

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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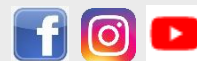
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Walk with us on:



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.



Friends at the youth Halloween event on Oct. 29, 2023.

The greatest among you must be your servant.

Whoever exalts himself will be humbled;
but whoever humbles himself will be exalted."

– Matthew 23

November 5, 2023

31st 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, Nov 4 Franklin A. Booth - The Booth Family
 Sun, Nov 5 Betty Boeyink - Barb Borgus
 Edward A. Giblin - Ed & Patty Giblin
 Tues, Nov 7 All Parishioners
 Wed, Nov 8 Robert, Doris, & Peter Will - Doris Will Meadows
 Thurs, Nov 9 All Souls
 Fri, Nov 10 Riley, Sara & Norman Will - Doris Will Meadows
 Sat, Nov 11 David Divers - Sheila Wray
 Sun, Nov 12 Raymond N. Tette - Mark & Sharon Juba



Let Us Pray

**Our Sick
Kathy Agne**

David McCrary
Lea Chamberlain-McCrary's 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 November

SANCTUARY LIGHT

Reilly Family

Barbara Higgins



Catherine Ann Kress

John & JoAnn DeMott

CROSS ALTAR LIGHT

Elnora & James Delibert

John Delibert



Marjorie Ochs

Your loving children

**Musicians!
Lectors!
Greeters!
Ushers!**

Reminder that you must be CASE trained to do your ministry. This is a policy of the Diocese of Rochester. Contact jessica.tette@dor.org if you need to be trained or update your CASE training, which must be done every 3 years.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!



**Shirts will be available for pickup
November 11 & 12 after Mass.**

Thank you SO much for helping us be able to go on this pilgrimage. We feel very loved by our St. Monica family, and we love you!

**Friday, November 10:
The office will be closed in observance
of Veterans Day.**

**This Week at St. Monica Church:
November 5-12, 2023**

Sunday, 11/5	10:15 am – Mass, Church 11:15 am – Faith Formation, Dining Room 11:30 am – ECD Mass, Church
Monday, 11/6	4:45 pm – Virtual Contemplative Prayer (contact Dorothy Siegel to join: kenanddor@yahoo.com or 880-5519)
Tuesday, 11/7	12:10 pm –Mass, Church
Wed., 11/8	8:00 am –Mass, Church 6:30-8:30 pm – Youth Group, Rectory
Thursday, 11/9	12:10 pm – Mass, Church
Friday, 11/10	8:00 am – Mass, Church
Saturday 11/11 Veterans Day	4:00 pm – Mass, Church NCYC shirt pickup following Mass
Sunday, 11/12	10:15 am – Mass, Church NCYC shirt pickup following Mass 11:15 am – Faith Formation, Dining Room 11:30 am – ECD Mass, Church



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](mailto:jessica.tette@dor.org) TO SIGN UP!

CYO: Remembering David Divers

This 2023-2024 winter CYO basketball season is dedicated to David Divers, long-time pillar of our St. Monica basketball and parish community, who passed away in August. We mourn our loss of a friend, husband, coach, father, grandfather, and parishioner. We honor David by carrying out his vision was to bring basketball and community to our neighborhood. Can you help our youth have positive experiences in one of the following ways?

- Collecting admissions
- Selling concessions
- Setup
- Tear-down
- Running the time clock



We have 3-6 Saturdays that have home games scheduled at our gym at 841 Genesee St. Help with one Saturday or all of them. If you can help, contact jessica.tette@dor.org. Thank you for giving your time to help our community!

Catholic Ministries Appeal

St. Monica Church Parish Goal: \$26,000

As of this date, 20 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!

ROMAN CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF ROCHESTER
2023-2024 CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL

Go Forth With Christ



Go to www.dor.org


- View the video • See how the funds are distributed
- Make your gift



Follow Jesus with us:

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/StMonicaChurchMass)

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. Be sure to check your junk/spam folder. If the problem persists, email 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 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 online training or email jessica.tette@dor.org for a packet of information to help you.

Our Collection: Week of October 29, 2023

	Collection Goal	Our Collection	Variance
10/29/2023	3,270	2,990	(280)
Year-to-Date	58,000	61,459	3,459
Online Giving/week (included in actual total)			\$174



ROMAN CATHOLIC
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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

In the introduction to *Laudate Deum*, Pope Francis first calls attention to God's esteem for God's own creation. "Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow; they neither toil nor spin, yet I tell you even Solomon in all his glory was not clothed like one of these" (Mt. 6:28-29). "Are not five sparrows sold for two pennies? Yet not one of them is forgotten in God's sight" (Lk 12:6).

In the 8 years since *Laudato Si'* was published, Pope Francis has realized that our responses to the suffering of our planet have not been adequate. Bishops around the world have said "attacks on nature" are "a drama that harms us all" and that climate change is "a tragic and striking example of structural sin." Pope Francis ends the introduction: "The reflection and information that we can gather from these past 8 years allow us to clarify and complete what we were able to state some time ago. For this reason, and because the situation is now evermore pressing, I have wished to share these pages with you."

The rest of the letter contains the following sections:

- The Global Climate Crisis
- A Growing Technocratic Paradigm
- The Weakness of International Politics
- Climate Conferences: Progress and Failures
- What to Expect from COP28 in Dubai
- Spiritual Motivation

In our summary of the Pope's apostolic exhortation, we will not be able to delve into all of these topics. We will cover some of them in the upcoming three weeks. But you are encouraged to read the whole letter (about 15 pages). You can google "Vatican web site" and the official site comes right up. When you open it, the *Laudate Deum* letter is right there.

In 2024, Creation Stewards is planning to meet with all the people who are interested in this topic (so, the whole parish, probably) to discuss the contents of the letter and help us discern what the next steps should be for the parish. More information will be coming about this, but in the meantime, please read the letter and consider what direction you think we should take.

St. Monica Neighborhood Businesses

Jesus, who is my neighbor?

Patronizing a St. Monica's neighborhood business brings the Light of Christ's presence by way of goods, services, and jobs.

G&G Steakout II is now open for business at 810 Genesee St. across from our church. Rick Gause and several Gause family members completely renovated the former take-out restaurant. Everything is shiny and new. Cooks are in the kitchen and servers are filling orders for the usual line of lunch and dinnertime customers.



The original G&G opened 40 years ago. The Gause family is famous for their chopped steak sandwich, topped with sautéed onions, melted cheese, lettuce, and tomato on a bun. They also offer wings, fries, and the city's best deluxe cheeseburgers.

G&G is open Mon.-Thurs. 11-7, and Fri.-Sat. 11-8. Order at 319-5208.

Speak Lord, Your Servant Is Listening!



Fr. George Kintiba, Revivalist

Revival Weekend

"Make a joyful noise unto the Lord, all ye land. Serve the Lord with gladness ... come before Him with thanksgiving. Know ye that the Lord is God."

Psalms 100:1-3

Friday, November 10, 2023 Revival 6:30pm

St. Monica Church 831 Genesee St. 14619

Saturday, November 11, 2023 Retreat 10am - 2pm

Immaculate Conception/St. Bridget's Church

445 Frederick Douglass St. 14608

Sunday, November 12, 2023 Mass 9am

Immaculate Conception /St. Bridget's Church

Sponsored by the Rochester Black Catholic Coalition

Immaculate Conception / St. Bridget's, St. Monica, St. Rita Churches

Friday's Revival will be live-streamed.

November 7, 2023

New York General Election

Completed Absentee Ballot Return Deadline

- Postmarked: November 7, 2023
- Post received: November 14, 2023
- In-person received: November 7, 2023

Early Voting: October 28, 2023 – November 5, 2023

Sat., Sun., Mon., Wed., & Fri. 9 am - 5 pm, & Tues. & Thurs., 11 am - 8 pm

Early Voting Locations:

- David F. Gantt Community Center 700 North St, Rochester NY14605
- Monroe County Office Building 39 W Main St., Rochester NY 14614
- Edgerton Recreation Center 41 Backus St, Rochester NY 14608
- Norton Village Recreation Center 350 Waring Rd, Rochester NY 14609
- SUNY Empire State University 680 Westfall Rd, Rochester NY 14620 (ASL interpreter at site)
- St. Theodore's Church 168 Spencerport Rd, Rochester NY 14606
- North Greece Road Church of Christ 1039 N Greece Rd, Rochester NY 14626
- Henrietta Public Library 625 Calkins Rd, Rochester NY 14623 (ASL interpreter at site)
- Irondequoit Community Center 450 Skyview Centre Parkway Suite 200, Rochester NY 14622
- Holy Spirit Church 1355 Hatch Rd, 14580, Webster Library 980 Ridge Rd, 14580
- Perinton Square Mall 6720 Pittsford Palmyra Rd, Fairport NY14450
- Sweden Clarkson Community Center 4927 Lake Rd, Brockport NY14420

The website VOTE 411 (www.VOTE411.org) provides information on the races and candidates specific to your address.

Of all the rights of being a US Citizen, the most fundamental is the right to vote.

