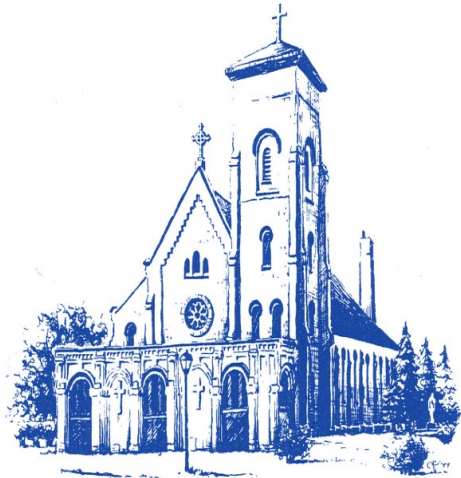


# *Immaculate Conception / St. Bridget's Church*

*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.

*June 21, 2020*

*Twelfth Sunday In Ordinary Time*



The righteous man walks in his integrity;  
**His children are blessed after him.**  
Proverbs 20:7

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**Holy Days:** Consult bulletin or call parish 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 parish office to make arrangements.

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

**WE WORSHIP EVERY SUNDAY AT 10 AM**

**NEW MEMBERS ARE WELCOME!**

**Bible Readings for Sunday, June 21, 2020**

Jeremiah 20:10-13

Romans 5:12-15

Matthew 10:26-33



**Bible Readings for Sunday, June 28, 2020**

2 Kings 4:8-11, 14-16A

Romans 6:3-4, 8-11

Matthew 10:37-42

**CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL**

**WE REACHED OUR GOAL!!**

**Parish Goal: \$9,910**

**As of June 5, 2020**

**\$11,230.01 (113.32%)**

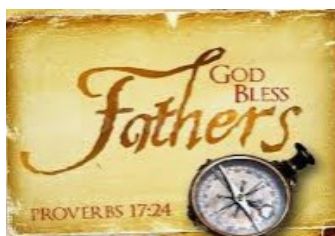
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2018-2019 CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL

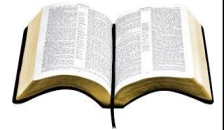


**Happy Father's Day**

*A Dad is a person  
who is loving and kind,  
And often he knows  
what you have on your mind.  
He's someone who listens,  
suggests, and defends.  
A dad can be one  
of your very best friends!  
He's proud of your triumphs,  
but when things go wrong,  
A dad can be patient  
and helpful and strong  
In all that you do,  
a dad's love plays a part.  
There's always a place for him  
deep in your heart.  
And each year that passes,  
you're even more glad,  
More grateful and proud  
just to call him your dad!  
Thank you, Dad...  
for listening and caring,  
for giving and sharing,  
but, especially, for just being you!*



**BIBLE STUDY CORNER**



Then [Jesus] looked up at his disciples and said: Blessed are you who are poor, for yours is the kingdom of God. Blessed are you who are hungry now, for you will be filled.

Luke 6:20-21

**Reflection:**

Many people in our society are materially poor. They are poor because they are unemployed or underemployed. They the financial means to support their families; they are without health insurance; their children cannot go to college; they are discouraged and depressed, political and economic instability, these conditions bring about more human despair and death.

Many people in the world are spiritually poor, they have everything they need to live a decent life but they lack spiritual root, and a sense of purpose. Their hearts are void of happiness, joy and inner peace.

So much in our lives and in this world is out of balance, because of material and spiritual hunger.

**Ponder:** What are my spiritual needs?

**Prayer:** Lord, you never forget us; you answer all our needs. Keep me from being anxious about many things.

**Practice:** Today I will cling less and trust more.

**JUNE CHRISTIAN ACTION**



**APPRECIATE YOUR FATHER, GRANDFATHER,  
BROTHER, SON, GODFATHER, MALE  
COLLEAGUE, NEIGHBOR, ETC.**

**SHOW THEM YOUR LOVE IN A SPECIAL WAY.**

*Immaculate Conception/St. Bridget's parishioners will  
make the world a better place one action at a time.*

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June 18, 2020

Dear Parishioners,

We are pleased to announce that we will resume offering mass at 10am on Sunday, June 28<sup>th</sup>. Our regular mass attendance is within the 25% of worship space occupancy guideline. The Bishop has extended the dispensation from the obligation for attending mass during this pandemic, so if you are sick, please remain at home, and if you have any concerns about your health or the health of someone in your house, please remain at home.

In order to adhere to the protocols that have been established during this pandemic, the Mass at Immaculate Conception/St Bridget's will be different.

- When you come to church, it will be necessary that you **wear your own mask**. Please **enter church through the doors located on Frederick Douglass Circle** unless you need to utilize the ramp. There will be hand sanitizing stations located at all entrances.
- Social distancing guidelines are to be followed: Family groups may sit together as they would at home. Six-foot distancing must be maintained between non-household individuals – both during entry and exiting and during seating.
- Allowable Pews will be marked. Please follow ushers' instructions.
- **Restrooms will be closed**- designated for emergency use only.
- The congregation **will not be singing hymns or responses**. Only the cantor will sing.
- There will be no holding of hands (except family members) during the Our Father or sign of peace.
- The ushers will take up the collection. Please drop your donation into the basket, and please avoid grabbing or touching the basket.
- Holy Communion will be distributed to one side of the congregation at a time. Your mask should be on as you process in single file, down the side aisle and up the center aisle. Maintaining six-foot distance between the person in front of you. Your palm should be up and mask on as you receive the host. Step to the side, lift your mask and consume the host. Return to your seat via the side aisle. There will be no coffee hour after mass.
- Please **exit the church via the Frederick Douglass and Edinburgh doors**.
- There should be **NO social gatherings** or groupings **prior to or after Mass**. **Please disperse promptly**.

As noted in [Bishop Matano's letter to the faithful](#), reopening will be a gradual process. Please be patient and bear with us, as we work out safety and logistical precautions to keep both parishioners and priests safe from the Coronavirus that is still present in the general population.

Thank you, and we are looking forward to seeing you!!



# JUNETEENTH

*Celebration of Freedom*

**Juneteenth** (a portmanteau of *June* and *nineteenth* (also known as **Freedom Day**, **Jubilee Day**, and **Liberation Day**, is an unofficial American holiday celebrated annually on the 19th of June in the United States to commemorate Union army general Gordon Granger's reading of federal orders in the city of Galveston, Texas, on 19 June 1865, proclaiming that all enslaved persons in the U.S. state of Texas were now free. Although the Emancipation Proclamation had formally freed them almost two and a half years earlier, and the American Civil War had largely ended with the defeat of the Confederate States in April, Texas was the most remote of the slave states, with a low presence of Union troops, so enforcement of the proclamation had been slow and inconsistent.

Celebrations date to 1866, at first involving church-centered community gatherings in Texas. It spread across the South and became more commercialized in the 1920s and 1930s, often centering on a food festival. During the Civil Rights movement of the 1960s, it was eclipsed by the struggle for postwar civil rights, but grew in popularity again in the 1970s with a focus on African American freedom and arts. By the 21st century, Juneteenth was celebrated in most major cities across the United States. Activists are campaigning for the United States Congress to recognize Juneteenth as a national holiday. Juneteenth is recognized as a state holiday or special day of observance in 48 of the 50 U.S. states.

Modern observance is primarily in local celebrations. Traditions include public readings of the Emancipation Proclamation, singing traditional songs such as "Swing Low, Sweet Chariot" and "Lift Every Voice and Sing", and reading of works by noted African-American writers such as Ralph Ellison and Maya Angelou. Celebrations include rodeos, street fairs, cookouts, family reunions, park parties, historical reenactments, and Miss Juneteenth contests. The Mascogos, descendants of Black Seminoles, of Coahuila, Mexico, also celebrate Juneteenth.

(Wikipedia,org)

*If you are interested in advertising or including a Memorial  
Please call the Parish Office – 325-3893*

<p><b>St. Joseph's House of Hospitality</b> A Rochester, NY Catholic Worker Community 402 South Avenue, Rochester, NY 14607 585-232-3262</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>BUCKMAN'S PLAZA</b> 2590 W. Ridge Road, Rochester</p> <p>Visit our many stores including City Mattress, Visionworks, Pino's Deli, Megan Nail Spa, Red Cross, Hair Finale Morgan School of Driving, Orville's Appliances and many more.</p>	
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<p>In Loving Memory of the <b>QUAMINA &amp; HARPER FAMILIES</b> <i>Love Gail, Elise, Joyce, Richard</i></p>	<p>In Loving Memory of My Wife <b>ILONA WHITE</b> <i>Alphonse White</i></p>	<p>In Loving Memory of <b>CREÔLE MON'AE FONTENETTE</b> <i>Love your Grandparents</i></p>
<p>In Loving Memory of <b>HENRY FAISON JR.</b> <i>Love your Mom, George, Adrian, Andre</i></p>	<p>Prayerful Remembrance of the Gordons <b>ARTHUR, SARAH, PEGGY, BUD, BOB, NANCY, GARY</b> <i>Blessings Bill &amp; Family</i></p>	<p>In Loving Memory of <b>JOE HAUSER</b> <i>The Wingo Family</i></p>
<p>In Loving Memory of <b>DR. NATHANIEL HURST</b> <i>The Wingo Family</i></p>	<p>In Loving Memory of <b>DAVID MILES</b> <i>Love your Wife &amp; Children</i></p>	<p>In Prayerful Remembrance of the Deceased Members of the <b>CULLEN &amp; CORRAL FAMILIES</b> <i>Love Ralph &amp; Maureen</i></p>
<p>In Loving Memory of <b>JAMES STOKES</b> <i>The Stokes Family</i></p>	<p>In Loving Memory of <b>JAMES WALTERS</b> <i>Alice Walters</i></p>	<p>In Loving Memory of <b>JEFFREY WALTERS</b> <i>Alice Walters</i></p>
<p>In Loving Memory of <b>DOUGLAS SIMMONS</b> <i>Alice Walters</i></p>	<p>In Loving Memory of <b>ADA FULLWOOD</b> <i>The Augustine/Fullwood Families</i></p>	<p>In Loving Memory of <b>RITA VIOLET AUGUSTINE</b> <i>The Augustine Family</i></p>
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*Welcome Visitors to Immaculate Conception / St. Bridget's Church  
We are blessed by your presence.  
Please come again!*