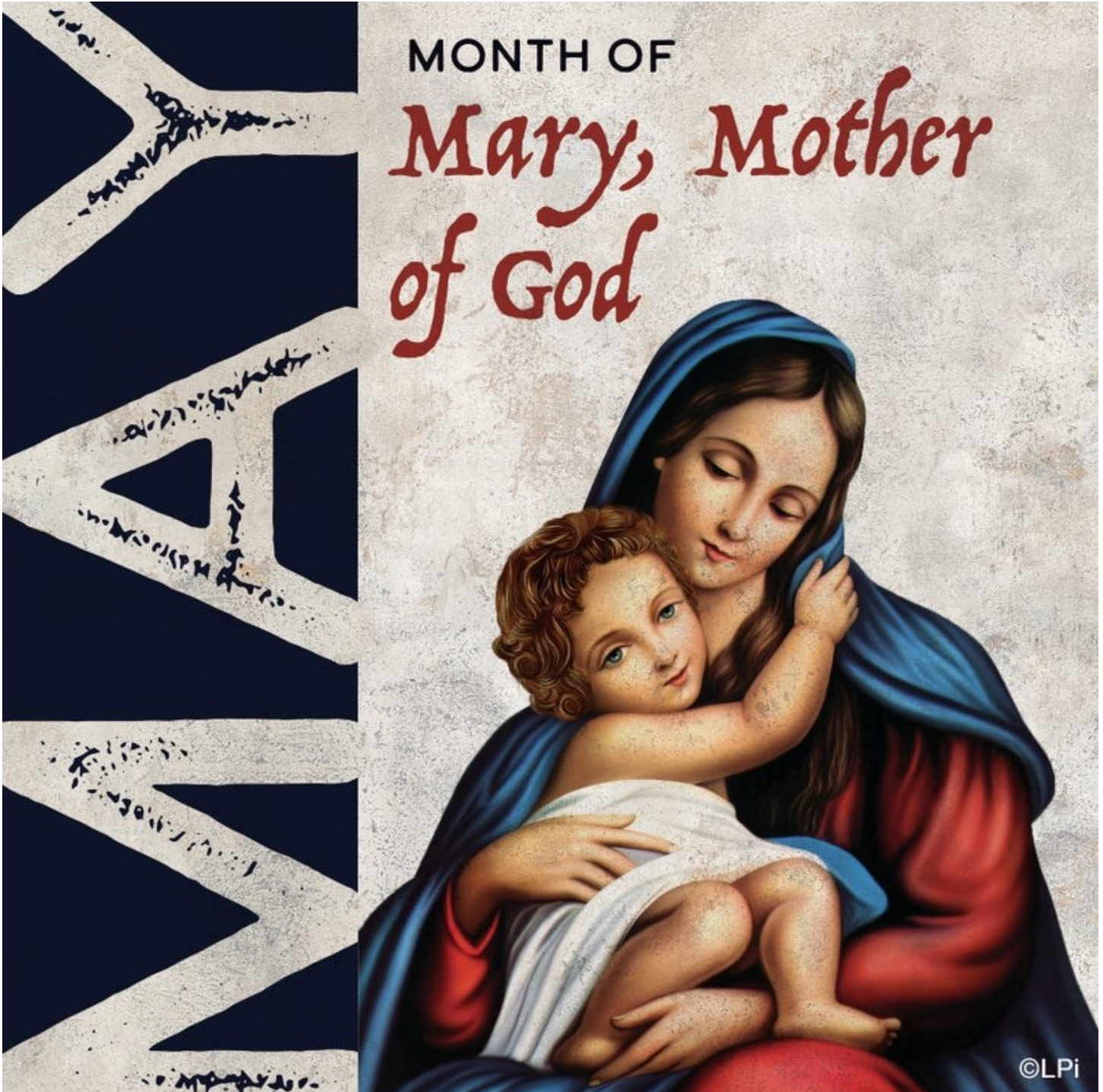




May 3, 2026

# St. Rene Goupil

Catholic Community  
Sterling Heights



## Notes from Fr. Steve

Last week, our parish was blessed with a profound moment of grace as we welcomed a relic of Father Solanus Casey for veneration. Many came quietly, some with deep burdens, others with gratitude—but all were drawn by the witness of a humble priest whose life continues to touch hearts.

Born in 1870 in Wisconsin, Father Solanus Casey entered the Order of Friars Minor Capuchin and was ordained a priest in 1904. Though he struggled academically and was assigned limited faculties for preaching and hearing confessions, God used him in extraordinary ways. In 1924, he was sent to Detroit, where he would spend much of his priestly life at St. Bonaventure Monastery.

There, Father Solanus became known as a porter—the friar who answered the door. It was a simple assignment, but it became a powerful ministry. Day after day, he welcomed the poor, the sick, and the troubled. He listened. He prayed. He offered encouragement. And through his gentle presence, countless people experienced God’s mercy. He was especially devoted to the poor, ensuring they were fed and cared for, often trusting in God’s providence to provide what was needed.

Father Solanus had a deep trust in God that shaped everything he did. He often reminded people to give thanks to God in all circumstances, even in trials. His words still speak to us today, especially in a world filled with anxiety and uncertainty:

**“Worry is a weakness which very few of us are entirely free. We must be on guard against this most insidious enemy of our peace of soul.”**

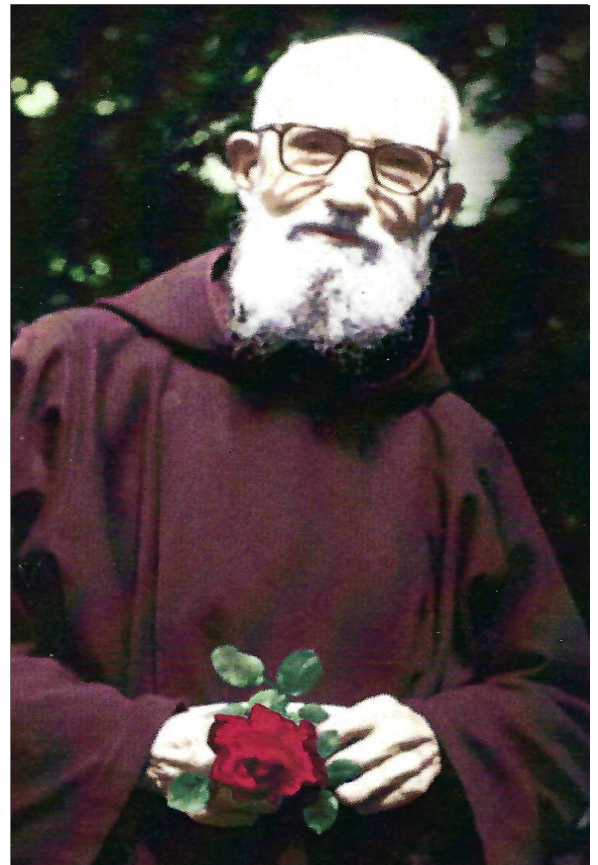
Since his death in 1957, devotion to Father Solanus has only grown. In 2017, he was declared “Blessed” by the Church, a major step on the road to sainthood. Today, Blessed Solanus Casey is recognized as being on the path to canonization, and many continue to seek his intercession.

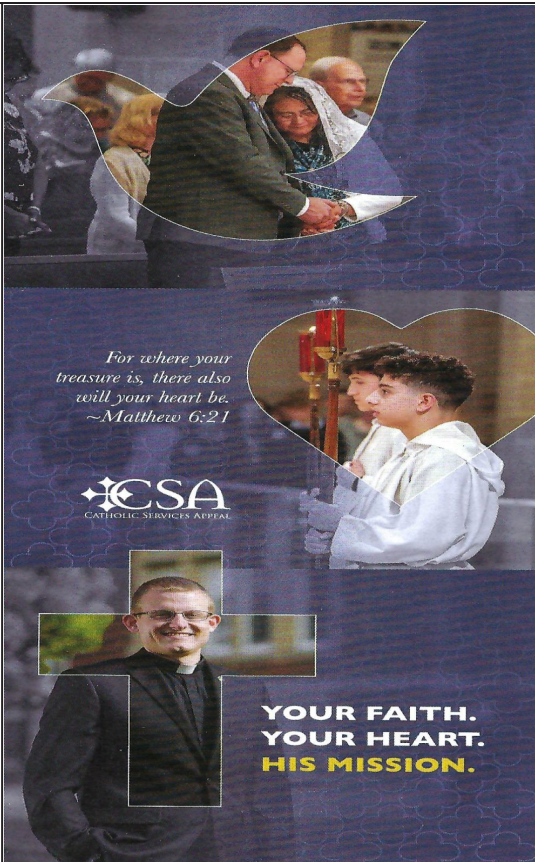
As we reflect on the grace of having his relic among us, may we carry forward his spirit of humble service, deep faith, and trust in God’s providence. And when worry begins to take hold, may we remember his wisdom and turn our hearts back to the Lord, who is always near.

Please look in the bulletin for further information on the listening sessions scheduled here in May. They will cover important information on the re-structuring of the archdiocese.

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

Fr. Steve





ST. RENE GOUPIL CATHOLIC CHURCH

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May 2026

Dear Parishioners of St. Rene,

Grace and peace to you in Christ.

As we begin this year's Catholic Service Appeal (CSA), I invite you to reflect with me on the call to discipleship, spirituality, and stewardship that is at the heart of our faith. Each of us is called not only to believe in Christ, but to follow Him actively—living as His disciples in the world, growing in holiness, and sharing His love with others.

The CSA is one of the most meaningful ways we live out that call together. It funds the mission of the Church throughout Southeast Michigan and remains an essential expression of our faith and discipleship. As I mentioned last year, participation in the CSA is a viable sign of your commitment as an active member of our parish community.

Through your generosity, the CSA sustains vital ministries that form future priests, strengthen families, engage our youth and young adults, accompany the poor, and bring Christ's love to those most in need. In supporting this appeal, you are directly participating in the Church's mission to serve, to teach, and to evangelize.

This year, I am asking each household to prayerfully consider a gift of \$400.00. For those who prefer, this can be given as a \$100.00 down payment followed by eleven monthly payments of \$27.27. Every gift, no matter the size, makes a difference and is deeply appreciated.

Our parish goal, as set by the Diocese, is \$92,000.00. Thanks to your generosity, we reached our goal last year—and with your help, I am confident we can do so again.

Please take time to pray and ask: Is God calling me to participate in this mission today? Your support ensures that the Gospel is proclaimed and that the mission of Jesus Christ continues to renew and bless all those we serve.

Thank you for your faith, your generosity, and your love for our parish.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Fr. Steven C. Koehler  
Pastor, St. Rene Parish

**Almighty ever-living God,**

we know that all gifts come from you.

As good stewards we return them to you with heartfelt charity and gratitude.

May our service of prayer joyfully align our hearts to follow your will,

so that our talents may bring hope for the renewal of Christ's mission in our Archdiocese.

May the Holy Spirit guide us to generously entrust our financial treasures for the good of rebuilding the Church,

and to look toward our true treasure in heaven.

**Amen.**

*Mary, Mother of the Church, pray for us.*

*Saint Anne, pray for us.*

*Blessed Solanus Casey, pray for us.*



### Archdiocese of Detroit Restructuring: Moving Forward in Hope

The Archdiocese of Detroit is entering an important new chapter as part of its ongoing mission to respond faithfully to the needs of today's Church. Under the leadership of Archbishop Edward J. Weisenberger, this restructuring effort builds on years of prayer, consultation, and pastoral planning. It reflects a continued commitment to ensure that our parishes are vibrant, sustainable, and well-equipped to carry out the mission of Jesus Christ in a changing world.

This effort is rooted in the recognition that demographics, priest availability, and parish resources have shifted over time. Rather than seeing these changes as obstacles, the Archdiocese is embracing them as opportunities—opportunities to renew parish life, strengthen ministries, and deepen our shared commitment to evangelization. Guided by faith, the Church is responding with courage and vision.

As members of the St. Rene community, you are invited to learn more about how this restructuring will specifically affect our parish. Two informational sessions will be offered:

- **May 11, 7:00–9:00 PM**
- **May 13, 7:00–9:00 PM**

These sessions will provide important insights, answer questions, and help us move forward together with clarity and confidence.

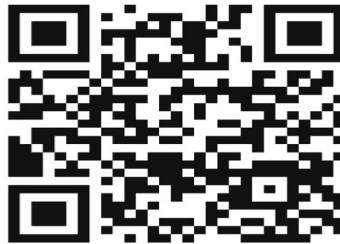
In preparation, parishioners are encouraged to review the Parish Handbook, available online at: **[restructuring.aod.org](http://restructuring.aod.org)**

This resource offers valuable background and helps explain the goals and structure of the initiative.

While change can sometimes feel uncertain, it is also a powerful moment of grace. Jesus continually calls His Church to grow, adapt, and carry His message into the future. This restructuring is not simply about organization—it is about renewal, mission, and the opportunity to become an even stronger witness to the Gospel.

Let us approach this time with open hearts, trusting in God's guidance and the promise that He is always leading His Church forward. We look forward to seeing you at one of the sessions and walking this journey together in faith.

Scan to Register for a Listening Session



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

Mr. Frank Faraci

Ms. Ildiko Olbrich

**REGISTER FOR A LISTENING SESSION**



<https://www.cognitofrms.com/ArchdioceseOfDetroit2/ParishListeningSessionRegistration>



**Mass Intentions  
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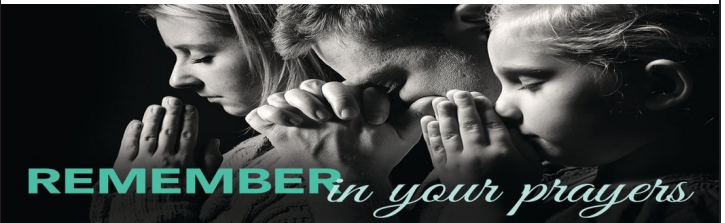
**Sunday, May 10, 2026 (Mother's Day)**

**10:30 a.m.**

- +Joyce Fackler
- +John Droz
- +Kay Stanaitis
- +Dorothy Fackler
- +Milagros Sunga
- +David Willick
- +Margaret Butler
- +Rose Zappa
- +Sam Zappa (Birthday)
- +Walt Kalcevic
- Healing for Kimberly Phipps
- +Nadine Koehler
- +Gail Ebert

**5:30 p.m.**

Living & Deceased Parishioners of Str. Rene Goupil Parish



**THANK YOU! THANK YOU!**

Thank you to all the people who donated towels and washcloths to our annual Lenten Towel Drive. This parish is so generous! This year we received:

- 312 bath towels**
- 77 hand towels**
- 924 washcloths**

Turning Point Women's Shelter and MATTS (Macomb's Alternative to Temporary Shelter) will share these donations. These groups are so appreciative that we remember the homeless. Many of us take for granted showering every day, but to these unfortunate souls, it is very comforting to know they can come to these shelters and take a warm shower and wrap themselves in a new, clean towel.

May God Bless all of you who gave so much of your hearts!

Theresa Wilson, OFS

**Tuesday, May 5, 2026**

**9:30 a.m.**

- Living & Deceased Members of the Martineau Family
- +Barbara Zolnierczak
- +Anunciacion Cornelio
- Agocs, Santoro & Seaver Families

**Thursday, May 7, 2026**

**9:30 a.m.**

- +Rose Marie Sobota
- +Cardinal Szoka
- +Cardinal Dearden
- Agocs, Santoro & Seaver Families
- +Jim & Mary Ann Kiernan

**Friday, May 8, 2026**

**9:30 a.m.**

- +Joyce Clashman
- +Celi Esmana
- +Dee Mullaney
- Agocs, Santoro & Seaver Families
- +Francisco Paresa

**Saturday, May 9, 2026**

**4:00 p.m.**

- +Marie Forman
- +Diane Broski
- +Franklin Langenstein
- +Lottie Kobus
- +Julia Belkowski
- +Barbara Borowski
- +Don Sierra (10th R.A.)
- +David Baczkowski
- Agocs, Santoro & Seaver Families
- +Maybelle Koehler
- +Nadine Koehler
- +Gail Ebert

**Sunday, May 10, 2026 (Mother's Day)**

**8:30 a.m.**

- +Mary Schultz
- +Sharon Murawski
- +Agnes Murawski
- +Virginia Ignash
- Agocs, Santoro & Seaver Families
- +Connie Raona
- +Dorothy Hurley
- +Alvina May
- +Paula Brogan
- +Simplicia Capajo
- +Flordesita Cochiosue
- +Rosario, Exequila & Felicidad
- +John Biel
- +Antonio Cochiosue Sr.
- +Debbie Todd



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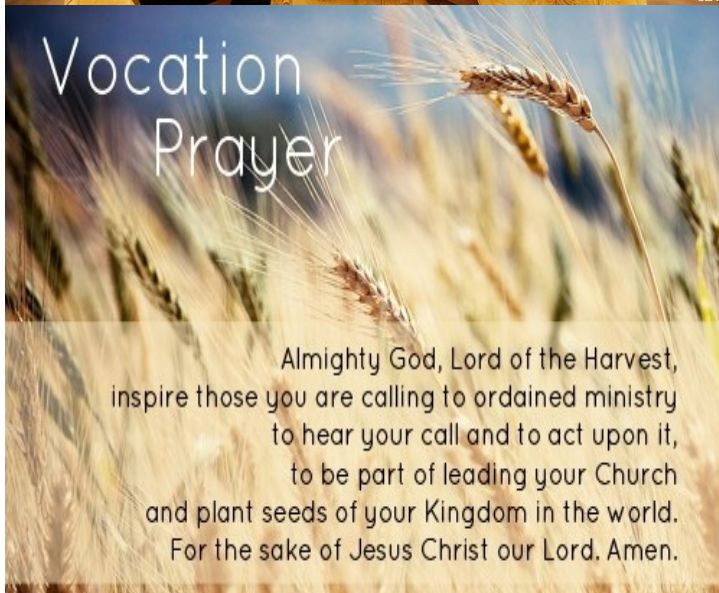
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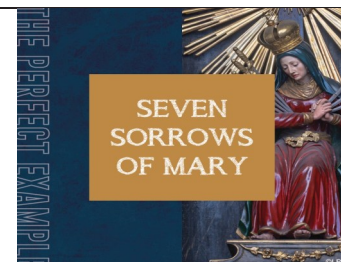
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*Please make checks payable to any of the individual parishes or school/memo: Mission Texas  
Forms and checks can be mailed to or dropped off at any parish office  
Sponsor Form/Money must be turned in my May 1, 2026 to be included on T-shirt*



## Devotions, *Explained!* Seven Sorrows of Mary



### Mini Explanation

The Seven Sorrows of Mary helps us to unite our own sufferings with those of Jesus, following Mary's perfect example, as we meditate upon the great sufferings endured by Our Lord and his Blessed Mother.

### Seven Sorrows of Mary, *Explained*

The Seven Sorrows of Mary refer to seven key events in the lives of Jesus and Mary: the prophecy of Simeon, the flight into Egypt, the loss of the Child Jesus in Jerusalem, the meeting of Jesus and Mary as he carried his cross to Calvary, the Crucifixion and death of Jesus, the removal of the Body of Christ from the cross, and the burial of Jesus.

These events illustrate the great suffering endured by Our Lord and his Blessed Mother, and remind Christians to unite our own sufferings with those of Jesus, following Mary's perfect example.

Devotion to the sorrows of Mary dates to the early centuries of Christianity, with such proponents as St. Ephrem, St. Alphonsus Liguori and St. Bridget of Sweden.

The Seven Sorrows devotion can take the form of seven Hail Marys, seven Rosaries or a novena, all recited while meditating upon the individual sorrows.

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## Readings for the Week

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**Sunday, May 3, 2026:** Acts 6:1-7/Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19/1 Pt 2:4-9/Jn 14:1-12

**Monday, May 4, 2026:** Acts 14:5-18/ Ps 115:1-2, 3-4, 15-16/Jn 14:21-26

**Tuesday, May 5, 2026:** Acts 14:5-18/ Ps 115:1-2, 3-4, 15-16/Jn 14:21-26

**Wednesday, May 6, 2026:** Acts 15:1-6/ Ps 122:1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5/Jn 15:1-8

**Thursday, May 7, 2026:** Acts 15:7-21/ Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 10/Jn 15:9-11

**Friday, May 8, 2026:** Acts 15:22-31/ Ps 57:8-9, 10 and 12/Jn 15:12-17

**Saturday, May 9, 2026:** Acts 16:1-10/ Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 5/Jn 15:18-21

**Sunday, May 10, 2026:** Acts 8:5-8, 14-17/Ps 66:1-3, 4-5, 6-7, 16 and 20/1 Pt 3:15-18/Jn 14:15-21



## Virtues, Explained! Diligence

### Mini Explanation

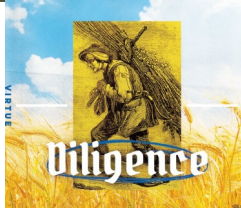
Diligence is the opposite of negligence; the diligent man pursues his goal with the same faithfulness with which God has pursued us, wayward as we are, through the long course of salvation history. It is the virtue by which man can secure for himself true happiness.

### Diligence, Explained!

Diligence is the opposite of negligence; the diligent man pursues his goal with the same faithfulness with which God has pursued us, wayward as we are, through the long course of salvation history. St. Thomas Aquinas writes that “diligence, no less than solicitude, is required for every virtue.” (*Sum.*, II:II, 54, Art. 1)

Christians are called to diligence in prayer, in self-scrutiny, in exercising virtue, in seeking God’s will, in detachment from the world and in reflecting on God’s word in Scripture: “If we are diligent in observing all of these commandments before the Lord, our God, as he commanded of us, then this will be our righteousness.” (Deuteronomy 6:25)

Diligence is made possible by the freedom of will that we have been granted by God, and it is the virtue by which man can secure for himself true happiness. (*Gaudium et spes*, 17)



## (PRACTICING) CATHOLIC - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

By Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

**Mini-reflection:** There are lots of different routes to Heaven. But there’s only one Way.

### The Way

A friend of mine who had family members belonging to several different religions once told me that there were as many different routes to Heaven as there were to the grocery store.

This was an analogy her family had used to remember that they all sought the same thing — God — even though they were going about the search in different ways.

I’ve thought a lot about her words in the years since she shared them with me. It’s not an untrue analogy — there are a lot of different routes to the grocery store. An infinite number, in fact. There is actually no “right” way to get to the grocery store, because it all depends on where you’re starting from and what other errands you have along the way.

And there are a lot of different routes to Heaven — likewise, an infinite number. It all depends on where you’re starting from. It all depends on what you have to do along the way.

There it is: the part that matters. *The way.*

Whether we’re talking about Heaven or the grocery store as our destination, all routes are not created equal. Some take too long. Some are impassable. Some are hard to navigate. Some are just plain made-up — the glitch of a GPS, the promise of a false prophet. And inevitably, if you take a less-than-ideal route, you will find yourself flagging down a pedestrian, asking, “I’m lost. Which way do I go?”

See, you can meander all you want. But in the end, you have to find The Way. And there’s only one. Don’t worry, though.

You’ll know him when you see him.

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PRAYER – FOR EVERYDAY AND EVERYBODY

Blessing of Peace

Dear Lord,  
 You have said, “Do not let your hearts be troubled.”  
 Bless me with Your peace.  
 Fill my heart with trust in You, and hope in Your promises.  
 Be my rock in times of distress, my light in times of darkness, and my rest in the storm.  
 Amen.



GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

May 3, 2026  
 5th Sunday of Easter  
 John 14:1-12

We generally approach life with the question, “What can this do for me?” We try a new workout, a low-carb diet, intermittent fasting, or a new career path, hoping it will make us healthier, stronger, happier. The assumption is that if I invest in this, I’ll eventually reap some benefit, or I won’t do it.

It is easy to think of faith the same way: if I really practice my faith, what will it do for me? Will it make me calmer, more moral, more successful?

But in today’s Gospel, Jesus says something astonishing. He doesn’t present himself as a teacher who shows us the way to life. He says, “**I am the Way, the Truth, and the Life.**” (John 14:6) He is not merely a guide toward some higher benefit. He *is* the benefit itself. To know him is to know Life.

Thomas Aquinas explains that every desire in the human heart — love, joy, meaning, all of our restless cravings — is really an indirect cry for life. Even despair testifies to this longing: people despair precisely because they feel they are not, and might never be, fully alive.

The good news is that Jesus is not simply the means to a better life; He is Life itself. To believe in him is to share in God’s own eternal vitality. Not simply later but even now. Faith is not a transaction that produces results — it is a union that fills us with joy. To be in communion with Christ is to be truly, fully alive.

— *Father John Muir*

**Detroit Catholic**

Because we no longer have the Michigan Catholic, the archdiocese has an on-line web news resource. It is called the “**Detroit Catholic**” please go to Detroit Catholic online and subscribe free of charge! The archbishop prints his thoughts, and records homilies so that they can be shared with all of the people in the archdiocese! Go to <https://www.detroitcatholic.com>



**BULLETIN UPDATE**

With the cost of postage on the rise, if you have returned to Mass and no longer need the Church bulletin mailed to you, please call the parish office and let us know! We would appreciate it.

You can find our bulletin online each week at [strene.org](http://strene.org) our parish website.



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



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 Ministers, Altar Servers (**both Youth and Adults for the Saturday at 4:00 p.m., Sunday at 10:30 a.m. & 5:30 p.m. Mass**).

We are also looking for Lectors, Sacristans for our weekday Masses. Volunteers to join the watering committee (watering the outdoor plants). Volunteers to help vacuum the Church on Friday’s after Mass. 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!

**Weekend Liturgy Schedule for May 9 & 10**

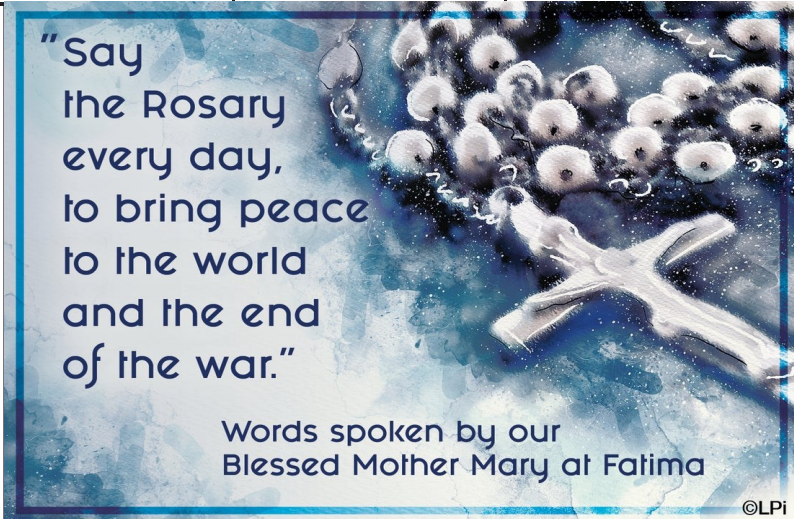
	<b>Saturday 4:00PM</b>	<b>Sunday 8:30 AM</b>	<b>Sunday 10:30 AM</b>	<b>Sunday 5:30 PM</b>
<b>Presider</b>	Fr. Steve	Fr. Joy	Fr. Steve	Fr. Enno
<b>Lector</b>	Lorraine Doyle	Rob Wilson	Corina Sison	Ricky Yulo
<b>Altar Servers</b>	Phat Le Phong Le	Rom Beltran	Open	Open
<b>Eucharistic Ministers</b>	G. Labinski L. Nosek	Open Open	G. Yeck P. Yeck	Open Open
<b>Ushers</b>	Tom Pluta Dave Hintz Todd Messineo Karen Messineo Jim Moravek Omar Oszust Gary Novelli Don Sundstrom	Tom Dutkiewicz Luis Nieto Mike Kazyak Ed Stivers Sharon Olszewski Frank Iannotti Rom Beltran Vicki Beltran	Terry Shaughnessy Tom Fooy Ralph Fackler Wilmar Suan Joe Meli Chris Norris Elmor Monteiro	Paul Hornung Mike Galuszka Ofelia Fermil Fred Rossi
<b>Sacristan</b>	G. Labinski	R. Beltran	G. Yeck	Open

<b>Altar Care Team: Friday, May 8th Team 1</b>  <b>Bibiane Gagnon Gloria Cruz Suong Le</b>	<b>Weekday Liturgy Schedule for May</b>			
	<b>Week</b>	Tuesday, May 5, 2026	Thursday, May 7, 2026	Friday, May 8, 2026
<b>Church Vacuuming : Friday, May 8th Jim Moravek</b>	<b>Celebrant</b>	Fr. Steve	Fr. Joy	Fr. Steve
	<b>Lector</b>	B. Wyrwicz	L. Youkhana	D. Monterosso
<b>Altar Linen: May Khristine Cochiosue</b>	<b>Sacristan</b>	R. Beltran	J. Carlisle	J. Carlisle
	<b>Eucharistic Minister</b>	L. Youkhana	M. Peterson	L. Youkhana

Due to licensing through the USCCB, we are no longer able to print the readings each week.

If you wish to access the readings, you may do so at the following web-site.

<https://bible.usccb.org/readings/calendar>



Our St. Rene St. Vincent de Paul conference is a small group, always looking for new members. The meetings are open to interested visitors on the 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of every month at 7PM at the parish. Please join us. We believe in the intrinsic value of every person – to serve and be served. Please join us in fostering the common bond of humanity to bring wholeness and healing for all. Contact George Downey at (586) 904-5171 for information on how to attend the meeting or for more information. Our conference helps with utility bills, clothing, household items, food and in certain cases evictions. If you know if 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.



### Wake Up Casserole



- 8 frozen hashbrown patties
- 8 oz. pkg. shredded sharp Cheddar cheese
- 2 c. ham, cooked and cubed
- 7 eggs
- 1 c. milk
- 1/2 tsp. salt
- 1/2 tsp. pepper
- 1/2 tsp. ground mustard

Place hashbrown patties in a single layer in a greased 13x9x2 inch baking dish. Sprinkle with cheese and ham. In a bowl, beat eggs, milk, salt, pepper and mustard. Pour over ham and cheese. Cover and bake at 350 F for 1 hour. Uncover, bake 15 minutes longer or until edges are golden brown and a knife inserted near the center comes out clean. Makes 8 servings.



**PLEASE  
REMEMBER  
ST. RENE  
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### WHERE TO FIND THE BULLETIN

You can find St. Rene’s bulletin on our website at [strene.org](http://strene.org)

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.



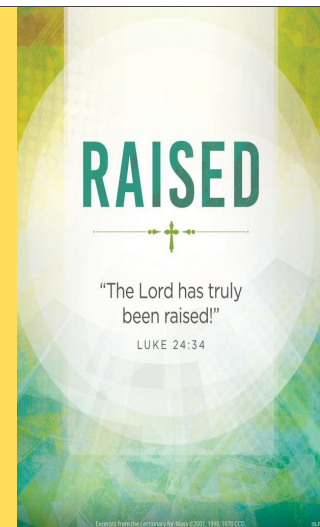
**Our Sunday Offering  
April 25 & 26  
Thank you for your  
generous response.  
God Bless you!**

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.



**SCAN CODE TO DONATE  
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Strengthening the Church for the Next Generation  
<https://www.restructuring.aod.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.



**THE 12 PILGRIMAGE SITES IN THE ARCHDIOCESE OF DETROIT:**

- Basilica of Ste. Anne, Detroit
- Blessed Solanus Casey Center, Detroit
- Cathedral of the Most Blessed Sacrament, Detroit
- Holy Sepulchre Cemetery, Southfield
- National Shrine of the Little Flower Basilica, Royal Oak
- Our Lady of Fatima Shrine, Riverview
- Our Lady of Hope Cemetery, Brownstown Township
- Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary Chapel (Madonna University)
- Shrine of Jesus the Divine Mercy, Clinton Township
- Shrine of St. John Paul II, Orchard Lake
- St. Joseph Shrine, Detroit
- Shrine of the Immaculate Heart of Mary, Pontiac



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

<p>MSgt. Jason Bialy, Air Force                  Josey Blades (Air Force)                  Captain Curtis Bradley (Army)                  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</p>	<p>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</p>	<p>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)</p>
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**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 @ 7:00 a.m., Thursday @ 8:00 a.m. and**  
**Friday @ 9:00 a.m., 12:00 p.m. , 1:00 p.m. & 4:00 p.m.**  
**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  
  
Director of Music

### ORGANIZATIONS & SERVICES

**Legion of Mary**  
*Mary Peterson (586) 979-1469*  
**Divine Mercy**

**Ushers**  
*Karen Messineo (248) 808-8502*  
**Perpetual Adoration**  
*Mary Peterson (586) 979-1469*  
**Catholic Social Services  
of Macomb**  
*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 or go to our web site at [strene.org](http://strene.org).**

## 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.



## Prayer for Archdiocesan Restructuring

Come, Holy Spirit.

Make your presence known  
as we restructure the parishes and ministries  
of our archdiocese.

Be our light on the path we walk together.  
Help us hear your voice  
in the quiet of our own hearts,  
in the wisdom of others,  
and in the world around us.

We know you are with us  
in every step of the process.  
Give us clarity, understanding, and direction.  
In all things, help us share the light of your love. Amen.

Ste. Anne, pray for us.  
Blessed Solanus Casey, pray for us.  
Mary, Mother of the Church, pray for us.