we need to commit to serving him and following his Son.

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.

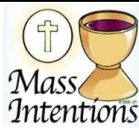
Catechumenate: Adults interested in joining the Roman Catholic Church, please call the office.

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.

Sunday, August 25, 2024

Tim Sullivan

Requested by Annerose Sullivan & Family



Please pray for the sick of the parish and for family and friends of parishioners: Earl Barnes, Nellie Bostick, Fr. Robert Bradler, Jocelyn Bucchan, Fr. Giles Conwill, Tom Degnan, Jacquie Dobson, Morris Doucette, George Fontenette, Tom Fugate, Theresa Macon, Denise McGowan, Louise Miles, Harold Moore, Carolyn Walker, Alice Walters, Kathy Wheeler

LECTOR SCHEDULE

Sunday, August 25, 2024

Reader I & II—Marcia Fugate

Sunday, September 1, 2024

Reader I & II—Makeeda Tatum & Violet Booker

Sunday, September 8, 2024

Reader I & II—Norma Thom

Sunday, September 15, 2024

Reader I & II—Joanie Fraver

Sunday, September 22, 2024

Reader I & II—Keith Parris

Sunday, September 29, 2024

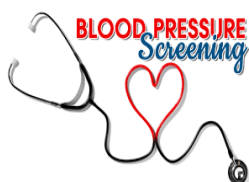
Reader I & II—Marcia Fugate



MASS INTENTIONS

The 2025 Mass Intention book has arrived. You will now be able to schedule Mass intentions for 2025. Please call or stop by the office to schedule Mass Intentions. The cost is \$10.

Blood Pressure Screening will be offered next Sunday, September 1st in the sacristy. Please have your blood pressure taken before leaving church.



Offerings for August 18, 2024

Offerings: \$1,770

Attendance: 66

Online Giving: \$155

Online Givers: 3

Thank you for your generous support.

August Christian Action

Be Kind and Caring!

- Be the reason someone smiles.
- Visit, email, call or write a note to someone who is lonely.
- Let someone know you are praying for them.
- Lighten someone's load.
- Be the reason someone believes in the kindness of strangers.

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YEARS OF

FAITH

Immaculate Conception/St. Bridget's Church

***Immaculate Conception/St. Bridget's
Gala at Harro East***
September 14, 2024 ~ 6:00 pm

Ministry Day
October 12, 2024 ~ 10:00 am

Revival Weekend
November 8 ~ November 10, 2024
Fr. Maurice Nutt

November 8: Revival ~ 6:00 pm
November 9: Retreat
9:00 am-3:00 pm
November 10: Mass ~ 9:00 am

***Feast of the
Immaculate Conception***
Closing Mass
December 8, 2024 ~ 9:00 am

Westside Farmers Market

St. Monica Parking Lot

Five more Market Tuesdays: 4:00—7:00 pm
September 3, 10, 24; October 1, 8

Census

We are pleased to announce that the Parish is currently conducting a census campaign. This initiative aims to bolster pastoral care, stewardship and communication within our community. You will be receiving an email from Fr. Ray Fleming, noreply@qemailserver.com, which is a legitimate email address for the census. Please open the email and click on the link enclosed. If you do not receive an email, please visit the following link to complete the census:

<https://tinyurl.com/2cfg9yx3>

Or scan the QR code with your smartphone's camera to access the census.



Thank you!

Retreat with Gallant Women: Gifts Galore

Come immerse yourself in the rich history of women leaders in the early church, including St. Phoebe and Prisca. We will then spend time in quiet reflection on the unique gifts each of us brings to the church. We will pray that the Holy Spirit will guide the October 2024 Synod in Rome as delegates discern how women can best serve the needs of the church in the 21st century. Retreat is Saturday, Sept. 28, at St. Anne Church, 1600 Mt. Hope Ave., Rochester. The day begins with coffee at 9:45 a.m. with program from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Includes lunch. Suggested \$20 donation. Sponsored by Journeying Together in Faith and Our Lady of Lourdes Church and St. Anne Church. To register, email journeying.together.ROC@gmail.com with your name, email address and phone number or leave your name, email address and phone number by calling or texting Karen Costello, 585-978-1510. Registration deadline: Sept. 20, 2024.

St. Monica Neighborhood Connection

Jesus, who is my neighbor?

Here is a locally owned business that is responsible for printing our parish bulletin every week. Its staff would love to have us know more about its array of useful services.

Standing behind the Xerox high-speed digital color printer is Jack Beaston. Jack and son Shel have been in the printing business nearly 38 years! **Speedy Print Services** does excellent multicolor digital printing and copying for brochures, newsletters, booklets, training, promotional items – and our church bulletin. It specializes in high quality, fast turnaround and free delivery.

Speedy Print Services is hidden in a modest space inside the Air Park Complex, across from the airport at 1260 Scottsville Rd., Suite 301. It welcomes all our printing tasks, large and small. Call 244-2721, or email shel@speedyprintservices.com.





IMMACULATE CONCEPTION/ ST. BRIDGET'S CHURCH

*Cordially invites you to an Anniversary Gala
to celebrate 175 Years of Praise!*

*We've come this far by faith!
See what the Lord has done for us!*

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 2024 6:00 pm
featuring music by DJ BacSpin

THE HARRO EAST BALLROOM
135 N. Chestnut St.
Rochester, NY 14604

EARLY BIRD TICKETS \$65 UNTIL 8/12/24
REGULAR PRICE TICKETS \$75 UNTIL AUG. 29, 2024
NO TICKETS SOLD AFTER 8/29/24
DISCOUNT FOR TABLES OF 8

Tracy Jordan 585-233-3340
Semi-formal attire

GALA

Gala Tickets are now available at regular price—\$75. No tickets sold after August 29, 2024. Please see Joanne Gordon, Isabelle Walters or call the church office for tickets.



—ARE PROUD TO PRESENT—

BIKE RODEO

at the Westside Farmer's Market

—OPEN TO ALL AGES—
—LEARN TO BIKE SAFELY—
—PRACTICE SKILLS ON THE OBSTACLE COURSE—
—SAFETY SWAG — HELMET GIVEAWAYS—

**TUESDAY
27**
AUGUST 2024
4 TO 7 PM

ST. MONICA CHURCH
831 Genesee St, Rochester NY 14619

FREE FAMILY FUN
every Tuesday until October 8th



Immaculate Parishioners at the August 2nd Red Wings Game.

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| St. Joseph's House of Hospitality A Rochester, NY Catholic Worker Community 402 South Avenue, Rochester, NY 14607 585-232-3262 | BUCKMAN'S PLAZA 2590 W. Ridge Road, Rochester 14626 Please visit our many stores, including City Mattress, Visionworks, Pino's Deli, Megan Nail Spa, Red Cross, Sign Impressions and Orville's Appliances. | |
| Corn Hill Neighborhood Association 133 S. Fitzhugh Street Rochester, NY 14608 www.cornill.org | 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> | SPACE AVAILABLE |
| In Loving Memory of the QUAMINA & HARPER FAMILIES <i>Love Gail, Elise, Joyce, Richard</i> | In Loving Memory of My Wife ILONA WHITE <i>Alphonse White</i> | Skips on the Ridge 640 West Ridge Road Rochester, NY 14615 585-865-3896 |
| In Loving Memory of RACHAEL ALICEA & THEODORE ALICEA-SMITH <i>Rick & Colleen Brade</i> | Prayerful Remembrance of the Gordons ARTHUR, SARAH, PEGGY, BUD, BOB, NANCY, GARY <i>Blessings Bill & Family</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 DAVID MILES <i>Love your Wife & Children</i> | In Prayerful Remembrance of the Deceased Members of the CULLEN & CORRAL FAMILIES <i>Love Ralph & Maureen</i> |
| In Loving Memory of JAMES STOKES <i>The Stokes Family</i> | CPR and First Aid Classes For lay and Professional Responders EPIC TRAININGS (585) 615-4379 | In Loving Memory of My Beloved Mother LINDA NASH <i>Lynn Fulmore</i> |
| In Loving Memory of BILL CASTLE <i>The Castle Family</i> | In Loving Memory of GILBERT & CHARITY ADIELE <i>The Nwokelo Family</i> | “In Memory of the great bass player Tim Sullivan <i>Doug and Victoria Parker on behalf of the GateSwingers Big Band “</i> |
| Words cannot say how much you are missed. You are so very loved. MOMMY <i>Love Jacquie, Kimberly, Gina & Jean</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 JOANNE LESSLEY <i>Joanne Gordon</i> | In Loving Memory of TALLAM NGUTI <i>Love your Wife & Children</i> | In Loving Memory of MICHAEL & JULIANA NWOKELO SR. <i>The Nwokelo Family</i> |
| In Loving Memory of ALL THE DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE McGEE FAMILY <i>James & Melissa McGee</i> | In Loving Memory of RAPHAEL NGUTI <i>Love Mom, Michael, Camille</i> | MATH TUTORING MATH COACHING 585-247-4941 |