

# *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 5, 2022***



Today is Pentecost Sunday, the birthday of the Church, honoring the coming of the Spirit into our midst.

The early Church was expanded when the resurrected Jesus left his disciples, promising to send the Holy Spirit to be with them on earth. Empowered by his presence among them, they began preaching the word even though they faced many challenges. The people listened and were baptized, and the Church was born.

**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.

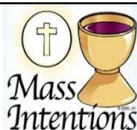
**Sunday, June 5, 2022**

**Mercedes Guess**

**Requested by the Fugate Family**

**Special Intention**

**Fr. Robert Bradler 60th priesthood anniversary**



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

**Bible Readings for Sunday, June 5, 2022**

*Act 2:1-11*

*1 Corinthians 12:3b-7, 12-13*

*John 20:19-23*

**Bible Readings for Sunday, June 12, 2022**

*Proverbs 8:22-31*

*Romans 5:1-5*

*John 16:12-15*



**Offerings for May 29, 2022**

**Offerings: \$1,482**

**Attendance: 57**

**Online Giving: \$310**

**Online Givers: 5**

*Thank you for your generous support.*

**June**

**Sat. June 11 Pastoral Council Mtg.—9:30 am**

**Sun. June 12 Youth Sunday**

**Mon. June 20 Juneteenth—Office Closed**

**Sat. June 25 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.

**LECTOR SCHEDULE**

**Sunday, June 5, 2022**

Reader I & II—Marcia Fugate

**Sunday, June 12, 2022**

Reader I & II—Teyana Pappin & Violet Booker

**Sunday, June 19, 2022**

Reader I & II—Walter DeRouen

**Sunday, June 26, 2022**

Reader I & II—Makeeda Tatum & Violet Booker

**Do Something Beautiful for God**

The Essential Teachings of Mother Teresa

The thirst of Jesus on the Cross is not imagination. "I thirst," He said. Hear Him saying it to you . . . and respond.

**Happy Birthday  
To Everyone  
Born in June!**

**Alana Bell**

**Elise Clinkscales**

**Julian Dingwall**

**Fr. Ray Fleming**

**Precious Fontenette**

**Robert Hoffman**

**Rachael Kisenyi**

**Ruth Miller**

**Kevin O'Hagan**

**Douglas Parker III**

**Barbara Turner**

## **Support the Catholic Communication Campaign**

Next week our special collection supports the Catholic Communication Campaign. This campaign engages and builds Catholic communities in the United States and developing countries using the internet, television, radio, and print media. Half of the money collected remains here in the Diocese of Rochester to fund local communications efforts. Your support helps spread the Gospel message! To learn more, visit [www.usccb.org/cc](http://www.usccb.org/cc).

## **Pentecost Sunday**

Today we celebrate the feast of Pentecost, as has been the tradition of the Church since very early times. For the early Church this was the second most important feast of the year, just behind Easter. The word Pentecost comes from the Greek meaning fifty and comes 50 days after the resurrection.

What we celebrate is not just a dry memory in the history of the Church, but the energizing of the disciples. The Spirit was poured out onto the men and women who were the faithful followers of Jesus; those who remained faithful to Jesus (or came back to the Lord after they ran away during the passion) experienced the ferocity of the Holy Spirit setting them on fire, energizing, compelling them to live the Gospel. The gifts that the spirit of Jesus brought to them were the power to love unconditionally and to transform the world by the power of this love and the power to trust God unconditionally. The plight of those who received the Spirit did not improve but with the gift of love and trust they were empowered to go out and love and serve the Lord beyond their wildest imagination.

The power of the Spirit is with us today. It is the Holy Spirit which gives us courage to take an unpopular stand on a moral issue; it is the power of the Spirit that allows us to perform an act of kindness to a stranger; it is the power of the Spirit which gives us the strength to love our families, even when they hurt or disappoint us. Today more than ever we need the power of the Holy Spirit working in our lives.



## **60 Years**

*Finding joy in the service of priesthood: Father Bradler*

**Father Robert C. Bradler** thrives on social connections, having always served in parish assignments over his six decades.

“The joy of priesthood has been able to serve the needs of the people. I enjoy people, and that’s my hallmark,” he said.

Father Bradler is a native of Rochester’s Holy Redeemer Parish. He attended St. Andrew’s and St. Bernard’s seminaries and was ordained June 2, 1962, by Bishop James E. Kearney at Sacred Heart Cathedral. He then was assistant pastor at Holy Family, Rochester (1962-64); Immaculate Conception, Ithaca (1964); St. Anne, Rochester (1964-71); St. Augustine, Rochester (1971-73); and Holy Rosary, Rochester (1973-79).

His first pastorate was at St. James Parish in Irondequoit from 1979 to 1995. He spent the next 12 years as pastor of Irondequoit’s St. Thomas the Apostle until reaching senior status in 2007.

Father Bradler, who still lives in Irondequoit, has remained busy as a senior priest. For the past 40 years, he has been diocesan director of the Society for the Propagation of the Faith, which supports worldwide mission work, and he has served for 53 years as chaplain of the Rochester Fire Department. In addition, he has assisted for more than a decade at Rochester’s Immaculate Conception/St. Bridget Parish.

Despite some recent health difficulties, Father Bradler said he’d like to return soon to Immaculate Conception where he also hopes to have a “low-key” celebration of his 60 years as a priest.

Congratulations Fr. Bradler!

**Well done, my good and faithful servant.**

**Matthew 25:23**

<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 align="center"><b>BUCKMAN'S PLAZA</b> <b>2590 W. Ridge Road, Rochester 14626</b></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><b>Corn Hill Neighborhood Association</b> 133 S. Fitzhugh Street Rochester, NY 14608 www.cornill.org</p>	<p><b>Mileage Master Center of Rochester</b> 2488 Browncroft Blvd. Rochester, NY 14625 585-586-1870</p> <p><i>The perfect place for all of your grilling needs</i></p>	<p><b>Tom Zubert, Realtor</b> <b>RE/MAX REALTY GROUP</b> 585-721-1313 zubert.tom@gmail.com (ICS Graduate)</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 My Wife <b>ILONA WHITE</b> <i>Alphonse White</i></p>	<p><b>Skips on the Ridge</b> 640 West Ridge Road Rochester, NY 14615 585-865-3896</p>
<p>In Loving Memory of <b>HENRY FAISON JR.</b> <i>Love Mom, George, Adrian, Andre</i></p>	<p>Prayerful Remembrance of the Gordons <b>ARTHUR, SARAH, PEGGY, BUD, BOB, NANCY, GARY</b> <i>Blessings Bill &amp; Family</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 <b>DAVID MILES</b> <i>Love your Wife &amp; Children</i></p>	<p>In Prayerful Remembrance of the Deceased Members of the <b>CULLEN &amp; CORRAL FAMILIES</b> <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>JAMES WALTERS</b> <i>Alice Walters</i></p>	<p>In Loving Memory of <b>JEFFREY WALTERS</b> <i>Alice Walters</i></p>
<p>In Loving Memory of <b>DOUGLAS SIMMONS</b> <i>Alice Walters</i></p>	<p>In Loving Memory of <b>GILBERT &amp; CHARITY ADIELE</b> <i>The Nwokelo Family</i></p>	<p>All About Toastmasters...Your Path to Leadership <b>Where Leaders are Made</b> For more information contact Jean Pryor Meeting: 1<sup>st</sup> &amp; 3<sup>rd</sup> Mondays except holidays <a href="mailto:E-mail-lyceumclub93@gmail.com">E-mail-lyceumclub93@gmail.com</a></p>
<p>In Loving Memory of <b>CREÓLE MON'AE FONTENETTE</b> <i>Love your Grandparents</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>For all Deceased Families, Friends &amp; Parishioners of Immaculate Conception / St. Bridget's Church <i>Love Rose Stokes</i></p>	<p>In Loving Memory of <b>JOANNE LESSLEY</b> <i>Joanne Gordon</i></p>	<p>In Loving Memory of <b>MARY JACKSON</b> <i>Thomas &amp; Nellie Bostick</i></p>
<p>In Loving Memory of <b>ALL THE DECEASED DOUCETTE FAMILY</b> <i>Love Louise &amp; Shannon</i></p>	<p>In Loving Memory of <b>SARAH ANN GORDON</b> <i>Louise &amp; Shannon</i></p>	<p>In Loving Memory of <b>MICHAEL NWOKELO SR.</b> <i>The Nwokelo Family</i></p>