

St. Monica CHURCH

All are welcome here!

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Rochester, NY 14619

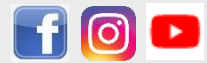
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www.stmonicaofrochester.org

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.

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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Our 3/4 grade CYO team members celebrate their season with a picture at the end-of-season banquet held at St. Monica Church on March 2 with longtime coach Alice Gray. See page 4.

“For we are his handiwork,
created in Christ Jesus for the good works.”
– Ephesians 2

March 10, 2024
4th Sunday
of Lent

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 Saturdays during lent from 2:30-3:30 or by appointment – call office at (585) 235-3340 to schedule.

Weekly Mass Intentions

Sat, March 9	Guy, Gary, Mike Pugliese - Pat & Larry Battisti
Sun, March 10	Kathy Bender Gall - Peggy Reigelsperger
Tues, March 12	Charles Walker - Robert & Kristen Boyd
Wed, March 13	Riley, Sara, & Norman Will - Doris Will Meadows
Thurs, March 14	Rosemary Passero - Fischer Family
Fri, March 15	All Parishioners
Sat, March 16	Richard Robinson - Mary Robinson
Sun, March 17	Jerome Ochs - John & JoAnn DeMott



Let Us Pray

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 March



SANCTUARY LIGHT

All parishioners who are sick

CROSS ALTAR LIGHT

Riley, Sara & Norman Will

Doris Will Meadows



Robert & Jean Vane

Children/Family

Holy Week 2024

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

Palm Sunday Mass: 9:00 am - Immaculate Conception
March 24 10:00 am - St. Monica Church & Emmanuel Church of the Deaf

Holy Thursday Mass & Adoration: 7:00 pm
March 28 Emmanuel Church of the Deaf
8:00-9:00 pm - Adoration

Good Friday Service: Noon - Immaculate Conception
March 29 445 Frederick Douglass St. 14608

Stations of the Cross in ASL with interpreter: 6:00 pm
Emmanuel Church of the Deaf

Easter Vigil: 7:01 pm
March 30 St. Monica Church

This Week at St. Monica Church: March 10-17, 2024

Sunday, 3/10	10:15 am – Mass, Church 11:15 am – Faith Formation and First Reconciliation Prep, Dining Room 11:30 am – ECD Mass, Church 2:00 pm – First Reconciliation Celebration, Church
Monday, 3/11	4:45 pm – Virtual Contemplative Prayer (contact Dorothy Siegel to join: kenanddor@yahoo.com or 880-5519) 5:30 pm – Soup Supper & Franciscan Spirituality Talk with Fr. Ray, Dining Room
Tuesday, 3/12	12:10 pm – Mass, Church
Wed., 3/13	8:00 am – Mass, Church
Thurs., 3/14	12:00 pm – Rusty Halos Luncheon, Ezzy's Restaurant 12:10 pm – Mass, Church
Friday, 3/15	8:00 am – Mass, Church
Saturday 3/16	4:00 pm – Mass, Church
Sunday, 3/17 St. Patrick's Day	10:15 am – Mass, Church 11:15 am – Faith Formation and First Reconciliation Prep, Dining Room 11:30 am – ECD Mass, Church 1:30 pm – Palm Sunday Play Rehearsal, Church



MASS CHANGE!

Easter Sunday Mass: March 31

10:00 am @ St. Monica Church

followed by Easter Egg Hunt

All are welcome, especially you!

Needed:

Candy for our annual Easter egg hunt! Both chocolate and nut-free options. Drop off with Jessica during Mass or office hours. **THANK YOU!**



JOIN US APRIL 8TH, 2024

Eclipse Black Party

2:00-4:00 PM
CHURCH PARKING LOT
831 GENESEE STREET

Excitement and entertainment,
and blessings from our ministers!
Eclipse glasses available.



Help us live out our parish mission statement and create an inviting environment for our neighbors!

Volunteers needed to give church tours and staff the St. Monica info booth, games booth, and snack booth.

Contact Jessica.tette@dor.org to sign up!

This Lent, give to those in need right here in our own community! All you need to bring is your time and chef skills to help feed the teens in our youth group. St. Monica can pay for ingredients. Can you give one Wednesday to help our youth?

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!

Parish Bookkeeper - seeking qualified applicants for this 25-hr position that will oversee all disbursement and collection activities of multiple parishes. Degree in accounting or finance required. Please send resume to Carol Wynne at carol.wynne@dor.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, 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 March 3, 2024

	Collection Goal	Our Collection	Variance
3/3/2024	2,900	2,402	(498)
Year-to-Date	124,250	120,478	(3,772)
Online Giving/week (included in actual total)		\$242	
CMA	\$26,000	\$23,410	90%

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.

Creation Corner

Don't forget - dinner with Fr. Ray is this coming week. It will be in the rectory on Monday, 3/11 at 5:30 PM. Fr. Ray will talk about Franciscan Spirituality. Enjoy an evening with friends and food and maybe an early bit of spring. If you have not already done so, please sign up on the easel by the side door of church. Please come and make the evening more special by your presence.



Join us in advocating for HPNAP and critical anti-hunger programs!

The governor's executive budget has proposed a 40% cut to the state's primary hunger-relief program, the Hunger Prevention & Nutrition Assistance Program (HPNAP), during a time when visits to local food pantries and meal programs in our region have been on the rise.

Sign our petition to voice your support and oppose these cuts!



Stations of the Cross will only be online this year. Please join us virtually:

<https://bit.ly/49fh9xc>

CYO Basketball Wraps Up

Congratulations to our CYO teams on an amazing season! Our 7/8 and 5/6 boys teams were undefeated, and all players, coaches, volunteers, and staff were recognized in a special way at the end-of-season banquet this past weekend. Many people don't realize that CYO is almost completely run by



volunteers who give of their time to make sure our kids have an awesome and meaningful experience. We are so grateful for all the players, parents, coaches, friends, volunteers, and staff for making this a great season. We are also grateful to Athletic Director Tami Divers,

without whom CYO would not be possible. Congratulations, all! See all the photos on our Facebook page.

♪ Easter Vigil Choir ♪

We are forming a special choir for the Easter Vigil, taking place on the evening of March 30, 2024, at St. Monica Church. We are looking for singers AND instrumentalists. This is the perfect opportunity to be a part of our music ministry and share your musical gifts with our community. Contact Angela Nkugwa, Music Director, at angela.nkugwa@dor.org if interested in being a part of this special celebration.



St. Monica Neighborhood Businesses

Jesus, who is my neighbor?

We can bring the Light of Christ's presence to our neighborhood by supporting institutions that have served for decades.



Rochester Presbyterian Home at 256 Thurston Road opened 97 years ago in 1927. The home is rooted in Christian faith, practices prayer, and celebrates diversity in its family of staff and residents.

The RPH "Homestead" offers a warm, friendly, supportive home for seniors of all faiths and ethnicities. The adjacent building offers compassionate memory care. Some of our parish seniors have enjoyed their retirement days at RPH.

RPH is constantly seeking LPNs, RNs, Care Partners, and volunteers. Call 235-9100 ext 111 to work, volunteer, or tour at the home, or visit <https://www.rph.org/employment>.



APRIL BREAK CAMP

FOR CAMPER GRADES K - 5

APRIL
1st - 5th
8:00 - 5:00
\$300*

ACTIVITIES

Hiking and nature walks	Art & Crafts
Scavenger hunts	Singing & Dancing
Teambuilding activities	Carpet Ball
Gaga	2 snacks

REGISTER NOW
closes 3/27/24
campstellamaris.org/year-round-kids/

CONTACT US
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melissa.hynes@campstellamaris.org

*financial assistance available