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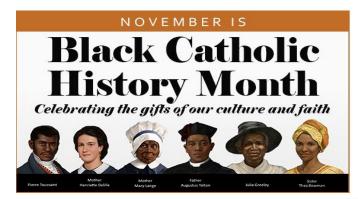
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**Mission Statement**: The Parish of Immaculate Conception/St. Bridget's is a Roman Catholic faith community whose worship reflects and celebrates the cultural gifts and diversity of its members. We welcome all believers to worship God, love one another,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

# November 17, 2024

# 33<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time



The end of the world is coming; let us prepare.

No one knows when the world will end, but if we wait to prepare for it, it may be too late. When we ask for forgiveness and receive God's mercy, we are preparing and living for him. If we live for him, then we will live on forever when the Lord returns. Choosing not to live for him results in disgrace when the end comes. The Lord does not desire that for us—he loves us and wants us to be with him. It's a free, open, and generous invitation Take hold of it!

# 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 17, 2024

### **Tim Sullivan**



Offerings for November 10, 2024

Attendance: 76

**Online Giving: \$130** 

**Offerings: \$1,637** 

**Online Givers: 2** 

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

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	

2024-2025 CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL Extending Christ's Mission through the Catholic Ministries Appeal

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

As of this date, 11 families have contributed to the CMA. We have reached 24.79% of our goal (\$2,975). Thank you to all who have made their pledge and for supporting our mission. Please pray for the success of reaching our goal. Thank you.

The first celebration of Black Catholic History Month began in November of 1990 in various cities in the United States with the celebration of St. Martin de Porres Feast day. The liturgy celebrated the 350<sup>th</sup> anniversary of St. Martin's transition from this life to eternal life.

**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, 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



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.

**REMINDER:** If you attend another local Catholic church on the weekend, you can place your Immaculate Conception/St. Bridget's donation envelope in their collection basket and your donation will be returned to us.



# November is Black Catholic History Month









#### **Celebrate Black Catholic History Month**

# 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:** Fr. Ray Fleming at <u>fr.ray.fleming@dor.org</u> or Myrtle Fontenette at <u>myrtle.fontenette@dor.org</u>, or call the office at 235-3340.





# **Blacks in Catholic History**

November 17<sup>th</sup>

#### Did You Know...

...Antonio Viera was an African born in Portugal?

When he was fifteen years old, he became a Jesuit novice and later a professor of rhetoric and dogmatic theology. He went to Brazil where he worked to abolish discrimination against Jewish merchants, to abolish slavery, and to alleviate conditions among the poor. On the 200th anniversary of his death in 1897, he was canonized.

St. Joseph's House of Hospitality A Rochester, NY Catholic Worker Community 402 South Avenue, Rochester, NY 14607 585-232-3262	<b>BUCKMAN'S PLAZA</b> 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 <b>Jack &amp; Elvira Powell</b>	
In Loving Memory of the QUAMINA & HARPER FAMILIES Love Gail, Elise, Joyce, Richard	In Loving Memory of My Wife ILONA WHITE Alphonse White	<b>Skips on the Ridge</b> 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	<b>CPR and First Aid Classes</b> For lay and Professional Responders <b>EPIC TRAININGS</b> (585) 615-4379	In this Season & Always 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. <b>MOMMY</b> 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 <b>RAPHAEL NGUTI</b> Love Mom, Michael, Camille	<b>MATH TUTORING</b> MATH COACHING 585-247-4941	