

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.

May 14, 2023

Sixth Sunday of Easter



*Happy
Mother's
Day!*

*Happy Mother's Day to all mothers,
grandmothers, godmothers, stepmothers,
and mother figures!*

*May God bless you all the days of your
lives. We thank God for the blessing of
YOU in our lives!*

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, May 14, 2023

For All Living & Deceased Mothers



Please pray for the sick of the parish and for family and friends of parishioners: Earl & Phyllis Barnes, Fr. Robert Bradler, Fr. Giles Conwill, Tom Degnan, Morris Doucette, Tom Fugate, Denise McGowan, Carolyn Walker, Alice Walters

Bible Readings for Sunday, May 14, 2023

Acts 8:5-8, 14-17

1 Peter 3:15-18

John 14:15-21



Bible Readings for Sunday, May 21, 2023

Acts 1:12-14

1 Peter 4:13-16

John 17:1-11a

LECTOR SCHEDULE

Sunday, May 14, 2023

Reader I & II—Don Toyer

Sunday, May 21, 2023

Reader I & II—Makeeda Tatum & Violet Booker

Sunday, May 28, 2023

Reader I & II—Maureen Corral

Sunday, June 4, 2023

Reader I & II—Keith Parris

Sunday, June 11, 2023

Reader I & II—André Fontenette

Sunday, June 18, 2023

Reader I & II—Makeeda Tatum & Violet Booker

Sunday, June 25, 2023

Reader I & II—Norma Thom



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Offerings for May 7, 2023

Offerings: \$2,058

Attendance: 81

Online Giving: \$350

Online Givers: 5

Thank you for your generous support.

May

Sun. May 14 *Happy Mother's Day*

Sat. May 27 *St. Joseph's House of Hospitality*

May Christian Action

Appreciate your mother, grandmother, sister, daughter, female colleague, neighbor, etc.

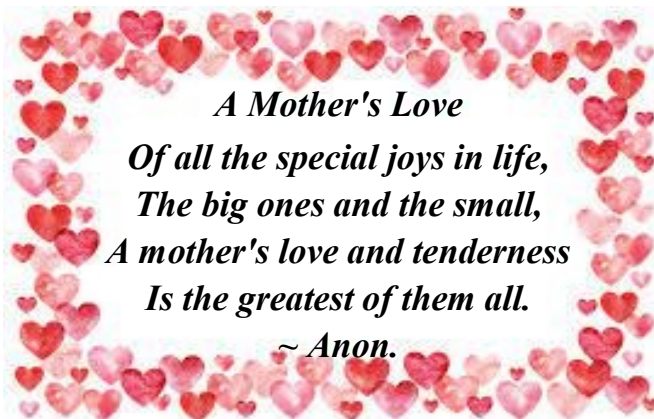


Show them your love in a special way.



MASS INTENTIONS

Mass Intentions can be scheduled for 2023. Please call or stop by the office to schedule Mass Intentions. The offering is \$10.



A Mother's Love

***Of all the special joys in life,
The big ones and the small,
A mother's love and tenderness
Is the greatest of them all.***

~ Anon.



Bishop Salvatore Matano will celebrate Mass at Immaculate Conception/St. Bridget's Church on Sunday, May 21, 2023 at the 9:00am Mass. The Bishop will also bless those going to the 2023 National Black Catholic Congress in Maryland. Please join us!

The Ascension of the Lord Thursday, May 18

There will not be a Mass at Immaculate Conception/St. Bridget's Church for Ascension Thursday. If you would like to attend Mass you are welcome to attend St. Monica's Mass at 12:10 pm or attend another Catholic Church.

Please join us in celebrating Lily Tatum and Alicia Bukuru. They received the sacrament of Penance on May 13, and the sacrament of First Holy Communion on May 14.



We would also like to celebrate Stephanie Bukuru and Teyana Pappin on being confirmed on May 1 at Sacred Heart Cathedral.

Congratulations to Lily, Alicia, Stephanie & Teyana!

Diocesan Missions Sunday

The Church is called to proclaim Jesus Christ, who was crucified, died and is risen: through him God bestows "new life" that is divine and eternal. This is the "Good News" which changes people and history, and which all people have a right to hear.

We cannot be content when we consider the millions of our brothers and sisters who don't know Christ and the love of God yet.

"As for us, we cannot help speaking about what we have seen and heard." (Acts 4:20) For over fifty years, the Sisters of St. Joseph have labored in Brazil and the Sisters of Mercy in Chile.

Next Sunday, May 21, we call upon you to help with your prayers and sacrificial gift, so that they may continue to bring Christ into a world where darkness, despair and emptiness prevail.

What is a Mother?

A mother is a very special person. She must have the ability to handle many situations and to assume many roles. She must be loving, giving, self sacrificing, gentle, compassionate, understanding, patient, kind, accepting and forgiving. Perhaps, the greatest characteristic of a mother is her ability to give selflessly without expecting anything in return; giving even with the realization that there is no "thank you" and no appreciation.

A mother must be able to give guidance, direction and discipline to her children, when needed, read the subtle gestures and expressions her children convey and hear their unspoken words. She must realistically accept her children for what they are and love them in spite of their shortcomings, and in spite of the sorrow they may cause her. In short, a mother must be able to forgive and forget.

When her children are grown, a mother must let them lead their own lives and must respect their opinions and styles. Most of all, a mother must have the ability to share the joys, laughter, and dreams of her children and reap the benefits that being a mother can bring.

On this Mother's Day, we would like to especially remember of our mothers, both living and deceased. We especially celebrate all those who have become mothers for the first time and those who are expecting children during this time of the year.



19th Ward Square Fair

Save the date,
Saturday, June 3



The 19th Ward Community Association annual Square Fair and parade invites neighbors and visitors to its celebration of diversity at Aberdeen Square. It's a perfect opportunity to engage neighbors, sign up youth for our July CYO Summer Basketball Clinic and August Vacation Bible School. Interested in helping create a booth or recruit youth for an hour or two on June 3? Talk to Tami Divers, John DeMott, or Jessica Tette.

Proverbs 31:26:

"She opens her mouth with wisdom, and the teaching of kindness is on her tongue."

<p>St. Joseph's House of Hospitality</p> <p>A Rochester, NY Catholic Worker Community 402 South Avenue, Rochester, NY 14607 585-232-3262</p>	<p align="center">BUCKMAN'S PLAZA 2590 W. Ridge Road, Rochester 14626</p> <p>Please visit our many stores, including City Mattress, Visionworks, Pino's Deli, Megan Nail Spa, Red Cross, Sign Impressions, Greece Chiropractic, Heart & Home Health Twist- ed Dolls Hair Braiding Salon and Orville's Appliances.</p>	
<p>Corn Hill Neighborhood Association 133 S. Fitzhugh Street Rochester, NY 14608 www.cornhill.org</p>	<p>Mileage Master Center of Rochester 2488 Browncroft Blvd. Rochester, NY 14625 585-586-1870</p> <p><i>The perfect place for all of your grilling needs</i></p>	<p>Tom Zubert, Realtor RE/MAX REALTY GROUP 585-721-1313 zubert.tom@gmail.com (ICS Graduate)</p>
<p>In Loving Memory of the QUAMINA & HARPER FAMILIES <i>Love Gail, Elise, Joyce, Richard</i></p>	<p>In Loving Memory of My Wife ILONA WHITE <i>Alphonse White</i></p>	<p>Skips on the Ridge 640 West Ridge Road Rochester, NY 14615 585-865-3896</p>
<p>For all Deceased Families, Friends & Parishioners of Immaculate Conception /St. Bridget's Church <i>Rose Stokes</i></p>	<p>Prayerful Remembrance of the Gordons ARTHUR, SARAH, PEGGY, BUD, BOB, NANCY, GARY <i>Blessings Bill & Family</i></p>	<p>In Loving Memory of JOE HAUSER <i>The Wingo Family</i></p>
<p>In Loving Memory of DR. NATHANIEL HURST <i>The Wingo Family</i></p>	<p>In Loving Memory of DAVID MILES <i>Love your Wife & Children</i></p>	<p>In Prayerful Remembrance of the Deceased Members of the CULLEN & CORRAL FAMILIES <i>Love Ralph & Maureen</i></p>
<p>In Loving Memory of JAMES STOKES <i>The Stokes Family</i></p>	<p>CPR and First Aid Classes For lay and Professional Responders EPIC TRAININGS (585) 615-4379</p>	<p>In Loving Memory of My Beloved Mother Linda Nash <i>Lynn Fulmore</i></p>
<p>In Loving Memory of BILL CASTLE <i>The Castle Family</i></p>	<p>In Loving Memory of GILBERT & CHARITY ADIELE <i>The Nwokelo Family</i></p>	<p>"In Memory of the great bass player Tim Sullivan <i>Doug and Victoria Parker on behalf of the GateSwingers Big Band "</i></p>
<p>In Loving Memory of CREÓLE MON'AE FONTENETTE <i>Love your Grandparents</i></p>	<p>In Loving Memory of JOSEPH RONALD WEBER <i>Roxana C. Weber</i></p>	<p>In Loving Memory of SARAH & DONALD GORDON & HENRY BELL SR. <i>The Gordon/Bell Families</i></p>
<p>In Loving Memory of JOANNE LESSLEY <i>Joanne Gordon</i></p>	<p>In Loving Memory of TALLAM NGUTI <i>Love your Wife & Children</i></p>	<p>In Loving Memory of MICHAEL NWOKELO SR. <i>The Nwokelo Family</i></p>
<p>In Loving Memory of ALL THE DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE McGEE FAMILY <i>James & Melissa McGee</i></p>	<p>In Loving Memory of RAPHAEL NGUTI <i>Love Mom, Michael, Camille</i></p>	<p>MATH TUTORING MATH COACHING 585-247-4941</p>