

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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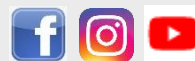
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Walk with us on:



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.



Congratulations to our 3 teens from Emmanuel Church of the Deaf/St. Monica's and Immaculate Conception/St. Bridget's, who got Confirmed on May 1, 2023!

Jesus said to his disciples:

"Do not let your hearts be troubled.
You have faith in God; have faith also in me."

- John 14

May 7, 2023

5th Sunday
of Easter

Did you know? Our website, stmonicaofrochester.org, is your one-stop shop for all our online offerings. On our homepage you will find links to Mass videos, social media, online giving, outreach opportunities, virtual gatherings, at-home faith tools, and more! 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.

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

Weekly Mass Intentions

Sat, May 6	Rita Pugliese - Pat Battisti
Sun, May 7	Margaret Roehner - Barb Borgus Elsie Perryman - Sandy Chamberlain
Tues, May 9	Favata Family - Jean Button
Wed, May 10	Julia & Tony Murty - Kathy & Gerry Murty
Thurs, May 11	Button family - Jean Button
Fri, May 12	All Parishioners
Sat, May 13	Rev. Thomas Statt - Betsy Romson
Sun, May 14	Gladys Gaines - Lynn Fulmore Linda Nash - Lynn Fulmore & Shlonda Nash Lucille McGinnis - Henry McGinnis & Family



Let Us Pray

**Our Deceased
Mary Seebach**

the late John Seebach's wife

**An end to racist beliefs and systems
All those affected by violence**



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. and Patrick Welling.

Lamp Intentions for May

SANCTUARY LIGHT



**Guy, Rita, Anabelle Pugliese
Family**

CROSS ALTAR LIGHT



**Larry & Patty Battisti –
45th Wedding Anniversary
Family**

Dear St. Monica family,

On Sunday, July 9, you are invited to celebrate St. Monica's first annual **Barry Day!** Barry Bedford was a beloved St. Monica parishioner who passed away in 2022. Barry was a loving supporter of our St. Monica youth and families, and he continues to watch over us from heaven.

To honor Barry's legacy, we will be having a special Mass at 10:15 followed by a trip to Seabreeze! St. Monica gets a group rate discount on Barry day, and the ticket cost is \$43 per person. This includes a Ride & Slide pass and catered buffet lunch. Children 2 and younger are free.

We hope you can join us for Barry Day! Here are the details:

- 10:15: Attend 10:15 Mass to commemorate Barry Day with a special blessing
- 11:30-9:00 pm: Enjoy a day at Seabreeze
- 12:00-2:00 pm: Catered buffet lunch at Seabreeze (vegetarian and vegan options available)

You must provide your own transport to and from Seabreeze. Lunch is included with the ticket, and you are responsible for any other food needed. Be sure to bring whatever you need for a day at the park, including bathing suits/towels if you would like to utilize the water park. St. Monica's is not responsible for any lost or stolen items.

And remember – we are representing St. Monica's, so come with a positive attitude and kindness!

RSVP by May 26. TO RSVP, all attendees must read and sign the Code of Conduct, which must be returned to Jessica by May 26. The Code of Conduct was emailed to parishioners. Checks can be made out to St. Monica Church with "Seabreeze" in the memo line. Thank you and we hope you can join us!



If you are looking for a way to help others, make new friends, and stay busy and active – please join us at Monroe Community Hospital! Volunteers are needed to visit with residents; escort them to events and activities on-site; and work in our beautiful Gift Shop and Thrift Shop! To learn more please call Laurie at 585-760-6151 or visit <https://www.monroehosp.org/volunteer>. We can't wait to hear from you!




**This Week at St. Monica Church:
May 7-14, 2023**

Sunday, 5/7	10:15 am – Mass, Church 11:15 am – Faith Formation, Dining Room First Communion Prep, YG Room 11:30 am – ECD Mass, Church
Monday, 5/8	4:45 pm – Virtual Contemplative Prayer (contact Dorothy Siegel to join: kenanddor@yahoo.com or 880-5519)
Tuesday, 5/9	12:10 pm – Mass, Church
Wed., 5/10	8:00 am – Mass, Church 6:30 pm – Youth Group
Thursday, 5/11	12:10 pm – Mass, Church
Friday, 5/12	8:00 am – Mass, Church
Saturday 5/13	4:00 pm – Mass, Church
Sunday, 5/14 Mother's Day	10:15 am – Mass, Church 11:15 am – Faith Formation, Dining Room First Communion Prep, YG Room 11:30 am – ECD Mass, Church

National Catholic Youth Conference

Can you help our 5 participants go to the National Catholic Youth Conference (NCYC) in Indianapolis, Indiana this November to connect, pray, learn, grow, and celebrate with thousands of other young Catholics from across the nation? There are many ways to help!

- Donate **empty printer/copier ink of any kind** to the box in the narthex or the side door 📦
- Bring your cans and bottles to **Bottle & Can Retrieval Center** at 2374 Chili Ave (3 miles from St. Monica). Tell them it's for St. Monica Church and we will receive \$0.06 for every bottle/can! 
- You can also donate online: <https://www.osvhub.com/stmonicaofrochester/giving/funds/national-catholic-youth-conference-ncyc>

Thank you for supporting our youth on their faith journey! ❤️

Learn more about NCYC: <https://ncyc.us/>



Congratulations to the St. Monica CYO Faith Through Sports 2022-2023 recipients: Melody Trotter, Vince Bradley, and Cameron Evans! These 3 players were recognized at the Faith Through Sports ceremony with Bishop Matano. We are so proud of you! ❤️🏀🏆

GOD'S LOVE IS SWEET!
St. Monica 2023
Vacation Bible School
AUGUST 14-18
8:45 am - noon * Grades K-12
 Register at stmonicaofrochester.org

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.

Emergency Food: If you are in need of emergency food and live in these zip codes: 14428, 14514, 14546, 14559, 14606, 14608, 14611, 14614, 14619, and 14624, please contact the **SWEM food cupboard HelpLine at 235-4491**. People from other zip codes can phone 211 for emergency food assistance.

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!

Our Collection: Week of April 30, 2023

	Collection Goal	Our Collection	Variance
4/30/2023	3,600	4,116	516
Year-to-Date	156,700	148,192	(8,508)
Online Giving/week (included in actual total)		\$392	
CMA	\$23,000	\$23,000	100%

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, go to dor.org online training or email jessica.tette@dor.org for a packet of information to help you.



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

Easter Flowers

Thank you for your Easter flower contribution
in memory of your family and friends.

Given By	In Memory/Honor Of
Mary Joan Meisenzahl	Gordon Meisenzahl, Elizabeth Heinrich, Charles Heinrich
Michael & Katherine Scherzi Jr.	Robert & Jean Vane, Karen Scherzi, Elaine & Gordon Sharp
Patricia Rate	Rate Family, Marge, Bill, Bobby, Paul
Andrea Imburgia	Sam & Ann Imburgia, Josephine Rizzo, John & Ann DiLenola, Angelo & Mary DiLenola
Maureen & William Caufield	Charles & Lillian Kase, Richard Caufield, Kiera Mae Caufield, William & Rita Caufield
John Delibert	Carol Wightman
Alice & Greg VanZile	Mom & Dad Shelly
Jane Tasciotti	Daniel Tasciotti
Solumtochukwu & Janifer Nwabunwanne	Francis Nwabunwanne, Joseph Onyedika, Juliana Onyedika, Chukwudi Onyedika
Josephine Skillman	Josephine Skillman, Peter Bianchi, Felix Bianchi, Nellie Pierleoni
Brian & Riane Wilkinson	Lori Sponholz
Dorothy Schwind	Mildred & Robert Schwind, Robbie Schwind & Darren Smith
Lynn Fulmore	Linda Nash, Sharla Davenport, Chazz Nash-Randall, Gladys Gaines
Donald & Kris Cudzilo	Cudzilo Family
Henry McGinnis & Family	Lucille McGinnis
Carol Yacono-Harrison	Sam & Carm Yacono
Ellen Fogarty	
Barbara Borgus	
Mark & Sharon Juba	
Ruth Brown	
Frank Monroe	
Edward & JoAnn McDonnell	
Linda Pugliese	



St. Monica's John Curran, Barbara Higgins, & JoAnn DeMott brought the light of Christ's presence to the April 29 Clean Sweep. Mayor Malik Evans, 19th Ward president Josie McClary, and others pitched in to clean the lot across from our church. Thanks, team!

19th Ward Square Fair – Save the date, Saturday, June 3
The 19th Ward Community Association annual Square Fair and parade invites neighbors and visitors to its celebration of diversity at Aberdeen Square. It's a perfect opportunity to engage neighbors, sign up youth for our July CYO Summer Basketball Clinic and August Vacation Bible School. Interested in helping create a booth or recruit youth for an hour or two on June 3? Talk to Tami Divers, John DeMott, or Jessica Tette.

St. Monica Neighborhood Businesses

Jesus, who is my neighbor?

This past week, D&C journalists toured our neighborhood, noting that "its tapestry of businesses is just as rich as the community that calls the 19th Ward home." They wrote stories of these five. Check out the story here and come see these businesses for yourself!

<https://www.democratandchronicle.com/story/news/local/2023/05/01/the-19th-ward-has-a-range-of-businesses-in-rochester-ny-take-a-look/70160086007/>



Ali's Tailor Shop
Owner Ali Aksoy,
390 Thurston Road



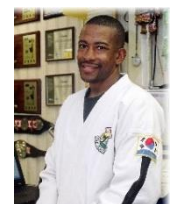
Fashion Flair Women's Apparel
Owner Ruby Martinez,
585 Brooks Ave.



His Branches
Nonprofit Community Health Center,
340 Arnett Blvd.



Unified TaeKwonDo
Owner Dwayne McKinney
202 Scottsville Road



Visions Barber Shop
Owners Keith Warren & Ronnie Davis
511 Thurston Road