

# 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](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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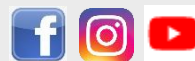
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Walk with us on:



## 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.**



A voice of one  
crying out  
in the desert,  
Prepare the way  
of the Lord

Matthew 3:3

Peace



December 4, 2022

Second Sunday  
of Advent

## 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, Dec 3	Aonica Chamberlain - Grandma Sandy Chamberlain
Sun, Dec 4	Joyce Walsh - Sandra Chamberlain
Tues, Dec 6	Royal Chamberlain - Sandy Chamberlain
Wed, Dec 7	All Parishioners
Thurs, Dec 8	Genevieve Zeller - Mark & Mary LaRose
Fri, Dec 9	Aonica Chamberlain - Sandy Chamberlain
Sat, Dec 10	Elizabeth & Raymond Statt - Betsy Romson
Sun, Dec 11	Peter Klein - Jean Button



## St. Monica Advent 2022

Please join our St. Monica family as we **Journey to Bethlehem** this Advent season. We invite you to pick up a weekly Advent guide which will include daily Gospel readings, prayers, and suggestions to help make the season of Advent special and meaningful for you and your loved ones.



*Let Us Pray*

**Our Deceased**  
**Olga Danylyshyn**

*Vasyl's mother*

**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 December**

**SANCTUARY LIGHT**

**Norma Caiazza & Rita Pugliese**

*Family*



**Higgins Family**

*Barbara Higgins*

**CROSS ALTAR LIGHT**

**Donald Wiegand, Sr.**

*John Delibert*



**Robert & Jeane Vane**

*Their children*



Pastors, rabbis, and imams gather at St. Monica for the 151<sup>st</sup> annual Interfaith Thanksgiving Service on November 21, 2022. Thanks to all who joined us for the celebration!

### This Week at St. Monica Church: December 4-11, 2022

<b>Sunday, 12/4</b>	<b>10:15 am – Mass, Church &amp; Live-stream</b> <b>11:15 am – Faith Formation, Dining room</b> <b>11:30 am – ECD Mass, Church</b>
<b>Monday, 12/5</b>	4:45 pm – Virtual Contemplative Prayer (contact Dorothy Siegel to join: <a href="mailto:kenanddor@yahoo.com">kenanddor@yahoo.com</a> or 880-5519)
<b>Tuesday, 12/6</b>	12:10 pm – Mass, Church
<b>Wed., 12/7</b>	8:00 am – Mass, Church
<b>Thursday, 12/8</b>	<b>Feast of the Immaculate Conception</b> 12:10 pm – Mass, Church 6:00 pm – Mass, Immaculate Conception Church
<b>Friday, 12/9</b>	8:00 am – Mass, Church
<b>Saturday 12/10</b>	4:00 pm – Mass, Church
<b>Sunday, 12/11</b>	<b>10:15 am – CYO Mass, Church &amp; Live-stream</b> <b>11:15 am – Faith Formation, Dining room</b> <b>11:30 am – ECD Mass, Church</b>

A big thank-you to Fr. John Hayes from St. Martin de Porres Parish for leading our teaching Mass on Monday, November 28! We had a great time learning about the history and reasons behind different parts of the Mass, liturgical colors, and rituals. Thanks to all who joined us!



**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 11**  
**10:15 AM**

# CYO MASS

**CYO players:**  
Come in your uniform jersey to  
10:15 Mass at St. Monica Church  
for a special blessing to start off  
the basketball season!

## 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](mailto:Jessica.tette@dor.org)



### 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/StMonicaChurch-Mass)

### 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](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 ([www.stmonicaofrochester.org](http://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. 27, 2022

	Collection Goal	Our Collection	Variance
11/27/2022	3,663	3,145	(518)
Year-to-Date	79,000	71,721	(7,279)
Online Giving/week (included in actual total)		<b>\$142</b>	
CMA	\$23,000	\$10,976	47%

### 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.



### 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](mailto:victimassistance@dor.org).

**PLEASE CONSIDER  
DONATING A CHRISTMAS BASKET  
FOR A FAMILY IN NEED**

SWEM really needs you to make a difference for our neighbors!

Christmas baskets are designed for families of 3 & 4 people, and for each basket, please provide the following:

- \*Fruit cocktail or canned fruit
- \*Soup (large can)
- \*Fruit juice
- \*Instant mashed potatoes
- \*Large can of sweet potatoes (15oz)
- \*2 canned vegetables
- \*Cranberry sauce
- \*Can gravy
- \*Bag or box of stuffing (12oz)
- \*Dessert (jello, or pudding, or cake mix/ frosting, or pie crust/ &filling)



Baskets will be collected at St. Monica's on Dec. 17 & 18 at the garage near the Monica Street entrance to the parking lot, 30 minutes before the 4pm and 10:15am Masses.

A box will be available for submitting \$10 cash or a check written out to SWEM per basket to cover the cost of meat, eggs and margarine that SWEM provides.

Please place your food in a box, tote or laundry basket and label it if you have all the supplies. Feel free to decorate your basket, box, or tote and include holiday touches of your own, such as coffee, tea, candies, mints, or napkins. Laundry baskets or totes to hold the contents always make an additional gift.

Betty Gunter became an official Daughter of Saint Francis de Sales during a consecration ceremony on September 17th, 2022, at the Notre Dame Retreat House in Canandaigua. Father G. William Fischer OSFS was the retreat director, and Sandra Chamberlain was her companion. Congratulations, Betty!



Thank you, St. Monica, for your generosity! We were able to collect 70 Q/F-size blankets and 4 warm throws to send to St. Peter's kitchen for gifts for their guests at Christmas. These blankets will keep those less fortunate warm during our cold Rochester winter. Your donations are very much appreciated.

Blessings to everyone.



**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](http://www.dor.org) • View the video

• See how the funds are distributed • Make your gift

**St. Monica Neighborhood Businesses**

*Jesus, who is my neighbor?*

Here is a popular neighborhood eatery whose owner's reputation for great food has been exceeded only by her generosity during the holiday season!



**People's Choice Kitchen**, at 575 Brooks Ave, serves a mix of Jamaican and Southern dishes, reflecting owner Evangela "Van" Stanley's family roots.

Van strives to "give back" to her community. A window sign offers a meal to anyone, asking

only what they can afford. One year she gave away free

Thanksgiving dinners. Last year, she gathered donations for wrapped presents for 300 neighborhood children.

People's Choice Kitchen is open Mon-Sat, 11-6. Call 464-8790. Take home some great food, or just stop in, meet Van, and donate to the charity fund.

