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.

October 27, 2024

30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Have courage to follow the Lord on the way when he answers prayers.

In today's Gospel, Jesus asks Bartimaeus, What do you want me to do for you? Bartimaeus wanted his sight, and the Lord granted it. Bartimaeus then followed him on the way. As we encounter the Lord in the Eucharist, let us ask him for the courage to not only ask him for what we need but to follow him on the way when he answers.



Daylight Saving Time Ends Sunday, November 3

Please remember to turn your clocks back one hour on Saturday night, November 2.

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.

Sunday, October 27, 2024

Tim Sullivan



Offerings for October 20, 2024

Attendance: 68

Requested by Annerose Sullivan & Family



Please pray for the sick of the parish and for family and friends of parishioners: Earl Barnes, Nellie Bostick, Fr. Robert Bradler, Jocelvn Bucchan, Fr. Giles Conwill, Maureen Corral, Tom Degnan, Morris Doucette, George Fontenette, Tom Fugate, Denise McGowan, Louise Miles, Harold Moore, Carolyn Walker, Alice Walters, Kathy Wheeler

LECTOR SCHEDULE

Sunday, October 27, 2024 Reader I & II—Norma Thom

Sunday, November 3, 2024 Reader I & II—Joanie Fraver

Sunday, November 10, 2024 Reader I & II—Keith Parris

Sunday, November 17, 2024 Reader I & II—Marcia Fugate

Sunday, November 24, 2024 Reader I & II—Maureen Corral

Sunday, December 1, 2024 Reader I & II—Makeeda Tatum & Violet Booker

Sunday, December 8, 2024 Reader I & II—Norma Thom

Sunday, December 15, 2024 Reader I & II—Don Toyer

Sunday, December 22, 2024 Reader I & II—Andre Fontenette

Sunday, December 29, 2024 Reader I & II—Keith Parris

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: \$1,207

Online Giving: \$155 Online Givers: 3

World Mission Sunday: \$483

Thank you for your generous support.

October Christian Action

Invite Someone to Sunday Mass!

While talking with family, friends, neighbors, colleagues, associates, etc., invite them to join you for Mass on Sunday.

NOVEMBER

Sun. Nov. 3	Daylight Saving Time Ends Blood Pressure Screening—following Mass in the Sacristy
Mon. Nov. 11	Veterans Day—Office Closed
Wed. Nov. 20	Finance Council Mtg.—St. Monica Rectory—3pm
Sun. Nov. 24	Christ the King
Thur. Nov. 28	Thanksgiving Day—Office Closed
Fr. Nov. 29	Day after Thanksgiving—Office Closed St. Joseph's House of Hospitality

Catholic Ministries Appeal

Immaculate Conception/St. Bridget's Parish—Goal \$12,000

As of this date, 7 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 think 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!

Census

Don't forget to go online to fill out the census card. You can also obtain a census card from an



usher or by visiting the link to complete the census: https// tinyurl.com/2cfg9yx3. Or scan the QR code with your smartphone's camera to access the census. Thank you!



The plants are now nestled, all snug in their beds, while visions of springtime dance in their heads.....

....thanks to Ralph Destephano, Marcia Fugate, Ifeoma Nwokelo and Norma Thom, who helped with the Fall Garden Cleanup. Huge thanks to them for their hard work. Robert H.

Blood Pressure Screening will be offered next Sunday, November 3rd in the sacristy. Please have your blood pressure taken before leaving church.



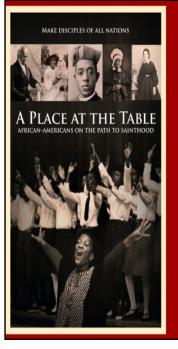
Important Voting Dates

October 26th: Last day to register to vote and to apply for an absentee ballot or early vote by mail ballot online/via mail. **October 26th—November 3rd**: Vote early from Saturday the 26th to Sunday the 3rd. Check out your county board of elections website to find the closest early voting poll site to you.

November 5th: Election Day! This is also the last day to postmark your absentee ballots or early vote by mail ballot.

We pray for those affected by recent hurricanes. Hurricane relief may be sent directly to: **Catholic Charities USA**

2050 Ballenger Ave, Suite 400 Alexandria, VA 22314 Please mark gift: HURRICANE RELIEF



Black Catholic Coalition of Rochester Presents

Free Movie Night

A Place at the Table: African-Americans on the Path to Sainthood is a 2022 documentary film that tells the stories of six Black Catholics who are considered candidates for Sainthood.

Friday, November 15th 6:30PM St. Marianne Cope Parish

Families welcome, most appropriate for children over 10

Free-offering greatly appreciated.

A Revival / Retreat Experience: With The Very Reverend Vernon Huguley From the Diocese of Birmingham, Alabama

AKOMA

Rochester's African American Women's Gospel Choir



November 8, 2024-Revival with Fr. Huguley Revival Music featuring AKOMA Immaculate Conception / St. Bridget's Church 6-8:30 pm (refreshments served)

November 9, 2024 Retreat with Fr. Huguley 9am-2pm (breakfast and lunch served)

Call Tracy at 235-3340 by 11/7 to reserve your spot at the retreat!!

St. Monica Neighborhood Connection

Jesus, who is my neighbor?

Local businesses bring unique skills, services and vitality to St. Monica's neighborhood.

Unified Tae-Kwon-Do at 202 Scottsville Rd. is Rochester's longest-serving martial arts school. For the past 33 years, owner Dwayne McKinney has made it his life's passion to serve our community with quality fitness and selfdefense programs.





Unified Tae-Kwon-Do offers martial arts, self-defense, and cardio kickboxing programs to men, women and children from pre-school up. The school's philosophy emphasizes good health, physical and mental conditioning, awareness, indomitable character, selfconfidence, and values.

McKinney especially enjoys teaching youth to have goals and mental focus that transcend martial arts' physical aspects. Visit https://www.facebook.com/unifiedtkd/or call 436-8330.

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 The perfect place for all of your grilling needs	Together on Earth ~ Together in Eternity Together Missed, Evermore Jack & Elvira Powell
In Loving Memory of the QUAMINA & HARPER FAMILIES Love Gail, Elise, Joyce, Richard	In Loving Memory of My Wife ILONA WHITE Alphonse White	Skips on the Ridge 640 West Ridge Road Rochester, NY 14615 585-865-3896
In Loving Memory of RACHAEL ALICEA & THEODORE ALICEA-SMITH Rick & Colleen Brade	Prayerful Remembrance of the Gordons ARTHUR, SARAH, PEGGY, BUD, BOB, NANCY, GARY Blessings Bill & Family	In Loving Memory of JOE HAUSER The Wingo Family
In Loving Memory of DR. NATHANIEL HURST The Wingo Family	In Loving Memory of DAVID MILES Love your Wife & Children	In Prayerful Remembrance of the Deceased Members of the CULLEN/CORRAL/DESTEPHANO FAMILIES Love Ralph & Maureen
In Loving Memory of JAMES STOKES The Stokes Family	CPR and First Aid Classes For lay and Professional Responders EPIC TRAININGS (585) 615-4379	In Loving Memory of My Beloved Mother LINDA NASH Lynn Fulmore
In Loving Memory of BILL CASTLE The Castle Family	In Loving Memory of GILBERT & CHARITY ADIELE The Nwokelo Family	 "In Memory of the great bass player Tim Sullivan Doug and Victoria Parker on behalf of the GateSwingers Big Band "
Words cannot say how much you are missed. You are so very loved. MOMMY Love Jacquie, Kimberly, Gina & Jean	In Loving Memory of JOSEPH RONALD WEBER Roxana C. Weber	In Loving Memory of SARAH & DONALD GORDON & HENRY BELL SR. The Gordon/Bell Families
In Loving Memory of JOANNE LESSLEY Joanne Gordon	In Loving Memory of TALLAM NGUTI Love your Wife & Children	In Loving Memory of MICHAEL & JULIANA NWOKELO SR. The Nwokelo Family
In Loving Memory of ALL THE DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE McGEE FAMILY James & Melissa McGee	In Loving Memory of RAPHAEL NGUTI Love Mom, Michael, Camille	MATH TUTORING MATH COACHING 585-247-4941