

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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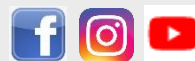
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Walk with us on:



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.



Fr. Bob Werth and St. Monica Gospel Choir member Tami Divers enjoy the reception after the second annual St. Monica Summer Concert on June 30. Story on page 2.

Kindness and truth shall meet;
justice and peace shall kiss.
- Psalm 85

July 14, 2024

15th Sunday of
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, July 13 James F. Delibert - John Delibert
 Sun, July 14 Ellen Lill - Mark & Sharon Juba
 Tues, July 16 Rev. Richard Tulko, OFM, 60th Ordination - Edward McDonnell
 Wed, July 17 Ray Westfall - Jean Button
 Thurs, July 18 Joseph Siracusa - Jean Button
 Fri, July 19 All Parishioners
 Sat, July 20 Katie Brudek - Peggy Reigelsperger
 Daniel Tasciotti - Jane Tasciotti
 Sun, July Brian Pappalardo - Jane Sutter Brandt



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 July

SANCTUARY LIGHT

All Parishioners



CROSS ALTAR LIGHT

Robert & Jean Vane

Children/Family

Second Annual St. Monica Summer Concert a Huge Success

A great time was had at the second annual St. Monica Summer Concert on June 30! Attendees were in awe of the great degree and variety of musical talent within our community. We are grateful to the following groups that shared their gifts:

- St. Monica Gospel Choir
- Nate Rawls Community Jazz Band
- BTW, John Bunce
- Bella Nkugwa
- Jessica Tette and Angela Nkugwa
- Josephat Mwambula
- Brendan Hanson
- Holmes String Ensemble
- Immaculate Conception/St. Bridget's Gospel Choir and St. Rita's Choir
- Deanna Danielle



A big thanks to everyone who organized the concert and the beautiful reception. What a joy to share in music together!

To watch the recording of this awesome concert, visit <https://www.youtube.com/live/hcG76f8zyLw?si=mqgVNS60VyJJE>



This Week at St. Monica Church: July 14-21, 2024

Sunday, 7/14	10:15 am – Mass, Church 11:30 am – ECD Mass, Church
Monday, 7/15	4:45 pm – Virtual Contemplative Prayer (contact Dorothy Siegel to join: kenanddor@yahoo.com or 880-5519)
Tuesday, 7/16	12:10 pm – Mass, Church 2:00-5:00 – VBS Prep – contact Jessica 4:00 pm – Summer Youth Group, Rectory 4:00-7:00 pm – Westside Farmers Market, Parking Lot
Wed., 7/17	8:00 am – Mass, Church
Thurs., 7/18	12:10 pm – Mass, Church
Friday, 7/19	8:00 am – Mass, Church
Saturday 7/20	4:00 pm – Mass, Church
Sunday, 7/21	10:15 am – Mass, Church 11:30 am – ECD Mass, Church

**CONNECT WITH NEIGHBORS ♥
GROW OUR PARISH**

We need you to help us staff our St. Monica booth to connect with the community!

It's easy! Be friendly and get to know our neighbors. Welcome them to a positive experience on our church property.

Together, let's love and welcome more people.

There are 13 more Market Tuesdays: Can you give your time on 1, 2, or 3 Tuesdays?

- July 16
- July 23
- July 30
- August 6
- August 13
- August 20
- August 27
- Sept 3
- Sept 10
- Sept 17
- Sept 24
- Oct 1
- Oct 8



Contact Jessica.tette@dor.org to sign up and help us grow our parish!

Want to be part of the National Eucharistic Congress from your home or office? From Wednesday, July 17 at 9am CT until Sunday, July 21, tune in to your favorite Relevant Radio shows, LIVE and on-site daily. In addition, hear all the speakers and content presented on the main stage in Lucas Oil Stadium. Visit <https://bit.ly/4bDnmU1>.

Broadcasting LIVE ♦ July 17-21

NATIONAL Eucharistic Congress

Tune in for a historic, once-in-a-lifetime, transformative experience like never before!

Watch & Listen

Many of your favorite Catholic personalities will be there!

Ellen's Memory Garden

At our pollinator garden on the edge of the parking lot near Family Dollar, we may now bask in the beauty of Ellen's Memory Garden, lovingly planted by her devoted husband Dan and friends. Wand flower, milkweed, black-eyed Susan, and royal candles Veronica were planted, fertilized, and watered to remember our beloved Ellen. Miracles are already growing.



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)

Our Collection: Week of July 7, 2024

Physical collection:	\$3,467
Online giving:	\$206
Total collection this week:	\$3,673
Weekly expenses:	TBA
Weekly Surplus/Deficit:	\$

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.

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 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.



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

This week and next, we're going to look at clothing, something we all use every day. What goes into it, does it do any harm to our world, what can we do to reduce any damage?

Do you know that 60% of our clothes are made of plastic? And the majority of that is virgin plastic. Polyester accounts for about 52% of synthetic fabrics with nylon and acrylic comprising most of the rest. These fabrics are popular because they are cheap and versatile but they come at a considerable environmental cost. Globally, around 100 billion items of clothing are produced each year (that's over 12 items for each individual on the planet) and most of these end up being tossed out, landing in a landfill.

These fabrics are all derived from fossil fuels. Production of the synthetics requires use of toxic chemicals and heavy metals, large amounts of energy and water. A special dye, which intoxicates animals, plants and the dye workers is required to color polyester. None of the fabrics is degradable, taking from 30 to 300 years to decompose. And while it's in use, the clothing must be washed, releasing microplastics into the water, eventually ending up in lakes, rivers and oceans.

So, what will help? First, keep the clothes you already have. They're not in a landfill. Ask yourself whether the item needs to be washed each time it is worn. When washing synthetics especially, you can use a washing bag or a Cora ball, both of which will trap a large percentage of the microfibers. When new clothes are necessary, try to buy second-hand or buy a sustainable brand. Look at the quality of the garment. Is it made to last, or will it only hold up for a short period?

Next week, we'll look at clothing's end of life.

Alvah Halloran & Son Funeral Home Proudly Presents the 12th Annual



Hot Rods for Hospice

Classic Car Show Fundraiser & Lay Hunger to Rest Food Drive

Saturday, August 3, 2024 11am-3pm

2125 Chili Ave. Rochester, NY 14624

Driver's Breakfast, Food, Drink, Trophies, Dash Plaques, Raffles, 50/50

This Year's Show will be held the Same Day as the Air Show!
Watch the Airplanes All Day From Our Lot!

Bring Nonperishable Goods to Fill Up Our Hearse and Help Us "Lay Hunger to Rest"

*All Money Raised Benefits Local Area Comfort Care Homes including:
Aurora House, Journey Home, Patrick Place, Story of Hope, and Isaiah House*

To register a car, call the funeral home at 585-247-7590
or contact the St. Monica office for a registration form.

Scholarships for Catholic School Students

Our parish grants awards to students registered in Catholic schools in Grades K-8:

- Students in Grades K - 4 can receive \$1000 each year.
- Students in Grades 5 - 8 can receive \$500 each year.
- Current scholars in Grades 9 - 12 can continue their awards of \$1000 each year. No new awards will be granted to high school students.

To request a grant, you must be a registered parishioner. Contact Barbara Higgins by July 15 at 563-7447 or higgins@alum.rpi.edu and provide the name of student, the grade, and the school. This information must be provided each year. No financial information is needed.

As for the rest of us, consider contributing to the scholarship fund at any time. Envelopes are included in the September and February packets. Thank you!

VBS Help Needed

There are several VBS projects that you can do at home to help us prepare – mostly involving cutting things out! Can you help? Email Jessica at Jessica.tette@dor.org.



Thank you for helping create the magic!

St. Monica Neighborhood Businesses

Jesus, who is my neighbor?

One way to bring the Light of Christ's presence is to support local business owners who choose to serve our community.

In front of **Ali's Tailor Shop** at 390 Thurston Rd., Ali's grandson would love to sell you a cold drink at his sidewalk lemonade stand. Granddad's entrepreneurial spirit is in his DNA. A proud Ali, his daughter, and his grandson paused a moment for this photo.

Shop owner Ali Aksoy arrived from Turkey in 1997 and has continuously expanded his neighborhood business. His tailor area and men's clothing selection now fill the former Hunt's Hardware store. He's a 19th Ward legend!

Ali and his wife do alterations, repairs, custom fitting and made-to-order men's and women's clothing. Stop by or call 436-5820.

