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 9, 2020 19th Sunday In Ordinary Time

God is present with us always.

If we wait to be adrift upon a stormy sea in order to see that God is present with us, we will miss out on the grace and goodness that currently surrounds us. God's love is at work in us, in every sacrament; in every moment of prayer, in every gathering for worship; in every act of kindness. He is in the tiniest whisper, and in the outstretched hand of another.

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 10:00 AM
NEW MEMBERS ARE WELCOME!



Phyllis Harmon

Requested by—Carol Wynne

Please pray for the sick of the parish and for family and friends of parishioners: Earl & Phyllis Barnes, Thomas Bostick, Sybil Doucette, Sarah Gordon, Mary Ann Hartman, Denise McGowan, Alice Walters



Bible Readings for Sunday, August 9, 2020

1 Kings 19:9a, 11-13a (pg. 17)

Romans 9:1-5 (pg. 18)

Matthew 14:22-33 (pg. 18)

Bible Readings for Sunday, August 16, 2020

Isaiah 56:1, 6-7 (pg. 24)

Romans 11:13-15, 29-32 (pg. 25)

Matthew 15:21-28 (pg. 25-26)

August Birthdays

Kathy Wheeler Aloys Bukuru Andre Cropper

Maureen Corral Jean Pryor Jacob Gasiorek

Paris Horman Fritz Hyppolite Brian Rea

Catherine Pappin Acacia Semler Lexxis Wingo



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Our parish is grateful for your continued support. Thank you!



Offerings for August 2, 2020

Offerings: \$837 Attendance: 28

Thank you for your generous support.

BIBLE STUDY CORNER

And after [Jesus] had dismissed the crowds, he went up the mountain by himself to pray.

When evening came, he was there alone.

Matthew 14:23

Reflection: When we were children, we had to be on good behavior. When we didn't behave as instructed, our parents made us take a time out-go to our room or another designated place to think about what we'd done. We couldn't leave time out until we promised to adjust our attitude and behavior. Time-out was also imposed when we were playing too roughly with siblings or friends. This was a good way to make sure we didn't end up hurting anyone.

Now that we're older, our lives are hectic and busy. Our behavior is out of control because we're overscheduled, overworked, and overwhelmed. We spend too much time driving from place to place, working, doing errands, completing unfinished projects, and attending social events. In between all these activities, we're surfing the Internet, reading and answering texts and e-mails, and checking social media.

We need to reclaim our childhood practice of taking timeouts. We need space to think about what we're doing and make changes.

People of faith learn from Jesus how to live the spiritual life. We know we cant' live a meaningful, spiritual life without prayer. We need solitude to rest from work and other activities that distract us from being with God. We need time-outs from our busy lives to pray and reflect. We need long periods of rest to renew the mind, heart, soul and body.

Ponder: When do I take time-outs to pray?

Prayer: Lord, you taught your disciples to pray. Help me cultivate the practices of prayer, fasting, and almsgiving.

Practice: Today I will be faithful by taking a time-out for solitude and prayer.

LIVE THE LITURGY

INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

There is something very sacred about silence. Silence connects us. It is where the heartbeat of all of creation—and its life blood and source—are embraced and where oneness is experienced. When in the presence of an environment that is silent, the worries, tribulations, struggles, and challenges of life seem to fade away, and we can experience a peaceful whisper. We can call that whisper God. Through the practice of contemplative prayer, we can find our way to that inner place of silence even in the midst of great distraction, busyness, and noise. The silence becomes one with us and grounds us. When we become friends with silence, friends with God, we can hear the gentle whisper of God's voice saying, "Come, stay here. Trust me and you will not fail."

St. Corona

Patroness of Epidemic Victims

Lord Jesus Christ, You came into this world for our salvation. Look kindly on us now, we pray, that we, and all those who serve You, might be kept safe from this epidemic. Heal those who are sick, comfort the suffering, bring back those who have gone astray, and above all, increase our faith. O Lord.

Give us the grace to follow You and, like the martyr St. Corona, who gave her life for love of You, to take up our crosses daily without fear or hesitation.

Lord Jesus Christ, Son of the living God, have mercy on us and on the whole world.

St. Corona, patroness of epidemic victims, pray for us.

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City of Rochester News Release

Mayor Lovely A. Warren announced that the City of Rochester is collaborating with 20 restaurants to deliver meals to area seniors, age 60 and over, who live within the city Limits and are unable to travel to access food due to the Coronavirus pandemic.

The City Department of Neighborhood and Business Development has awarded each restaurant with a Restaurant Grants of up to \$15,000 to prepare free meals for delivery to area seniors for up to three months. The City is contracting with Goodwill of the Finger Lakes 211/LIFE LINE Mission program to facilitate the enrollment and delivery process.

Starting Monday, Aug. 3, seniors residing in the city seeking to receive meals can call 211 (or text 898-211) 24 hours a day, seven days a week to enroll in the program and order a meal.

Seven days advance notice is required on meal orders and the first orders will be ready for delivery August 10. Senior can order up to three meals a week and place one month's worth of orders per call.

The Federal Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act provided funding for the restaurants, which were selected through a competitive proposal process.

The restaurants are:

- Ludwig's Center Stage Café, 25 Gibbs St.;
- Munchie's ROC City Empanadas, 154 N. Clinton Ave.;
- Allegiant Restaurant, 801 S. Plymouth Ave.;
- The Acorn Exchange, 75 S. Clinton Ave.;
- India House Restaurant, 998 S. Clinton Ave.;
- Lorraine's Food Factory, 777 Culver Rd.;
- Neno's Gourmet Mexican Street Food, 642 Monroe Ave.;
- Marty's On Park, 703 Park Ave.;
- Caribbean Heritage Restaurant, 719 S. Plymouth Ave.;
- D&L Tropical Sensations, 1005 Genesee St.;
- Unkl Moe's BBQ and Catering, 493 West Ave.;
- Arnett Café, 332 Arnett Blvd.;
- Borinquen Bakery and Restaurant, 1195 N. Clinton Ave.;
- El Pilon Criollo, 973 N. Clinton Ave.;
- Tricia's Kitchen, 1014 Hudson Ave.;
- Nin's Restaurant, 1049 Hudson Ave.;
- Taste of Bahamas, 4705 Lake Ave.;
- Kandis Food and Drink, 701 Lake Ave.;
- El Sazón Restaurant, 144 Lyell Ave.;
- El Divino Restaurant, 1149 Lyell Ave.

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

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402 South Avenue, Rochester, NY 14607 585-232-3262	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.	
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In Loving Memory of the QUAMINA & HARPER FAMILIES Love Gail, Elise, Joyce, Richard	In Loving Memory of My Wife ILONA WHITE Alphonse White	Skips on the Ridge West Ridge Plaza 640 West Ridge Road Rochester, NY 14615 585-865-3896
In Loving Memory of HENRY FAISON JR. Love your Mom, George, Adrian, Andre	Prayerful Remembrance of the Gordons ARTHUR, SARAH, PEGGY, BUD, BOB, NANCY, GARY Blessings Bill & Family	In Loving Memory of JOE HAUSER The Wingo Family
In Loving Memory of DR. NATHANIEL HURST The Wingo Family	In Loving Memory of DAVID MILES Love your Wife & Children	In Prayerful Remembrance of the Deceased Members of the CULLEN & CORRAL FAMILIES Love Ralph & Maureen
In Loving Memory of JAMES STOKES The Stokes Family	In Loving Memory of JAMES WALTERS Alice Walters	In Loving Memory of JEFFREY WALTERS Alice Walters
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In Loving Memory of CREÓLE MON'AE FONTENETTE Love your Grandparents	In Loving Memory of JOSEPH RONALD WEBER Roxana C. Weber	THIS SPACE FOR RENT

Welcome Visitors to Immaculate Conception / St. Bridget's Church
We are blessed by your presence.

Please come again!