

St. Monica CHURCH

All are welcome here!

Weekend Masses

Saturday at 4:00 pm

Sunday at 10:15am + Live-stream

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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Walk with us on:



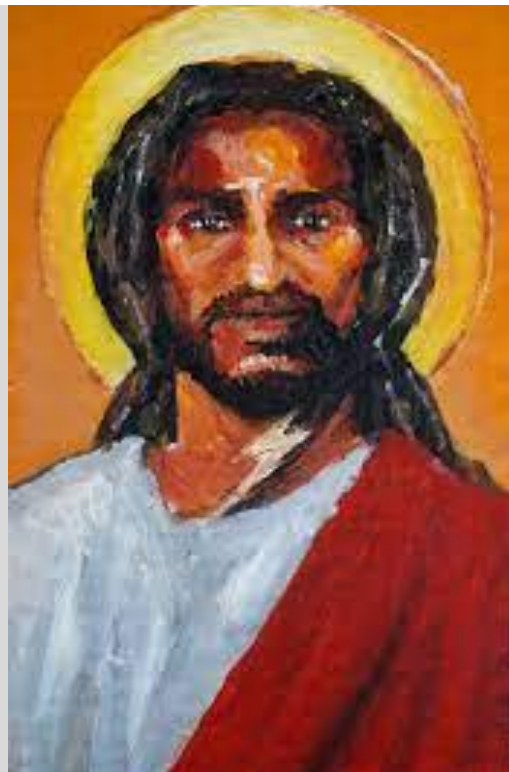
St. Monica Roman Catholic Church of Rochester Vision and Mission

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.

Celebrating Black Catholic History Month



*From
Holy
Watre*

“Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord!”

– Psalm 122

November 20, 2022

Feast of
Christ the King

COVID Updates

- All are welcome to attend our regularly-scheduled Masses in-person.
- We follow the NYS and Monroe County guidelines for COVID-19.
- Please continue to use hand sanitizer.
- The Sign of Peace will remain contactless.
- Congregational singing is welcome!

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

Weekly Mass Intentions

Sat, Nov 19	Vigo-Lopez Family - Dorca Rodriguez
Sun, Nov 20	Bodensteiner & Reifsteck Families – Family
Tues, Nov 22	Monica Marjams - Mary Robinson
Wed, Nov 23	8:00 am - All Souls 7:00 pm - All Parishioners
Thurs, Nov 24	Thanksgiving - No Mass
Fri, Nov 25	No Mass or Communion Service
Sat, Nov 26	Lillian Kase - Children & Grandchildren
Sun, Nov 27	Beverly Gittens - Jean Button



Reminder: New Mass Times Have Begun!

- **Saturday 4:00 PM at St. Monica**
- **Sunday 9:00 AM at Immaculate Conception/St. Bridget**
- **Sunday 10:15 AM at St. Monica**
- **Sunday 11:30 AM at Emmanuel Church of the Deaf**

A BLESSED
THANKSGIVING

WELCOME TO THE
151ST ANNUAL
ROCHESTER INTERFAITH
THANKSGIVING SERVICE

Monday, November 21, 2022
7:00 PM

St. Monica Church
34 Monica St.
Rochester, NY 14619

St. Monica
CHURCH

Let Us Pray

Our Sick
Sandy Williams
Betty Connelly's daughter

Linda Jackson

Our Deceased
Marty Hall, Sr.
Owner of Floral Boutique Florist

All who are suffering because of COVID-19

An end to racist beliefs and systems

All those affected by violence



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. and Patrick Welling.

Lamp Intentions for November

SANCTUARY LIGHT

Reilly Family

Barbara Higgins

Paul Perotto

Family



CROSS ALTAR LIGHT

Elnora & James Delibert

John Delibert

Joe & Marge Ochs

Family



This Week at St. Monica Church: November 20-27, 2022

Sunday, 11/20	10:15 am –Mass, Church & Live-stream 11:15 am – Faith Formation, Dining room 11:30 am – ECD Mass, Church
Monday, 11/21	4:45 pm – Virtual Contemplative Prayer (contact Dorothy Siegel to join: kenanddor@yahoo.com or 880-5519)
Tuesday, 11/22	12:10 pm –Mass, Church
Wed., 11/23	8:00 am – Mass, Church 7:00 pm = Thanksgiving Mass, Church
Thursday, 11/24	10:00 am - Thanksgiving Day Mass, Immaculate Conception Church
Friday, 11/25	
Saturday 11/26	4:00 pm – Mass, Church
Sunday, 11/27	10:15 am –Mass, Church & Live-stream 11:15 am – No Faith Formation 11:30 am – ECD Mass, Church

TEACHING MASS

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 28

6:00 PM

ST. MONICA CHURCH



The Catholic Mass has unique sights, sounds, actions, and items. Have you ever wondered why we do what we do at Mass?

Come experience Mass like no other and discover the meaning behind our rituals.

This Mass is great for kids AND adults!

Join our Christmas Pageant!

Christmas Eve Mass

4:00 pm

St. Monica Church

Saturday, December 24

Mandatory Rehearsal:

Sunday, December 18

2:00-4:00 pm

Contact Jessica to sign up:

Jessica.tette@dor.org



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/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.

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 (www.stmonicaofrochester.org) 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 Nov. 13, 2022

	Collection Goal	Our Collection	Variance
11/13/2022	3,663	7,960	4,298
Year-to-Date	71,675	65,818	(5,857)
Online Giving/week (included in actual total)		\$141	
CMA	\$23,000	\$10,161	44%

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 House
585-328-3228, ext. 1555
Toll-free: 1-800-388-7177, ext. 1555
or by e-mail to victimassistance@dor.org.



We had a great time at altar server training this past Sunday! Thanks to Deacon Matt and Deacon Brian for training our new servers. Let us pray for them in their new ministry! ❤️ Stay tuned for our next training in January.

Reflection on the World Day of the Poor from Catholic Charities USA

Last Sunday, Nov. 13, 2022, the Catholic Church celebrated the sixth World Day of the Poor, which was established by Pope Francis at the conclusion of the Year of Mercy in 2016. This year, the pope chose for the day's theme a truth about Jesus proclaimed in 2 Corinthians 8:9, "...for your sake he became poor."

Jesus, a divine person and therefore rich, chose to become poor, to share our humanity, out of love for us and to invite us to share in his divinity. His choice, moreover, manifested itself not only in word but also in deed: He came among us teaching, preaching, and healing, with special attention to those who were poor and vulnerable. And he died that we might live forever in heaven.

Pope Francis, in his message for the World Day of the Poor, invites us to follow the example of Jesus. Specifically, the pope asks us to encounter and serve those who are poor out of a spirit of love and solidarity. It's the same invitation Paul gave to the Corinthians: To show concern for the poor not in obedience to a command, but as a way of "testing the genuineness of [their] love" (2 Cor 8:8).

Pope Francis cautions against approaching the poor with a "welfare mentality" or only with a spirit of activism. Rather, we can choose to love those who are poor (and all people, really) and approach them as our brothers and sisters, which they truly are, if we say sincerely "Our Father."

A wonderful thing happens when we exercise this preferential option for the poor, which is a fundamental principle of Catholic Social Teaching. We honor not only the God-given dignity of our brother or sister, but also our own dignity. And when we share God's love, we are immersed in it more deeply than if we simply tried to hold on to it. As the pope says in his message, true wealth consists "in a reciprocal love that leads us to bear one another's burdens in such a way that no one is left behind or excluded."

So, the invitation remains: What can I do to love those who are poor and vulnerable? What action can I take as an individual, a church member, a citizen, or as part of an organization?

What can I do, knowing that all that I do in and through Jesus cooperates in the victory of love he has already accomplished?



Our Catholic Ministries Appeal goal this year is \$23,000. Please help us reach our goal! Thank you for your contribution!

I Am With You Always
Matthew 28:20

2022-2023 CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL



Every dollar received in the CMA is used directly or indirectly to fund ministries affecting every Catholic and faith community in the diocese.

Go to www.dor.org • View the video
• See how the funds are distributed • Make your gift

Thanksgiving Day Fest

St. Peter's Kitchen at 681 Brown Street invites everyone to come to dinner on Thanksgiving Day.

A traditional Thanksgiving Dinner Fest with all the trimmings will be served from 12-1 p.m.

Dine in or take out.

All are welcome!



Glad You Asked: Who Were the first Black Catholics in the United States?

In this episode of the podcast, Leslye Colvin discusses the first Black Catholics in the United States and how their experiences shaped the church today.

<http://bit.ly/3UVQfCS>

Find Unique Gifts, Support Our Neighbors

Jesus, who is my neighbor?



Shopping at neighborhood stores offers unique holiday gift ideas and supports the local economy. This one is a "two-fer"! Charlotte Burch and Maureen Vassal share a shop at 567

Thurston Road.

Charlotte offers small gift items for women & men, fragrances, gels, lotions, and jewelry.



Maureen features spiritual and inspirational cards, books, bookmarks, mugs, fashion and personal care items. Call ahead for open hours: 201-1133.