

St. Rene Goupil Catholic Community  
August 11, 2024

# 19<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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“I am the bread of life. Your ancestors ate the manna in the desert, but they died; this is the bread that comes down from heaven so that one may eat it and not die.” - Jn 6:48-50



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## Notes from Fr. Steve

When your outside during the summer you often see small statues of St. Francis of Assisi in people's gardens or in front of their homes. While many saints in history have not found a place in modern history and are no longer venerated, St. Francis, has been venerated from his own time until this very day. Often, when people think of Francis, they first think of animals. He did love animals and nature. But the focus of his spirituality was on living a life of simplicity. I thought it might be enjoyable to write a brief biography on him today!

Saint Francis of Assisi, born Giovanni di Pietro di Bernardone in 1181 or 1182 in Assisi, Italy, is one of the most revered figures in Christian history. Known for his deep piety, humility, and love for all creatures, he founded the Franciscan Order and played a crucial role in the renewal of the Catholic Church during the Middle Ages.

Francis was born into a wealthy merchant family but chose a life of poverty and service to God after a spiritual awakening. He famously renounced his wealth and embraced a life of simplicity, living among the poor and preaching the Gospel in a radical way. His dedication to poverty, humility, and the care of creation earned him a reputation as a patron saint of animals and the environment.

In 1209, Francis received approval from Pope Innocent III for his new religious order, the Order of Friars Minor, commonly known as the Franciscans. The order emphasized living in poverty and serving the poor, reflecting Francis's belief in imitating the life and teachings of Jesus Christ. In Detroit our own Capuchin Friars, are Franciscan's who live according to the rule of St. Francis. In fact, they are noted for strictly following the rule even in this modern world. One added note, Fr. Solanus too, was a Franciscan!

Throughout his life, Francis exhibited extraordinary compassion and a deep connection to nature. He is said to have communicated with animals and viewed all of creation as a reflection of God's love. His devotion to peace and reconciliation earned him acclaim beyond the Christian community, influencing figures across different religious cultures.

Francis died on October 3, 1226, in Assisi, Italy. He was canonized as a saint just two years after his death, and his legacy continues to inspire millions around the world. Saint Francis is remembered not only for his religious fervor but also for his profound compassion, simplicity of life, and unwavering commitment to the teachings of Jesus Christ.

Next time you see a statue of St. Francis consider living by example, to live simply, remember the poor, and to pray daily!

Bishop James asked me to express his gratitude for your warm welcome and generosity to his mission appeal. We collected \$4,359.28 which will be sent to the Propagation of the Faith, and they will send it on to him.

As always I ask you to pray for the parish, especially the sick and the suffering. Your prayers bring them healing, comfort and peace. God bless you and those you love!

Fr. Steve

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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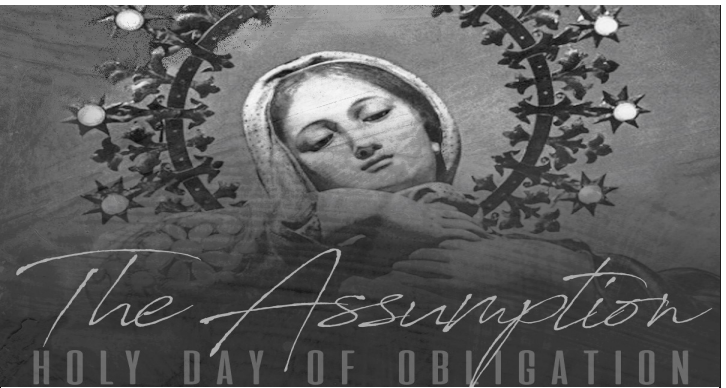


Thank you to the parishioners who have already pledged their support. The ministries, programs, and services funded by the Catholic Services Appeal help in our parish and throughout southeast Michigan and beyond. If you are still prayerfully considering your sacrificial gift to this year’s CSA, you may 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.



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

Mr. & Mrs. Rodney Almeria  
Mr. & Ms. Trevor Galley



Mass will be Celebrated on  
Thursday, August 15th  
at  
9:30 a.m.  
&  
7:00 p.m.

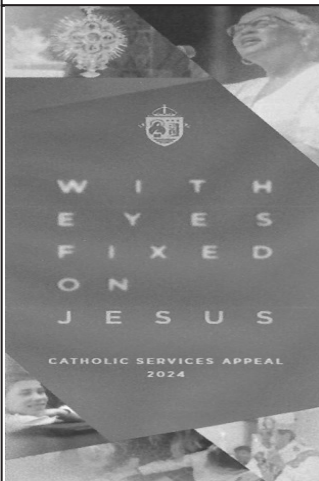
#### GOSPEL MEDITATION 19<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

This week we hear Jesus say, “**He that believes in me, has eternal life**” (John 6:47). These straightforward words, uttered by human lips, sound — how to put this? — insane. Who could possibly say such a thing? Jesus says things that are so high, so demanding, so beyond our capacity to fathom, we hardly know what to do with them and (if you’re like me), they usually go in one ear and out the other. So, let us ask: how can believing in him lead to eternal life?

To believe in something means not just to acknowledge its existence, but also to orient yourself entirely to it. If a football player believes in his team, it means he puts his life totally at the service of that goal. If a student believes in her dream to become a doctor, she gives everything she has to her studies and preparation for her MCAT test. Belief means to move boldly toward something we love, and trust is possible to attain.

What is the highest possible good at which we can aim? It is God himself, the gift of eternal life without end. Jesus has made this “good” possible in and through his human nature. To believe in him means to have him as our ultimate goal. This week let’s believe the truth of these words and make practical decisions to orient ourselves toward what we see available in him: eternal life.

— Father John Muir



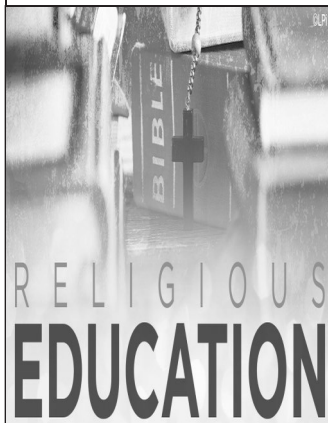
## Interested in getting involved?

If you are looking for a volunteer opportunity at St. Rene look no further. We are looking for volunteers for becoming a Lector, Sacristan, (Lectors & Sacristans for the 5:30 p.m. Mass) Eucharistic Minister, Altar Server (both Youth and Adult), Volunteers to join the watering committee (watering the outdoor plants). If you're interested in any of the volunteer areas that are listed, please contact the parish office and we will gladly pass your information on to the person in charge of the assignments and have them contact you.

Thank you in advance for volunteering!  
God Bless!

## Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

In today's passage from the First Book of Kings, God sustains His tired and distressed prophet Elijah with food and drink to fortify him for his journey to God's mountain, Mt. Horeb. In St. John's Gospel, Jesus professed He is the "Bread of Life" and those who [partake of this Bread will live forever. When we consume the Lord's consecrated Body and Blood in Holy Communion, we unify as one spirit in discipleship with Christ. St. Paul instructs the Ephesian Christian community, and us, to follow the way of love through Christ. Through our Lord's love and our participation in the Eucharist, Jesus directs us to proclaim His Word to all in a spirit of evangelization, and to welcome our brothers and sister to a personal relationship with Him. Be open to attending Alpha or another evangelization service in your parish that brings Christ personally into your life.



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Catechism Program**

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### CONTENDERS:

#### MAKING THE CASE FOR LIFE

Compassion is pleased to sponsor this powerful training, equipping attendees to powerfully yet gracefully defend the lives of the unborn.

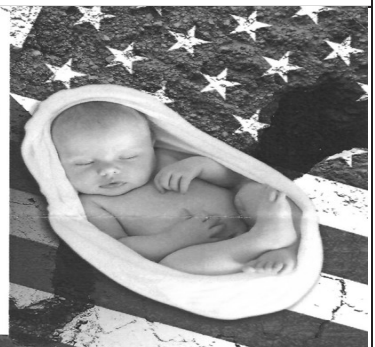
The event is **FREE** but you must register.

**Thursday, August 22, 2024**

**6:00 pm - 9:00 pm**

at The Woods Church in Warren

We are also hosting a **PASTORS/TEACHERS** event the same date. Please invite your pastor to attend both sessions as the content differs.



### CONTENDERS WILL TEACH YOU

- To prove abortion wrong using three short sentences
- To make the scientific, moral, and biblical case for life
- To overcome key objections to the pro-life position
- Why the ideas supporting abortion put everyone at risk, and
- What you can do about it

Watch the Promo Video



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Pregnancy Center**

Register today to hold your seating, qualify for a free signed copy of **Contenders**, session outlines, post-event materials, and more.

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Dr. Marc Newman is president of Speaker for Life, a nationwide training firm dedicated to equipping pro-life advocates with communication skills. A college professor for over 30 years, Dr. Newman has spoken at every major pro-life conference in the nation. He is the author of *Contenders: A Church-Wide Strategy to Unmask Abortion, Defeat Its Advocates, Empower Christians, and Change the World.*

## EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP

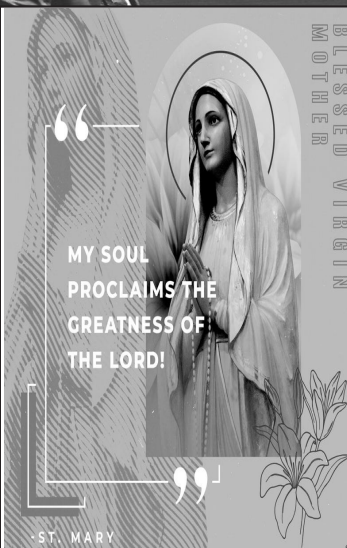
### The Assumption: A Sign of Hope

Is the resurrection a concept or reality? For many of us, the resurrection of the dead may be a stray idea recite in the Nicene Creed. Heaven we discuss. But resurrection? The feast of the Assumption is a reminder to us that heaven gets even better! We pray that the souls of the faithful departed would soon be united to God in heaven. The truth is, the separation between our souls and our bodies was not God's original plan for things. It's one of the results of the Fall, of original sin. At the end of time and Jesus' second coming, our bodies and souls will be reunited. Lest we forget, Mary's Assumption is the reminder. Today, we celebrate that Mary is enjoying what we, too, hope to participate in — complete joy in heaven with our God, experienced body and soul. Today and every day, let's pray for those who have died and that we may meet them again in the heavenly kingdom.

## Prayer of Memory

Dear Lord,  
Don't let me forget the ways You've fought for me throughout history. You have been in my life in endless ways and words. May these memories comfort and encourage me now and always.

Amen.





## Readings for The Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

### Reading I *Kings 19:4-8*

Elijah went a day's journey into the desert, until he came to a broom tree and sat beneath it. He prayed for death, saying: "This is enough, O LORD! Take my life, for I am no better than my fathers." He lay down and fell asleep under the broom tree, but then an angel touched him and ordered him to get up and eat. Elijah looked and there at his head was a hearth cake and a jug of water. After he ate and drank, he lay down again, but the angel of the LORD came back a second time, touched him, and ordered, "Get up and eat, else the journey will be too long for you!" He got up, ate, and drank; then strengthened by that food, he walked forty days and forty nights to the mountain of God, Horeb.

### Reading II *Ephesians 4:30—5:2*

Brothers and sisters: Do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, with which you were sealed for the day of redemption. All bitterness, fury, anger, shouting, and reviling must be removed from you, along with all malice. And be kind to one another, compassionate, forgiving one another as God has forgiven you in Christ. So be imitators of God, as beloved children, and live in love, as Christ loved us and handed himself over for us as a sacrificial offering to God for a fragrant aroma.

### Gospel *John 6:41-51*

The Jews murmured about Jesus because he said, "I am the bread that comes down from heaven," and they said, "Is this not Jesus, the son of Joseph? Do we not know his father and mother? Then how can he say, 'I have come down from heaven'?" Jesus answered and said to them, "Stop murmuring among yourselves. No one can come to me unless the Father who sent me draw him, and I will raise him on the last day. It is written in the prophets: *They shall all be taught by God.* Everyone who listens to my Father and learns from him comes to me. Not that anyone has seen the Father except the one who is from God; he has seen the Father. Amen, amen, I say to you, whoever believes has eternal life. I am the bread of life. Your ancestors ate the manna in the desert, but they died; this is the bread that comes down from heaven so that one may eat it and not die. I am the living bread that came down from heaven; whoever eats this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the world."

## *Readings for the Week*

**Sunday, August 11, 2024:** 1 Kgs 19:4-8/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9 (9a)/Eph 4:30—5:2/Jn 6:41-51

**Monday, August 12, 2024:** Ez 1:2-5, 24-28c/Ps 148:1-2, 11-12, 13, 14/Mt 17:22-27

**Tuesday, August 13, 2024:** Ez 2:8—3:4/Ps 119:14, 24, 72, 103, 111, 131/Mt 18:1-5, 10, 12-14

**Wednesday, August 14, 2024:** Ez 9:1-7; 10:18-22/Ps 113:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/Mt 18:15-20

**Thursday, August 15, 2024:** *Vigil:* 1 Chr 15:3-4, 15-16; 16:1-2/Ps 132:6-7, 9-10, 13-14/1 Cor 15:54b-57/Lk 11:27-28 *Day:* Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab/Ps 45:10, 11, 12, 16/1 Cor 15:20-27/Lk 1:39-56

**Friday, August 16, 2024:** Ez 16:1-15, 60, 63 or 16:59-63/Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6/Mt 19:3-12

**Saturday, August 17, 2024:** Ez 18:1-10, 13b, 30-32/Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 18-19/Mt 19:13-15

**Sunday, August 18, 2024:** Prv 9:1-6/Ps 34:2-3, 10-11, 12-13, 14-15 (9a)/Eph 5:15-20/Jn 6:51-58

# MASST INTENTIONS

**Tuesday, August 13, 2024**

**9:30 a.m.**

+Leo Sienicki

+Fernando Evangelista

**Thursday, August 15, 2024**

**9:30 a.m.**

**Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

+Asuncion Santos

+Giuseppe & Concetta DiStefano

Deceased Members of the Martineau Family

+Jim Pawlik

Mary, Matthew & Rosie Chakian

**7:00 p.m.**

+Richard & Nadine Koehler

**Friday, August 16, 2024**

**9:30 a.m.**

+Roberto Palermo (Birthday)

+Aurora Palermo (3rd R.A.)

**Saturday, August 17, 2024**

**4:00 p.m.**

+Joan Herbert

+Rosemarie Calmi

Parishioners of St. Rene

+Franklin Langenstein

+James Reaume Jr.

+James Reaume Sr.

+Julia Rzeppa Pazik

+Maybelle Koehler

+Antonio Andrión

+Uldarico Asistido

**Sunday, August 18, 2024**

**8:30 a.m.**

+Sharon Murawski

Soul of Simplicia Capajo

Thanksgiving for Roko

Felecia Rice, Healing

**10:30 a.m.**

Sparky & Roxann Klee (Anniversary)

+David Willick

+Dorothy Willick

+Chris Lacy

**5:30 p.m.**

Dylan Ventimiglia (Healing)

+Janfiar Stephan



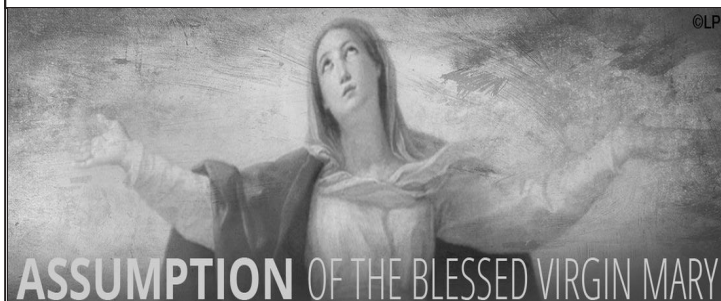
*Pray For...*

## Everyday Stewardship

What else is there to give when one has already given away their body and their life? What more can one say or do to demonstrate love for another when all they have has been given to another? This total giving of self to loved ones cannot be trumped by flowery words or material gifts that are fleeting. This is the ultimate in love. This is the love Jesus had for us on the way to his passion, at the institution of the Holy Eucharist. This is the love he has for us daily in the celebration of the Mass on altars in every church, in every city, in every nation on earth. No one can give more. No one can ask for more. This is the true heart of Christian stewardship.

If you take the time to gaze upon your God in the simplest of forms and begin to reflect on what has actually taken place with bread and wine becoming the presence of the Divine, then you can begin to understand true humility, sacrifice, and love. And when you have the privilege to take that Real Presence into your body at the meal where you are an honored guest, you become one with the One who is the embodiment of stewardship. Then, you must ask the question of yourself, "How can I even begin to reflect the love that I have encountered at this feast?" The answer is you can begin with the simple actions of the day: where will you go, whom will you meet, and in what work will you partake? Jesus Christ has shown that the greatest gift ever given can be disguised in this world in a piece of bread. By joining your body to his, he can now transform human hearts, not by grand acts, but by everyday acts, by everyday people practicing Everyday Stewardship.

--Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS



**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.

**CSA**  
Catholic Services Appeal  
givecsa.org

## Weekend Liturgy Schedule for August 17 & 18

	<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	Alex Sitchon	Corina Sison	Ricky Yulo
<b>Altar Servers</b>	Lance Tolentino	Karin Nieto	Eli Wing-Nga	
<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 Frank Iannotti	<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

### Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Thursday, August 15, 2024 (HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION)

<b>9:30 a.m. Mass</b>		<b>7:00 p.m. Mass</b>	
<b>Lector:</b> Lorraine Doyle <b>EM:</b> Mary Peterson <b>Sacristan:</b> Karin Nieto <b>Altar Server:</b> Karin Nieto		<b>Lector:</b> Rob Wilson <b>EM:</b> Louis Youkhana <b>Sacristan:</b> Kris Moravek <b>Altar Server:</b> Virginia Jennings	
<p>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 <u>do not need</u> to be parish members. All information is kept strictly confidential.</p> <p><b>The St. Vincent de Paul food pantry is in need of the following items:</b></p> <p><b>Laundry detergent, jam, canned chicken, pancake mix, white rice, toilet paper and spaghetti.</b></p> <p><b>*Please do not donate restaurant condiments.</b></p>		<p><b>Altar Care Team:</b></p> <p>Friday, August 16th Team 1</p> <p>Joyce Fackler Bibiane Gagnon</p>	<p><b>Altar Linen:</b></p> <p>August:</p> <p>Denise Link</p>
		<p><b>St. Vincent de Paul Clothing Drive</b></p> <p>St. Rene St. Vincent de Paul will be having a clothing drive on Saturday, August 17th and Sunday, August 18th. A truck from St. Vincent de Paul will be in the church parking lot for your donations. This drive is for clothing only. Please get ready to donate any clothing on this weekend. Thank you for your generosity.</p>	



## 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 your 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.



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**Seeing  
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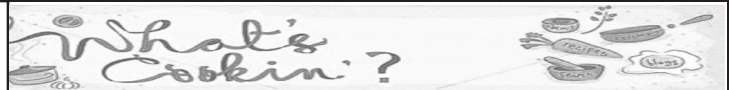
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**Our Sunday Offering  
August 3 & 4  
Thank you for your  
generous response.**

**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.



## **Mexican Dip**

1 can refried beans  
Sour Cream  
Salsa  
Mexican shredded cheese  
Green onions, finely sliced  
Sliced black olives  
Sm. Diced tomatoes

Layer ingredients into a dish and serve with tortilla chips.  
Hint: Spread beans fairly thin so chips don't break during the dipping process.

## **EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP What's Your Hearth Cake?**

“Get up and eat, or the journey will be too much for you.” I’ve been to a lot of meetings in my years of work in the Church, and you can take my word for it: the ones with snacks just seem to go better.

I don’t know what it is exactly. Maybe it’s just that people are in a more agreeable mood if you show up with donuts. Or maybe it’s about the very real sense of community and camaraderie that is created at a table where people are engaging in that most human of tasks — eating — beside one another. I think a big part of it comes down to the simple fact that we’re all just nicer people when we’re fed.

This rings true spiritually, too. We simply must remain fed if we, in turn, are to feed others. Think of a time when you have neglected your relationship with God — when you haven’t fed yourself with whatever it is that you need to remain committed to the journey of a Christian life. Is it Mass attendance? Is it prayer or Scripture reading? Is it time with your small group, or conversation with a trusted friend who knows your soul? What sustains your ability to be a good disciple, a good steward? What inspires you to give more freely, to love more abundantly?

Whatever it is, that’s your hearth cake. That’s your jug of water. Don’t neglect it. The Angel of the Lord is nudging you in your sleep: “Get up and eat, or the journey will be too much for you.”

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS



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





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.



**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!**

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

MSgt. Jason Bialy, Air Force  
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  
Friday 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

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**Divine Mercy**  
*Karin Nieto (586) 447-6927*  
**Ushers**  
*Al Gyenese (586) 808-3128*  
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**St. Vincent de Paul (Poverty Help)**  
*(586) 718-4523*  
**Joseph White, Grand Knight, K of C**  
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### 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.

## Remember in Your Prayers

ALL THOSE AFFECTED BY THE CORONAVIRUS THROUGHOUT THE WORLD

