

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

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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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.



Parishioners Anniza Cole and Amy Taylor staff the Saint Peter's Kitchen tent at the farmers market on Tuesday, June 30th.

Jesus went out of the house and sat down by the sea.
Such large crowds gathered around him
that he got into a boat and sat down,
and the whole crowd stood along the shore.
And he spoke to them at length in parables.
- Matthew 13

July 12, 2026
15th Sunday in
Ordinary Time

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. July 11	James F. Delibert – Family
Sun. July 12	Domenico Donofrio – Tony & Maria Dambra
Tues. July 14	Lydia Livingston – Sandy Chamberlain
Wed. July 15	Bob Mulcahy – Jean Button
Thur. July 16	Dick O'Shea – Kathy & Gerry Murty
Fri. July 17	For all St. Monica's Gardeners
Sat. July 18	Special Intention for Joaquim Flores - Family
Sun. July 19	All Parishioners
	Tom Diederich – Family



June 27, 2026: Across from St. Monica's, the 830-840 Genesee Street sidewalk garden at Monica Street intersection is maintained by St. Monica Blooming Optimists ministry. RTS plans to install a bus shelter here. About two dozen home-grown flowers were added here as part of a work-in-progress. The garden adds to the neighborhood's attractiveness and continues to reduce the dumping of junk items. The city cuts the grass. A Genesee Street flower planter adds to the beauty.



MOBILE MAMMOGRAPHY VAN

Bringing Breast Screenings to:

Community Health and Wellness Block Party

UR Medicine has teamed up with: Health Transformers, Inc. and Chili Ave Block Club to bring in-office quality mammograms directly to us.

Screening Appointments Available:

Parking Lot of Curaleaf - 532 Chili Ave, Rochester, NY 14611

Location

Saturday, July 18, 2026; 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM - note: no appts from 12 - 12:45pm can be scheduled.

Date & Time

This is a great opportunity for women ages 40+ to receive crucial breast care with the same technology and quality of care you'd get in the office but in a friendly and convenient location. The process is quick and easy, and it could save your life.

Schedule your screening appointment now.

Call 1-844-870-0002 or email mammovan@umc.rochester.edu.

Visit mammovan.umc.edu

Part of Strong Memorial Hospital



Let Us Pray



Our Sick
Andrea Imburgia

Joaquim and Fatima Flores

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 July

SANCTUARY LIGHT

Riley, Sara & Norman Will

Doris Will Meadows



CROSS ALTAR LIGHT

Robert & Jean Vane

Children/Family

This Week at St. Monica Church: July 12-19, 2026

Sunday, 7/12	10:15 am – Mass, Church 11:30 am - ECD Mass, Church
Monday, 7/13	4:45 pm – Virtual Contemplative Prayer (contact Dorothy Siegel to join: kenanddor@yahoo.com or 880-5519)
Tuesday, 7/14	12:10 pm – Mass, Chapel 4:00-7:00 pm – Westside Farmers Market, Parking Lot
Wed., 7/15	8:00 am – Mass, Chapel 5:30 pm – Choir Rehearsal, Church
Thurs., 7/16	12:10 pm – Mass, Chapel 1:30 pm – Prayer Shawl Group, Dining Room
Friday, 7/17	8:00 am – Mass, Chapel
Saturday, 7/18	4:00 pm – Mass, Church
Sunday, 7/19	10:15 am – Mass, Church 11:30 am - ECD Mass, Church 11:30am-3:30 pm – Family Game Day, Dining Room



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL 2026

AUGUST 10-14

8:45am-noon * Grades preK4-7
Free + lunch included

Online registration form: stmonicaofrochester.org

LIGHT OF THE WORLD



BOARD GAME DAY AT ST. MONICA'S



Sunday, July 19

11:30-3:30 pm in the rectory dining room
For all ages!

Children must be accompanied by an adult.
Pizza lunch will be provided.



These are the following items we need for VBS 2026.

Please note that all food MUST be PEANUT-FREE.

Please contact Jessica.tette@dor.org to donate. List updated weekly.

Thank you so much for supporting our youth's spiritual development!

- Cheese sticks – 150
- Gogo squeeze – 100
- Hot dog buns – 100
- Individual chips bags – 200
- Individual popcorn snack bags (pre-popped)- 100
- Doritos bags - 70
- Grapes for 80 people
- 4 watermelons
- Mandarin oranges (whole) - 200
- Animal crackers for 80 people
- American cheese slices (for grilled cheese)

A big congratulations to **Nadege Bukuru**, a teenager and parishioner at Immaculate Conception/St. Bridget's, who won the Cross and Star award last week at Camp Stella Maris! Kids in each cabin vote, and the Cross and Star award is given to the most Christ-like person in the cabin. Nadege was voted to win in her cabin. Congratulations and we love you!

St. Monica Church, Emmanuel Church of the Deaf, and Immaculate Conception/St. Bridget's at the Red Wings game



**Tuesday, July 28th
6:00 pm**

Our youth will
sing the national
anthem to start
the game!

**Tickets are \$7
and are on sale until
Thursday, July 23**

See Mary Ellen at Mass to purchase.

Follow Jesus with us:

www.stmonicaofrochester.org



@stmonicaofrochester



@st.monicachurch



St. Monica Church - Mass

Higher attendance can yield a stronger, more diverse community! Let's grow!

Attendance July 4/ July 5	150
Attendance June 27/June 28	183
Attendance June 20/ June 21	175
2026 YTD Average Attendance	182
2025 Full Year Average Attendance	189

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..

Bulletin

Did you sign up to receive the bulletin by email but are no longer receiving it? Please check your email settings to ensure you allow emails from monicabulletin@dor.org. Be sure to check your junk/spam folder. If the problem persists, email monicabulletin@dor.org.

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.

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.



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.

Happy Harvest Webinar: Herbs and How to Use Them

Fresh herbs have been used for centuries to support health and wellness. Whether you're just starting an herb garden or already have one flourishing, this webinar will help you confidently grow and use herbs backed by science.

Join Green America and renowned plant scientist, biomedical researcher, and herbal practitioner Aisha Hill-Hart, PhD, for an engaging webinar exploring the science behind healing herbs you can grow in your own garden.

Online & Free- Thursday, July 16 at 2:00 p.m. ET

All registrants will receive a recording of the webinar, even if you can't attend. Register here:

https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/7817804149632/WN_qoqMHfTcS6uCF4B7EL_-pQ#/registration

The Westside Farmers Market has begun!

We need 2-3 volunteers to run the St. Monica booth each week. **Please sign up** by emailing Jessica.tette@dor.org – so we can evenly distribute volunteers across market days. The market runs every Tuesday until October 6th. For some neighbors, this is the first time they experience St. Monica's – come help make it a positive one for them!



Social Justice News

Opposition to the death penalty is not just the stance of Christians and Catholics. L'Chaim, Jews against the Death Penalty advocates for the elimination of capital punishment for ALL, including the killer involved in the 2018 Tree of Life



synagogue where eleven people were massacred. That was the largest antisemitic attack in our history, and still this group knows that life is life and death is death. <https://www.brandeis.edu/jewish-experience/alumni-friends/2022/november/lchaim-death-penalty.html>

Our community has an opportunity to learn more about our homeless population in a program presented by the Sisters of St Joseph on July 22nd from 9:30-11:00am. Experts in the field will present information based on their real-life experiences in helping us to see who the homeless really are. For more information or questions contact Sr. Beth LeValley, 585-721-4918 or srbeth@ssjrochester.org.

Our People Homeless

Wednesday, July 22, 2026, 9:30 ~ 11:00 AM

Sisters of St. Joseph Holy Family Chapel

[use the main entrance]

150 French Road

Rochester, NY 14618

- **Rev. William Wilkinson:** Housing as a Human Right
- **Patrice McPeak:** My City Streets; Paintings Inspired by Her Journey with the Homeless Outreach Team (H.O.T.)
- **Sr. Beth LeValley:** Our Local Situation/How You Can Help

The Social Justice Committee is always looking for new members so that we can better "bring the light of Christ's presence to our families, workplaces, neighborhoods and the world" For information, contact Dan at (585)313-6027 or danlill126@gmail.com.

St. Monica Neighborhood Connection

Jesus, who is my neighbor?

Supporting a local business that serves and hires from the neighborhood is a way to bring the light of Christ's presence.

Brooks Landing Diner owner Tiffany strives to greet every customer by name. She sees the diner as a gathering place – where even those with no money will be fed. She added a bookshelf with free books for kids, all new books purchased from Hippocampo bookstore in the South Wedge by a customer. All are African American or spiritual themed. Kids with a parent can choose one book per visit.

The diner serves all the usual breakfast and lunch favorites plus Southern-style shrimp & grits, chicken & waffles, and sausage gravy over biscuits.

Brooks Landing Diner, at 904 Genesee St., is a block from St. Monica. Dine-in, take out, or order delivery, Monday to Saturday, 7am to 2pm. Stop in after daily Mass.



ST. AUGUSTINE School Reunion

SEPT 13, 2026

Twin Silo

6758 BIG TREE RD

LIVONIA, NY 14487

1PM - 6PM

\$35 CATERED LUNCH INCLUDED
Cash Bar Available

BRING OWN SODA / WATER, FOLDING CHAIRS

If any questions send to email:

staugustine_melody@yahoo.com

Send Payment To:

Kris Moss

P.O. Box 24463

Rochester, NY 14624

STARTING TO COLLECT PAYMENTS NOW - SEPT 1

ONLY CHECK OR MONEY ORDER, NO PAYMENTS AT THE DOOR.

NAME & YEAR GRADUATED _____

EACH PERSON ATTENDING _____

(Please list additional names on back if needed)

MAIDEN NAME (IF APPLICABLE) _____