

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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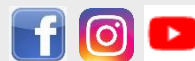
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Walk with us on:



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.



Forever I will sing the goodness of the Lord!
Blessed the people who know the joyful shout;
in the light of your countenance, O LORD, they walk.

At your name they rejoice all the day,
and through your justice they are exalted.

- Psalm 89

June 28, 2026

13th Sunday in
Ordinary Time

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. If you were receiving the weekly parish email and are no longer receiving it, please check your email settings and make sure you allow emails from monicabulletin@dor.org.

**Confessions by appointment –
call office at (585) 235-3340 to schedule.**

Weekly Mass Intentions

- Sat. June 27 Carol L. Wightman – John Delibert
Joseph Siracusa – Tony & Maria Dambra
- Sun. June 28 Daniel Tasciotti – Jane Tasciotti
Bob Mulcahy – Ed & JoAnn McDonnell
- Tues. June 30 Linda Nash – Nash & Fulmore Families
- Wed. July 1 Bob Mulcahy – Kathy & Gerry Murty
- Thur. July 2 All Parishioners
- Fri. July 3 Special Intention for all members of the Rochester Police Dept.
– Jean Button
- Sat. July 4 Bernard Higgins – Barbara Higgins
Patti Grant-Zollo – Family
- Sun. July 5 David McCrary – Sandy Chamberlain



Let Us Pray



Those who are housing vulnerable
An end to racism
An end to war
Caregivers
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 July

SANCTUARY LIGHT

Riley, Sara & Norman Will

Doris Will Meadows



CROSS ALTAR LIGHT

Robert & Jean Vane

Children/Family

"SING TO HIM, SING PRAISES TO HIM; TELL OF ALL HIS WONDROUS WORKS"
PSALMS 105:2

4TH ANNUAL ST MONICA'S SUMMER CONCERT



SUNDAY, JUNE 28, 2026 / 4-6:30PM
ST. MONICA CHURCH - 831 GENESEE ST.
ROCHESTER, NY 14611

Celebrating the diverse musical gifts of St Monica Church and friends, featuring St Monica's Gospel Choir, Marvin Rogers, Nate Rawls Community Jazz Band, String Ensembles, and special guests



Please contact angela.nkugwa@dor.org for additional information.

The Westside Farmers Market has begun!

We need 2-3 volunteers to run the St. Monica booth each week. **Please sign up** by emailing Jessica.tette@dor.org – so we can evenly distribute volunteers across market days. The market runs every Tuesday until October 6th. For some neighbors, this is the first time they experience St. Monica's – come help make it a positive one for them!



**This Week at St. Monica Church:
June 28-July 5, 2026**

Sunday, 6/28	10:15 am –Mass, Church 11:15 am – Coffee Hour, Dining Room 11:30 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	12:10 pm – Mass, Chapel
Wed., 7/1	8:00 am –Mass, Chapel 5:30 pm – Choir Rehearsal, Church
Thurs., 7/2	12:10 pm – Mass, Chapel 1:30 pm – Prayer Shawl Group, Dining Room
Friday, 7/3	Office Closed 8:00 am –First Friday Mass, Chapel
Saturday, 7/4 Independence Day	4:00 pm – Mass, Church
Sunday, 7/5	10:15 am –Mass, Church 11:30 am - ECD Mass, Church

Garden Helpers Needed

Thank you so much for those who have adopted a garden to maintain at St. Monica. There are still some orphan gardens that could use a little tender care. If you like gardening, spending time outdoors and caring for plants, please consider helping to keep our parish grounds welcoming. Just a few hours a week on small tasks in God's creation will make an amazing difference. Please contact JoAnn DeMott at (585) 313-2614 for more information.



Let us pray for the 26 St. Monica youth who will attend Camp Stella Maris this summer. May their week be filled with growth, discovery, love, joy, fun, and memories to last a lifetime! Let us pray also for Emmanuel, who will be a counselor there this summer. And let us pray for all the generous donors who made their CSM experience possible! Amen!



St. Monica CHURCH
VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL
2026
AUGUST 10-14
 8:45am-noon * Grades preK4-7
 Free + lunch included
 Online registration form: stmonicaofrochester.org

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



Tuesday, July 28th
6:00 pm
Tickets are \$6
and are on sale until
Thursday, July 23

Our youth will sing the national anthem to start the game!

See Mary Ellen at Mass to purchase.






We are still collecting cans and bottles as an ongoing fundraiser for our youth programming! Bring your cans and bottles to the office or church or bring them directly to the donation center at 2374 Chili Ave, Rochester, NY 14624 and tell them it is for St. Monica's. Thank you for your generosity! We love you!

LIGHT OF THE WORLD

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/StMonicaChurch-Mass)

What can we do to make St. Monica's a more inviting place?

Attendance June 6/June 7	182
Attendance May 30/May 31	162
Attendance May 23/ May 24	151
2026 YTD Average Attendance	163
2025 Full Year Average Attendance	189

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, email jessica.tette@dor.org for training instructions..

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.

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!

Emergency Food: If you need emergency food, you can contact St. Peter's Kitchen at (585) 235-6511 or go to 681 Brown Street Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays 9 AM to 11 AM.



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

Have you seen the Starbucks ads and promotions that state that its plastic cups are “widely recyclable?” An investigation by the non-profit advocacy group Beyond Plastics tells otherwise.

Beyond Plastics conducted a three-month nationwide investigation (using electronic Bluetooth trackers) to test Starbucks' claim that its single-use polypropylene (No. 5 plastic) cold beverage cups are recyclable. Not a single tracked cup ended up at a recycling facility.

According to Beyond Plastics, a Starbucks press release did not clarify that just because people are told they have access to a recycling program for polypropylene does not mean the cup will get turned into a new plastic product. In fact, this cup-tracking investigation found that Starbucks' single-use plastic cups aren't making it to recycling facilities even when they're placed in clearly marked recycling bins at Starbucks locations.

Beyond Plastics is calling on Starbucks to stop deceiving the public and implement a nationwide switch from plastic to fiber-based to-go cups and lids, just like it has already done in more than 550 stores across 14 states.

To read more about the investigation and to sign a petition to Starbucks, go to <https://www.beyondplastics.org/starbucks-cups>.



Social Justice News

PMUNY (Prison Ministry of Upstate New York): During the Advent and Lenten seasons, we participated in what many said was a very meaningful activity. We wrote short notes to incarcerated people and then those notes were delivered to random inmates. There are other ways to stay connected to this frequently forgotten segment of our population. If you are interested, you can call 585-633-0184 or visit pmuny.org to learn of other opportunities. “I was in prison and you visited me,” (Matthew 25:36).

Mountain Top Removal: Recently, we celebrated the First Holy Communion of five of our young people, and Fr. Ray reminded us about what the reception of the Eucharist means to us. We are to be Jesus to others and in our world. Paul, one of the friends who attended the Mass, has been involved for many years in the movement to try and stop mountaintop removal in Appalachia. For those not familiar with MTR here's a link to a very dramatic video description. <https://www.pbs.org/video/how-mountaintop-mining-affects-life-and-landscape-1493849375/>. This process not only destroys the tops of mountains in Appalachia and the surrounding environment but also affects the lives and homesteads of residents. Paul shows us how MTR is a Social Justice issue and how he and we can be Jesus to the world.

If you would like to be part of the Social Justice team at St. Monica or if you would like to be informed/updated on events, contact Dan Lill at danlill126@gmail.com or 585-313-6027.

CORN HILL ARTS FESTIVAL Saturday, July 11, 2026 – 10:00 am – 6:00 pm
Sunday, July 12, 2026 – 10:00 am – 5:00 pm

Stop by the Immaculate Conception/St. Bridget's tent right in front of the church to say hello and to purchase some great snacks all day!

Save the Date: Parish Picnic Sunday, September 13th at Genesee Valley Park
Join for a great time with church friends!



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BOARD GAME DAY AT ST. MONICA'S



Sunday, July 19

11:30-3:30 pm in the rectory dining room

For all ages!

Children must be accompanied by an adult.

Pizza lunch will be provided.



St. Monica Neighborhood Connection

Jesus, who is my neighbor?

The new **Table 19 Restaurant & Wine Bar** at 366 Arnett Blvd. is unquestionably the 19th Ward's classiest dining experience.

Visitors will find a cozy decorated dining area, soft music, a unique menu of Southern and Island flavors, and an attentive wait staff.



Having been a cook all her life, chef Liz Freeman spent nearly 2 years building the kitchen and dining area for Table 19.

Table 19 is open Tuesday-Saturday 2pm-10pm, and Sunday 12pm-5pm. Call 585-319-3495 or visit www.table19roc.com.

