

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.

August 11, 2024

19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Those who receive the Eucharist with eyes of faith can rejoice in Jesus' promise of eternal life.

In the Eucharist, the Lord has give us a great gift; his whole self—body, blood, soul, and divinity. This can be challenging to accept since our eyes see what looks like bread. But those who see and receive this gift with the eyes of faith, trusting in the Lords' words that he is the bread of life, can rejoice in his promise of eternal life.

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.

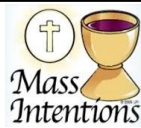
Catechumenate: Adults interested in joining the Roman Catholic Church, please call the office.

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, August 11, 2024

Tim Sullivan

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 Degnan, 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, 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



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 August 4, 2024

Offerings: \$2,542

Attendance: 69

Online Giving: \$430

Online Givers: 5

Thank you for your generous support.

August Christian Action

Be Kind and Caring!

- Be the reason someone smiles.
- Visit, email, call or write a note to someone who is lonely.
- Let someone know you are praying for them.
- Lighten someone's load.
- Be the reason someone believes in the kindness of strangers.

Living Faith

A Welcoming Angel

He prayed for death, saying: "This is enough, O Lord!"
1 Kings 19:4

Elijah was deeply depressed, in a state of despair. Could that person really be the great prophet, Elijah—friend of God and miracle worker? Yes! He lied down to sleep under a broom tree, praying to die. An angel came to him twice, with cake and water, to wake him, revive his spirit and motivate him to get up. We can relate to Elijah for we too have encountered some of life's deep sorrow and setbacks.

Remember the names of those angels who brought you food, drink, care and encouragement. They helped you to come back, fight back and excel. Today, people are thankful you were there when they needed a welcoming angel to bring friendship, food and hope for the future they now enjoy. Sometimes we are weak, other times strong, but we are there for each other.

So, whenever we hear someone singing "The Broom Tree Blues," bring them a little blessing of angel cake and water.

Fr. James McKarns



Keep in Prayer

Please pray for Yvette Reaves and her family. Yvette's father, Willie F. Hargrove passed away on Saturday, August 3rd. Please pray for the repose of his soul.

Census

We are pleased to announce that the Parish is currently conducting a census campaign. This initiative aims to bolster pastoral care, stewardship and communication within our community. You will be receiving an email from Fr. Ray Fleming, noreply@qemailserver.com, which is a legitimate email address for the census. Please open the email and click on the link enclosed. Thank you!



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



**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.



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

Clarissa Street Reunion
Saturday, August 17, 2024
10:00 am—8:00 pm

St. Joseph's House of Hospitality A Rochester, NY Catholic Worker Community 402 South Avenue, Rochester, NY 14607 585-232-3262	BUCKMAN'S PLAZA 2590 W. Ridge Road, Rochester 14626 Please visit our many stores, including City Mattress, Visionworks, Pino's Deli, Megan Nail Spa, Red Cross, Sign Impressions and Orville's Appliances.	
Corn Hill Neighborhood Association 133 S. Fitzhugh Street Rochester, NY 14608 www.cornill.org	Mileage Master Center of Rochester 2488 Browncroft Blvd. Rochester, NY 14625 585-586-1870 <i>The perfect place for all of your grilling needs</i>	Tom Zubert, Realtor RE/MAX REALTY GROUP 585-721-1313 zubert.tom@gmail.com (ICS Graduate)
In Loving Memory of the QUAMINA & HARPER FAMILIES <i>Love Gail, Elise, Joyce, Richard</i>	In Loving Memory of My Wife ILONA WHITE <i>Alphonse White</i>	Skips on the Ridge 640 West Ridge Road Rochester, NY 14615 585-865-3896
In Loving Memory of RACHAEL ALICEA & THEODORE ALICEA-SMITH <i>Rick & Colleen Brade</i>	Prayerful Remembrance of the Gordons ARTHUR, SARAH, PEGGY, BUD, BOB, NANCY, GARY <i>Blessings Bill & Family</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 DAVID MILES <i>Love your Wife & Children</i>	In Prayerful Remembrance of the Deceased Members of the CULLEN & CORRAL FAMILIES <i>Love Ralph & Maureen</i>
In Loving Memory of JAMES STOKES <i>The Stokes Family</i>	CPR and First Aid Classes For lay and Professional Responders EPIC TRAININGS (585) 615-4379	In Loving Memory of My Beloved Mother LINDA NASH <i>Lynn Fulmore</i>
In Loving Memory of BILL CASTLE <i>The Castle Family</i>	In Loving Memory of GILBERT & CHARITY ADIELE <i>The Nwokelo Family</i>	“In Memory of the great bass player Tim Sullivan <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. MOMMY <i>Love Jacquie, Kimberly, Gina & Jean</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 JOANNE LESSLEY <i>Joanne Gordon</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>
In Loving Memory of ALL THE DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE McGEE FAMILY <i>James & Melissa McGee</i>	In Loving Memory of RAPHAEL NGUTI <i>Love Mom, Michael, Camille</i>	MATH TUTORING MATH COACHING 585-247-4941