

# 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.

**July 5, 2026**

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

*Our rest comes in walking side-by-side with Christ.*

*The God who defeated death—this mighty one whose dominion shall be from sea to sea—promises to carry our burdens with us, to never leave us alone in our struggles, to humble himself to walk beside us in our smallness and our need. Our rest comes in walking side-by-side with Christ.*

**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 ext. 116.



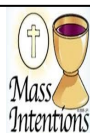
## **EMERGENCY PHONE NO.**

**Please Note:** The Church's Emergency Phone Number has changed. Please dial 585-412-3913 for emergency assistance. Thank you.

**Sunday, July 5, 2026**

William Fitchett

Requested by Deacon Jeff Mierzejewski



Please pray for the sick of the parish and for family and friends of parishioners: Earl Barnes, Jocelyn Bucchan, Fr. Giles Conwill, Tom Degnan, Jacquelyn Dobson, Tom Fugate, Denise McGowan, Deacon Jeff Mierzejewski, Harold Moore, Carolyn Walker, Fr. Robert Werth, Kathy Wheeler

**LECTOR SCHEDULE**



**Sunday, July 5, 2026**

Reader I & II—Norma Thom

**Sunday, July 12, 2026**

Reader I & II—Maureen Corral

**Sunday, July 19, 2026**

Reader I & II—Nadege Bukuru

**Sunday, July 26, 2026**

Reader I & II—Makeeda Tatum & Violet Booker

**Sunday, August 2, 2026**

Reader I & II—Joanie Fraver

**Sunday, August 9, 2026**

Reader I & II—Andre Fontenette

**Sunday, August 16, 2026**

Reader I & II—Marcia Fugate

**Sunday, August 23, 2026**

Reader I & II—Lynn Fulmore

**Sunday, August 30, 2026**

Reader I & II—Teyana Pappin

**Offerings for June 28, 2026**

**Offerings: \$1,217**

**Attendance: 66**

**Online Giving: \$175**

**Online Givers: 3**

**Thank you for your generous support.**

**July**

- Sun. July 5 Blood Pressure Screening following Mass in the Sacristy  
Aid to the Church in Central & Eastern Europe Collection
- Sat. July 11 Corn Hill Arts Festival—10 am–6 pm
- Sun. July 12 Corn Hill Arts Festival—10 am–5 pm
- Tues. July 28 Red Wings Game—6:05 pm

**July Christian Action**

**Be proud to be an American!**

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

**How do I give my offering?**

1. Weekly offering envelopes, cash or checks can be brought to Mass or mailed to: Immaculate Conception/St. Bridget's Church, 34 Monica Street, Rochester, NY 14619
2. OSV Online Giving: Visit our website (<https://www.osvhub.com/immaculateconceptionrochester/giving/funds>)  
For secure one-time or recurring online giving

**We now have a QR Code to access our online giving**



**Peter's Pence Collection**

Thank you for your generous support in last week's Peter's Pence Collection! As a parish, we collected **\$467**. Our contributions join those from our brothers and sisters worldwide to help Pope Leo XIV in his ministry to the Universal Church, including relief to people in need and support for the Holy See. If you missed the collection, it is not too late to give. Visit [www.usccb.org/peters-pence](http://www.usccb.org/peters-pence).



**ROMAN CATHOLIC  
DIOCESE OF ROCHESTER**

Victims of sexual abuse should always report to the civil authorities.

To receive help and guidance from the Roman Catholic Diocese of Rochester, contact our Victim Assistance Coordinator:

**Deborah Housel**  
585-328-3228, ext. 1555  
Toll-free: 1-800-388-7177, ext. 1555  
or by e-mail to [victimassistance@dor.org](mailto:victimassistance@dor.org).



ROMAN CATHOLIC  
DIOCESE OF ROCHESTER

Any concerns related to financial fraud can be reported anonymously:

**Financial Fraud Hotline**

**1-800-388-7177 x1266**

Reports may also be made in writing to:  
Internal Audit Department • Diocese of Rochester  
1150 Buffalo Road • Rochester, NY 14624

## THE CHURCH IN CENTRAL AND EASTERN EUROPE

This week our special collection supports the Church in Central and Eastern Europe. Your donation helps restore the Church and build the future in more than 25 countries still struggling to recover from former communist rule. Funds from this collection support reconstruction, education, formation, and poverty outreach. Thank you for your generosity to the collection today. For more information, please visit [www.usccb.org/ccee](http://www.usccb.org/ccee).

Blood Pressure Screening will be offered today in the sacristy. Please have your blood pressure taken before leaving church.



## CORN HILL ARTS FESTIVAL

**NEXT WEEKEND!**

**Saturday, July 11 & Sunday, July 12**

The Corn Hill Arts Festival is just around the corner. If you would like to volunteer please sign up. Volunteers are still needed! Sign up sheets are available on the table in the gathering space. If you have any questions, please see Don Toyer.

## Red Wings Game



**Tuesday, July 28<sup>th</sup> at 6:05 pm**

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

**Tickets are \$7**

**and are on sale until Sunday, July 19<sup>th</sup>**

Please see Myrtle Fontenette to purchase tickets.

## 28th Annual Clarissa Street Reunion 2026

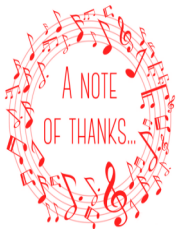
**August 15, 2026 ~ 10:00am - 7:00pm**

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
- Variety of vendors and exhibits

## AKOMA Scholarship



Thank you to everyone at Immaculate Conception/St. Bridget's Church for your continued support and contributions to our annual AKOMA Scholarship Concert. Every year you help make our scholarship a great success! Please keep us in prayer as we continue to move forward!

## The Wisdom of Fulton Sheen

The real test of a Christian is not how much he loves his friends, but how much he loves his enemies.

**St. Monica CHURCH**  
**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL**  
**2026**

**AUGUST 10-14**

8:45am-noon \* Grades preK4-7  
Free + lunch included

Online registration form: [stmonicaofrochester.org](http://stmonicaofrochester.org)

**LIGHT OF THE WORLD**

These are the following items we need for VBS 2026.

**Please note that all food MUST be PEANUT-FREE.**

Please contact [Jessica.tette@dor.org](mailto:Jessica.tette@dor.org) to donate.

Thank you so much for supporting our youth's spiritual development!

- Cheese sticks – 150
- Gogo squeeze – 100
- Hot dog buns - 100
- Individual goldfish bags – 100
- Individual chips bags – 200
- Individual popcorn snack bags (pre-popped)- 100
- Doritos bags - 70
- Individually-wrapped Oreos – 100
- Peanut-free granola bars – 200
- Grapes for 80 people
- 4 watermelons

**Welcome Visitors!**

**We are blessed by your presence.**

**Please come again.**

<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 style="text-align: center;">REJOICE IN THE LORD ALWAYS. I SAY IT AGAIN REJOICE! PHILIPPIANS 4:4</p>	
<p><b>Corn Hill Neighborhood Association</b> 133 S. Fitzhugh Street Rochester, NY 14608 www.cornill.org</p>	<p><b>Skips on the Ridge</b> 640 West Ridge Road Rochester, NY 14615 585-865-3896</p>	<p><i>Jack &amp; Elvira Powell</i>  <i>Always Loved Never Forgotten Forever Missed</i></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 <b>TALLAM &amp; RAPHAEL NGUTI</b>  <i>Love Your Family</i></p>	<p><b>Alzheimer's Association</b>  Our free 24/7 Helpline provides support and information. Call 800.272.3900 today.</p>
<p>In Loving Memory of <b>RACHAEL ALICEA &amp; THEODORE ALICEA-SMITH</b>  <i>Rick &amp; Colleen Brade</i></p>	<p>In Prayerful Remembrance of the Deceased Members of the CANEPA, CULLEN, MILEY FAMILIES  <i>Love Ralph &amp; Maureen</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 My Guess Family, CHARLES, MERCEDES, ERIC &amp; MARVA <i>Out of sight but never out of mind!</i> <i>Marcia Fugate</i></p>	<p>In Prayerful Remembrance of the Deceased Members of the CORRAL, DESTEPHANO FAMILIES  <i>Love Ralph &amp; Maureen</i></p>
<p>In Loving Memory of <b>JAMES STOKES</b>  <i>The Stokes Family</i></p>	<p>In Loving Memory of <b>TOM &amp; NELLIE BOSTICK &amp; ALICE WALTERS</b></p>	<p><i>Happy Heavenly Birthday, Mom</i> <i>Linda Nash</i>  <i>I Hope You'll Dance</i></p>
<p>In Loving Memory of <b>BILL CASTLE</b>  <i>The Castle Family</i></p>	<p>In Loving Memory of <b>DAVID &amp; LOUISE MILES</b>  <i>Gone, but Never Forgotten</i> <i>Bill Sr., Bill Jr., Shannon, Shannel &amp; Brandon</i></p>	<p>"In Memory of the great bass player <b>Tim Sullivan</b> <i>Doug and Victoria Parker on behalf of the GateSwingers Big Band "</i></p>
<p>In Loving Memory of <b>JOANNE LESSLEY</b>  <i>Joanne Gordon</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>ALL THE DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE MCGEE FAMILY</b>  <i>James &amp; Melissa McGee</i></p>	<p><b>Hart Cleaning Services LLC</b>  Professional Janitorial Contracting Services Certified NYS WMBE • Certified DBE • Veteran <b>Jake Hart ~ 585-615-2110</b> hartcleaning@frontier.com • www.hartcleaningservices.com</p>	<p>In Loving Memory of <b>MICHAEL &amp; JULIANA NWOKELO SR.</b>  <i>The Nwokelo Family</i></p>
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