

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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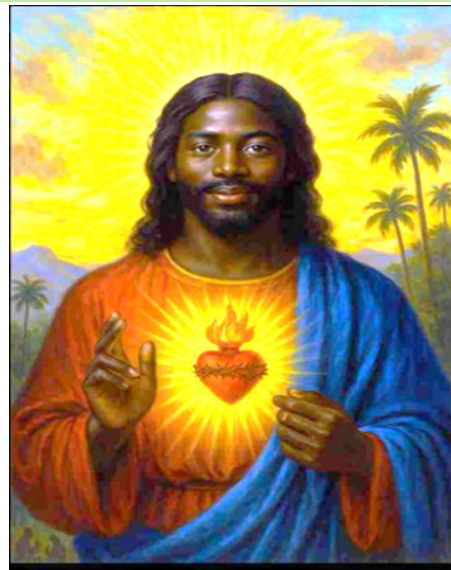
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Mission Statement: The Parish of Immaculate Conception/St. Bridget's is a Roman Catholic faith community whose worship reflects and celebrates the cultural gifts and diversity of its members. We welcome all believers to worship God, love one another, evangelize the good news of Jesus Christ and serve those in need.

Black Catholic History Month



Art by AgioErgo

November 23, 2025
Christ the King
Sunday

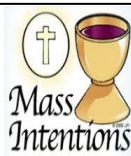
Jesus is king of all creation.

Today's solemnity, which marks the close of the liturgical year, reminds us that Christ is king, judge, and ruler of all. He is the image of the invisible God and the firstborn of all creation in whom all power and authority have been invested. By our baptism we share in that royal identity so that we might witness to his glory and kingship before the world.

Sunday, November 23, 2025

Gladys Gaines

*Requested by your granddaughters,
Lynn Fulmore & Shlonda Nash*



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, Tom Fugate, LaVaughans Holcomb, Denise McGowan, Sr. Grace Miller, Harold Moore, David Powe, Bing Reaves, Carolyn Walker, Kathy Wheeler

LECTOR SCHEDULE

Sunday, November 23, 2025

Reader I & II—Norma Thom

Sunday, November 30, 2025

Reader I & II—Maureen Corral

Sunday, December 7, 2025

Reader I & II—Don Toyer

Sunday, December 14, 2025

Reader I & II—Makeeda Tatum/Violet Booker

Sunday, December 21, 2025

Reader I & II—Joanie Fraver/Nadege Bukuru

Sunday, December 28, 2025

Reader I & II—Lynn Nash-Fulmore



Offerings for November 16, 2025

Offerings: \$1,264

Attendance: 82

Online Giving: \$255

Online Givers: 4

Military Services: \$35

Thank you for your generous support.

NOVEMBER

Thur. Nov. 27

Thanksgiving Day Mass—10:00 am

Thanksgiving Day—Office Closed

Fri. Nov. 28

Day after Thanksgiving—Office Closed

Sun. Nov. 30

Christmas Carol—Geva Theater

Religious Education Class

November Christian Action



- Believe there is always, always, always something to be grateful for!
- Thank the person sitting near you.
- Thank someone in your family.
- Thank a stranger (a salesclerk, cashier, librarian, etc.) for their help.
- Write a text, email, note or letter letting someone know how grateful you are for them.
- Pray: All that I am and all that I have is because of you Lord!



**MASS
INTENTIONS**

Just a reminder: The 2026 Mass Intention book is available to schedule Mass Intentions. Please call or stop by the office to schedule Mass Intentions. The cost is \$10.



Parish—Goal \$11,000
\$3,199 Pledged
29.08 % of Goal

As of this date, 10 families have contributed to the CMA. We thank those who have given generously and

ask all who have not yet given to prayerfully consider doing so. The CMA helps our Church and our parish in so many ways. Please consider all the ways that God has blessed you and your family, and how the Church has brought goodness into your lives. Join our appeal and give back what you can so that we remain strong and able to do God's great work!



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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



St. Joseph's House of Hospitality will not be open on Friday, November 28th, so the volunteers at Immaculate Conception/St. Bridget's Church will not be preparing/serving food for the Thanksgiving Holiday. As always, thank you for your willingness to help!

Advent Soup Supper, Saturday, December 13



After the 4 pm Mass on December 13th, the Welcome Committee would like to invite everyone to a simple soup supper in the narthex. Sister Carol Comino will be our guest speaker reflecting on Advent: "A Time of Watching and Waiting." Look for the signup sheets to attend and sign up if you would like to help with a pot of soup, bread, salad, or a dessert. Please come and share this simple meal as we await the coming of the baby Jesus. Any questions call JoAnn DeMott at 313-2614.

Immaculate Conception/St. Bridget's Church

Thanksgiving Day Mass

Thursday, November 27 ~ 10:00 am

November Is

Black Catholic History Month



*The church office will be closed on Thanksgiving Day,
Thursday, November 27th and Friday, November 28th.*

Have a safe and



MIREMBE'S PRESENTS:

THE PEPPERMINT CABARET

A cozy evening of live music, holiday pours, savory bites, and signature style all wrapped in peppermint twist.



Featuring: Angela Nkugwa (vocals & piano), Alison Rouse Monte (vocals), and Deanna Dudley (vocals). Live ensemble includes drums and bass.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 14, 2025

6:00 PM

RTI INN AND CONFERENCE CENTER
HENRIETTA, NY

Tickets: \$75 per guest

Includes dinner, dessert, libations, live music, a chance to win in our holiday raffle, and access to a curated selection of local vendor tables.

VIP seating available.

Dress Code: Peppermint energy.

Proceeds benefit Nkugwa Team Impact, expanding access to youth sports across Greater Rochester.

Scan to RSVP or visit:

www.angelankugwa.com/thepeppermintcabaret
Limited VIP & General Admission Available



CELEBRATE CHRISTMAS WITH US & THE LORD

HOLIDAY MASSES

ST. MONICA CHURCH · EMMANUEL CHURCH OF THE DEAF
IMMACULATE CONCEPTION/ST. BRIDGET'S CHURCH

All Masses ASL interpreted.

Christmas Eve Mass Wednesday, December 24:

4:00 pm with pageant @ St. Monica Church

Christmas Day Mass Thursday, December 25:

10:00 am @ Immaculate Conception/St. Bridget's Church

New Year's Day Mass Thursday, January 1:

10:00 am @ Immaculate Conception/St. Bridget's Church



ST. MONICA CHURCH
EMMANUEL CHURCH OF THE DEAF
CORNER OF GENESEE & MONICA STREETS
ROCHESTER, NY 14609



IMMACULATE CONCEPTION/
ST. BRIDGET'S CHURCH
445 FREDERICK DOUGLASS ST.
ROCHESTER, NY 14608

ALL ARE WELCOME... ESPECIALLY YOU!

Welcome Visitors!

We are blessed by your presence. Please come again.

St. Joseph's House of Hospitality A Rochester, NY Catholic Worker Community 402 South Avenue, Rochester, NY 14607 585-232-3262	<p align="center">FEAR NOT! STAND YOUR GROUND, AND YOU WILL SEE THE VICTORY THE LORD WILL WIN FOR YOU TODAY.</p> <p align="center"><i>EXODUS 14:13</i></p>	
Corn Hill Neighborhood Association 133 S. Fitzhugh Street Rochester, NY 14608 www.cornhill.org	Skips on the Ridge 640 West Ridge Road Rochester, NY 14615 585-865-3896	Jack & Elvira Powell <i>Thankful For Two Lives Well Lived Endearing Legacies and, A Love Everlasting</i>
In Loving Memory of the QUAMINA & HARPER FAMILIES <i>Love Gail, Elise, Joyce, Richard</i>	In Loving Memory of RAPHAEL NGUTI <i>Love Mom, Michael, Camille</i>	SPACE AVAILABLE
In Loving Memory of RACHAEL ALICEA & THEODORE ALICEA-SMITH <i>Rick & Colleen Brade</i>	In Prayerful Remembrance of the Deceased Members of the CANEPA, CULLEN, MILEY FAMILIES <i>Love Ralph & Maureen</i>	In Loving Memory of JOE HAUSER <i>The Wingo Family</i>
In Loving Memory of DR. NATHANIEL HURST <i>The Wingo Family</i>	In Loving Memory of My Guess Family, CHARLES, MERCEDES, ERIC & MARVA <i>Out of sight but never out of mind! Marcia Fugate</i>	In Prayerful Remembrance of the Deceased Members of the CORRAL, DESTEPHANO FAMILIES <i>Love Ralph & Maureen</i>
In Loving Memory of JAMES STOKES <i>The Stokes Family</i>	In Loving Memory of TOM & NELLIE BOSTICK & ALICE WALTERS	Linda Nash <i>As You Feast in Heaven We'll Place An Empty Chair In Your honor, In Love, With Thanks</i> <i>Lynn & Shlonda</i>
In Loving Memory of BILL CASTLE <i>The Castle Family</i>	In Loving Memory of DAVID & LOUISE MILES <i>Gone, but Never Forgotten Bill Sr., Bill Jr., Shannon, Shannel & Brandon</i>	" In Memory of the great bass player Tim Sullivan <i>Doug and Victoria Parker on behalf of the GateSwingers Big Band "</i>
In Loving Memory of JOANNE LESSLEY <i>Joanne Gordon</i>	In Loving Memory of JOSEPH RONALD WEBER <i>Roxana C. Weber</i>	In Loving Memory of SARAH & DONALD GORDON & HENRY BELL SR. <i>The Gordon/Bell Families</i>
In Loving Memory of ALL THE DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE McGEE FAMILY <i>James & Melissa McGee</i>	In Loving Memory of TALLAM NGUTI <i>Love your Wife & Children</i>	In Loving Memory of MICHAEL & JULIANA NWOKELO SR. <i>The Nwokelo Family</i>
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