

St. Rene Goupil Catholic Community  
March 2, 2025

• 8TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME •

**EVERY DISCIPLE  
WILL BE LIKE  
HIS TEACHER.**

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## Notes from Fr. Steve

This week we will begin our journey of faith. Lent is a sacred season of reflection, repentance, and renewal. As we journey through these 40 days leading to Easter, we are invited not only to deepen our relationship with Christ but also to share His love with others. This makes Lent a powerful opportunity for both personal spiritual renewal and evangelization.

Lent calls us to examine our hearts and realign our lives with God's will. Through prayer, fasting, and almsgiving, we open our ourselves to His grace, allowing to transform us. This season encourages us to:

- **Deepen Our Prayer Life** - By dedicating more time to personal and communal prayer, we draw closer to God and seek His guidance in our lives.
- **Fast with Purpose** - Sacrificing worldly comforts helps us refocus on spiritual matters and reminds us of our dependence on God.
- **Give Generously** - Acts of Charity, whether through financial support or personal service, allows us to embody Christ's love and compassion.

Lent is not only about personal growth but also about sharing the Good News with others. When we live out our faith authentically, we become a beacon of hope and encouragement. Here are some ways to evangelize during lent.

- **Invite others to Worship** - Encourage family, friends, or colleagues to attend Mass, Stations of the Cross, or Lenten devotions with you.
- **Share your Testimony** – Speak openly about how your faith has impacted your life and how Lent helps you grow spiritually.
- **Live Out Your Faith** - Through acts of kindness, forgiveness, and humility, we can inspire others to seek a deeper relationship with Christ.

Lent is a journey of transformation, not only for ourselves but for those around us. As we grow in faith, let us be intentional in leading others to Christ. May this Lenten season renew our hearts and embolden us to be true disciples, sharing God's love with the world.

Please remember the parish in your prayers, especially the sick and the suffering, your prayers bring them healing, comfort and peace! God Bless you!

Fr. Steve



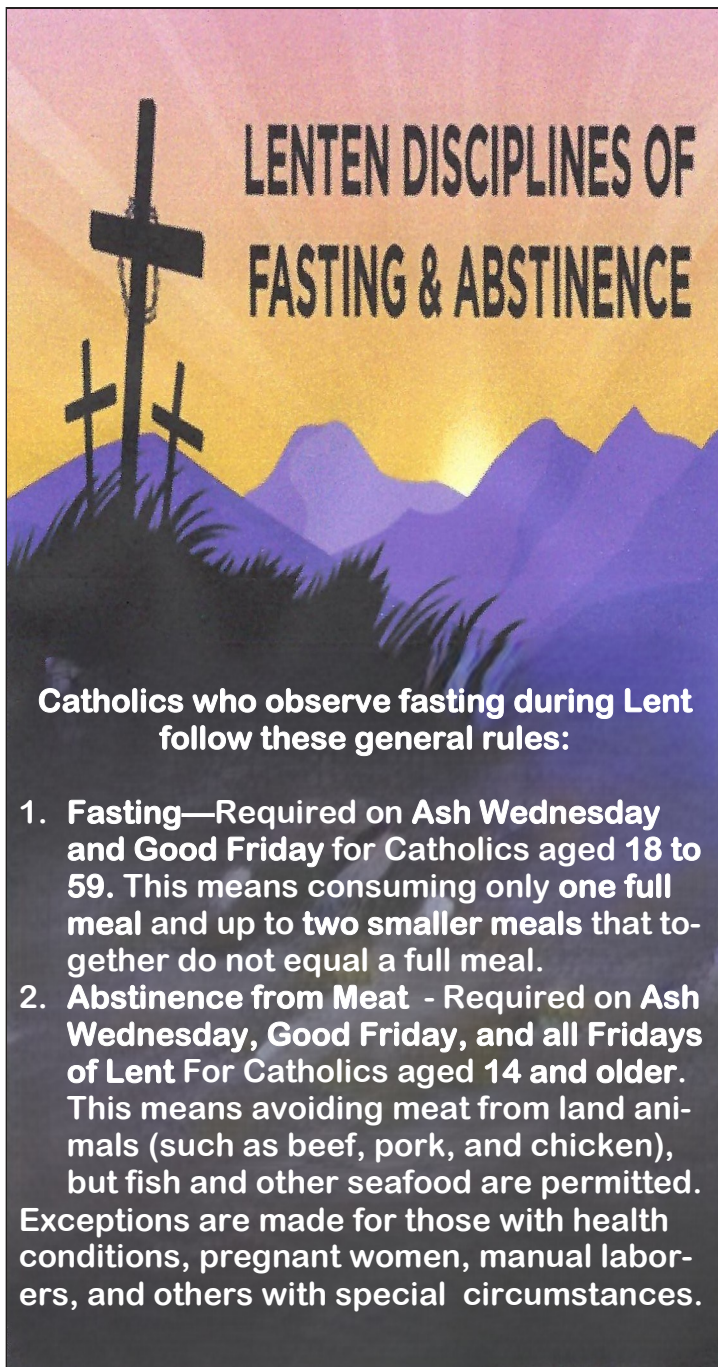
A basket  
will be available in the  
gathering area for  
the collection of  
Dried Palms  
to be burned for use on  
Ash Wednesday.

**ASH  
WEDNESDAY  
SCHEDULE**

**Wednesday, March 5, 2025**

**Masses will be at  
9:30 a.m.  
&  
7:00 p.m.**





**LENTEN DISCIPLINES OF  
FASTING & ABSTINENCE**

**Catholics who observe fasting during Lent  
follow these general rules:**

- 1. Fasting**—Required on **Ash Wednesday** and **Good Friday** for Catholics aged **18 to 59**. This means consuming only **one full meal** and up to **two smaller meals** that together do not equal a full meal.
- 2. Abstinence from Meat** - Required on **Ash Wednesday, Good Friday, and all Fridays of Lent** For Catholics aged **14 and older**. This means avoiding meat from land animals (such as beef, pork, and chicken), but fish and other seafood are permitted. Exceptions are made for those with health conditions, pregnant women, manual laborers, and others with special circumstances.



**JOIN US  
FOR STATIONS  
OF THE CROSS  
AT OUR PARISH**

**Friday's  
during Lent  
after the  
9:30 a.m.  
Mass  
and at  
7:00 p.m.**

### LENTEN TOWEL DRIVE



It is that time of year again...time for our annual Lenten Towel Project. We will be collecting brand-new bath towels and washcloths during the Lenten season; from Ash Wednesday until Good Friday. These may be placed in the wooden bin near the library. These shelters are so appreciative of the help we provide every year.

The towels and wash-clothes will once again be distributed to the Salvation Army's MATTS (Macomb's Answer To Temporary Shelter) and Turning Point (a shelter for abused women and children).

Lent is a wonderful time of prayer and sacrifice. Please pray to see if it is in your heart to give a little to help these people who need so much.

May God bless you this Lent.



**Ash  
WEDNESDAY**

REMEMBER THAT YOU ARE DUST, AND  
UNTO DUST YOU SHALL RETURN.



**Spring  
FORWARD**

**Daylight Savings  
Time Begins  
On Sunday, March 9, 2025**

## Readings for The Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

### Reading I *Sirach 27:4-7*

When a sieve is shaken, the husks appear; so do one's faults when one speaks. As the test of what the potter molds is in the furnace, so in tribulation is the test of the just. The fruit of a tree shows the care it has had; so too does one's speech disclose the bent of one's mind. Praise no one before he speaks, for it is then that people are tested.

### Reading II *1 Corinthians 15:54-58*

Brothers and sisters: When this which is corruptible clothes itself with incorruptibility and this which is mortal clothes itself with immortality, then the word that is written shall come about: *Death is swallowed up in victory. Where, O death, is your victory? Where, O death, is your sting?* The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law. But thanks be to God who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. Therefore, my beloved brothers and sisters, be firm, steadfast, always fully devoted to the work of the Lord, knowing that in the Lord your labor is not in vain.

### Gospel *Luke 6:39-45*

Jesus told his disciples a parable, "Can a blind person guide a blind person? Will not both fall into a pit? No disciple is superior to the teacher; but when fully trained, every disciple will belike his teacher. Why do you notice the splinter in your brother's eye, but not to perceive the wooden beam in your own? How can you say to your brother, 'Brother, let me remove that splinter in your eye,' when you do not even notice the wooden beam in your own eye? You hypocrite! Remove the wooden beam from your eye first; then you will see clearly to remove the splinter in your brother's eye. "A good tree does not bear rotten fruit, nor does a rotten tree bear good fruit. For every tree is known by its own fruit. For people do not pick figs from thornbushes, nor do they gather grapes from brambles. A good person out of the store of goodness in his heart produces good, but an evil, person out of a store of evil produces evil; for from the fullness of the heart the mouth speaks."

## Readings for the Week

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**Sunday, March 2, 2025:** Sir 27:4-7/Ps 92:2-3, 13-14, 15-16 (see 2a)/1 Cor 15:54-58/Lk 6:39-45

**Monday, March 3, 2025:** Sir 17:20-24/Ps 32:1-2, 5, 6, 7/Mk 10:17-27

**Tuesday, March 4, 2025:** Sir 35:1-12/Ps 50:5-6, 7-8, 14 and 23/Mk 10:28-31

**Wednesday, March 5, 2025:** Jl 2:12-18/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 12-13, 14 and 17/2 Cor 5:20—6:2/Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

**Thursday, March 6, 2025:** Dt 30:15-20/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/Lk 9:22-25

**Friday, March 7, 2025:** Is 58:1-9a/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 18-19/Mt 9:14-15

**Saturday, March 8, 2025:** Is 58:9b-14/Ps 86:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/Lk 5:27-32

**Sunday, March 9, 2025:** Dt 26:4-10/Ps 91:1-2, 10-11, 12-13, 14-15 (see 5b)/Rom 10:8-13/Lk 4:1-13



## GOSPEL MEDITATION

8<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time

Luke 6:39-45

One of the things that older pastors and younger priests occasionally quarrel about is the proper balance between work and prayer. I know one pastor who complains that his younger associate ignores the people and the parish because he wants to spend more time in prayer. And the young priest complains that the pastor gives him too much work to do and no time to pray. The Lord's words this Sunday speak into this tension with an image that can help us find a proper balance between life and prayer.

Jesus says, **"For every tree is known by its fruit. For people do not pick figs from thorn bushes, nor do they gather grapes from brambles"** (Luke 6:44). When we are deeply rooted and cultivating our relationship with Jesus, we are going to bear the fruit of that love in our lives. No fruit, no good prayer. How do we know that we are praying well? We are experiencing concrete fruits of love for others in our lives.

Someone who prays well will, sooner or later, burst forth the "figs" and "grapes" of acts of love. But without concrete commitment to deeds of selfless service to others, our prayer time is as useless as thorn bushes and brambles. Let's recommit ourselves to be men and women of prayer *and* service. And hopefully the pastors will help their associates to pray *and* serve fruitfully...with minimal quarreling.

— Father John Muir

### *A Prayer for Lenten Grace*

Loving God,

During the sacred season of Lent, bring me closer to you. Prepare a place in my home and heart for silence and solitude, so that I may re-discover the grace of a prayer-full life.

Enlarge my heart so that I give to those in need and, in so doing, re-discover the grace of gratitude and generosity.

Help me to fast from those things that threaten the well-being of body and soul, remind me of the grace and simplicity.

May this season be grace-filled time to rekindle my love for and faith in you.

*Amen.*



### Ash Wednesday

Good stewards realize they really don't own anything. It all belongs to God. It is not so much that God owns them, but they are not ours because we are called to offer them to him.

The reality is that you and I were born naked and with nothing. We will die naked and with nothing. If we really could possess something material, there would be a way to take it with us. But alas, it all slips through our grasp and passes away. And even though all of us came from dust and to dust we will return, through Jesus Christ we will live forever in a perfect state. The only thing we can take with us? Our hearts and whether or not we loved.

### Ash Wednesday Ashes

#### Question:

Why do we place ashes on our forehead each Ash Wednesday?

#### Answer:

Ashes are rich in spiritual symbolism. We recall in the second chapter of Genesis, when the human person is fashioned "*out of the dust of the ground*" and receives the breath of life (Genesis 2:7). In death, a person returns to the ground from which we came. The ancient Hebrews used ashes as a sign of repentance, reminding themselves that God is God and we are not.

As the minister places ashes on our forehead, we hear either "*remember that you are dust and unto dust you shall return*" or "*turn away from sin and be faithful to the Gospel.*" When we receive ashes, we remember our own mortality. We're reminded that we have limited time on this earth and we ought to make the best use of it that we can! People are in need of love, care, and compassion. We all need to continually rediscover the love of God. The Gospel invites every person in every stage of life to encounter and imitate Jesus here and now. The forty days of Lent are the perfect time to assess our own awareness of these realities.

## Create a Lenten Prayer Station at Home



How do you create the space to journey through Lent in a meaningful way as a family?

### Create a Lenten Prayer Station!

Here are some ideas for what you can place at your station:



Candle: Always a symbol of God's presence with us.



Purple Cloth: The color purple during lent symbolizes a time of waiting.



Empty Bowl: Write down something you want to fast from and place the paper in the bowl.



Cross: Take time to look at the cross together and talk about the Crucifixion and the Resurrection.



Scripture: The Good Shepherd of Psalm 23 is a wonderful image to meditate on with young children.



## Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Today's Scripture passages focus on "good fruit." In the reading from the Book of Sirach, the prophet states, *The fruit of a tree shows the care it has had...* The evangelist St. Paul, in his First Letter to the Corinthians, encourages them: *...be firm, steadfast, always fully devoted to the work of the Lord knowing that in the Lord your labor is not in vain.* Jesus, in St. Luke's Gospel, proclaims: *A good tree does not bear rotten fruit...for every tree is known by its own fruit.* How do we prepare, as disciples in Christ, to bear good fruit for the Kingdom? As good stewards, are we making quiet time for daily prayer and Scripture study that draws us to a closer friendship in Jesus? Are we attending Mass every weekend in order to receive the true Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity of Christ in the Eucharist? As a result, in a spirit of evangelization, do we share our love, peace, and joy in Christ with those we encounter to help produce "good fruit" in them? To identify what gifts God has given you, access the St. Austin Spiritual Gifts Inventory online, at <https://staustin.org/spiritual-gifts-inventory>, and do a quick survey to discover your talents and gifts.



If you have borrowed a Pyx from the Church office and are no longer in need of using it; could you please return it to the office.  
Thank You!

## Everyday Stewardship

### 8th Sunday in Ordinary Time

I was traveling recently and watched as a wife led her blind husband onto the plane by her arm. She lovingly helped him into his seat and made sure he was comfortable. She placed their bags above in the bin and then sat next to him. They were ready for the flight. As I sat in my seat just a few rows away, I wondered what he would do if she ever left his side.

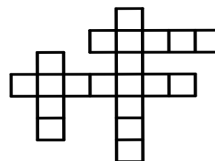
Sometimes those we love in our life can be blind, and we need to be their eyes. They aren't physically blind, but they are unable to see the truth about their life, situation, or needs. We need to lend them our sight and insight, or they will remain in their world of darkness.

Jesus asked his disciples, "Can a blind person guide a blind person?" If we aren't actively working to be sure that we can see clearly, what will we be able to offer someone we care about when they come to us with their blindness? Can you lead someone to Christ if you aren't living a life with him yourself? Can you share with another truth if you aren't concerned with knowing the truth yourself?

Life is not always easy. Without faith, hope, and love, the road can be too hard to travel. We are not created to be alone. Instead, we are created to be traveling companions. However, the blind cannot lead the blind. May the Light of Christ dispel your darkness and give you sight so that when the call comes, you might lend an arm to lead the blind.

—Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

## New! Check out the ONLINE PUZZLE PAGE



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# Experience **LENT** like never before!

**SOUP & LIGHT REFRESHMENTS**

**5:45 PM**

**TEEN LED BIBLE STUDY (for all ages)**

**6:00 PM**

**TEEN LED STATIONS OF THE CROSS (for all ages)**

**7:00 PM**



**THREE FRIDAYS OF LENT**  
**March 14th, April 4th & April 11th**  
**@ St. Rene Goupil Parish**



*"For you have been born again, through the living and enduring Word of God."*

**1 Peter 1:23**

**+ Bible study based on 3 tenants of Lent:  
prayer, fasting, almsgiving**

**+ Stations Of The Cross featuring a  
personal encounter with Christ**

**+ Attend all 3 evenings and receive a gift prize upon completion**



**+ Register online at [JWJCatholicAcademy](http://JWJCatholicAcademy) to receive a free journal**

# MASS+ INTENTIONS

**Tuesday, March 4, 2025**

**9:30 a.m.**

+George Jolet

+Gail Ebert

+Jeffrey Cabrera (1st R.A.)

**Wednesday, March 5, 2025**

**9:30 a.m.**

+William O'Neill

**7:00 p.m.**

+Chris Vertrees

+Mary Hackett

**Thursday, March 6, 2025**

**9:30 a.m.**

+Jeffrey Cabrera

**Friday, March 7, 2025**

**9:30 a.m.**

+Maybelle Koehler (Birthday)

**Saturday, March 8, 2025**

**4:00 p.m.**

+Rosemarie Calmi

+Maybelle Koehler

+Franklin Langenstein

+Walter Broski (96th Birthday)

+Larry Doyle (4th R.A.)

+Steven Herbert

**Sunday, March 9, 2025**

**8:30 a.m.**

+Joseph Schultz

+Felecia Rice (Healing)

**10:30 a.m.**

+Jean Defauw

+Josephine Martineau

+Celi Esmana

+David Willick

**5:30 p.m.**

Living & Deceased Parishioners of St. Rene



## EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP

### Planted in the House of the Lord

Grocery delivery apps are all the rage these days, and I can't deny the convenience of tapping your finger a few times and seeing your week's shopping dropped on the doorstep. But there is one aspect of this trend that seems to make a lot of shoppers nervous — fruits and vegetables.

A lot of us have strong opinions on our fresh produce and aren't ready to delegate this highly subjective selection process to a total stranger. My father was a produce manager and I remember as a child learning about the complexities of choosing correctly. Getting a bad bag of under ripe tomatoes after shopping on an app could easily sour one on the whole idea.

Forrest Gump said life is like a box of chocolates. I say, we're all like grab-bags of produce dumped on someone's doorstep — but if we're Christians who live our faith publicly, we're stamped with the name of God. If your thumb is green enough, you know that you can tell a lot about a gardener from the produce he grows. We who are planted in the house of the Lord — what do we reveal about our Gardener?

What do our actions show of His teachings? What do our words reflect of His voice? What does our strength reveal of the soil from which we sprang and the life-giving waters that nourished us?

When we open ourselves up to those we encounter, let's make a special effort to show the care we have had — lest our peers come away from the experience thinking God doesn't know how to garden, when in reality, it's us who don't always know how to grow.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS



Mr. Adam Horle & Miss Kaitlyn Geer



## ASH WEDNESDAY



## (PRACTICING) CATHOLIC – THE LOG IN YOUR EYE

By Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

**Mini Reflection:** If we see a splinter in another person's eye, or a problem in the world that needs to be fixed, what Jesus is saying is not that we should ignore it and move on. He's merely saying that, when we see these things, we must take them first as a challenge to examine ourselves.

**The Log in Your Eye**

Today's Gospel is a big favorite of non-Christians — or Christians who don't like being told what to do.

That trusty ol' *remove the wooden beam from your own eye* line is a classic. *Mind your business, Christians! You're not perfect either.*

And that's entirely true. None of us are perfect. We've all got logs in our eyes. We can't approach life acting like we have the answers simply because we follow Jesus.

Jesus has the answers, and we have Jesus.

The real problem with having someone remove a splinter from my eye, if he himself has a log in his eye, is not that he has no business removing the splinter from my eye. It's that he can't see clearly to do it. His own eyesight is occluded.

If we see a splinter in another person's eye, or a problem in the world that needs to be fixed, or a scandal in the community that should be addressed, what Jesus is saying is not that we should ignore it and move on. He's merely saying that, when we see these things, we must take them first as a challenge to examine ourselves. To address the problem as it exists within our own souls, so that we ensure we are seeing clearly. Then, if we reach out to pluck the splinter, we will do so with clear eyesight.

He wants us to worry as much about our own souls as we do about other people's.

We tend to look at the world and feel anxious — so much evil! So much hate! So much sin! We pray, *God, when will you change it?*

And He whispers back: *I will change it here. Now. In your own heart. You just have to ask.*



## IMPORTANT

### 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)

### Weekend Liturgy Schedule for March 8 & 9

	<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>	Lorraine Doyle	Wendi Lillie	Thess Monteiro	Ricky Yulo
<b>Altar Servers</b>	Phat Le Phong Le	Karin Nieto	Paul Havern	
<b>Eucharistic Ministers</b>	K. Moravek L. Nosek	Open Open	T. Monteiro E. Monteiro	Open Open
<b>Ushers</b>	<u>Tom Pluta</u> Dave Hintz Todd Messineo Karen Messineo Nick Rieser Jim Moravek Omar Oszust Gary Novelli Don Sundstrom	<u>Tom Dutkiewicz</u> Luis Nieto Al Gyenes Mike Kazyak Ed Stivers Sharon Olszewski Frank Iannotti	<u>Terry Shaughnessy</u> Tom Fooy Ralph Fackler Wilmar Suan Joe Meli Chrisie Fish Chris Norris Elmor Monteiro	<u>Paul Hornung</u> Mike Galuszka Ofelia Fermil Fred Rossi
<b>Sacristan</b>	K. Moravek	K. Nieto	T. Monteiro	Open

### Weekday Liturgy Schedule for January

<b>Week</b>	Tuesday, March 4, 2025	Thursday, March 6, 2025	Friday, March 7, 2025
<b>Presider</b>	Fr. Steve	Fr. Joy	Fr. Steve
<b>Lector</b>	B. Wyrwicz	L. Youkhana	L. Hance
<b>Sacristan</b>	K. Nieto	K. Nieto	K. Nieto
<b>Eucharistic Minister</b>	L. Youkhana	M. Peterson	L. Youkhana

### Ash Wednesday Liturgy Schedule

<b>Presider</b>	Wednesday, March 5, 2025 9:30 a.m. Mass	Wednesday, March 5, 2025 7:00 p.m. Mass	
<b>Lector</b>	Annette Tash	Rob Wilson	
<b>Sacristan</b>	B. Wyrwicz	K. Nieto	
<b>Eucharistic Minister</b>	M. Peterson	L. Youkhana	

<b>Altar Linen:</b>  March:  Aiby Sales	<b>Church Vacuuming :</b>  Friday, March 7th  Volunteer Needed	<b>Altar Care Team:</b>  Friday, March 7th Team 3	Tersita Bugante Helen DeVera Ofelia Cunanan Divina Divina Marietta Martinez
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## 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.



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

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  
TO ST. RENE GOUPIL

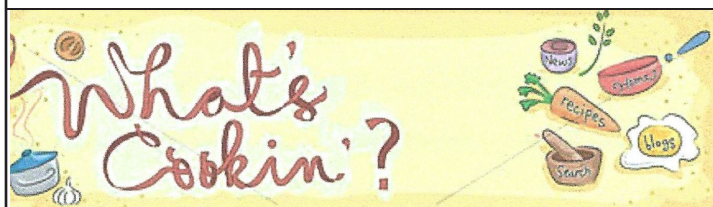


**Our Sunday Offering  
February 22 & 23  
Thank you for your  
generous response.**

**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.

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.



## Tuna Casserole

- 1 lb. macaroni noodles-cooked
- 1 can crem of mushroom soup-undiluted
- 1 large can tuna-drained
- 4-5 slices of cheese-torn or cut into small pieces
- 10 oz. pkg. frozen peas
- Potato chips-crushed (stale chips work well!!)

Combine noodles, undiluted soup, tuna and cheese. Mix well. Blend frozen peas. Place mixture in casserole dish and place chips over mixture. Put in oven uncovered at 350 F and bake for 45 minutes to 1 hour.

## An Ash Wednesday Prayer

"Ashes to ashes. Dust to dust."  
You remind us today, oh Lord, of our origin and end.  
In the beginning, You fashioned us in the Garden.  
You dignified dust with the Breath of Life.  
You made us in Your image and likeness.  
You led Your people through the dust of the Sinai wilderness to the Promised Land.  
You overcame temptation in the dry desert.  
You healed the blind with dirt and clay.  
Three times Your body stirred the dust as you fell on the road to Calvary.  
Hear the cry of Your people!  
One day we will return to dust.  
This Lenten season, stir our minds to contemplate You, our hearts to love You, and our bodies to serve You in our brothers and sisters.  
May our prayer, fasting, and almsgiving be Your breath alive in us.  
Amen.



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.

## Prayer for Family Unity

O holy St. Anthony, I fervently ask for your heavenly intercession on behalf of my family. Fill our hearts with mutual love, compassion, and understanding. Help us to be forgiving of each other's mistakes and failures, so that our family may reflect God's presence in our homes and in our lives. Grant us family harmony, unity and peace. Amen

### 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**  
**Wednesday 2pm & Friday 9am**  
**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*  
**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.

## 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

