

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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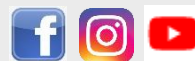
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Walk with us on:



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.



"Martin Luther King, Jr." by Kelly Latimore Icons
<https://kellylatimoreicons.com>

Here I am. You called me.

– 1 Samuel 3

January 14, 2024

2nd Sunday in
Ordinary Time

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, Jan 13 Betty Bunce - Jane Tasciotti
- Sun, Jan 14 Betty Bunce - John & JoAnn DeMott
- Tues, Jan 16 Chazz El Nash Randall - Your mother, Lynn Fulmore
- Wed, Jan 17 All Souls
- Thurs, Jan 18 Kevin Welling - Peggy Reigelsperger
- Fri, Jan 19 All Parishioners
- Sat, Jan 20 Elnora Delibert - John Delibert
- Sun, Jan 21 Helen Huether - Giblin & Johnson Families



Let Us Pray

**Our Sick
Charlene Clark**

**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 January



SANCTUARY LIGHT

**Raymond Tette
John & JoAnn DeMott**



CROSS ALTAR LIGHT

World Peace

Mass intentions are needed for weekday and weekend Masses. Please call Tracy at the office to schedule as Mass said for a loved one or special intention. Call (585) 235-3340 to schedule.

Upcoming CYO Basketball Home Games



841 Genesee St. in the gym

Admission: \$2



Come support our parish teams!

Saturday, 1/20	8:30 am
Sunday, 1/21	1:00 pm
Saturday, 1/27	8:30 am, 9:45 am, 11:00 am, 12:15 pm
Saturday, 2/3	8:30 am
Sunday, 2/4	1:00 pm
Saturday, 2/10	9:45 am, 11:00 am, 12:15 pm, 1:30 pm, 2:30 pm

**CHEFS NEEDED
YOUTH GROUP DINNER**

- Wednesdays 6:30 pm
- Cook and serve dinner to teens
- Feed physical and spiritual hunger!
- Donate ingredients or let St. Monica's buy them

CONTACT JESSICA.TETTE@DOR.ORG TO SIGN UP!

**This Week at St. Monica Church:
January 14-21, 2024**

Sunday, 1/14	10:15 am – Mass, Church 11:15 am – Faith Formation, Dining Room 11:30 am – ECD Mass, Church
Monday, 1/15 MLK Jr. Day Office Closed	2:00-4:00 pm – MLK Day Coat Giveaway 4:45 pm – Virtual Contemplative Prayer (contact Dorothy Siegel to join: kenanddor@yahoo.com or 880-5519)
Tuesday, 1/16	12:10 pm –Mass, Church
Wed., 1/17	8:00 am –Mass, Church
Thurs., 1/18	12:10 pm –Mass, Church
Friday, 1/19	8:00 am –Mass, Church
Saturday 1/20	4:00 pm – Mass, Church
Sunday, 1/21	10:00 am- 3:00 pm – Confirmation Retreat, Dining Room 10:15 am – Mass, Church 11:15 am – Faith Formation, Dining Room 11:30 am – ECD Mass, Church

**ST. MONICA CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL GOAL:
\$26,000**

As of this date, 84 families have contributed to the CMA. We thank those who have given generously and ask all who have not yet given to prayerfully consider doing so. The CMA helps our Church and our parish in so many ways. Please consider all the ways that God has blessed you and your family and think how the Church has brought goodness into your lives. Join our appeal and give back what you can so that we remain strong and able to do God's great work! Visit www.dor.org to view the video and make your gift.



Go Forth With Christ



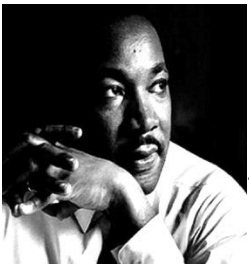
Light Up Our Community in Honor of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. on January 15

We are asking the community to light up the outside of your homes, businesses, or other community venues with luminaries. The goal is to light up the community as a sign of hope, sanctuary, peace, and solidarity with Dr. King's Vision of the BELOVED COMMUNITY.



Luminaries come four in a pack for a suggested price of \$5 and it's a FUNraiser (Fun Uniting Neighborhoods) for the 19th Ward Community Association.

Get your luminaries in advance on Saturday, January 13 from 10:00-2:00 at the Arnett Library or create your own.



Call or email for more information/questions:
585-328-6571
19thward@19wca.org

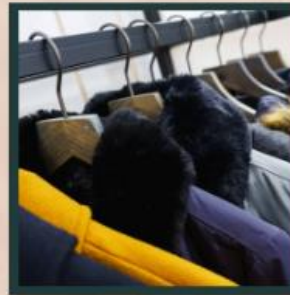
- Josie McClary, President, 19th Ward Community Association

For local emergency shelter information please go to REACH News: <https://reachadvocacy.org/>

Can you help with the St. Monica's Annual MLK. Day Coat Giveaway?
Organize coats, assist shoppers, make s'mores, and more.
Contact Jessica.tette@dor.org to make your mark!

MLK DAY COAT GIVEAWAY

(AND WINTER ACCESSORIES)



COME BROWSE OUR STORE FOR FREE WINTER COATS AND ACCESSORIES!

Monday, January 15, 2:00 - 4:00 pm
· St. Monica Church ·
831 Genesee St. Rochester, NY 14619

Questions? Contact jessica.tette@dor.org.

Follow Jesus with us:

www.stmonicaofrochester.org

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

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[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, you can contact St. Peter's Kitchen at (585) 235-6511 or come to 681 Brown Street Tuesdays and Thursdays 9 AM to 11 AM.

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 January 7, 2023

	Collection Goal	Our Collection	Variance
12/7/2023	2,713	2,657	(56)
Year-to-Date	101,713	94,180	(7,533)
Online Giving/week (included in actual total)		\$517	
CMA	\$26,000	\$14,935	57%

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

Creation Corner

Don't forget! After Mass next Saturday, January 20, we will meet in the rectory dining room to talk about your reactions to and insights on the Pope's *Laudate Deum* letter on the environment.

Laudate Deum

To all people of good will on the climate crisis



Pope Francis has stressed the urgency of action on the climate and has admonished us to do as much as we can to stop the degradation of the earth. Here at St. Monica, we have been involved in our Care for Our Common Home project for the past two years. Should we stay on the same course, adjust it, or add to it? Your insights and suggestions are needed so our parish can do its best possible job. Please attend the meeting and give us your help.

Congratulations to Marley, one of our amazing teens who was baptized at a special Mass during youth group last week! We are so proud of Marley and her leadership. Prayers for her on her faith journey!



St. Monica Neighborhood Businesses

Jesus, who is my neighbor?

Here is a nearby not-for-profit business that serves our neighborhood with all manner of donated durable goods.

Rochester Greenovation is a used-goods store whose mission is to keep things out of landfills and create a place where people can buy things they need at reasonable prices. It has a huge collection of furniture, clothes, tools, dishes, pots & pans, unique finds, crafts, toys, gear, costumes, antiques, building materials and LOTS more.

Rochester Greenovation is a nonprofit formed in 2011 that is 100% run by volunteers. In addition to selling to the public, it also shares donations with other Rochester nonprofits.

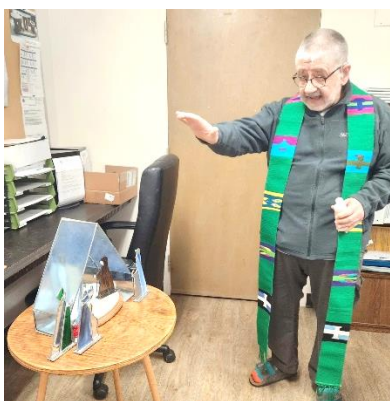


It recently moved to a large warehouse space at 22 Flint St., 4 minutes' drive from our church. While it is organizing things, they are only open only, call 494-7101. Learn more on Facebook and at <https://rocgreenovation.org>.

The Nativity Scenes of St. Monica's

We are blessed by several different crèches that remind us of the best gift of Christmas. Our community has poured its heart into making these special.

Why did we put the church Nativity scene in a tent? No, the manger is not broken. In Bethlehem, Mary, Joseph, and Jesus were refugees without shelter, and Jesus was born in the lowliest place. The tent city nativity reminds us of the holiness of people living in tent city here in Rochester and similar places around the world, places that are usually looked down upon. We are all beloved children of God.



Our stained-glass nativity was missing a Joseph, so a wonderful parishioner made us a new one. What an amazing gift! Fr. Ray blessed the set, and you can see it on display in the office.

As we transition out of the Christmas season, may the love and joy of the Lord be present in our hearts year-round ❤️

Hygiene Products for Refugees

We're asking St. Monica's parish to help us collect basic hygiene products for our families at Mary's Place Refugee Outreach, located in the former Holy Rosary Church on Lexington Avenue.

Mary's Place distributes basic hygiene goods to nearly 300 refugee families on the first Wednesday of every month. Here's the list of hygiene products needed:

1. Bar soap
2. Large shampoo (no conditioner)
3. Large toothpaste (full tubes, not travel tubes)
4. Deodorant (stick or roll-on)
5. Menstrual pads.

All donations are greatly appreciated. - Mary's Place Staff

Donations can be placed in the box in the narthex.



MARY'S PLACE
REFUGEE OUTREACH
BLOSSOM ON NEW GROUND

*A welcoming
community for
refugee
empowerment*