

# *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.

*January 23, 2022*

*Third Sunday in Ordinary Time*

The law of the Lord delights the human heart and guides the steps of our lives.

Today's Gospel opens with the words and intentions of Luke the Evangelist. He has decided to write a Gospel—a narrative of the events regarding Jesus Christ that will draw from the memories of those who witnessed his life, death, and resurrection, and who have handed on his teachings to future generations. We cling to that Gospel message, which reminds us of God's mercy and challenges us to live in Christ

**We worship every Sunday at 10:00 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.

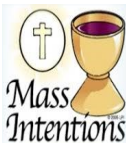
**Catechumenate:** Adults interested in joining the Roman Catholic Church, please call the office.

**New Members Welcome!**

**Sunday, January 23, 2022**

**Jack Hilburger**

**Requested by Mr. & Mrs. William Kelly**



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

**Bible Readings for Sunday, January 23, 2022**

*Nehemiah 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10*

*1 Corinthians 12:12-30*

*Luke 1:1-4, 4:14-21*



**Bible Readings for Sunday, January 30, 2022**

*Jeremiah 1:4-5, 17-19*

*1 Corinthians 12:31—13:13*

*Luke 4:21-30*

**Sunday, January 23, 2022**

Reader I & II—TBA

**Sunday, January 30, 2022**

Reader I & II—Walter DeRouen

**Sunday, February 6, 2022**

Reader I & II—Maureen Corral

**Sunday, February 13, 2022**

Reader I & II—Makeeda Tatum & Violet Booker

**Sunday, February 20, 2022**

Reader I & II—Don Toyer

**LECTOR  
SCHEDULE**



Earl Barnes  
Phyllis Barnes  
Nellie Bostick  
Rev. Robert Bradler  
Sandra Brooks  
Alex Cooper  
Lauren DeRouen  
Tom Fugate  
Joyce Gainey  
Christopher Hicuburundi  
Scholastique Hicuburundi  
Ruth Johnstone  
Yvette Reaves  
Shelly Smith  
James Walker



**Offerings for January 16, 2022**

**Offerings: \$1,532**

**Attendance: 42**

**Online Giving: \$140**

**Online Givers: 3**

*Thank you for your generous support.*

**JANUARY**

**Wed. Jan. 26 Finance Council Mtg.—5:30 pm**

**Sat. Jan. 29 St. Joseph's House of Hospitality**

**January Christian Action**



**Do little acts of kindness:**

- \* Say God bless you!
- \* Hold the door open for someone!
- \* Let someone go ahead of you!
- \* Say please and thank you!
- \* Listen instead of speak!
- \* Pray for someone!

**Do Something Beautiful for God**

The Essential Teachings of Mother Teresa

Prayer is not asking. Prayer is putting oneself in the hands of God, at his disposition, and listening to His voice in the depth of our hearts.

**2021 Contribution Statements**

2021 Contribution statements will be mailed no later than January 31, 2022. Please call the church office if you have any questions. Thank you for all you do!



**We Have Surpassed our CMA Goal!**

We wish to thank our generous Immaculate Conception/St. Bridget's Church family for once again surpassing our CMA goal in support of the Diocese and our parish! So far 33 families have committed \$10,525 toward our \$7,214 goal. We could not have done this without your steadfast support. If you haven't made your gift yet, but would still like to participate in this year's CMA, it's not too late! You can make your gift any time before May 31, 2022. And if you've pledged to the campaign, you have until May 31<sup>st</sup> to fulfill your pledge. Fifty percent of every dollar over our CMA goal will come back to our parish in a check at the end of the campaign. For more information or questions, please see George Fontenette.

**Free Home Covid-19 Tests**

Americans can now sign up to get free home Covid-19 tests from the federal government.

**How do I order the tests?**

Go to covidtests.gov and sign up. You'll need to enter your name, email and residential address. You should receive an email confirming your order and providing tracking information.

**How many tests can I get?**

Four tests will be shipped to each residential address, regardless of household size.

**When will I receive them?**

The US Postal Service will begin shipping the tests in late January, according to the covidtests.gov website. The tests should ship within 7 to 12 days.

**What if I don't have internet access?**

The federal government is also setting up a hotline to request the tests. It is currently being piloted and additional details will be available at the end of the week.

*Living Faith*

**Each Has a Role**

*Now the body is not a single part, but many.*

**1 Corinthians 12:14**

One reason I love sports is that I love being on a team. A good team has diverse roles and responsibilities but when everyone is doing their part, it moves almost as a single unit, each person trusting that teammates will hold their position and play their role. The diverse roles make the team stronger and more responsive to the challenges it will face.

There is unity and strength in diversity. In today's reading, Paul makes this point: The body is a collection of parts working together, without division. He extends the analogy to Christ's body, of which we are all a part. Each of us has a role, and to the extent that we fulfill our role—however modest or however grand, whether ordained, married or single—we are fulfilling God's will for us and making our whole parish, community and Church stronger.

*Jesus, give me the humility to be mindful always that I am but one part of the whole.*

*Greg Erlandson*

**SAVE THE DATE**

**A TRANSFORMING REVIVAL/RETREAT VIRTUAL EVENT**



**REV. ANTHONY BOZEMAN  
TRANSFIGURATION CHURCH  
LOS ANGELES, CA**

**WILL BE OUR FEATURED SPEAKER**

**FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 11<sup>TH</sup>  
&  
SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 12<sup>TH</sup>**

**PREACHING, PRAISING AND RAISING!!  
YOU DON'T WANT TO MISS THIS!!!**

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| <p><b>St. Joseph's House of Hospitality</b></p> <p>A Rochester, NY Catholic Worker Community<br/>402 South Avenue, Rochester, NY 14607<br/>585-232-3262</p>     | <p align="center"><b>BUCKMAN'S PLAZA</b><br/><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><br/>133 S. Fitzhugh Street<br/>Rochester, NY 14608<br/>www.cornill.org</p>   | <p><b>Mileage Master Center of Rochester</b><br/>2488 Browncroft Blvd.<br/>Rochester, NY 14625<br/>585-586-1870</p> <p><i>The perfect place for all of your grilling needs</i></p>   | <p align="center"><b>Tom Zubert, Realtor</b><br/><b>RE/MAX REALTY GROUP</b><br/>585-721-1313<br/>zubert.tom@gmail.com<br/>(ICS Graduate)</p>                  |
| <p align="center">In Loving Memory of the<br/><b>QUAMINA &amp; HARPER FAMILIES</b><br/><i>Love Gail, Elise, Joyce, Richard</i></p>                              | <p align="center">In Loving Memory of My Wife<br/><b>ILONA WHITE</b><br/><i>Alphonse White</i></p>   | <p align="center"><b>Skips on the Ridge</b><br/>640 West Ridge Road<br/>Rochester, NY 14615<br/>585-865-3896</p>  |
| <p align="center">In Loving Memory of<br/><b>HENRY FAISON JR.</b><br/><i>Love Mom, George, Adrian, Andre</i></p>  | <p align="center">Prayerful Remembrance of the Gordons<br/><b>ARTHUR, SARAH, PEGGY, BUD,<br/>BOB, NANCY, GARY</b><br/><i>Blessings Bill &amp; Family</i></p>   | <p align="center">In Loving Memory of<br/><b>JOE HAUSER</b><br/><i>The Wingo Family</i></p>   |
| <p align="center">In Loving Memory of<br/><b>DR. NATHANIEL HURST</b><br/><i>The Wingo Family</i></p>  | <p align="center">In Loving Memory of<br/><b>DAVID MILES</b><br/><i>Love your Wife &amp; Children</i></p>  | <p align="center">In Prayerful Remembrance of the<br/>Deceased Members of the<br/><b>CULLEN &amp; CORRAL FAMILIES</b><br/><i>Love Ralph &amp; Maureen</i></p> |
| <p align="center">In Loving Memory of<br/><b>JAMES STOKES</b><br/><i>The Stokes Family</i></p>  | <p align="center">In Loving Memory of<br/><b>JAMES WALTERS</b><br/><i>Alice Walters</i></p>  | <p align="center">In Loving Memory of<br/><b>JEFFREY WALTERS</b><br/><i>Alice Walters</i></p>   |
| <p align="center">In Loving Memory of<br/><b>DOUGLAS SIMMONS</b><br/><i>Alice Walters</i></p>   | <p align="center">In Loving Memory of<br/><b>GILBERT &amp; CHARITY ADIELE</b><br/><i>The Nwokelo Family</i></p>  | <p align="center">In Loving Memory of<br/><b>RITA VIOLET AUGUSTINE &amp;<br/>ADA FULLWOOD</b><br/><i>The Augustine/Fullwood Families</i></p>                  |
| <p align="center">In Loving Memory of<br/><b>CREÓLE MON'AE FONTENETTE</b><br/><i>Love your Grandparents</i></p>   | <p align="center">In Loving Memory of<br/><b>JOSEPH RONALD WEBER</b><br/><i>Roxana C. Weber</i></p>  | <p align="center">In Loving Memory of<br/><b>SARAH &amp; DONALD GORDON<br/>&amp; HENRY BELL SR.</b><br/><i>The Gordon/Bell Families</i></p>                   |
| <p align="center">For all Deceased Families, Friends &amp;<br/>Parishioners of Immaculate Conception /<br/>St. Bridget's Church<br/><i>Love Rose Stokes</i></p> | <p align="center">In Loving Memory of<br/><b>JOANNE LESSLEY</b><br/><i>Joanne Gordon</i></p>   | <p align="center">In Loving Memory of<br/><b>MARY JACKSON</b><br/><i>Thomas &amp; Nellie Bostick</i></p>  |
| <p align="center">In Loving Memory of<br/><b>ALL THE DECEASED DOUCETTE FAMILY</b><br/><i>Love Louise &amp; Shannon</i></p>                                      | <p align="center">In Loving Memory of<br/><b>SARAH ANN GORDON</b><br/><i>Louise &amp; Shannon</i></p>  | <p align="center">In Loving Memory of<br/><b>MICHAEL NWOKELO SR.</b><br/><i>The Nwokelo Family</i></p>  |