### 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.

## November 3, 2024 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time

God's love is the foundation of his law.

The two greatest commandments of which Jesus speaks are rooted in love: The first is to love God; the second is to love others. Both stem from the outpouring of God's pure goodness. If we love God fully and faithfully, and love others as he loves, we cooperate in our own well-being, and come closer to his kingdom.



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, November 3, 2024

Eric Guess



Requested by the Fugate Family



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, 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, 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 for October 27, 2024

**Offerings: \$2,730** Attendance: 72

Online Giving: \$375 Online Givers: 5

World Mission Sunday: \$35

Thank you for your generous support.

#### **November Christian Action**

#### BE GRATEFUL!

- Believe there is always, always, always something to be grateful for!
- Thank someone who is 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!

#### **NOVEMBER**

Mon. Nov. 11 Veterans Day—Office Closed

Wed. Nov. 20 Finance Council Mtg.—3pm

St. Monica Rectory

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



Extending Christ's Mission
through the Catholic Ministries Appeal

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

As of this date, 8 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!



Blood Pressure Screening will be offered today in the sacristy. Please have your blood pressure taken before leaving church.



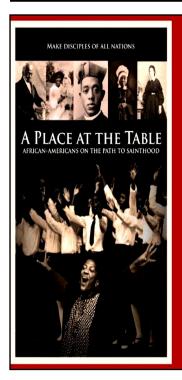
#### Census

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: <a href="https://tinyurl.com/2cfg9yx3">https://tinyurl.com/2cfg9yx3</a>. Or scan the QR code with your smartphone's camera to access the census. Thank you!

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.



# Immaculate Conception/St. Bridget's Youth Sunday Today



## 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!!

# Are you interested in becoming Catholic? RCIA is now called OCIA.

During their November '21 U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops meetings, the U.S. Bishops changed the name of the Rite of Christian Initiation (RCIA) to Order of Christian Initiation for Adults (OCIA). Are you or is someone you know:

- interested in becoming Catholic and receiving the sacraments of baptism, communion, and confirmation?
- baptized in a Christian faith and interested in receiving the sacraments of communion and confirmation?

#### To learn more contact:

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Myrtle Fontenette at <a href="myrtle.fontenette@dor.org">myrtle.fontenette@dor.org</a>, or call the office at 235-3340.

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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
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 this Season & Aways For Your Life & Love, We Give Thanks <b>Linda Nash</b> Your Daughters, Lynn & Shlonda
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 <b>Tim Sullivan</b> 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