

St. Rene Goupil Catholic Community  
May 12, 2024

MOTHER'S DAY  
**WE ARE  
NURTURED  
IN LOVE**



## Notes from Fr. Steve

In the liturgical calendar of the Catholic Church, the Feast of the Ascension holds profound significance. It commemorates the momentous event when Jesus, after His resurrection, ascended bodily into heaven. This feast marks the culmination of the Easter season, occurring 40 days after Easter Sunday.

**The Scriptural Foundation:** The Foundation of the Feast of the Ascension lies in the accounts provided in the Gospels of Luke and Mark, as well as in the Acts of the Apostles. According to these sacred texts, Jesus, following His resurrection, appeared to His disciples numerous times, imparting teachings and strengthening their faith. On the 40th day after His resurrection, He gathered His disciples on the Mount of Olives near Jerusalem. It was here that He commissioned them to continue His mission of spreading the Gospel to all nations. As they watched in awe, He ascended into heaven, promising to send the Holy Spirit to empower them for their ministry.

**The Theological Significance:** The Ascension is not merely a historical event but holds profound theological implications for Catholics. Firstly, it signifies the completion of Jesus' earthly ministry. His ascension symbolizes His return to the Father, marking the fulfillment of His salvific mission. Secondly, it underscores the reality of Christ's divine nature. By ascending into heaven, Jesus demonstrates His authority over all creation, affirming His identity as the Son of God. Thirdly, the Ascension serves as a precursor to Pentecost, foreshadowing the outpouring of the Holy Spirit upon the apostles and the birth of the Church.

**The Call to Mission:** Central to the Feast of the Ascension is the call to mission entrusted to all believers. Just as Jesus commissioned His disciples to be witnesses to the ends of the earth, Catholics are called to proclaim the Good News through their words and actions. The Ascension challenges us to transcend earthly concerns and to focus on the eternal kingdom of God. It reminds us that our ultimate destination is union with God in heaven and calls us to live in anticipation of that glorious reality.

**The Hope of Heaven:** The Ascension offers solace and hope to believers, assuring them of the promise of eternal life. As Jesus ascended into heaven, He opened the gates of paradise for all who believe in Him. This feast reminds Catholics that our true homeland is not of this world but awaits us in the heavenly kingdom. It encourages us to persevere in faith amidst the trials and tribulations of life, knowing that our ultimate destiny is to dwell in the presence of God for all eternity.

**Conclusion:** The Feast of the Ascension stands as a beacon of hope and a testament to the enduring faith of Catholics worldwide. It invites us to reflect on the mystery of Christ's ascension and its profound implications for our lives. As we commemorate this sacred occasion, let us recommit ourselves to the mission entrusted to us, spreading the love and mercy of Christ to all corners of the earth. May the spirit of the Ascension inspire us to live with joyful anticipation of the heavenly kingdom, where we shall one day be reunited with our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ?

If you have not yet made your CSA sacrifice, please do so. Your contribution is essential for us to reach our parish target of \$90,000.00.

As always, I ask for you to remember to pray for the parish, especially the sick and the suffering, your prayers bring them healing, comfort and peace. God Bless you!

Fr. Steve



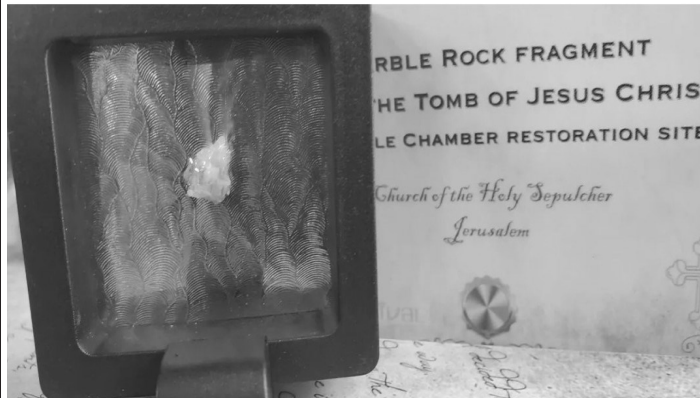
Thank you to the parishioners who have already pledged their support. The ministries, programs, and services funded by the Catholic Services Appeal help in our parish and throughout southeast Michigan and beyond. If you are still prayerfully considering your sacrificial gift to this year's CSA, you may send your completed pledge card in the pre-addressed envelope you received in the mail. You are also encouraged to make your pledge and gift to our parish's campaign online at [GiveCSA.org](http://GiveCSA.org) or you can scan the QR code and donate to CSA, just make sure to put CSA in the note section when you submit your donation online.

You now can donate to St. Rene Goupil using your cell phone! Just take a picture of the QR code in the gathering space or in the bulletin; it will automatically link you to the St. Rene donation site. Enter the amount you wish to donate, card information and press the “Pay” button. It’s that simple! We thank you for your generosity.



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**GOSPEL MEDITATION**

**7<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter**

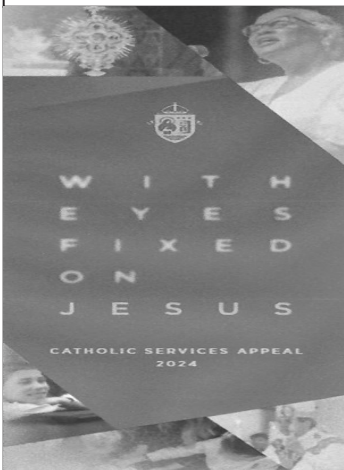
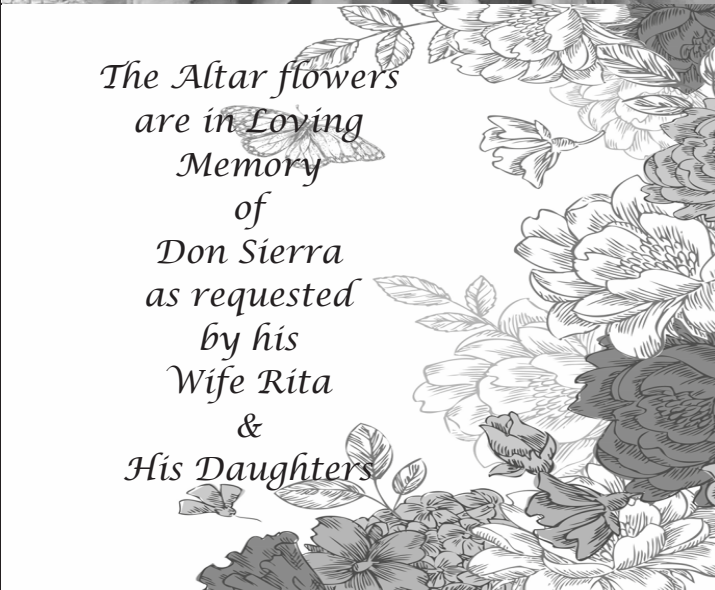
A few months ago, I had the singular privilege of a private meeting with Pope Francis. We were a small group of pastors, composed largely of non-Catholics. The Holy Father wished to discuss our work for Christian unity. The phrase I remember him saying with greatest frequency was: *Tutti dentro*. It means, “Everyone in.” He clearly wanted us to emphasize that the Church is made for the whole human race, not a select few. At the center of his concern was unity. We are all brothers and sisters, he said multiple times. The Church’s primary longing is for everyone to join Her.

This longing is at the heart of this Ascension feast day. We hear the longest recorded prayer of the one whom Pope Francis represents. Jesus’ concern is unity, praying to the Father, “**that they may be one, even as we are one**” (John 17:11). The deep unity of all people in Christ through the power of the Holy Spirit is what Jesus most desires. It is what he ascends to accomplish.

Do we have this same burning desire in our hearts, too? Or do we see Christian unity as an unrealizable dream? Or worse, as something that threatens our own narrow tribal interests? This feast is a wonderful time to consider our attitude toward Christian unity, and to commit to do whatever we can to foster it. It is the Pope’s desire because it is that of Jesus — and it should be ours, too.



*The Altar flowers are in Loving Memory of Don Sierra as requested by his Wife Rita & His Daughters*



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**SCAN CODE**

## Blessing of Mothers

During the season of Easter, what a great time to remember our mothers and ask for God's blessing on them. It is God who ultimately gave us life. It is through God's unselfish love--mirrored in our mothers' willingness to associate their love with God's and take the risk to love us into life--that we have the opportunity for life. We remember our mothers this Mother's Day with much love. Let us pray for each of them:

God our heavenly Father,  
 you give to each the ability to share your generative love.  
 Bless those women in our lives who mirror your love  
 and bring forth life through their willingness  
 to risk bringing new life into this world.  
 Help us to show them our gratitude  
 for the gift of life and the gift of a mother's love.  
 May our life-giving God continue to bless them  
 and show them his unfailing love.  
 We ask this through Jesus, God's Son and our brother.  
 Amen.



## Everyday Stewardship

In the Church, we observe a liturgical calendar that takes us through the life of Jesus and highlights fundamental doctrines of our faith. Starting with this Sunday, our observance of the Easter Season continues for one more week until the celebration of Pentecost. While many outside of the Church only see Easter as a one-day celebration, we celebrate for an entire season, much like we do during Christmas as well. Of course, this calendar only serves to remind us and point to greater realities.

We are not called to be more generous at Easter or Christmas than we are on other days. We do not choose to love more during one time of the year. The fact is that Jesus is alive right now and at all times is calling us to give of ourselves.

When we make an intentional decision to follow Jesus and adopt a stewardship way of life, we commit ourselves to this journey 365 days a year. We are an Easter people at all times. The high and low points of our journey are not tied to a liturgical year, but instead to our own experiences of life and shortcomings. A season or holiday may make it easier to have a giving attitude, but we need to do the same when little around us is pointing us in that direction. It is sometimes when few are paying attention that love and generosity are most needed.

--Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

## RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

### There's No Place Like Home

Where do you get the best night's sleep? For me, it's in my own bed. I don't even really know why. There's something about the texture of the sheets, the groove I've worn in the pillow. The mattress seems to recognize my shape. I've got a job that sees me traveling often and I've stayed in plenty of nice places. But there's just no sleep like the sleep you get at home.

There's a feeling that we have when we're at home. Our bodies seem to recognize it when we walk in the door. There's a relaxation that kicks in, a peace that falls over us. I think that's what Heaven will be like. It won't be pleasure or happiness — those words aren't enough to describe what it feels like to be at home, are they? It's more than that.

If you ever wonder why there is pain in this world, it's because we're not at home.

That's not to say we don't belong here. Through God's mercy, this beautiful world is where we live out our earthly existence, and those existences can be filled with amazing relationships and profound experiences. In fact, we might enjoy our time here so much that we don't want to leave.

But there's a reason this life has so many things that don't make sense: loss, fear, anger, sickness, hatred. It's because we weren't made for this place. For our souls, it's like a never-ending night in a hotel bed.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

## Readings for The Ascension of the Lord

### Reading I

*Acts of the Apostles 1:1-11*

In the first book, Theophilus, I dealt with all that Jesus did and taught until the day he was taken up, after giving instructions through the Holy Spirit to the apostles whom he had chosen. He presented himself alive to them by many proofs after he has suffered, appearing to them during forty days and speaking about the kingdom of God. While meeting with them, he enjoined them not to depart from Jerusalem, but to wait for “the promise of the Father about which you have heard me speak; for John baptized with water, but in a few days you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.” When they gathered together they asked him, “Lord, are you at this time going to restore the kingdom of Israel?” He answered them, “It is not for you to know the times or seasons that the Father has established by his own authority. But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes upon you, and you will be my witness in Jerusalem, throughout Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.” When he had said this, as they were looking on, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him from their sight. While they were looking intently at the sky as he was going, suddenly two men dressed in white garments stood beside them. They said, “Men of Galilee, why are you standing there looking at the sky? This Jesus who has been taken up from you into heaven will return in the same way as you have seen him going into heaven.”

### Reading II

*Ephesians 1:17-23*

Brothers and Sisters: May the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, give you a Spirit of wisdom and revelation resulting in knowledge of him. May the eyes of your hearts be enlightened, that you may know what is the hope that belongs to his call, what are the riches of glory in his inheritance among the holy ones, and what is the surpassing greatness of his power for us who believe, in accord with the exercise of his great might, which he worked in Christ, raising him from the dead and seating him at the right hand in the heavens, far above every principality, authority, power, and dominion, and every name that is named not only in this age but also in the one to come. And he put all things beneath his feet and gave him as head over all things to the church, which is his body, the fulness of the one who fills all things in every way.

### Gospel

*Mark 16:15-20*

Jesus said to his disciples: “Go into the whole world and proclaim the gospel to every creature. Whoever believes and is baptized will be saved; whoever does not believe will be condemned. These signs will accompany those who believe: in my name they will drive out demons, they will speak new languages. They will pick up serpents with their hands, and if they drink any deadly thing, it will not harm them. They will lay hands on the sick, and they will recover.” So then the Lord Jesus, after he spoke to them, was taken up into heaven and took his seat at the right hand of God. But they went forth and preached everywhere, while the Lord worked with them and confirmed the word through accompanying signs.

## Readings for the Week

**Sunday, May 12, 2024:** *Ascension:* Acts 1:1-11/Ps 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9 (6)/Eph 1:17-23 or Eph 4:1-13 or 4:1-7, 11-13/Mk 16:15-20

*Seventh Sunday of Easter:* Acts 1:15-17, 20a, 20c-26/Ps 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20 (19a)/1 Jn 4:11-16/Jn 17:11b-19

**Monday, May 13, 2024:** Acts 19:1-8/Ps 68:2-3ab, 4-5acd, 6-7ab/Jn 16:29-33

**Tuesday, May 14, 2024:** Acts 1:15-17, 20-26/Ps 113:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8/Jn 15:9-17

**Wednesday, May 15, 2024:** Acts 20:28-38/Ps 68: 29-30, 33-35a, 35bc-36ab/Jn 17:11b-19

**Thursday, May 16, 2024:** Acts 22:30; 23:6-11/Ps 16:1-2a and 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11/Jn 17:20-26

**Friday, May 17, 2024:** Acts 25:13b-21/Ps 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20ab/Jn 21:15-19

**Saturday, May 18, 2024:** *Morning:* Acts 28:16-20, 30-31/Ps 11:4, 5 and 7/Jn 21:20-25

**Sunday, May 19, 2024:** *Vigil:* Gn 11:1-9 or Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b or Ez 37:1-14 or Jl 3:1-5/Ps 104:1-2, 24, 35, 27-28, 29, 30 (see 30)/Rom 8:22-27/Jn 7:37-39 *Day:* Acts 2:1-11/Ps 104:1, 24, 29-30, 31, 34 (see 30)/1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13 or Gal 5:16-25/Jn 20:19-23 or Jn 15:26-27; 16:12-15

# MASST INTENTIONS

**Tuesday, May 14, 2024**

**9:30 a.m.**

+Veronica Okeke  
 +Margare Lajiness  
 Deceased Members of the Martineau family  
 +Fr. Michael Green  
 +Patricia Deters  
 +Deacon Ron McIntyre  
 +Mary Lou Shackett  
 +Alberto Ramos  
 G. Santoro Family  
 A. & A. Seaver

**Thursday, May 16, 2024**

**9:30 a.m.**

+Philip Roberti  
 +Fortune Jarin  
 G. Santoro Family  
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**Friday, May 17, 2024**

**9:30 a.m.**

+Ninfa Davison  
 +Brandon Telly  
 G. Santoro Family  
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**Saturday, May 18, 2024**

**4:00 p.m.**

+Terry Koehler  
 +Steven Herbert  
 +Rosemarie Calmi  
 +Virgil Zanardelli  
 +Margaret Annette Wichlacz  
 +John & Margaret Kompier  
 +Franklin Langenstein  
 G. Santoro Family  
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**Sunday, May 19, 2024**

**8:30 a.m.**

+Sharon Murawski  
 +Oscar Abuel  
 G. Santoto Family  
 A. & A. Seaver

**10:30 a.m.**

+Alex Fragnoli  
 +Emmanuel Raphael  
 +David Willick  
 Intention of Al & Tina Fragnoli  
 +Oscar Abuel  
 +Arturo Orzame  
 +Jacob Bayuga

**5:30 p.m.**

Healing for Dylan Ventimiglia  
 Special Intention of Brittany Hicks

Seventh Sunday of Easter

In St. John's First Letter, he reminds us of our Lord's love for us, and that in turn, *we must also love one another*. In St. John's Gospel, Jesus asks His Father to protect and strengthen His disciples as He encourages them to go forth into the world to preach and spread God's consecrated Word of Truth. In a spirit of evangelization, Jesus prays for acceptance of the Good News His followers will proclaim, and that those they convert will also believe in Him. Jesus' dialogue with the Father exemplifies that prayer is fundamental to Christian stewardship—we express our gratitude for God's gifts and our love of God and neighbor through prayer. Creating time for prayer is vitally important for everyone seeking a personal relationship with our Lord and Savior. The modern-day Italian saint, St. Padre Pio, said it well: *Prayer is the oxygen for the soul*. Begin today a positive habit of setting aside at least three to five minutes for daily prayer; you will discover your prayer time will grow.



St. Rene Goupil would like to welcome the newest members of our Parish family!

Kevin, Jindy and Kehlani Vaz

PRAYER FOR MOTHERS

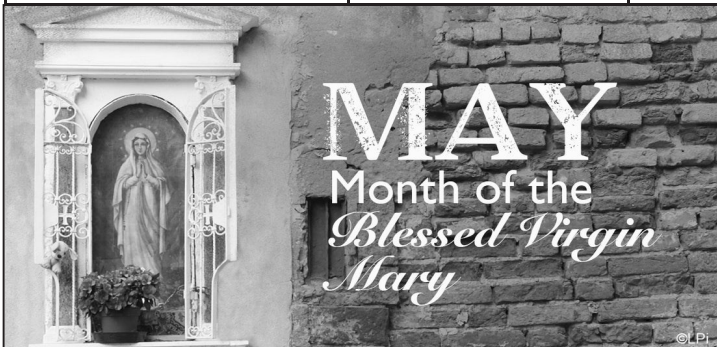
Heavenly Father,  
 from the beginning you have chosen to entrust the human person to mothers in a special way. We thank and praise you for the gift of mothers; for their tenderness, care, and compassion, for their intuition and encouragement, for commitment and sacrifice. Bless all mothers this day. Keep, strengthen, and refresh them in your loving care. May they be blessed by our open-hearted love and gratitude. Amen.



**PLEASE  
 REMEMBER  
 ST. RENE  
 GOUPIL  
 PARISH  
 IN YOUR WILL**

**Weekend Liturgy Schedule for May 18 & 19**

	<b>Saturday 4:00PM</b>	<b>Sunday 8:30 AM</b>	<b>Sunday 10:30 AM</b>	<b>Sunday 5:30 PM</b>
<b>Presider</b>	Fr. Steve	Fr. Joy	Fr. Steve	Fr. Tim
<b>Lector</b>	Barbara Kiernan	Jovita Engalan	Corina Sison	Paul Hornung
<b>Altar Servers</b>	Lance Tolentino	Karin Nieto	Phat Le Phong Le	
<b>Eucharistic Ministers</b>	K Moravek R Kranson Open	Open Open Open	C Sison E Monterio Open	Open Open Open
<b>Ushers</b>	<u>Tom Pluta</u> Dave Hintz Todd Messineo Karen Messineo Nick Rieser Jim Moravek Omar Oszust Gary Novelli	<u>Tom Dutkiewicz</u> Luis Nieto Al Gyenese Mike Kazyak Ed Stivers Sharon Olszewski	<u>Terry Shaughnessy</u> Tom Fooy Ralph Fackler Wilmar Suan Joe Meli Chrisie Fish Chris Norris	<u>Paul Hornung</u> Mike Galuszka Ofelia Fermil Fred Rossi
<b>Sacristan</b>	R Kranson	K Nieto	T Monterio	V Jennings



St. Rene St. Vincent de Paul helps with utility bills, clothing, household items, food and in certain cases evictions. If you know of anyone who needs help, please have them call (586)718-4523. They do not need to be parish members. All information is kept strictly confidential.

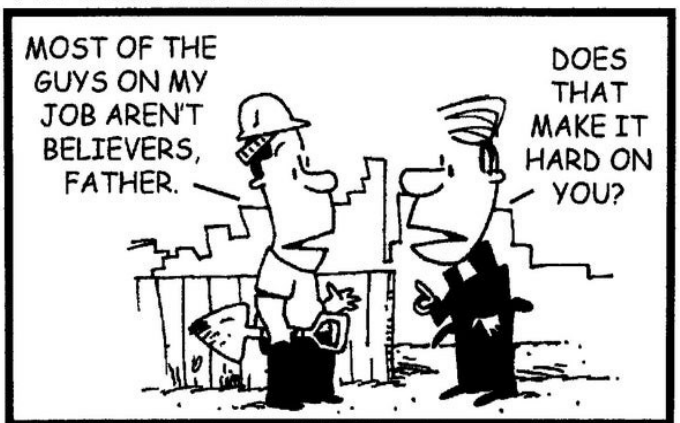


**The St. Vincent de Paul food pantry is in need of the following items:**

**Canned fruit, mustard, ketchup, pancake syrup, detergent, toothpaste, green peas, cooking oil and cake or cookie boxed mixes.**

**\*Please do not donate restaurant condiments.**

**7TH SUNDAY OF EASTER**



**STAY CONNECTED**

I encourage you to sign up for this resource and make use of the Bible studies, faith formation opportunities, and Catholic movies available. Signing up only takes a few easy steps:

1. Visit [www.formed.org](http://www.formed.org) and click “Sign up.”
2. Click “I belong to a Parish or Organization.”
3. Type “Faith at Home Detroit” in the center box under Create New Account. (You’ll see it populate from the drop-down menu.) Click “Next.”
4. Enter your first and last name as well as your email.
5. Now you’re registered! You can also download the app on you Smartphone. If you need further assistance, contact *Formed* at [www.help.formed.org](http://www.help.formed.org) or toll-free at 844-367-6331.

**"Thank You, Mom"**

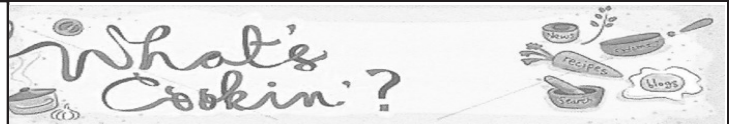
From the initial wonder to the morning sickness,  
 From the sleepless nights to the giggles of delight,  
 From the first steps to the temper tantrums,  
 Thank you, Mom.  
 From school day pride to detention day disappointment,  
 From the big game to the big show to the big "uh-oh,"  
 With secret shared moments and home-cooked meals,  
 Thank you, Mom.  
 Through tears and laughter,  
 Through sorrow and joy,  
 For all the ups and downs,  
 and for the journey yet to come,  
 Thank you, Mom!



**Our Sunday Offering  
 May 4 & 5  
 Thank you for your  
 generous response.**

**God Bless you!**

If you wish to read the bulletin it can be found online at [Parishesonline.com](http://Parishesonline.com) then search by zip code. You can go online to the [aod.org/live masses](http://aod.org/live masses) to find Weekday and Weekend Masses that can be watched.



**Lime Ice Cream Jello**

- 1 (6 oz.) pkg. lime Jello
- 1 c. chopped nuts
- 2 c. boiling water
- 1/2 gal. vanilla ice cream, softened
- 1 can crushed pineapple, drained

Add boiling water to Jello and stir to dissolve completely. Add ice cream and stir until melted. Add pineapple and nuts, stir until evenly mixed. Pour into 9x13 inch pan and refrigerate.

**Prayer in Times of Darkness**



Dear Jesus,  
 When I feel troubled, alone, frightened, be with me.  
 Be a flicker of flame in this darkness. Help me to know you in the stark seasons as I do in times of elation. You are the light I seek.  
 Amen.



[eucharisticrevival.org](http://eucharisticrevival.org)





**We are in need of Sacristans and Eucharistic Ministers. If anyone is interested, please contact Gordon Yeck at (810)343-2954.**

**We are in need of Ushers at the 8:30 a.m. & 10:30 a.m. Masses. If you are interested in Ushering, please see one of the Ushers.**

**Altar Server training  
Anyone young or adult who would like to serve at the altar is invited to a training session. Please come serve at the altar!  
Date & Time to be announced!**

The names for the prayer list for the sick is now done by personal intercession. Please drop the names of those needing prayers for healing in the petition box in the gathering area. We are asking that you take 2 names from the basket and pray for those people by name every day for four weeks. If an emergency comes up please call the parish office and we will get members of the community to pray and offer intercessions for them at daily mass.

**Please Pray for the Family Members of our Parishioners serving in the Military:**

Josey Blades (Air Force)  
Airman 1st Julie M. Chervon  
Spc. Shaen Connery (Army)  
P.O. 1st Dale A. Foglyano  
Nicholas Foglyano (Army)  
P.O. 2nd Nicolas Fooy (Navy)  
Lt Col David Fries  
Maj. Laura Geldhof  
Joe Gill, Navy  
Staff Sgt. Nicole R. Grenon  
Christopher Grubby (Navy)

Pfc. Kevin Heath  
Lt. Christopher Kerr  
Pfc. Paul Koss (Marines)  
Lt. Joseph Kraft  
Sgt. Joseph Kucharek (Army)  
Sgt. Chris Libeck  
Mark Locricchio (Army)  
Sgt. Sean McDowell (Army)  
LCPL Miguel Menzer  
SPC Matthew Muellenhagen  
Maj. Eric Olson  
Chief Daniel Przybylinski

(Navy)  
Justin Quinn (Marines)  
Anthony Roszko (Army)  
Lt. Greg Siuta  
Maj. Allison Stewart  
Sgt Tomas R. Studholme, Jr.  
ISG Robert Sutton  
Sgt. Matthew Sweetman  
Joel Vasquez, (Navy Seal)

**Prayer for Those Serving in the Military**

Lord, hold our troops in your loving hands. Protect them as they protect us.  
Bless them and their families for their selfless acts they perform for us in our time of need.  
Amen.

**Adoration Chapel**



In the documents of the Second Vatican Council, the Church Fathers describe the Eucharist as: "The source and summit of the Christian life. The term "Eucharist" originates in the Greek word Eucharistia, meaning thanksgiving.

"Take; this is my body" Mark 14:22

1. The real presence of Christ in the Eucharist is real, true and substantial.
2. "It is called the Eucharist because it is an action of thanksgiving to God." (CCC. No. 1328)
3. "Jesus awaits us in the sacrament of love." (St. John Paul II, Dominicae cene, no. 3)
4. Eucharist makes the one present sacrifice of Christ the Savior." (CCC, no. 1330)

If you would like to take the opportunity to be still and listen to God (without worldly interruptions), we have a need for almost every hour to have a second adorer, thereby making less the need for a substitute. It is a sacrifice being Catholic in our world today, you need contemplation and the grace to make you holy. Please call Mary Peterson to sign up at (586)979-1469 or (586)738-1154.

**Uncommitted Hours  
Wednesday 1pm & 2pm,  
Friday 9am & 4pm  
TAKE TIME FOR PRAYER!**

## SAINT RENE GOUPIL Catholic Church

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Office Hours  
Monday - Thursday  
9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.  
Closed 12 Noon—1:00 p.m. Lunch  
Friday 9:00 a.m. - Noon

### Pastoral Staff

Rev. Steven Koehler, Pastor  
Rev. Joy Chakian, Associate  
Rev. Mr. John Ball, Deacon Emeritus  
Rev. Mr. Kevin Tietz, Deacon  
Michael Novak,  
Director of Evangelization & Education  
Alexander Sunga  
Director of Worship & Music

### ORGANIZATIONS & SERVICES

**Legion of Mary**  
Mary Peterson (586) 979-1469  
**Divine Mercy**  
Karin Nieto (586) 447-6927  
**Ushers**  
Al Gyenese (586) 808-3128  
**Perpetual Adoration**  
Mary Peterson (586) 979-1469  
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Clinton Twp. (586) 416-2300  
**St. Vincent de Paul (Poverty Help)**  
(586) 718-4523  
**Joseph White, Grand Knight, K of C**  
(586) 556-2122

### Weekend Liturgy Schedule

Saturday 4:00 p.m.  
Sunday 8:30 a.m.  
10:30 a.m.  
5:30 p.m.

### Weekday Mass

Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 9:30 a.m.

### Confessions

3:00 p.m. every Saturday

## WELCOME

If you have attended Mass at St. Rene and would like to become a member, please visit our parish office where you can register and discuss all of the wonderful ways to grow in faith through Christian Service, Worship, Youth Ministry, Outreach, Faith Formation, and in our Adoration Chapel. For more information call 586-939-7500.

## St. Rene Mission Statement

St. Rene Goupil Parish is a Catholic Community, dedicated to strengthening the faith and love of its people. Our mission is to proclaim that Jesus is Lord, to celebrate His Presence, and to reach out to others in His name.

### Parish Registration:

Welcome to all new families/individuals. Please register as soon as possible. Membership is a condition for the reception of the Sacraments of Baptism, Reconciliation, First Eucharist, Confirmation and Marriage. Registration is also required before the parish can issue a sponsorship certificate for those asked to be a sacramental sponsor. Registration forms are available in the Parish Office.

### Baptism:

Baptisms are celebrated the third Sunday of the month at 12:00 p.m. A parent preparation class is mandatory. Classes are held on the fourth Saturday of each month at 10:00 a.m. Call the Parish Office during weekday office hours to register for a class.

**Penance:** Saturday 3:00 p.m. Special schedules for Advent and Lent.

### Marriage:

Arrangements must be made through the Parish Office at least six months prior to the desired wedding date. One person of the couple must be an active, registered member of St. Rene Goupil Parish for six months.

### Anointing of the Sick:

On request or by appointment through the Parish Office.

**O GOD, ALMIGHTY FATHER,**

*Grant us the grace to persevere  
with our eyes fixed on Jesus.*

**As we share Jesus Christ, the Savior  
whom You offer, with every human  
being, we recognize evangelization  
is a love affair.**

**It is you who invite all to encounter  
Jesus and let their hearts be  
captured by Him.**

**Help us to be generous in assisting  
the Catholic Services Appeal.**

**We ask that the Holy Spirit ignite  
the fire of generosity so that the  
Church of southeast Michigan might  
continue to serve Your mission and  
bring Your love to the many in need.**

**We ask this through Christ our Lord.**

AMEN.

