

St. Monica CHURCH

All are welcome here!

Weekend Masses

Saturday at 4pm
Sunday at 9am



Daily Masses

Tuesday & Thursday: 12:10pm
Wednesday & Friday: 8am

Emmanuel Church of the Deaf:

Sunday at 11am



Office Hours:

The office is currently closed.

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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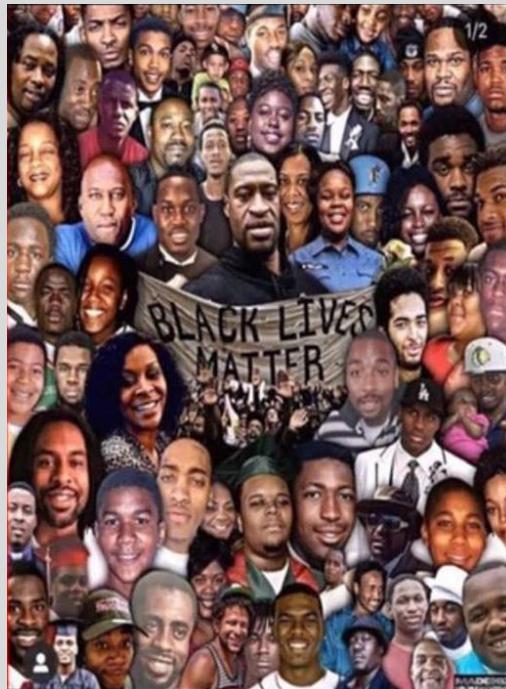
St. Monica Roman Catholic Church of Rochester Vision and Mission

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.

Welcome back to church!



"Brothers and sisters: Are you unaware that we who were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death?

We were indeed buried with him through baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might live in newness of life."

- Romans 6

June 28, 2020

Thirteenth Sunday in
Ordinary Time

Welcome Back!

As the state reopens, we have implemented our safety plan for resuming Masses at St. Monica's. Our safety plan aims to ensure that everyone can have a safe and meaningful Mass experience. The new processes for entering and exiting church, social distancing in church, music, readings, offerings, the sign of peace, and receiving communion.

We will provide more information during Mass. Please take a moment to look at the infographic below for more information. Mass looks a lot different, but the most important thing remains: God's love in our community. Thank you for your help in maintaining the safety and love of our community as we develop our new "normal"!

***All weekday Masses fulfil the obligation of Sunday Mass during the COVID-19 pandemic. Please consider attending a weekday Mass as an option.**

If you would like to help clean the church after Masses or if you can help with the logistics of Mass when we reopen, please contact Mary Ellen at mary.ellen.fischer@dor.org.

The St. Monica Church office will be closed until further notice. In case of emergency or if you need to talk to someone, please call the emergency number: (585) 723-6531.

Do you need a face mask?

Let me know. I'll be happy to sew you some. - **Marilyn Catherine**
Email: mcatherine@rochester.rr.com or phone: 585-328-9369

Returning to Mass

Loving our neighbor looks different during a global pandemic. At St. Monica's, we follow state and diocesan regulations to keep everyone safe while at church. These safety measures demonstrate our respect for the life and well-being of our neighbors.

Wear a mask the entire time.

Wear your own mask or face covering during Mass. Masks are required for anyone age 2 and older. We will provide masks for those who do not have one.



Sanitize your hands.

Practice good hand hygiene by washing your hands with soap and water or using alcohol or hand sanitizer. If possible, bring your own bottle for personal use.



No gloves for Holy Communion.

The Precious Body cannot be distributed or received with gloved hands and will only be received by the hand. The Precious Blood is not offered at this time.



Stay home if you feel unwell.

If you are not feeling well or unsure about maintaining social distancing, please stay home, and view Mass online. Bishop Matano has extended his dispensation from the obligation to attend Mass until further notice.



Thank you for your generosity!



Offertory envelopes may be placed in the collection basket located in the aisle during Communion or after Mass. The collection basket will not be passed during Mass. Please consider [donating online](#) or using text-2-give at 226-7514.

We are creating a new "normal" together.

Some entrances and **all restrooms will be closed**. Please use the handicapped door or the front side door to enter. Further information on procedures will be disseminated during Mass. We appreciate your help in keeping everyone safe and comfortable!

Let Us Pray



Our Sick

All those who are suffering because of COVID-19

All those who are experiencing individual and systemic racism

A conversion for those who are perpetuating racist beliefs and systems

THOSE IN THE MILITARY

CJ Arnell, Joshua Bartlett, Zachary Bartlett, Jarid Cook, Andrew Chmiel, Andrea Gerard, David Englert, Stephen Brunshidle, Richard Lewis, Angela Aviles Lewis, Andrea Christ, Terry Redfield, Jr. and Patrick Welling.

Lamp Intentions for June

SANCTUARY LIGHT

Bostick & Johnson Families

Families

Genevieve (Jean) Zeller –

95th Birthday!

Family

CROSS ALTAR LIGHT

Millie & Bob Schwind

Dorothy Schwind

This week at St. Monica Church: June 28-July 5, 2020

Sunday, 6/28	9:00 am – Mass, Church 11:00 am – ECD Mass, Church
Monday, 6/29	4:45 pm – Virtual Contemplative Prayer (contact Dorothy Siegel to join: kenanddor@yahoo.com or 880-5519)
Tuesday, 6/30	12:00 pm – Pray Our Father for COVID-19 12:10 pm – Mass, Church 2:30 pm – Reflection video posted online 4:00-7:00 pm – Westside Farmers Market
Wed., 7/1	8:00 am – Mass, Church 7:00 pm – Virtual prayer group (contact Bob Boyd to join: rboyd3@gmail.com)
Thursday, 7/2	12:10 pm – Mass, Church 2:30 pm – Interactive Facebook post
Friday, 7/3	8:00 am – Mass, Church
Saturday, 7/4 Happy Independence Day!	3:00 pm – No Exposition & Benediction 4:00 pm – Mass, Church
Sunday, 7/5	9:00 am – Mass, Church 11:00 am – ECD Mass



Faith Formation Information

Faith Formation and Sacramental Preparation: For ages 5-18.

This week's Family Zone newsletter: <https://bit.ly/2z9P6Ub>

Calling all parishioners: we need YOU August 17-21! It's a Small World

Are you part of a culture that you love to share with others?

Because of COVID-19, family and community-based events will take the place of our traditional week-long VBS this year. We are seeking people from our parish and our wider 19th Ward community to set up and run cultural booths for our "It's a Small World" event on Wednesday, August 19 as part of our newly imagined VBS week. Attendees of this cultural celebration event will have the opportunity to learn about and build appreciation for the different cultures that are represented in our community through music, food, language, dance, ecology, traditional dress, and more! We welcome all cultures to be a part of this cultural celebration. Contact jessica.tette@dor.org to get involved!

We also need volunteers to help with our other events that week. Please contact Jessica if interested! While we will miss our regular VBS, **please join us for the AMAZING events planned for the week of August 17-21!** Save the date, stay tuned for more info, and get ready for some FUN!

Also, check out the diocesan-wide Summer Journey of Faith for fun at-home faith activities.

<https://oec.dor.org/seeingwiththeeyesofgod/>



Our CYO clinic that was scheduled for July 13-17, 2020 will be rescheduled. More information to come.

Follow Jesus with us:

www.stmonicaofrochester.org

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

[St. Monica Church](https://www.youtube.com/StMonicaChurch)

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.

Congratulations, Class of 2020!

From graduating sixth grade to graduating high school, we have several parishioners who are celebrating graduation milestones this year.* We are so proud of all our graduates and pray that God grants you many blessings in your next adventure!

Marley Knapp

Lexi Rouse

Emmanuel Torres

Timmy Agne

Jada Stenson

Craig Oakley

*if your child's name is missing, please email monicabulletin@dor.org to include them in the next bulletin!

Raspberry Pickers Needed

The cultivated black raspberry "food forest" at Rapids Cemetery (90 Congress Ave. off Genesee St. and 2 blocks south of Brooks Avenue) is ripening and will need volunteer pickers on **Sunday, July 5th from noon-4:00pm**. All picked raspberries go to St. Peter's Kitchen. Must wear provided gloves and PPE masks. Pails and refreshments will be provided. Will observe social distancing. Parents need to accompany children. Contact John Curran <jecurran@rochester.rr.com> for more info.

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 stop by our rectory office 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 victimsassistance@dor.org.

Our Collection: Week of June 21, 2020

	Collection Goal	Our Collection	Variance
6/21/2020	\$4,075	\$2,424	-\$1,651
July 2019-present	\$185,925	\$159,352	-\$26,573

Social Justice Corner

JUNETEENTH 2020

Marking the freedom of enslaved black people in the US, Juneteenth occurs annually on June 19th and is a widely celebrated holiday among Black Americans. This year the day carried special meaning in light of the Black Lives Matter protests against police brutality, which were sparked by the deaths of George Floyd, Breonna Taylor, Ahmaud Arbery, Rayshard Brooks, and others. Sadly, many of us have not heard/learned about Juneteenth until this year. If you are looking for ways to observe or celebrate Juneteenth in the future, here is a list of ideas:

1. Educate yourself. Watch the documentary 13th on Netflix.
2. Check out Juneteenth events in your community.
3. Reflect: While slavery officially ended in 1865, systemic racism continues to this day. Reflect on critical issues that perpetuate discrimination against black people in America and throughout the world.
4. Place a sign in your front yard: this will raise awareness and educate younger kids in your neighborhood
5. Juneteenth only comes once a year, but there are more ways you can help your community all year long. For example, you can support the Black Lives Matter movement after the protests end. Also check out <https://www.cnet.com/how-to/juneteenth-holiday-what-it-is-and-how-to-observe-it-in-2020/>

MLK Park in Rochester has been transformed into a beautiful, living work of art. It has been painted totally black and visitors are invited to add their work in chalk which is available for use.



Tech Help Needed

As you know, a dedicated team has been producing video Masses for the St. Monica and Emmanuel Church of the Deaf communities. The team is looking for a way to archive the final videos and production notes outside of YouTube so we retain the original high-quality files for future use. Does anyone have video/vlog production experience who could advise on easy ways to set this up / what kind of capacity we would need to get donated or write a grant for? We would also love anyone willing to advise on better equipment, software, and filming/production workflow. Contact Margot Van Etten if interested at margot.vanetten@dor.org.

Volunteers Needed: Bethany House Reopens after Shutdown

Bethany House is looking for volunteers to help staff the daily Food Pantry and assist with tasks around the house. We need 3 individuals daily between the hours of 9:30am and 1pm to staff the Food Pantry. We are following the direction of Food Link, so currently we are preparing bags of food and meeting individuals at the door. We provide masks and gloves for volunteers, clean the area daily and do a daily COVID-19 check. We are also looking for teams of individuals to prepare weekday meals* for the guests (usually somewhere between 7 and 10). Finally, we are hoping to restart our Wednesday prayer service and community meals. For this we need several volunteers to prepare the meals* and one or two individuals to lead the prayer. If you are interested or need additional information, please contact Sr. Karen Dietz at karen@bethanyhouserocny.org or 585-454-4197.

*Because of our connection to Food Link and their food safety rules, food must be prepared in our kitchen, assuring a consistent temperature.

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 Fr. Ray's 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.

St. Monica Neighborhood Businesses

Jesus, who is my neighbor?

In support of Black Lives Matter, here are two more owner-operated small businesses serving the neighborhood around our church that would welcome our patronage!

Caribbean Heritage Restaurant, at 719 South Plymouth Ave. offers authentic Jamaican cuisine served in a beautifully restored 1910 vintage café. Owner and chef Lorna Underwood attends to every detail with the support of husband Jerome. Jerome is the son of St. Monica parishioner Joan Underwood, who retired to her native Antigua a few years ago. The restaurant is open Thursdays through Saturdays. Call 270-4994 for the latest hours and catering.



BTIER Group, at 480 West Main St., is operated by parishioner Best Batchateu. Best has been helping individuals and businesses with tax preparation, financial services, bookkeeping, payroll, training, and related assistance for nearly 20 years.

For help with the upcoming July 15 tax deadline, reach Best at 802-3353.

