

St. Monica CHURCH

All are welcome here!

Weekend Masses

Saturday at 4:00 pm

Sunday at 10:15am + Livestream

Emmanuel Church

of the Deaf:

Sunday at 11:30 AM



Daily Masses

Tuesday & Thursday: 12:10pm

Wednesday & Friday: 8am



Office Hours:

Monday-Friday

9:00am-3:00 pm

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Rochester, NY 14619

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Emergency Line: (585) 412-3913

www.stmonicaofrochester.org

Walk with us on:



St. Monica Roman Catholic Church of Rochester Vision and Mission

We are a Resurrection people rooted in our rich Catholic heritage. We are growing in the *SPIRIT*, as individuals and as a faith community. We answer the CALL to LIVE

OUT our Baptismal VOCATION in our daily lives, bringing the LIGHT of Christ's presence to our families, workplaces, neighborhoods, and the WORLD.

We dare to LIVE the LIFE of Jesus Christ, transforming discouragement into HOPE, fear into LOVE, isolation into COMMUNITY.

Join us Online!

www.stmonicaofrochester.org

Visit our website to get connected to all our online resources, including Mass, faith activities and reflections, online giving, and ways to get involved.

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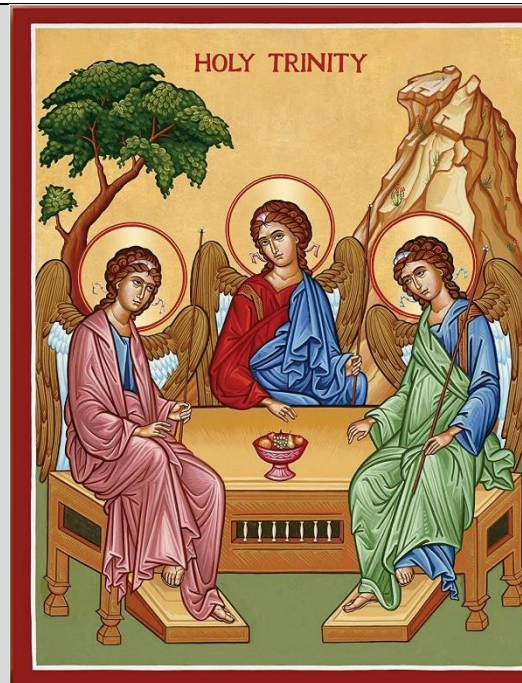
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Bob Passalugo



Reproduction of
"Holy Trinity"
icon originally
by St. Andrei
Rublev in the
early 15th
century.

Everyone, rejoice. Mend your ways, encourage one another,
agree with one another, live in peace,
and the God of love and peace will be with you.

Greet one another with a holy kiss.

All the holy ones greet you.

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ
and the love of God

and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with all of you.

- 2 Corinthians 13

May 31, 2026

Trinity Sunday

Visit our website and follow us on social media for even more ways to stay connected to our community. For help or to join the parish email list and receive our weekly news, email monicabulletin@dor.org. If you were receiving the weekly parish email and are no longer receiving it, please check your email settings and make sure you allow emails from monicabulletin@dor.org.

**Confessions by appointment –
call office at (585) 235-3340 to schedule.**

Weekly Mass Intentions

- Sat. May 30 Lorraine Tempio – Rosetti & Cumming Friends
- Sun. May 31 Robert Mulcahy – John & JoAnn DeMott
Carol Ann Malovics – John & JoAnn DeMott
- Tues. June 2 Betty Burns – Bob Burns
- Wed. June 3 Bill Maier – Kathy & Gerry Murty
- Thur. June 4 All Parishioners
- Fri. June 5 Special Intention for Fr. Ray Fleming Birthday – John Delibert
- Sat. June 6 Patti Grant-Zollo – Family
Special Intention/Happy Anniversary for Pat & Larry Battisti -
Dan & Maureen Angeline
- Sun. June 7 Special Intention for Mary Ellen Fischer Birthday – John Delibert
Rose Marcello – Ed & JoAnn McDonnell



Let Us Pray



Our Sick
Kam-Shun Chau
Connie Chau's father

Our Deceased
Deborah Childs

Those who are housing vulnerable

An end to racism

An end to war

Caregivers

God's creation



THOSE IN THE MILITARY

CJ Arnell, Joshua Bartlett, Zachary Bartlett, Jarid Cook, Andrew Chmiel, Andrea Gerard, David Englert, Richard Lewis, Angela Aviles Lewis, Andrea Christ, Terry Redfield, Jr.

Lamp Intentions for June

SANCTUARY LIGHT

Robert, Doris & Peter Will

Doris Will Meadows



CROSS ALTAR LIGHT

Birthday Blessings for

Fr. Ray Fleming

& Mary Ellen Fischer



**Our church emergency number
has been changed to
(585) 412-3913.**

The Westside Farmers Market starts in June!

We are once again looking for 2-3 volunteers to run the St. Monica booth each week. **Please sign up** by emailing Jessica.tette@dor.org – we want to make sure we evenly distribute volunteers across market days. The market runs every Tuesday from June 2nd-October 6th.



**We Need Weekly
and Weekend Mass Intentions!**
Please consider scheduling Mass intentions to remember a deceased loved one or celebrate a birthday, anniversary, etc. Please call or stop by the office to schedule. Thank you!

This Week at St. Monica Church: May 31-June 7, 2026

Sunday, 5/31	10:15 am – Mass, Church 11:15 am – Family Faith Formation, Dining Room 11:30 am - ECD Mass, Church
Monday, 6/1	4:45 pm – Virtual Contemplative Prayer (contact Dorothy Siegel to join: kenanddor@yahoo.com or 880-5519)
Tuesday, 6/2	12:10 pm – Mass, Chapel
Wed., 6/3	8:00 am – Mass, Chapel 5:30 pm – Choir Rehearsal, Church 6:30 pm – Youth Group, Dining Room
Thurs., 6/4	12:10 pm – Mass, Chapel 1:30 pm – Prayer Shawl Group, Dining Room
Friday, 6/5	8:00 am – First Friday Mass, Chapel
Saturday, 6/6	4:00 pm – Mass, Church
Sunday, 6/7	10:15 am – First Communion Mass, Church 11:15 am – Coffee Hour, Dining Room 11:30 am - ECD Mass, Church

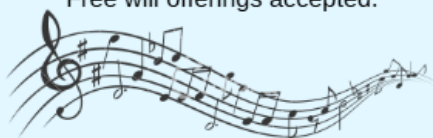
ST. MONICA SUMMER CONCERT

Sunday, June 28, 2026

4:00 PM

Join us for our fourth annual showcase of the talented musicians from our parish and community.

Refreshment reception to follow.
Free will offerings accepted.



Following our Call to Love Our Neighbors: Outreach at the 19th Ward Square Fair Saturday June 6



The 19th Ward Community Association's 60th anniversary Square Fair is the perfect chance to engage neighbors, showcase St. Monica vitality, and promote our August VBS. Can you represent St. Monica's at our booth for an hour or two between 10am and 4pm on June 6? Call John & JoAnn DeMott at 313-2559.



Pentecost is considered the birthday of the church, so what better day to celebrate two milestone staff birthdays? On June 5th, Fr. Ray turns 75, and on June 8th, Mary Ellen turns 80! On Pentecost Sunday when all three parishes were together to celebrate, we surprised these beloved staff members with this birthday celebration in addition to our Pentecost festivities. Their birthday blessing was carried out by our communities. Thank you, God, for Fr. Ray and Mary Ellen, and the wonderful gift they are to us! Amen!




Thank you for your generosity – we have more food containers than we could ever imagine! Please note that **we no longer need plastic food containers.** Thank you and we love you!

Follow Jesus with us:

www.stmonicaofrochester.org

 [@stmonicaofrochester](https://www.facebook.com/stmonicaofrochester)

 [@st.monicachurch](https://www.instagram.com/stmonicachurch)

 [St. Monica Church - Mass](https://www.youtube.com/StMonicaChurchMass)

Bulletin

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Our links in the bulletin are live! If you are viewing this bulletin electronically, hold down Ctrl and click links in the bulletin to visit those sites.

BULLETIN SUBMISSIONS:

Please send submissions by 4pm on Sundays: monicabulletin@dor.org with 10-pt Arial font and any photos.

What's your favorite part of Mass? Tell a friend and invite them to experience it with you!

Attendance May 23/ May 24	151
Attendance May 16/May 17	160
Attendance May 9/May 10	216
2026 YTD Average Attendance	179
2025 Full Year Average Attendance	189

How do I give my offering?

1. Weekly offering envelopes, cash, or checks can be brought to Mass or mailed to

**St. Monica Church
34 Monica St.
Rochester, NY 14619**



2. **OSV Online Giving:** Visit our website (<https://www.osvhub.com/stmonicaofrochester/giving/funds>) for secure one-time or recurring online giving.

3. **Text 2 Give:** Text your donation amount to 226-7514.
Thank you for supporting our community and ministries!

Emergency Food: If you need emergency food, you can contact St. Peter's Kitchen at (585) 235-6511 or go to 681 Brown Street Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays 9 AM to 11 AM.

ARE YOU A MEMBER OF THE PARISH? WOULD YOU LIKE TO BE?

You are welcome at St. Monica Catholic Church! **Do you want to know more about how to join the parish?** Call the parish office today at 235-3340. It's that easy!

VOLUNTEERS:

All volunteers who encounter youth and vulnerable adults need to complete online Creating a Safe Environment training, background check and sign a Code of Conduct every three years. To complete the online course, email jessica.tette@dor.org for training instructions..



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 victimassistance@dor.org.

Creation Corner

Forest Bathing: No soap or washcloth required

Sunday, June 14, 2026, 2:00pm-4:00pm, rain or shine
65 Highland Ave., Rochester, NY 14620
On the grounds of Mercy Spirituality Center
Free will donation for Mercy Prayer Center ministries.

“Shinrin-yoku”, or “Forest Bathing,” is a guided meditation, awakening our senses to recover a sense of wonder, belonging, and harmony as we bridge our connection with the natural world. The practice is designed to help experience Nature as more of a relationship rather than just a backdrop to your life.

This will be a 90-minute quiet slow walk to no walk at times with a small group including sharing opportunities (suitable for ages 14 & older).

We are a Resurrection people rooted in our rich Catholic heritage...

Follow in the footsteps of so many of our great saints- Francis of Assisi, Hildegard of Bingen, Bonaventure, John of the Cross, Ignatius of Loyola- who recognized the divine presence in the natural world and spoke of a deep spiritual connection through and to creation.

For questions and to sign up please contact:
Kathy Garrant, St. Monica parishioner, Mercy Associate, and Certified Forest Therapy Guide
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IMMACULATE CONCEPTION/ ST BRIDGET'S CHURCH

Caribbean Mass

A CELEBRATION OF FAITH,
Culture & Community

SUNDAY
JUNE 7
9:00AM

CELEBRANT:
FR. ELVEAU AUGUSTINE

CONCELEBRANT:
FR. RAY FLEMING

445 Frederick Douglass Street
Rochester, NY 14608

All Are Welcome!
COME WORSHIP. CELEBRATE. BELONG.
ONE FAITH. MANY CULTURES. UNITED IN CHRIST.

Social Justice News

Death Penalty and the Church: Over centuries, the Church's position on the death penalty has evolved until today, when its stance is to be totally against the use of capital punishment. The use of the death penalty is in direct conflict with Catholic Social Teaching by denying a person's right to life and precluding any possibility of later redemption. Another important reason is that our society today has developed sophisticated systems of detention which protect society from the possibility of repeat offenses occurring. At the same time, the Church recognizes the utter depravity of some criminal acts and the state's right to carry out penalty for those acts. For more information, see paragraph 2267 of *The Catechism of the Catholic Church* about the death penalty.

Tulsa Race Massacre: On May 31, 1921, white supremacists attacked Black residents in Tulsa, Oklahoma. More than 25 square blocks of an area known as the Black Wall Street were destroyed and hundreds of Black Americans were killed, admitted to hospitals, or incarcerated. By many experts, this was one of the worst incidents of racial violence in our country's history. We must continue to work toward racial equality in our world.

If you would like to be part of the Social Justice team at St. Monica or if you would like to be informed/updated on events, contact Dan Lill at danlill126@gmail.com or 585-313-6027.

Congrats to the Holmes family players for their awesome playing at this year's Lilac Festival! It's always a treat to witness!



St. Monica Neighborhood Businesses

Jesus, who is my neighbor?

At the north end of Genesee Street, the first of many planned Bull's Head developments is open for business.



The new ESL Bull's Head Branch at 835 West Main St. is our neighborhood's only full-service bank. ESL is committed to provide quality banking services accessible to residents of ALL neighborhoods.



Branch manager Alma Torres welcomes new customers. The branch has a full staff, a large parking lot, drive-through tellers, and 24-hour ATMs. It is open Monday through Saturday.