

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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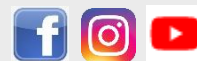
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Walk with us on:



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.



St. Monica families gathered at Sacred Heart Cathedral on April 16 to support our 7 teens who received the sacrament of confirmation.

“Remain in me as I remain in you, says the Lord.
Whoever remains in me will bear much fruit.”

- John 15

April 28, 2024

5th 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 27	Special Intention Carolyn Meisenzahl - Karen Gibble
Sun, April 28	Special Intention for Fr. Ray Fleming & Dcn. Pat Graybill: 42nd Anniversary of Ordination
Tues, April 30	David Divers - Jean Button
Wed, May 1	Special Intention: Michele Lourette Sun - Richard & Diane Lourette
Thurs, May 2	All Parishioners
Fri, May 3	Betty Bunce - Denis & Charlene Lepel
Sat, May 4	Raymond Slattery - Slattery Family
Sun, May 5	Special Intentions Joaquim & Fatima Flores - Peggy Reigelsperger



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 April



SANCTUARY LIGHT

David Divers

John & JoAnn DeMott

Karen Scherzi

Children & Family



CROSS ALTAR LIGHT

Deceased members

of the Hauck Family

Diane Salamone

Mass intentions are needed for weekday and weekend Masses. Please call Tracy at the office to schedule a Mass said for a loved one or special intention. A Mass intention is \$10. Call (585) 235-3340 to schedule.

Fruit & Veggie STORAGE GUIDE



WHERE	WHAT	HOW
	PRODUCE TO STORE IN THE FRIDGE <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Apples • Asparagus • Blueberries • Corn on the Cob (in the husk) • Broccoli • Brussels Sprouts • Cabbage • Carrots • Cauliflower • Cherries • Cilantro • Dark Leafy Greens • Grapes • Leeks • Lettuce • Parsley • Peas • Pomegranate • Raspberries • Strawberries 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Set your fridge to 40 degrees or below. • Store veggies separately from fruit. • Use sealable plastic bags and containers to prevent drying out. • Items that wilt need high humidity while those that rot and mold need low humidity.
	STORE THESE ON YOUR COUNTER, THEN MOVE TO FRIDGE WHEN RIPE <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Apricots • Avocados • Kiwi Fruit • Mangoes • Melons • Nectarines • Papayas • Peaches • Pears • Pineapple • Plums 	
	PRODUCE TO STORE AT ROOM TEMP <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bananas • Basil • Cucumber • Eggplant • Garlic • Grapefruit • Green Beans • Lemons • Limes • Onions • Oranges • Potatoes • Summer Squash • Sweet Potatoes • Watermelon • Winter Squash • Zucchini 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ripen these items loosely on the counter, away from sunlight, heat, and moisture. • When ripe, store in refrigerator to prolong lifespan. • Separate ripe from unripe fruit. • Store basil in a cup of water, like flowers. • Separate bananas from other produce as they promote ripening. • Store these items in a cold, dark place like a cupboard or pantry. • Keep potatoes separately from onions to prevent sprouting. • Store an apple with potatoes to prevent sprouting.

GENERAL RULES: Do not wash fresh produce until ready to eat. Always refrigerate cut or peeled produce.

This Week at St. Monica Church: April 28-May 5, 2024

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
Monday, 4/29	4:45 pm – Virtual Contemplative Prayer (contact Dorothy Siegel to join: kenanddor@yahoo.com or 880-5519)
Tuesday, 4/30	12:10 pm – Mass, Church
Wed., 5/1	8:00 am – Mass, Church
Thurs., 5/2	12:10 pm – Mass, Church
Friday, 5/3	8:00 am – First Friday Mass, Church
Saturday 5/4	4:00 pm – Mass, Church
Sunday, 5/5	10:15 am – Mass, Church 11:15 am – Faith Formation and First Communion Prep, Dining Room 11:30 am – ECD Mass, Church

We need your help to feed our teens!
 Show our teens that St. Monica cares about them by cooking dinner on a Wednesday night. Can you give one day to help? Only 5 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 walks 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.

Members of *A Horse's Friend* mentoring and training program stopped by the St. Monica parking lot this week on their annual tour of the 19th Ward.



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)

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.

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!

How do I give my offering?

- Weekly offering envelopes, cash, or checks can be brought to Mass or mailed to **St. Monica Church
34 Monica St.
Rochester, NY 14619**



- OSV Online Giving:** Visit our website (<https://www.osvhub.com/stmonicaofrochester/giving/funds>) for secure one-time or recurring online giving.

- Text 2 Give:** Text your donation amount to 226-7514. Thank you for supporting our community and ministries!

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.

Our Collection: Week of April 21, 2024

	Collection Goal	Our Collection	Variance
4/21/2024	3,688	2,639	(1,049)
Year-to-Date	144,014	138,920	(5,094)
Online Giving/week (included in actual total)		\$687	
CMA	\$26,000	\$26,000	100%



**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

Healing Our Throwaway Culture: A Focus on Health and Plastics

The negative impacts of plastic on human health are increasingly visible and increasingly costly. Plastics break down into micro- and nano plastics that become present in the air, water, and soil, throughout the food web, and thereby inside our bodies, according to researchers.

This March, the *New England Journal of Medicine* released the results of a study detecting micro- and nano plastics in the carotid artery plaque of 58% of patients and found that it measurably increased the risk of heart attack, stroke, and all-cause mortality in those patients.

Plastic exacts a heavy price in human and environmental health.

Conduct a plastic audit to find out how much plastic you are purchasing, using, and throwing away. Take one step at a time and “break free from plastics.”

Discerning Diakonia

On Monday, April 29, at 4 p.m. EST, all are invited to *Discerning Diakonia*, a focused synodal encounter about the renewal of the permanent diaconate for the Church’s social mission and the possibility of ordaining women as deacons. This event, which is sponsored by Discerning Deacons (<https://discerningdeacons.org>), will include a listening presence from voting Synod delegates. It will also feature special guests including Deacon Geert de Cubber, the Synod’s only Roman Catholic permanent deacon, and esteemed scholar on the diaconate Deacon William Ditewig. We will gather virtually to hear from ministry leaders from the United States and Canada whose stories, experiences and examples give us living witness for what is needed and what could be possible for our Church in this third millennium.

REGISTRATION LINK: <https://bit.ly/discerningdiakonia>

Re-incarnations

As a practical way to reuse empty plastic flowerpots from garden stores, bring them to the narthex and they will be used at the Westside Farmers Market to promote neighborhood gardening using free composted soil and donated seeds from St. Monica.



Congratulations, Fr. Ray and Deacon Pat! 42nd Anniversary of Ordination April 2024



Thank you for being
amazing examples of Christ for us.
WE LOVE YOU!

St. Monica Neighborhood Businesses

Jesus, who is my neighbor?

Locally-owned businesses provide goods, services, and jobs. Bring the Light of Christ’s presence; buy from a neighbor!



Pizza Krunch recently opened in an historic building at 544 West Main Street, a few steps from Susan B. Anthony Square. As the name suggests, its signature product is Brooklyn-style pizza with a thin crispy crust.

Owner and chef “Manny” brought his creative recipes direct from Brooklyn. He makes crispy bianca (white) pizza, veggie pizza, Sicilian pizza, grandma (square) pizza, calzones, subs, salads, appetizers, and popular pasta dishes. Customer response has been overwhelming so far.



Pizza Krunch is open Tuesday through Sunday, 10:00 AM - 9:30 PM. Order at <https://www.pizzakrunch.com/> or call 340-6101. Online orders are 5% off, and delivery is free!

- April 7 9 am Mass with Bishop Matano
- April 27 6:30 pm Gospel Song Fest
- April 28 9 am Mass with Fr. Carl Gales followed by
11 am Awards Brunch at
Red Fedele’s Brook House
- May 18 9 am Gospel Music Workshop Lynne’ Gray
- June 2 9 am Youth Sunday Mass and Family Day
- June 9 9 am Caribbean Mass with Fr. Ako Walker
- July 13 Corn Hill Arts Festival 4 pm Mass
- July 14 Corn Hill Arts Festival 9 am Mass
- Aug. 11 12:30 pm Mass followed by
Church Cookout/Family Day
- Sept.14 6 pm ICSB Gala Harro East
- Oct.12 Ministry Day 10 am
- Nov. 8 Revival with Fr. Maurice Nutt
- Nov.9 Retreat with Fr. Maurice Nutt
- Nov.10 9 am Mass with Fr. Maurice Nutt
- Dec. 8 Feast of the Immaculate Conception
9 am Closing Mass with Fr. Norman Fischer

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YEARS OF

FAITH

Immaculate Conception/St. Bridget’s Church