

# 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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[www.stmonicaofrochester.org](http://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](http://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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*Angels of the backpack giveaway at St. Peter's Kitchen.  
Thank you to all who gave to get our kids ready for school!*

I will give thanks to your name,  
because of your kindness and your truth:  
When I called, you answered me;  
you built up strength within me.

— Psalm 138

August 27, 2023

21<sup>st</sup> Sunday in  
Ordinary Time

**Did you know?** Our website, [stmonicaofrochester.org](http://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](mailto:monicabulletin@dor.org).

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

### Weekly Mass Intentions

Sat, Aug 26	Manuel & Caroline Sa - Nidia Flores
Sun, Aug 27	Melissa Marie - Barb Borgus
Tues, Aug 29	Communion Service
Wed, Aug 30	Communion Service
Thurs, Aug 31	Communion Service
Fri, Sept 1	Communion Service
Sat, Sept 2	Sr. Marion Hctor, SSJ – Donna Whitehair
Sun, Sept 3	Special Intention – In thanksgiving 40th Wedding Ann. Ed & Patty Giblin - Ed & Patty Giblin



### Join St. Monica at the Westside Farmers Market

**Tuesdays, 4:00-7:00 PM • June 6-October 10**



**We are seeking volunteers to be friendly and welcoming at the St. Monica booth! Contact [Jessica.tette@dor.org](mailto:Jessica.tette@dor.org) to sign up for ONE day (only 6 left!)**

Our chalkboard offers a reflection question each week where people can write their response at the market.

This week's chalkboard question:

**What has been the best part of your day?**

### 14 St. Monica Youth Attend Camp Stella Maris

We were so blessed to be able to send FOURTEEN of our youth to Camp Stella Maris this summer, twelve of whom were first-timers! The kids had an awesome time during their week-long sessions, and our teens built their leadership skills in the two-week Leader-In-Training program. We are so grateful to the amazing staff at CSM for helping our kids have a great time. Thank you to all from our community who supported us through prayers, funds, and encouragement! 🍷🍷🍷🍷🍷🍷



*Let Us Pray*

#### Our Deceased

David Divers  
Tami Divers' husband

**An end to racism  
All those affected by violence  
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 August

#### SANCTUARY LIGHT



Lucille McGinnis

John & JoAnn DeMott

Rhonda Neri

John Delibert

#### CROSS ALTAR LIGHT



Riley, Sara, & Norman Will

Doris Will Meadows

## Emmanuel Church of the Deaf now has online giving!

1. Visit the website:

<https://www.stmonicaofrochester.org/emmanuel-church-of-the-deaf>

2. Click the link to give online.

*Thank your for supporting our community and ministry!*

### This Week at St. Monica Church: August 27-September 3, 2023

<b>Sunday, 8/27</b>	10:15 am – Mass, Church 11:30 am – ECD Mass, Church
<b>Monday, 8/28</b>	4:45 pm – Virtual Contemplative Prayer (contact Dorothy Siegel to join: <a href="mailto:kenanddor@yahoo.com">kenanddor@yahoo.com</a> or 880-5519)
<b>Tuesday, 8/29</b>	12:10 pm – Communion Service, Church 4:00-7:00 pm – Westside Farmers Market, Parking lot
<b>Wed., 8/30</b>	8:00 am – Communion Service,, Church
<b>Thursday, 8/31</b>	12:10 pm – Communion Service,, Church
<b>Friday, 9/1</b>	8:00 am – Communion Service,, Church
<b>Saturday 9/2</b>	4:00 pm – Mass, Church
<b>Sunday, 9/3</b>	10:15 am – Mass, Church 11:30 am – ECD Mass, Church

**Faith Formation: Join us for faith and community!**  
**Faith Formation & Sacramental Preparation:** For ages 4-18.

Faith Formation, grades PreK4-5 <sup>th</sup>	Sundays after 10:15 Mass until 12:15 PM
First Reconciliation/First Communion, grades 2+	Contact <a href="mailto:jessica.tette@dor.org">jessica.tette@dor.org</a>
Middle School Youth Group, grades 6-7 High School Youth Group/Confirmation Prep, grades 8-12	Wednesdays 6:30-8:30pm Dinner included

Register at [stmonicaofrochester.org](http://stmonicaofrochester.org)

We had a great time at the Rochester Red Wings game on August 11! Thanks to all who came out. A special shout out to our teens who sang the national anthem before the game!



## NCYC UPDATE

**THANK YOU** so much for your support of our pilgrims attending the National Catholic Youth Conference in November! We are closer to our goal with \$800 left to raise. We are still collecting returnable cans and bottles, empty ink cartridges, monetary gifts, and prayers to raise funds for our pilgrimage. We are SO grateful for our community! ♥



### Follow Jesus with us:

[www.stmonicaofrochester.org](http://www.stmonicaofrochester.org)

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

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

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

### 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](mailto:monicabulletin@dor.org). Be sure to check your junk/spam folder. If the problem persists, email [monicabulletin@dor.org](mailto: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](mailto: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!



### 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](http://dor.org) online training or email [jessica.tette@dor.org](mailto:jessica.tette@dor.org) for a packet of information to help you.

### Our Collection: Week of August 20, 2023

	Collection Goal	Our Collection	Variance
8/20/2023	3,238	5,837	2,600
Year-to-Date	25,963	28,070	2,108
<b>Online Giving/week (included in actual total)</b>			<b>\$424</b>



### 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](mailto:victimassistance@dor.org).

## Creation Corner

### The Season of Creation

On September 1, we are entering the Season of Creation. From then until the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi on October 4, we will be celebrating, appreciating, praying for, and increasing our efforts toward caring for all God's creation. And we were recently reminded of why we must be more diligent than ever in our caring.

For the past 50 years, we have been in an ecological debt cycle. The Global Footprint Network computes the date on which humanity's demand for ecological resources exceeds the amount the Earth is able to generate for the year. This date is named Earth Overshoot Day and in 2023, it fell on August 2. In the past 12 years, the date has remained fairly static, but fifty years ago, the date was December 27.

While there are a large number of people living on Earth, not all are living beyond their means. For the most part, the problems stem from the wealthy and industrialized world. However, it is most often those living in the poorer areas of the world who feel the effects most severely. It's on those with the privilege of making impactful choices to step up.

The theme for this year's Season of Creation is "Let Peace and Justice Flow." As people of God, we are called to be part of that mighty river and to join in God's work of healing and renewal. This past summer has shown us in graphic detail what the warming of the Earth is doing to us and all living creatures. The urgency grows and we must make visible peace with Earth and on Earth while justice calls us to repentance and a change of attitude and actions. As we and others join the river of justice and peace, hope is created instead of despair.

At St. Monica, as part of our observance of the Season of Creation, we are going to be asked to reflect on what we can do to increase our practices of caring for creation and then turn those reflections into actions. The river is coming to St. Monica so stay tuned and find out how we can increase its might.

St. Peter's Kitchen is holding its 7th Annual Golf Tournament on Friday September 8, 2023 at Eagle Vale Golf Club. A number of our parishioners have already signed up and they invite you to join them and have fun! Call or email to get registered: 585-235-6511, email [info@stpeterskitchen.org](mailto:info@stpeterskitchen.org), or contact Bob Boyd at 585-698-4713.



ST. PETER'S KITCHEN  
nourishment. community. hope.

## Eagle Scout Project Involves Emmanuel Church of the Deaf

Nick Gallina, a 16-year-old parishioner of Holy Trinity Parish in Webster, recently undertook the beginning of a three-year project he hopes will lead to achieving the Eagle Scout rank. With the help of parishioners from St. Stanislaus Kostka Parish in Rochester, the Our Lady of Guadalupe Mission in Marion and Rochester's Emmanuel Church of the Deaf, Nick's project highlights both the diversity of Catholics within the Diocese of Rochester as well as the unity that comes through the Eucharist.

Nick's visit to Emmanuel Church of the Deaf with his guests did not take place on a culturally significant date. Instead of a celebration, the congregation invited Nick and his visitors to participate in a question-and-answer session.

"(Hearing) people could ask the deaf people questions about anything they wanted to know. The deaf people also taught the (hearing) people some etiquette, like talk to the person, not the interpreter and ... at the end they all shared their experience of being deaf," Nick said.

Read the entire story at

<https://catholiccourier.com/articles/webster-scouts-project-helps-catholic-communities-connect/>

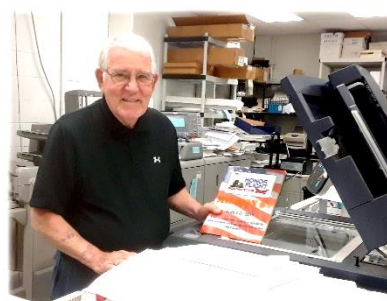


Nick Gallina poses for a photo in Rochester's St. Monica Church, one of several parishes that benefited from his recent Eagle Scout project. (Courier photo by Jeff Witherow)

## St. Monica Neighborhood Businesses

*Jesus, who is my neighbor?*

Here is a locally-owned business that is responsible for printing our parish bulletin every week. They would love to have us know more about their services.



Standing behind the Xerox high-speed digital color printer is Jack Beaston. Jack and son Shel have been in the printing business for more than 30 years. They specialize in high quality, fast turnaround, and free delivery. They do excellent multicolor printing and copying, for brochures newsletters, booklets – and our church bulletin. We LOVE working with them!

Speedy Print Services is hidden in a modest space inside the Air Park Complex, across from the airport at 1260 Scottsville Rd., Suite 301. They welcome all our printing tasks, large and small. Call 244-2721 or email [shel@speedyprintservices.com](mailto:shel@speedyprintservices.com).

