

# *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 28, 2024*

*17th Sunday in Ordinary Time*

God provides for us.

Today's readings relate two feeding miracles—one performed by Elisha and one by Jesus. Of course, we know that the source of all miracles is God himself. In each story, the Lord goes beyond providing what is needed, multiplying what is offered so abundantly that there is food left over. As he provides for us, so we offer ourselves for him to use, and multiply what we offer, for others.

***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.

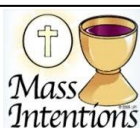
***Catechumenate:*** Adults interested in joining the Roman Catholic Church, please call the office.

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, July 28, 2024**

**Bill Castle**

**Requested by Rick & Colleen Brade**



*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 Degan, 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, July 28, 2024**

Reader I & II—Keith Parris

**Sunday, August 4, 2024**

Reader I & II—Maureen Corral

**Sunday, August 11, 2024**

Reader I & II—Don Toyer

**Sunday, August 18, 2024**

Reader I & II—Andre Fontenette

**Sunday, August 25, 2024**

Reader I & II—Makeeda Tatum & Violet Booker

**Sunday, September 1, 2024**

Reader I & II—Marcia Fugate

**Sunday, September 8, 2024**

Reader I & II—Norma Thom

**Sunday, September 15, 2024**

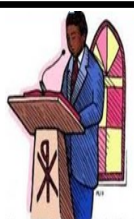
Reader I & II—Joanie Fraver

**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.

### **Offerings for July 21, 2024**

**Offerings: \$1,506**

**Attendance: 60**

**Online Giving: \$205**

**Online Givers: 4**

**Thank you for your generous support.**

### **July Christian Action**



- 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.



**Church Cookout/Family Day**  
August 11, 2024 ~ 12:30 pm Mass  
**Church Cookout following Mass**

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

**Ministry Day**  
October 12, 2024 ~ 10:00 am

Immaculate Conception/St. Bridget's

175<sup>th</sup> Anniversary T-Shirt



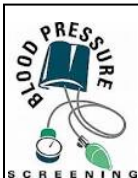
T-shirts are \$16

\$18 for 2x-4x

Children's sizes are also  
available for \$14.



Please see Joanne Gordon or Isabelle Walters.  
The next T-Shirt order will not be in until August.



Blood Pressure Screening will be next Sunday, August 4th in the sacristy. Please have your blood pressure taken before you leave church.

### Living Faith

#### Jesus Multiplies Our Efforts

*Where can we buy enough food for them to eat?*

*John 6:5*

At times, we can feel overwhelmed by seeming impossible demands on our lives. In today's Gospel, the disciples also felt overwhelmed with the thought of feeding the huge crowd.

In recent years, I have begun a deliverance ministry and have been surprised and overwhelmed with the flood of requests for deliverance. I have two steps that enable me to cope. First, I focus on helping one person at a time. Second, I daily commend my ministry to the Lord.

The first is a good coping technique. The second was the lesson the disciples learned with the multiplication of the loaves. By themselves, they were not able to feed all the people. But, with the help of Jesus, they could do the impossible.

Whether one is overwhelmed with the needs of one's family, workplace or ministry, Jesus can make it all possible. Help one person at a time, and give it all to Jesus.

Msgr. Stephen J. Rossetti



### Red Wings Baseball Night

Immaculate Conception, St. Monica & ECD

Friday, August 2, 2024

Tickets—\$10 @ 6:45 pm

Please see Precious Fontenette for tickets.

## Thank You

Thank you to everyone who volunteered with the church's annual Corn Hill fundraiser. Your dedication and continued support was greatly appreciated. Also, thank you to Don Toyer for all his continued hard work in organizing this fundraiser. Bill's Crew was once again a great asset in helping with Corn Hill. We couldn't make it work without everyone's participation.

Great team work!



## AUCTION ITEMS NEEDED!

### SILENT AUCTION DONATIONS

*Please don't forget about donations for our silent auction to be held on September 14th at our 175th Anniversary Gala!*

We are counting on your support and generosity, in either donating items yourself, or soliciting items or services from a business you may be associated with.....We would accept donations such as salon certificates, cooking classes, pet grooming services, car wash tickets, restaurant gift cards, photo shoot session, tickets to sporting or cultural events, gift baskets, etc. Please note that we cannot accept any gifts that include alcohol.

For personal donations, we welcome pieces of art, glassware, jewelry, quilts, antique pieces, pottery, small kitchen appliances, etc. which are in new or excellent condition and with a minimum value of at least \$35.00.

Maybe you have talent as a crafter..... If you paint, knit, crochet, quilt, work in wood or glass, or make jewelry or pottery – you could craft something for the auction.

We ask you to use your imaginations - the more items we collect, the more fun the auction will be.

If you need a copy of the Donation Request Letter and Form, or are planning on a personal donation, please see either Joanie Fraver or Marcia Fugate. Forms are also available in the back of the church.

**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**  
155 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 Tickets are now available. Please see Joanne Gordon, Isabelle Walters or call the church office.*

<b>St. Joseph's House of Hospitality</b>  A Rochester, NY Catholic Worker Community 402 South Avenue, Rochester, NY 14607 585-232-3262	<b>BUCKMAN'S PLAZA</b> <b>2590 W. Ridge Road, Rochester 14626</b>  Please visit our many stores, including City Mattress, Visionworks, Pino's Deli, Megan Nail Spa, Red Cross, Sign Impressions and Orville's Appliances.	
<b>Corn Hill Neighborhood Association</b> 133 S. Fitzhugh Street Rochester, NY 14608 www.cornill.org	<b>Mileage Master Center of Rochester</b>  2488 Browncroft Blvd. Rochester, NY 14625 585-586-1870  <i>The perfect place for all of your grilling needs</i>	<b>Tom Zubert, Realtor</b>  <b>RE/MAX REALTY GROUP</b> 585-721-1313 zubert.tom@gmail.com (ICS Graduate)
In Loving Memory of the <b>QUAMINA &amp; HARPER FAMILIES</b>  <i>Love Gail, Elise, Joyce, Richard</i>	In Loving Memory of My Wife <b>ILONA WHITE</b>  <i>Alphonse White</i>	<b>Skips on the Ridge</b>  640 West Ridge Road Rochester, NY 14615 585-865-3896
For all Deceased Families, Friends & Parishioners of Immaculate Conception /St. Bridget's Church  <i>Rose Stokes</i>	Prayerful Remembrance of the Gordons  <b>ARTHUR, SARAH, PEGGY, BUD, BOB, NANCY, GARY</b>  <i>Blessings Bill &amp; Family</i>	In Loving Memory of  <b>JOE HAUSER</b>  <i>The Wingo Family</i>
In Loving Memory of <b>DR. NATHANIEL HURST</b>  <i>The Wingo Family</i>	In Loving Memory of <b>DAVID MILES</b>  <i>Love your Wife &amp; Children</i>	In Prayerful Remembrance of the Deceased Members of the <b>CULLEN &amp; CORRAL FAMILIES</b>  <i>Love Ralph &amp; Maureen</i>
In Loving Memory of <b>JAMES STOKES</b>  <i>The Stokes Family</i>	Today marks 5 years of your passing Sharla Davenport Sister's We (3) Will Always Be! Love, Lynn & Shlonda	Happy 2nd Heavenly Birthday to our Beloved Mother Linda Nash Missing you more each day, Lynn & Shlonda
In Loving Memory of <b>BILL CASTLE</b>  <i>The Castle Family</i>	In Loving Memory of <b>GILBERT &amp; CHARITY ADIELE</b>  <i>The Nwokelo Family</i>	"In Memory of the great bass player <b>Tim Sullivan</b> <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. <b>MOMMY</b>  <i>Love Jacquie, Kimberly, Gina &amp; Jean</i>	In Loving Memory of <b>JOSEPH RONALD WEBER</b>  <i>Roxana C. Weber</i>	In Loving Memory of <b>SARAH &amp; DONALD GORDON &amp; HENRY BELL SR.</b>  <i>The Gordon/Bell Families</i>
In Loving Memory of <b>JOANNE LESSLEY</b>  <i>Joanne Gordon</i>	In Loving Memory of <b>TALLAM NGUTI</b>  <i>Love your Wife &amp; Children</i>	In Loving Memory of <b>MICHAEL &amp; JULIANA NWOKELO SR.</b>  <i>The Nwokelo Family</i>
In Loving Memory of <b>ALL THE DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE McGEE FAMILY</b>  <i>James &amp; Melissa McGee</i>	In Loving Memory of <b>RAPHAEL NGUTI</b>  <i>Love Mom, Michael, Camille</i>	<b>MATH TUTORING MATH COACHING</b>  <b>585-247-4941</b>