# 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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#### Sunday Mass ~ 9:00 a.m.

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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 6, 2022 32<sup>nd</sup> Sunday In Ordinary Time

Lift your hearts to the Lord.

Today's readings show difficult situations, whether physical in the first reading or moral in the Gospel. In each setting, the Scripture lifts our sights to what is most important. We are the children of God, and our strength is in the Lord. This is what truly matters in the world, no matter what we might face.



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 6, 2022



Eric Guess

Requested by the Fugate Family



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

### Bible Readings for Sunday, November 6, 2022

Wisdom 11:22—12:2

2 Thessalonians 1:11—2:2



Bible Readings for Sunday, November 13, 2022

Malachi 3:19-20a

2 Thessalonians 3:7-12

Luke 21:5-19

## LECTOR SCHEDULE

<u>Sunday, November 6, 2022</u> Reader I & II—Andre Fontenette

Sunday, November 13, 2022 Reader I & II—Keith Parris

<u>Sunday, November 20, 2022</u> Reader I & II—Norma Thom

Thursday, November 24, 2022 Reader I & II—TBA

<u>Sunday, November 27, 2022</u> Reader I & II—Makeeda Tatum & Violet Booker

Sunday, December 4, 2022 Reader I & II—Joanie Fraver

Sunday, December 11, 2022 Reader I & II—Don Toyer

<u>Sunday, December 18, 2022</u> Reader I & II—Maureen Corral

Sunday, December 24, 2022 (Christmas Eve) Reader I & II—TBA

<u>Sunday, December 25, 2022 (Christmas Day)</u> Reader I & II—TBA Offerings for October 30, 2022

Offerings: \$1,776

Attendance: 58

Online Giving: \$320

**Online Givers: 5** 

Thank you for your generous support.



Sun. Nov. 6	Daylight Saving Time Ends	
Fr. Nov. 11	Veterans Day—Office Closed	
Sun. Nov. 20	Christ the King	
Thur. Nov. 24	Thanksgiving Day—Office Closed	
Fr. Nov. 25	Day after Thanksgiving—Office Closed	
Sat. Nov. 26	St. Joseph's House of Hospitality	
Sun. Nov. 27	First Sunday of Advent	





- Thank someone who is sitting by you or lives with you or near you.
- Thank a stranger (a salesclerk, cashier, librarian, etc.) for their help.
- Write a note to someone telling why you are grateful for them.
- Pray: All that I am, and all that I have is because of you Lord! Remember there's always, always something to be thankful for!



Tracy Bell, Violet Booker, Jacquelyn Dobson Lily Gasiorek, Anuarite Hicuburundi Michelle Horman, Louise Miles Deacon Rick Rall, Biliane Seide Rose Stokes, Vincent Stroud, Norma Thom

# **BLACK CATHOLIC HISTORY MONTH**

Welcome and thank you to Evelyn Greenwade-Boltwood who will be signing our prelude song, Total Praise.





Next Sunday, November 13th there will be a reenactment of the Servant of God, Sr. Thea Bowman's most powerful speech to a group of bishops by Gaya Shakes. This you don't want to miss!

A huge thank you to all the members of Immaculate Conception/St. Bridget's Church for attending the National Black Catholic Congress Day of Reflection on Saturday, October 29th.

Black Catholic history can be traced back to the Acts of the Apostles (8:26-40) when St. Philip the Deacon converted the Ethiopian eunuch- one of the first moves the Apostles made to evangelize outside Jerusalem and thus sowed the seeds for the universal Church. Christianity spread throughout North Africa, and the region was featured prominently in the early Church as the birthplace of saints, popes and Western monasticism.

Between 1565 and 1899, Blacks, both slave and free, helped to found and build St. Augustine, Florida, one of the oldest towns in the United States. In 1693, the Spanish offered freedom to the slaves who converted to Catholicism. In the 1700's, Maryland's black Catholic population grew to over 3,000 as a result of Jesuit evangelization.

On July 24, 1990, the National Black Catholic Clergy Caucus of the United States designated November as **Black Catholic History Month** to celebrate the long history and proud heritage of Black Catholics. Two commemorative dates fall within this month, Saint <u>Augustine</u>'s Birthday (November 13) and Saint Martin de Porres' Feast Day (November 3).

During this Black Catholic History Month, we will highlight some of this proud heritage.



#### Don't forget to Honor Our Veterans!

The church office will be closed on Friday, November 11 for Veterans Day.

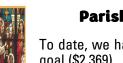
Happy 80th Birthday Norma!

Blood Pressure Screening will be offered today in the sacristy. Please have your blood pressure taken before leaving church.



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# Parish Goal ~\$9,000

To date, we have reached 26.32% of our goal (\$2,369). 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.

# **Black Catholic History Month**

#### **Celebration with Mass**

Thursday, November 10, 2022

6:00 pm to 7:30 pm

Refreshments after Mass at 7:30 pm

Music led by Immaculate Conception/St. Bridget's, St. Monica and St. Rita Music Ministry

> St. Rita Church 1008 Maple Drive, Webster, NY

Please join us ...

all are welcome!



St. Joseph's House of Hospitality	BUCKMAN'S PLAZA 2590 W. Ridge Road, Rochester 14626		
A Rochester, NY Catholic Worker Community 402 South Avenue, Rochester, NY 14607 585-232-3262	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.		
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	<b>Skips on the Ridge</b> 640 West Ridge Road Rochester, NY 14615 585-865-3896	
In Loving Memory of HENRY FAISON JR. Love Mom, George, Adrian, Andre	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 <b>CULLEN &amp; CORRAL FAMILIES</b> <i>Love Ralph &amp; Maureen</i>	
In Loving Memory of JAMES STOKES The Stokes Family	EPIC TRAININGS LYNN FULMORE, MASTER INSTRUCTOR CPR First Aid Classes for Lay/Professional Responders, Safety Classes for Children, Coaches, Scouts and Seniors Certified Just Yell Fire Training Center Phone: 585-615-4379 Email: mail@epictrainings.com WEB: www.epictrainings.com Facebook: EPIC Trainings		
In Loving Memory of JAMES & JEFFREY WALTERS DOUGLAS SIMMONS	In Loving Memory of GILBERT & CHARITY ADIELE The Nwokelo Family	All About ToastmastersYour Path to Leadership Where Leaders are Made For more information contact Jean Pryor Meeting: 1 <sup>st</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> Mondays except holidays <u>E-mail-lyceumclub93@gmail.com</u>	
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 SARAH ANN GORDON Louise & Shannon	SPACE AVAILABLE	