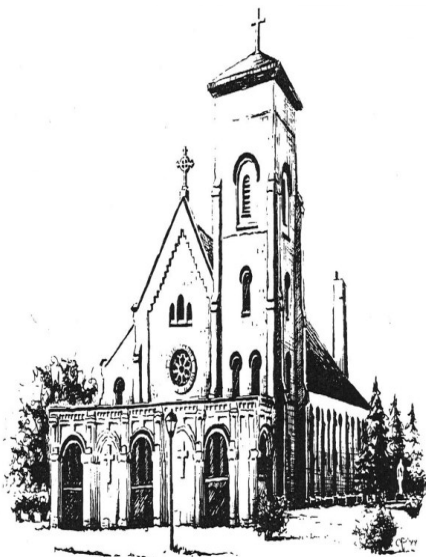


Immaculate Conception / St. Bridget's Church

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 21, 2023

Seventh Sunday of Easter

Give glory to God.

Today's Liturgy of the Word offers insight into what it means to glorify God. It is not about just praising occasionally with words, but rather, it is about glorifying God with or lives. What we say and what we do ought to glorify God every day. Jesus has shown us this way by his very life, from his public ministry to his passion and resurrection.

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.

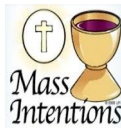
Baptism: Please call the office to make arrangements.

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

Sunday, May 21, 2023

Kathleen Brooks

Requested by Deacon Jeff Mierzejewski



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 21, 2023

Acts 1:12-14

1 Peter 4:13-16

John 17:1-11a



Bible Readings for Sunday, May 28, 2023

Acts 2:1-11

1 Corinthians 12:3b-7, 12-13

John 20:19-23

LECTOR SCHEDULE

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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Financial Fraud Hotline
1-800-388-7177 x1266

Reports may also be made in writing to:
Internal Audit Department • Diocese of Rochester
1150 Buffalo Road • Rochester, NY 14624

Offerings for May 14, 2023

Offerings: \$1,581

Attendance: 83

Online Giving: \$170

Online Givers: 3

Thank you for your generous support.

May

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

Mon. May 29 Memorial Day—Office Closed

May Christian Action

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



Show them your love in a special way.

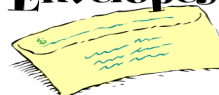


MASS INTENTIONS

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

Offering Envelopes

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.



Welcome Bishop Salvatore Matano, who will be celebrating Mass with us today. The Bishop will also be blessing those going to the 2023 National Black Catholic Congress in Maryland. Thank you for joining us!

Come join us at the Westside Farmer's Market!



Tuesdays, 4:00-7:00 PM
June 6 - October 10
St. Monica's Parking Lot

Volunteers needed for Summer CYO Basketball Clinic!

Food prep and check-in help needed. Contact Jessica.tette@dor.org or tamidivers@icloud.com and help build our parish through youth sports!



OPEN TO YOUTH
IN GRADES 3-8

JULY 19-21 2023,
9:00AM - 12:30PM
LUNCH INCLUDED

Become Part of Our Church Family

Are you a member of Immaculate Conception/St. Bridget's parish? Would you like to be? You are welcome to join. Call the parish office at 585-235-3340 to find out how to become a member.

SUMMER EVENTS

Corn Hill Arts Festival

Saturday, July 8, 2023 ~ 10:00 am - 6:00 pm

Sunday, July 9, 2023 ~ 10:00 am - 5:00 pm

Clarissa Street Reunion

Saturday, August 19, 2023

10:00 am - 8:00 pm

Today is Diocesan Missions Sunday, a day to honor the missionary efforts of the Sisters of St. Joseph and the Sisters of Mercy working and serving the needs of our brothers and sisters in Brazil and Chile.

We are called to take part in the missionary work of the Church. We may not all have to move to another town or city to do so, but impelled by the Holy Spirit, each one of us is to move beyond our daily concerns, important as they are, to help others live in the faith that sustains us.

We are reminded that our missionary activity is a living sign of our faith. The support of our Diocesan Missionaries by the Church of Rochester is a great piece of our history.

May we share the gift of faith today by helping our missionary friends with our prayers and a generous gift.

Living Faith

A Place of Knowing

Now this is eternal life, that they should know you, the only true God, and the one whom you sent, Jesus Christ.
John 17:3

As a young boy, I was taught the tenets of faith through simple stories and images. The glorious mystery of eternal life was presented on a felt board with cut-out pictures of clouds and angels playing harps. Eternal life was "up there," a place where good people went when they died. Such lessons are the beginnings of faith and play an essential role in our movement toward God.

But for mature Christians, Jesus brings a deeper truth. Eternal life is a place of knowing, a movement toward a more intimate awareness of an ever-present triune God. It is about encountering Jesus now in our lives of prayer and sacrament and service so we can continue to live in that known presence when our lives on earth are complete. We don't wait for eternal life. We live into it.

Jesus, draw me close, now and forever.

Steve Givens

Welcome Visitors to

Immaculate Conception / St. Bridget's Church

We are blessed by your presence.

Please come again!

<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 align="center">Please visit our many stores, including City Mattress, Visionworks, Pino's Deli, Megan Nail Spa, Red Cross, Sign Impressions, Greece Chiropractic, Heart & Home Health Twisted 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 align="center">In Loving Memory of the QUAMINA & HARPER FAMILIES <i>Love Gail, Elise, Joyce, Richard</i></p>	<p align="center">In Loving Memory of My Wife ILONA WHITE <i>Alphonse White</i></p>	<p align="center">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</p> <p align="center"><i>Rose Stokes</i></p>	<p align="center">Prayerful Remembrance of the Gordons ARTHUR, SARAH, PEGGY, BUD, BOB, NANCY, GARY <i>Blessings Bill & Family</i></p>	<p align="center">In Loving Memory of JOE HAUSER <i>The Wingo Family</i></p>
<p align="center">In Loving Memory of DR. NATHANIEL HURST <i>The Wingo Family</i></p>	<p align="center">In Loving Memory of DAVID MILES <i>Love your Wife & Children</i></p>	<p align="center">In Prayerful Remembrance of the Deceased Members of the CULLEN & CORRAL FAMILIES <i>Love Ralph & Maureen</i></p>
<p align="center">In Loving Memory of JAMES STOKES <i>The Stokes Family</i></p>	<p align="center">CPR and First Aid Classes For lay and Professional Responders</p> <p align="center">EPIC TRAININGS (585) 615-4379</p>	<p align="center">In Loving Memory of My Beloved Mother Linda Nash <i>Lynn Fulmore</i></p>
<p align="center">In Loving Memory of BILL CASTLE <i>The Castle Family</i></p>	<p align="center">In Loving Memory of GILBERT & CHARITY ADIELE <i>The Nwokelo Family</i></p>	<p align="center">"In Memory of the great bass player Tim Sullivan <i>Doug and Victoria Parker on behalf of the GateSwingers Big Band "</i></p>
<p align="center">In Loving Memory of CREÓLE MON'AE FONTENETTE <i>Love your Grandparents</i></p>	<p align="center">In Loving Memory of JOSEPH RONALD WEBER <i>Roxana C. Weber</i></p>	<p align="center">In Loving Memory of SARAH & DONALD GORDON & HENRY BELL SR. <i>The Gordon/Bell Families</i></p>
<p align="center">In Loving Memory of JOANNE LESSLEY <i>Joanne Gordon</i></p>	<p align="center">In Loving Memory of TALLAM NGUTI <i>Love your Wife & Children</i></p>	<p align="center">In Loving Memory of MICHAEL NWOKELO SR. <i>The Nwokelo Family</i></p>
<p align="center">In Loving Memory of ALL THE DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE McGEE FAMILY <i>James & Melissa McGee</i></p>	<p align="center">In Loving Memory of RAPHAEL NGUTI <i>Love Mom, Michael, Camille</i></p>	<p align="center">MATH TUTORING MATH COACHING 585-247-4941</p>