

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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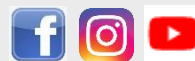
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Walk with us on:



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.



Parishioners Dan and Ellen Lill pose with the St. Monicasaurus at the St. Monica eclipse block party on April 8.

“I am the good shepherd.

A good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep.”

- John 10


April 21, 2024

4th Sunday
of Easter

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, April 20	Lillian Wray - Sheilla Wray	
Sun, April 21	Betty Bunce - Denis & Charlene Lepel Ray Tette - Linda LoCastro, Brian Coughlin	
Tues, April 23	Sharla Davenport - Lynn Fulmore	
Wed, April 24	Bernard & Theresa Higgins - Barbara Higgins	
Thurs, April 25	Fr. Nick Alletto - Thomas Alletto	
Fri, April 26	Aquilino Payero - Jean Button	
Sat, April 27	Special Intention Carolyn Meisenzahl - Karen Gibble	
Sun, April 28	Special Intention for Fr. Ray Fleming: 42nd Anniversary of Ordination	

Eclipse Block Party Follow-Up

St. Monica Church delivered 250 unused, new-in-package eclipse solar sunglasses to the Rotary Club of Rochester Southwest, a truly dedicated neighborhood organization that is collecting them locally.

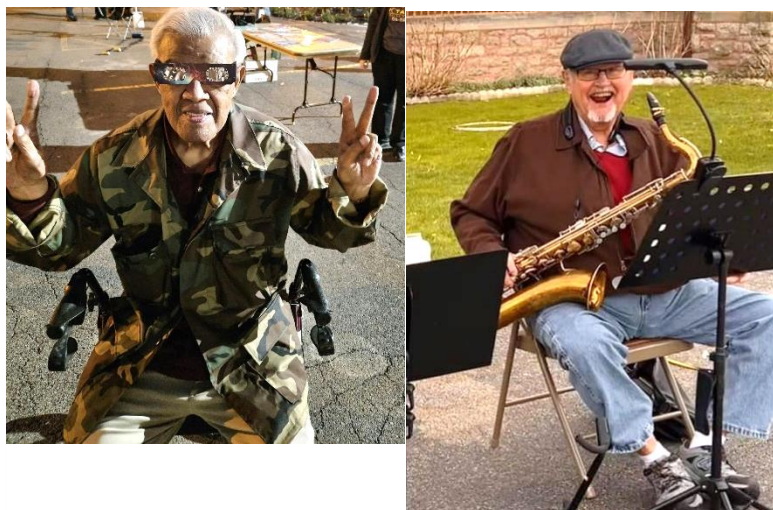
<https://www.facebook.com/swroctrotary/>

Rotary will send the glasses to Eclipse Glasses USA, which has a program in place to channel sunglasses to places in need. Read about them at:

<https://eclipse23.com/pages/donate-eclipse-glasses>

The *Catholic Courier* joined us for the Eclipse block party. Check out the video coverage at the link below:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NWJiN0qO6Jg>



Left – Parishioner Charlie Arnell enjoys totality during the eclipse!
Right – Parishioner Jim Henderson takes a break from playing with the Nate Rawls Band to flash us a smile!

Let Us Pray

Our Sick
Marcia Lambert

Harold Austin

Deborah Leary

David McCrary

Lea Chamberlain-McCrary's husband

Jean Page

Patti Rate's sister

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 April

SANCTUARY LIGHT

David Divers

John & JoAnn DeMott

Karen Scherzi

Children & Family

CROSS ALTAR LIGHT

Deceased members

of the Hauck Family

Diane Salamone

**This Week at St. Monica Church:
April 21-28, 2024**

Sunday, 4/21	10:15 am –Mass, Church 11:15 am – Faith Formation and First Communion Prep, Dining Room 11:30 am – ECD Mass, Church
Monday, 4/22 Earth Day	4:45 pm – Virtual Contemplative Prayer (contact Dorothy Siegel to join: kenanddor@yahoo.com or 880-5519)
Tuesday, 4/23	12:10 pm –Mass, Church
Wed., 4/24	8:00 am – Mass, Church
Thurs., 4/25	12:10 pm –Mass, Church
Friday, 4/26	8:00 am –Mass, Church
Saturday 4/27	4:00 pm – Mass, Church
Sunday, 4/28	10:15 am –Mass, Church 11:15 am – Coffee Hour, Dining Room First Communion Prep, Youth Group Room 11:30 am – ECD Mass, Church

Our youth need you!

Bring your time and chef skills to feed the teens in our youth group. Can you give one Wednesday to help? Only 6 left!

**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!



Clean Sweep Genesee Street on May 4

Parishioners are once again invited to work alongside our neighbors on Mayor Evans' annual clean-up on Saturday morning, May 4, 8am-noon. The mayor provides a t-shirt, hot drinks, pastries, tools, bags, gloves, water, and an optional free Red Wings game afterward.

Two St. Monica teams will focus on Genesee Street. Each walk is about a mile. For more details and to join a Genesee Street team, see John or JoAnn DeMott, call 313-2559, or email jnj_demott@juno.com.



Earth Day is April 22!

This year's theme is *Planet vs. Plastics*.

Visit earthday.org to learn more and take action to save our common home.

We will have a **coffee hour** on Sunday, April 28 after the 10:15 Mass. We need help! If you can help with set-up and tear-down or if you can bring something, please contact Mary Ellen. Thanks, and see you there!



Follow Jesus with us:

www.stmonicaofrochester.org

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

 [@stmonicachurch](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 April 14, 2024

	Collection Goal	Our Collection	Variance
4/14/2024	3,688	2,562	(1,126)
Year-to-Date	140,326	136,281	(4,045)
Online Giving/week (included in actual total)		\$197	
CMA	\$26,000	\$26,000	100%

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

REMINDER: The workshop *Beautiful and Better: Rethinking the American Lawn* will be held Monday evening, 4/22/24, in the church at 6:30PM. Don't miss it! John Nelson, Master Gardener, will give you some great ideas you can use in your yard. See you there!

THANK YOU: Thanks to all of the many parishioners who signed petitions that were sent to Albany asking that the assembly members and senators move the Packaging Reduction and Recycling Infrastructure Act through the committees and vote to pass this important act. We will keep you posted on the progress.

Congratulations to our 7 teens who received the sacrament of Confirmation on April 16!

Marley Knapp
Ian Miller
Isabella Mitchell
Alexandria Rouse-Howard
Emmanuel Torres
Aniya Williams
Joseph Yanosh

JOIN US

to make a JOYFUL NOISE unto the LORD!!! (Ps 100:1)
for HE has brought us this far by FAITH!!
See what the Lord has done for us!

SONGFEST

April 27, 2024 6:30pm-8:30 pm
Immaculate Conception/ St. Bridget's Church
445 Frederick Douglass St. Rochester, 14608

175th Anniversary Celebration in MUSIC with soloists and choirs from Baber A.M.E Church, Memorial A.M.E Zion, Mt. Olivet Baptist Church, Spiritus Christi, St. Monica Church, St. Rita Church, Immaculate Conception/ St. Bridget's Church, and special guests!!!

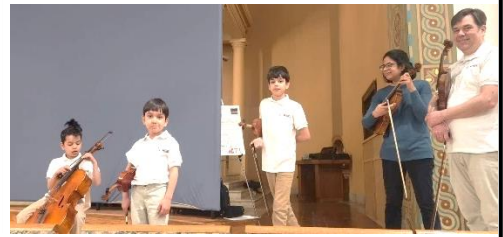
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SCHOOL

THE MYSTERY
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FAITH

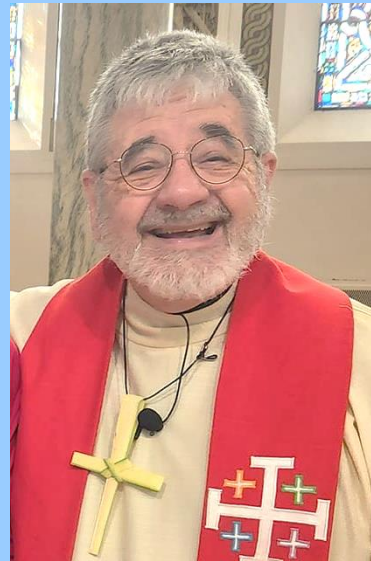
AUGUST 12-16, 2024

ONLINE REGISTRATION IN JUNE AT
STMONICAOFROCHESTER.ORG

A big thanks to the Holmes/Augustine family members, who continuously share their gift of music with us! We are so grateful for your playing at Mass last week!



Congratulations, Fr. Ray!
42nd Anniversary of Ordination
Wednesday, April 24, 2024



Thank you for being an amazing example of Christ for us.

WE LOVE YOU!

St. Monica Neighborhood Businesses

Jesus, who is my neighbor?

Another way we can bring the Light of Christ's presence is by promoting & referring others to local businesses that serve the needs of St. Monica's neighborhood residents.

For working parents who need daytime childcare, **Sunshine Village Community Childcare Center** is a NYS licensed & CDA certified childcare provider. It offers healthy meals, safe transportation, education, and a parent support group.



Director Rosalind Y. Bryant manages the facility at 835 Jefferson Ave. on the Trinity Emmanuel Presbyterian Church campus. It accommodates 52 children ages 2 months to 12 years, weekdays from 6am to

6pm. Phone 464-8087 or email sunshinevillagejefferson@gmail.com.