

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.

November 12, 2023

32nd Sunday In Ordinary Time

Always be prepared to welcome Christ, for we know neither the day nor the hour of his arrival.

The Gospel parable reminds us to keep vigil for Jesus. It is easy to get distracted by the details of work, family life, and other responsibilities so that we forget the real purpose and mission of our lives. Let's each take a moment to contemplate how we can live out our vocation in life, readying ourselves for the Lord's coming.



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.

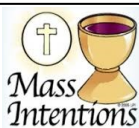
Baptism: Please call the office to make arrangements.

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

Sunday, November 12, 2023

Bill Castle

Requested by the Fontenette Family



Offerings for November 5, 2023

Offerings: \$1,512

Attendance: 78

Online Giving: \$470

Online Givers: 6

Thank you for your generous support.



Please pray for the sick of the parish and for family and friends of parishioners: Earl Barnes, Fr. Robert Bradler, Jocelyn Bucchan, Fr. Giles Conwill, Tom Degan, Morris Doucette, George Fontenette, Tom Fugate, Denise McGowan, Carolyn Walker, Alice Walters, Kathy Wheeler

NOVEMBER

Thur. Nov. 23 Thanksgiving Day—Office Closed

Fr. Nov. 24 Day after Thanksgiving—Office Closed
St. Joseph's House of Hospitality

Sun. Nov. 26 Christ the King

Bible Readings for Sunday, November 12, 2023

Wisdom 6:12-16

1 Thessalonians 4:13-18 or 4:13-14

Matthew 25:1-13



Bible Readings for Sunday, November 19, 2023

Proverbs 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31

1 Thessalonians 5:1-6

Matthew 14:30 or 25:14-15, 19-21

November Christian Action

BE GRATEFUL!



- 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 them 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, always something to be thankful for!

LECTOR SCHEDULE

Sunday, November 12, 2023

Reader I & II—Joanie Fraver

Sunday, November 19, 2023

Reader I & II—Keith Parris

Sunday, November 26, 2023

Reader I & II—Marcia Fugate

Sunday, December 3, 2023

Reader I & II—Maureen Corral

Sunday, December 10, 2023

Reader I & II—Joanie Fraver

Sunday, December 17, 2023

Reader I & II—Don Toyer

Sunday, December 24, 2023

Reader I & II—Makeeda Tatum & Violet Booker

Monday, December 25, 2023

Reader I & II—TBA



MASS INTENTIONS

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. The 2024 Mass Intention book is now available to schedule Mass Intentions.

Do Something Beautiful for God

The Essential Teachings of Mother Teresa

Never get discouraged. The good you do today, will often be forgotten by tomorrow: Do good anyway. Discouragement doesn't come from God. He is there always at our side encouraging us.

Immaculate Conception / St. Bridget's Black Catholic History Month

Nov. 5 Celebration of deceased loved ones. Isabella Walters & Roxana Weber share their journey as Black Catholics

Nov. 10 Revival with Fr. Kintiba 6:30pm St. Monica Church

Nov. 11 Retreat with Fr. Kintiba 10am - 2pm ICSB

Nov. 12 Revival Mass with Fr. Kintiba 9am ICSB

Nov. 19 Sr. Roberta Fulton, SSMN, shares her journey to her vocation. Members of the Knights and Ladies of Peter Claver share information about the organization.

Nov. 26 George Fontenette shares his family's journey as Black Catholics

Blacks In Catholic History Moments

Did You Know...

...that the Oblate Sisters of Providence in Baltimore, is the first and oldest religious congregation for women of color in the United States?

Haitian immigrant and educator, Mother Mary Lange, and three companions founded this order in 1829, when Maryland was still a slave state. Under great risk, these sisters dedicated themselves to serving orphans and educating black children. Also around that time, Mother Lange founded Baltimore's historic Saint Francis Academy. It continues to thrive today as a co-ed high school that educates mainly inner city African American and Hispanic youth. Mother's Lange's candidacy for sainthood began in 1990.

Mother Mary Lange



Oblates Sisters of Providence



Speak Lord, Your Servant Is Listening!

Revival Weekend



Fr. George Kintiba, Revivalist

"Make a joyful noise unto the Lord, all ye land. Serve the Lord with gladness ... come before Him with thanksgiving. Know ye that the Lord is God."

Psalm 100:1-3

Sunday, November 12, 2023 Mass 9am

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Immaculate Conception / St. Bridget's, St. Monica, St. Rita Churches



Go Forth With Christ

2023-2024 CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL

Go to www.dor.org • View the video • See how the funds are distributed • Make your gift



Catholic Ministries Appeal Immaculate Conception / St. Bridget's Parish Goal ~ \$11,000

As you are aware, the CMA has begun. To date, we have reached 30.16% of our goal (\$3,318). 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.



Cost \$30 per person if postmarked by Dec. 2. Students \$20. After Dec. 2, call Diane Hayes at (585) 943-4759 to check availability and to make reservations, \$32 each. Clergy/religious complimentary.

Brook Lea Country Club
891 Pixley Rd, Rochester NY 14624

Rochester, NY Chapter Breakfast
Saturday, Dec. 9, 9:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Guest Speaker: Fr. Paul Bonacci Men & Women Invited

Ordained in 1991, Father Paul Bonacci served the Diocese of Rochester for over 32 years. He has had a variety of assignments including parishes and chaplain at a college campus plus a correctional facility.

Father Paul has led many parish and diocesan retreats and days of recollection. He had a great foundation in this ministry as he attended diocesan sponsored retreats in his teenage years. The last time Father Paul spoke at a Magnificat Breakfast was in 2001. He now returns to tell the rest of his story.

<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>