

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.



June 15, 2025

The Most Holy Trinity

Contemplate with wonder and awe the beauty of God.

The Church invites us to explore humbly the mystery of the Most Holy Trinity and to grapple with the truths of this fundamental insight into the essence of God's being. The three Persons of the Holy Trinity—Father, Son, and Holy Spirit—are one, but are distinct from each other. Thus, we can say they are in relationship with one another—an eternal communion of love. Confronted with this mystery, let us contemplate with wonder and awe the beauty of God.

Lord, watch over the men who raise us,
teach us, guide us, and lead us. Today
we pray for fathers everywhere. Amen.

Happy Father's Day!

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.

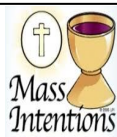
Baptism: Please call the office to make arrangements.

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

Sunday, June 15, 2025

Ann & John Corral

Requested by Maureen Corral & Ralph Destephano



Please pray for the sick of the parish and for family and friends of parishioners: Earl Barnes, Fr. Robert Bradler, Clara Bray, Jocelyn Buccan, Fr. Giles Conwill, Tom Degnan, Jacquelyn Dobson, Morris Doucette, Tom Fugate, Denise McGowan, Sr. Grace Miller, Harold Moore, Carolyn Walker, Kathy Wheeler

LECTOR SCHEDULE

Sunday, June 15, 2025

Reader I & II—Don Toyer

Sunday, June 22, 2025

Reader I & II—Andre Fontenette

Sunday, June 29, 2025

Reader I & II—Norma Thom



Living Faith

The Sign of the Cross

But when he comes, the Spirit of truth, he will guide you to all truth.

John 16:13

When we make the Sign of the Cross, it is good to remember that it is more than a routine to begin and end a prayer. It is a prayer in itself—a very profound one. This is a visible sign that we profess our faith in the existence of the Holy Trinity. It is a mini liturgy, that is, saying and doing something religiously.

The Trinity, along with many other teachings by Jesus, are mysteries. However, these are not mysteries to be solved but, rather, to be celebrated as they are revealed to us by God.

May we pray this Sign of the Cross reverently, affirming our faith in the intimate closeness of a loving God. Touching our fingertips to the head, we acknowledge our Father and Creator. Then, with our hand over the heart, we remember Jesus' love for us. Tapping each shoulder, we ask the Holy Spirit to energize and guide our good works.

Amen. Praise be to God.

Fr. James McKarns

Offerings for June 8, 2025

Offerings: \$1,803

Attendance:

Online Giving: \$150

Online Givers: 2

Thank you for your generous support.

June

Sun. June 15 Father's Day

Thur. June 19 Juneteenth—Office Closed

Sun. June 22 Youth Sunday

Fri. June 27 St. Joseph's House of Hospitality

June Christian Action



Appreciate your father, grandfather, brother, son, male colleague, neighbor, etc.

Show them your love in a special way.

Catholic Communication Campaign

Today we take up the collection for the Catholic Communication Campaign (CCC). Your support helps CCC connect Catholics with Christ in the United States using the internet, television, radio, and print media. Half the funds we collect remain here in the Diocese of Rochester to support local efforts. The other half supports the communication activities of the US Conference of Catholic Bishops and some projects across the United States and abroad. Be apart of this campaign to spread the gospel message. Support the collection today! Learn more at www.usccb.org/cc.



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.

The office will be closed on Thursday, June 19th in observance of Juneteenth. Normal business hours will resume on Friday, June 20th.



ST. MONICA SUMMER CONCERT

Sunday, June 29, 2025
4-6 PM

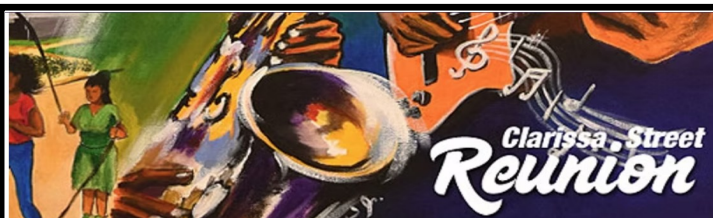
Join us for our third annual showcase of the talented musicians from our parish and community. Refreshment reception to follow. Free will offerings accepted.



57th Annual
CORN HILL
ARTS FESTIVAL

Saturday, July 12, 2025 ~ Sunday, July 13, 2025

Volunteers are needed to serve breakfast, cook and sell hot and sausage for the Corn Hill Arts Festival. Sign up sheets are available on the table in the gathering space.



27th Annual Clarissa Street Reunion 2025

August 23, 2025

Festival 10:00am - 7:00pm

Please join the festivities as family, neighbors, and friends gather to enjoy the following: Presentations from 3 stages

Clarissa & Troup: Jazz Stage

Clarissa & Adams: Gospel, Poetry, and Song Stage

Clarissa & Samuel McCree Way: R&B Stage

A variety of vendors and exhibits.

There will be no parking on Clarissa Street from 7am until 10pm on Saturday, August 23rd. Vehicles on Clarissa Street after 7am are subject to towing by the Rochester Police Department. The Clarissa Street Legacy sincerely appreciates your participation and hopes you enjoy this year's reunion! If you have any questions, we can be reached at: info@clarissastreetlegacy.com

A Salute to Fathers

A father is not content with all the small joys of each day, but he will seek to mound them up to form a full, solid treasury of love that he fashions into a home. For a home is not walls and windows. It is not a brick and mortar thing. It is not a roof covering emptiness.

Rather, a father's home is what he builds to turn tears to laughter, hurts to happiness, lifting lives to courage and dignity.

His home is where the floors are supportive of peace and the peak of each arch is soundness of mind, and a holy summit.

His home is not what he envisions for himself, a mere shelter for his belongings, but a mansion of love that is shared. Only here can a father live where he brings that love home.

Coffee Hour Thank You

Thank you to all who helped setup, serve, cleanup, or brought finger foods for the Pentecost International Coffee Hour. Your efforts made this event enjoyable for all our parishes.

NEW YORK PRIMARY DAY IS TUESDAY, JUNE 24



ELECTION INFORMATION

Registration Deadlines:

By Mail: Monday, June 9, 2025 (postmarked)

In Person and online: Saturday, June 14, 2025

Check out **VOTE 411** for your ballot and early polling places as well as your polling location on the 24th.

Early Voting
Primary Election
June 14 - 22, 2025

Polling Hours:

Sat & Sun: 9 am - 5 pm

M, W & F: 9 am - 5 pm

Tu & Th: 12 noon - 8 pm

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

<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>BUCKMAN'S PLAZA 2590 W. Ridge Road, Rochester 14626</p> <p>Please visit our many stores, including City Mattress, Visionworks, Pino's Deli, Megan Nail Spa, Red Cross, Sign Impressions and Orville's Appliances.</p>	
<p>Corn Hill Neighborhood Association 133 S. Fitzhugh Street Rochester, NY 14608 www.cornhill.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><i>Together on Earth ~ Together in Eternity Together Missed, Evermore</i></p> <p>Jack & Elvira Powell Lynn Fulmore</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 RACHAEL ALICEA & THEODORE ALICEA-SMITH <i>Rick & Colleen Brade</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, DESTEPHANO 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 TOM & NELLIE BOSTICK & ALICE WALTERS</p>	<p><i>Linda Nash</i> <i>Wishing a Happy Heavenly Birthday Our Mom, Our Friend, Our Angel Lynn & Shlonda</i></p>
<p>In Loving Memory of BILL CASTLE <i>The Castle Family</i></p>	<p>In Loving Memory of GILBERT & CHARITY ADIELE <i>The Nwokelo Family</i></p>	<p>"In Memory of the great bass player Tim Sullivan <i>Doug and Victoria Parker on behalf of the GateSwingers Big Band "</i></p>
<p>Words cannot say how much you are missed. You are so very loved. MOMMY <i>Love Jacquie, Kimberly, Gina & Jean</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>In Loving Memory of JOANNE LESSLEY <i>Joanne Gordon</i></p>	<p>In Loving Memory of TALLAM NGUTI <i>Love your Wife & Children</i></p>	<p>In Loving Memory of MICHAEL & JULIANA NWOKEL SR. <i>The Nwokelo Family</i></p>
<p>In Loving Memory of ALL THE DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE McGEE FAMILY <i>James & Melissa McGee</i></p>	<p>In Loving Memory of RAPHAEL NGUTI <i>Love Mom, Michael, Camille</i></p>	<p>MATH TUTORING MATH COACHING 585-247-4941</p>