## 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 Statemen**t: 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.

# July 23, 2023 16<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jesus encourages us to persevere in faith even in challenging circumstances.

In our daily lives, it can be challenging to persevere in faith, in charity, and in kindness when dealing with people who appear to be the opposite—mean, vengeful, thoughtless. But Jesus reminds us that it is still possible to bear fruit under these conditions, and that even a small seed of faith can yield abundant fruit.

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, July 23, 2023

Nancy Stavalone



Requested by Ralph Destephano & Maureen Corral



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, Kathy Wheeler

## Bible Readings for Sunday, July 23, 2023

Wisdom 12:13, 16-19

Romans 8:26-27

Matthew 13:24-43 or 13:24-30



## Bible Readings for Sunday, July 30, 2023

1 Kings 3:5, 7-12

Romans 8:28-30

Matthew 13:44-52 or 13:44-46

## **LECTOR SCHEDULE**

### **Sunday, July 23, 2023**

Reader I & II—Joanie Fraver

### **Sunday, July 30, 2023**

Reader I & II—Marcia Fugate

### Sunday, August 6, 2023

Reader I & II—André Fontenette

## Sunday, August 13, 2023

Reader I & II—Don Toyer

### Sunday, August 20, 2023

Reader I & II—Keith Parris

## Sunday, August 27, 2023

Reader I & II—Maureen Corral

### Sunday, September 3, 2023

Reader I & II—Joanie Fraver

## Sunday, September 10, 2023

Reader I & II—Don Toyer

## Sunday, September 17, 2023

Reader I & II—Makeeda Tatum & Violet Booker

Offerings for July 16, 2023

Offerings: \$1,709 Attendance: 52

Online Giving: \$195 Online Givers: 4

Thank you for your generous support.

## **July Christian Action**

Be proud to be an American!



- Pray for our leaders and for peace in our country and our world.
- Thank a veteran/military person for their service and our freedom.
- Care for our earth: pick up litter, recycle, conserve water, and turn lights off when not in use.



You can celebrate loved ones and friends with a Mass

for an anniversary, birthday, etc. or remember those who have passed away. Call the office to schedule a Mass.

Remember: If you have a milestone anniversary coming up, please let us know so we can print it in a future bulletin.





## ROMAN CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF ROCHESTER

Victims of sexual abuse should always report to the civil authorities.
To receive help and guidance from the Roman Catholic Diocese of Rochester, contact our Victim Assistance Coordinator:

#### Deborah Housel

585-328-3228, ext. 1555 Toll-free: 1-800-388-7177, ext. 1555 or by e-mail to victimsassistance@dor.org.

# Thank You

Thank you to everyone who volunteered with the church's annual Corn Hill fundraiser. Your dedication and continued support was greatly appreciated. Also, thank you to Don Toyer for all his continued hard work in organizing this fundraiser. The Castle Family were a great asset in helping with Corn Hill. They really stepped in and made Bill's presence felt. We couldn't make it work without everyone's participation. Great team work!



TOL ROUS TOL TOSPICE
Classic Car Show Fundraiser & Lay Hunger to Rest Food Drive

Sunday, August 13, 2023 11am-3pm – 2125 Chili Ave. Rochester, NY 14624 –

Driver's Breakfast, Food, Drink, Trophies, Dash Plaques, Raffles, 50/50
This Year's show will be held the Same Day as the Rochester Air Show!
Watch The Air Force Thunderbirds All Day From Our Lot!

Bring Nonperishable Goods to Fill Up Our Hearse and Help Us "Lay Hunger to Rest"

All Money Raised Benefits Local Area Comfort Care Homes including:

Aurora House, Journey Home, Patrick Place, Story of Hope, and Isaiah House

For more information, please contact Adam Szeluga Phone # (585) 247-7590

Adam.Szeluga@DignityMemorial.com



Prepare Your Heart and Mark Your Calendar for July 17–21, 2024

Exactly one year from today, 80,000 Catholics from all over the U.S. will gather in Indianapolis for a transformative encounter with the Real Presence of Jesus. Together, we will ask him to revive our hearts, our Church, and our world, launching us into a new chapter of missionary faith.

This is the Catholic event of the decade and a milestone within the National Eucharistic Revival movement. Don't miss this incredible opportunity for grace! Many seats have already been claimed.









Immaculate Conception/St. Bridget's Church

175 Anniversary Celebration in 2024

Mark Your Calendar ~ Upcoming Events

April 7, 2024 Opening Anniversary Mass

April 28, 2024 ICSB Brunch /Luncheon

June 9, 2024 Caribbean Mass

Sept. 14, 2024 ICSB Gala, Harro East Ballroom

Nov. 8, 9, 10 Revival Weekend with Fr. Nutt

Friday Evening Revival
Saturday Retreat
Sunday Mass

Dec. 8, 2024 Closing Mass

St. Joseph's House of Hospitality	BUCKMAN'S PLAZA 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, Greece Chiropractic, Heart & Home Health Twisted Dolls Hair Braiding Salon and Orville's Appliances.	
A Rochester, NY Catholic Worker Community 402 South Avenue, Rochester, NY 14607 585-232-3262		
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	Tom Zubert, Realtor  RE/MAX REALTY GROUP  585-721-1313  zubert.tom@gmail.com  (ICS Graduate)
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
For all Deceased Families, Friends & Parishioners of Immaculate Conception /St. Bridget's Church  Rose Stokes	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 FAMILIES  Love Ralph & Maureen
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 Loving Memory of My Beloved Mother  Linda Nash  Lynn Fulmore
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"
In Loving Memory of  CREÓLE MON'AE FONTENETTE  Love your Grandparents	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 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