

# 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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*Our St. Monica gardens are beautiful!*

And he was transfigured before them;  
his face shone like the sun.

– Matthew 17

August 6, 2023

# The Transfiguration of the Lord

**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 5 Rev. Timothy Horan - Donna Whitehair  
 Sun, Aug 6 Marie Bellini - Bob & Karen Engle  
 Tues, Aug 8 Special Intention Olga Welling - Peggy Reigelsperger  
 Wed, Aug 9 All Parishioners  
 Thurs, Aug 10 Sr. Arlene Semesky, RSM, Sr. Joanne Deck, RSM –  
 Donna Whitehair  
 Fri, Aug 11 All Souls  
 Sat, Aug 12 Special Intention Fr Ray Fleming - Peggy Reigelsperger  
 Sun, Aug 13 Larry Nichols - Bob & Joy Boyd

*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 August**



**SANCTUARY LIGHT**

**Lucille McGinnis**

*John & JoAnn DeMott*

**Rhonda Neri**

*John Delibert*



**CROSS ALTAR LIGHT**

**Riley, Sara, & Norman Will**

*Doris Will Meadows*

### 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.**

Volunteers also needed for setting up from 11:30am-4:00pm and helping with baked goods & produce sales at the Co-Op tent. Participate according to your interest and time availability. See Bob Boyd, John Curran, or Bob Passalugo.

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

This week's chalkboard question:

**How do you connect with nature?**

If you are looking for a way to help others, make new friends, and stay busy and active – please join us at Monroe Community Hospital! Volunteers are needed to visit with residents; escort them to events and activities on-site; and work in our beautiful Gift Shop and Thrift Shop! To learn more please call Laurie at 585-760-6151 or visit <https://www.monroehosp.org/volunteer>.



**Monroe Community Hospital**  
MISSION + COMPASSION + HEART

### Save the Date!!



### Laugh Out Loud

An Evening of Comedy to Benefit



**GOLISANO**  
AUTISM CENTER  
A COLLABORATIVE  
COMMUNITY OF PROVIDERS



September 27 · 7:00pm

### This Week at St. Monica Church: August 6-13, 2023

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|-----------------------|---|
| <b>Sunday, 8/6</b>    | <b>10:15 am – Mass, Church</b><br><b>11:30 am – ECD Mass, Church</b>  |
| <b>Monday, 8/7</b>    | 4:45 pm – Virtual Contemplative Prayer<br>(contact Dorothy Siegel to join:<br><a href="mailto:kenanddor@yahoo.com">kenanddor@yahoo.com</a> or 880-5519) |
| <b>Tuesday, 8/8</b>   | 12:10 pm –Mass, Church<br>4:00-7:00 pm – Westside Farmers Market,<br>Parking Lot  |
| <b>Wed., 8/9</b>      | 8:00 am – Mass, Church  |
| <b>Thursday, 8/10</b> | 12:10 pm – Mass, Church<br><b>6:30 pm – The Chosen, Rectory</b>   |
| <b>Friday, 8/11</b>   | 8:00 am –Mass, Church<br><b>6:45 pm – Red Wings game</b>  |
| <b>Saturday 8/12</b>  | <b>4:00 pm – Mass, Church</b>   |
| <b>Sunday, 8/13</b>   | <b>10:15 am – Mass, Church</b><br><b>11:30 am – ECD Mass, Church</b>  |

# VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL MASS & RECEPTION

**Sunday, August 20  
@ 10:15 Mass**

**Our VBS campers will share songs and  
memories from the VBS week!  
Then join us for a reception following Mass.**



**GOD'S LOVE IS SWEET!**  
St. Monica VBS 2023

## St. Monica, ECD, and Immaculate Conception @ Red Wings game

**August 11 @ 6:45 PM**



Tickets \$10.00 – See Mary Ellen to purchase.  
Last day to purchase is Sunday, August 6.

## St. Phoebe

St. Phoebe was a woman of great courage and deep love. She answered God's call to minister to God's people during the earliest days of the Church, when persecution against Christians was strong. She earned the trust of St. Paul, who depended on her to handle communications with the ecclesial community in Rome. In the Letter to the Romans, St. Paul commends St. Phoebe to the church in Rome, introduces her as a deacon (diakonos) of the church at Cenchræe, and asks that they "receive her in the Lord" (Romans 16:1-3). Come celebrate St. Phoebe's Feast Day as church leaders prepare to gather in Rome in October for the General Assembly of the Synod. Among the themes considered at the synod will be women's participation in the Church, both broadly and specifically as deacons.

Dates: Second Tuesday of each month in 2023:

- August 8
- September 12
- October 10
- November 14
- December 12

Time: 2:00 - 4:00 p.m.

Location: Mercy Spirituality Center

Fee: \$25 each.

### 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/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](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 July 30, 2023

|  | Collection Goal | Our Collection | Variance     |
|--|-----------------|----------------|--------------|
| 7/30/2023  | 3,250           | 3,092          | (158)        |
| Year-to-Date   | 16,250          | 16,633         | 383          |
| <b>Online Giving/week<br/>(included in actual total)</b> |                 |                | <b>\$217</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 Housel**  
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

Something new will be arriving in our Butterfly and Pollinator garden very soon. We are adding a Bee Hotel. Why would we want do that, you ask? Well, we're all pretty well acquainted with bumblebees and honeybees, both of which live in hives. They are "social bees." However, most of the 4000 species of bees in the United States are solitary bees. Their lives are spent alone for the most part.

The solitary bees do most of the pollinating. Honeybees don't travel very far from the hive because they must make a round trip to bring the pollen back to the queen. But the solitary bees don't do that and thus they can travel great distances, allowing them to do more pollinating. They do, however, need place to rest and to lay their eggs. The female bees require a protected small place to lay the eggs. The solitary bees who don't live underground lay their eggs in hollow stems or decaying wood, where the larvae overwinter until they emerge in the spring.

The population of solitary bees is declining, and one reason is the lack of habitat for laying the eggs. A bee hotel can help with this problem. Ours will be a wooden block hotel with narrow channels drilled into the block. Come give it a visit and welcome the bees to their new winter home.



### St. Monica Neighborhood Businesses

*Jesus, who is my neighbor?*

Bringing the Light of Christ's presence to our neighborhoods can be an opportunity to make a positive difference. Businesses that hire and serve our neighbors deserve our support.

**Brooks Landing Diner** owner Sue Choi moved to 904 Genesee St. from downtown in 2011 to serve area residents and workers an affordable breakfast and lunch menu. Her diner, just one block away from our church, has been a neighborhood favorite ever since.



Now, Sue would like to retire. On September 1st Sue will hand the diner keys to partner Tiffany. Customers will get the same great food, and service with a smile. Dine in or take out, Monday to Saturday, 7am to 2pm. Order ahead at 436-1234 to avoid the wait.



### School Supplies for St. Peter's Kitchen

The August Blue Bag collection is for St Peter's Kitchen. The current need is for backpacks and school supplies for area students to be prepared for getting back to school. Below are three different lists of supplies by grade level. If you would like to donate, please pick one of the lists and fill a backpack with the required items. Finally, please LABEL the backpack as to which grade level and whether it is for a female or male. **The collection for these items will be the weekend of August 12 (4pm Mass) and August 13 (10:15am Mass), 30 minutes before each mass.** Please drop off your items at the garage adjacent to St. Monica's parking lot entrance from Monica Street. Volunteers will be there to help you. Thank you and God bless you for helping our neighbors in need.

#### K - 2<sup>nd</sup> grade supplies

- 1- Box of crayons (24 count)
- 1 -Box of markers (8 or 12)
- 1- Box of #2 pencils, (10 or 12) sharpened
- 3 -Glue sticks
- 1 -Plastic school box
- 2 -Pink erasers
- 1 -Pair blunt scissors
- 1 -Hand-held pencil sharpener
- 1 -Composition notebook
- 2 -Pocket folders
- 1 -Ruler

#### 3<sup>rd</sup>-7<sup>th</sup> grade supplies

- 2 -Boxes #2 pencils, sharpened
- 1 -Box of 24 count crayons
- 1 -Pkg colored pencils (10 or 12) count
- 1 -Pkg Pens; blue or black (8 or 10)
- 4 -Folders with pockets: blue, green, red, yellow
- 1 -Composition notebook
- 4 -1-Subject Spiral Notebooks
- 1 -Package filler paper (Wide)
- 1 -Pair of children size scissors (not blunt)
- 1- Large glue stick
- 2 -Pink erasers
- 1 -Ruler
- 1 -Soft 3- ring pencil pouch

#### 8<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade supplies

- 1 -pkg #2 Pencils (10 or 12)
- 1 -pkg Mechanical pencils (8 or 10)
- 1 -pkg Colored pencils
- 1 -pkg Blue or black pens
- 2 -Highlighters
- 1 -Permanent marker
- 1- pr. Scissors
- 2- Pink erasers
- 1- Large glue stick
- 1 -Ruler
- 2 -composition books
- 4- Pocket folders
- 4 -1 subject spirals
- 2 -pkg notebook paper (College ruled)
- 1 -Soft 3- ring pencil pouch
- 1- 3 ring binder



From the *Catholic Courier*:

**Mass Matters:** We want to hear directly from parishioners across the Diocese of Rochester for our social media series "Mass Matters!" Parishioners can submit brief videos (15 seconds to 1.5 minutes, shot holding the phone vertically) of themselves addressing what attending in-person Masses and receiving the Eucharist mean to them.

Visit <https://bit.ly/44Slzas> to submit a video or <https://bit.ly/3QbsNIZ> to submit a written response.