



St. Rene Goupil Catholic Community
February 23, 2025

7TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“Give, and gifts will be given to you.”
- Lk 6:38

Notes from Fr. Steve

Experience the Spiritual Grace of St. Therese of the Little Flower!

St. Therese of Lisieux, affectionately known as the Little Flower, is one of the most beloved saints in Catholic tradition. Born in 1873 in Alencon, France, she entered the Carmelite convent at the young age of 15, dedicating her life to prayer, humility, and love. Though she lived only 24 years, her “Little Way” of trusting in God’s mercy and offering small daily sacrifices has inspired millions worldwide.

Declared a Doctor of the Church in 1997 by Pope St. John Paul II, St. Therese’s spirituality teaches us that holiness is accessible to all through simple acts of love and devotion. She believed that even the smallest gestures, when done with great love, bring us closer to Christ. Her powerful intercession has led to countless miracles, and her autobiography, *The Story of a Soul*, continues to touch hearts across generations.

A Special Invitation for Pilgrimage and Spiritual Prayer Indulgence

Pope Francis has designated this year to be a year of Jubilee Year. In honor of St. Therese, we invite you to visit the **National Shrine of the Little Flower Basilica** on Woodward Avenue in Royal Oak, Michigan. This sacred site stands as a beacon of faith, drawing countless pilgrims seeking peace, prayer, and a deeper connection with God during this year of Jubilee.

Through the generations grace of Archbishop Allen Vigneron, a **spiritual indulgence** has been granted to all the faithful who visit the Shrine, and other designated parishes throughout the archdiocese. This is a unique opportunity to receive abundant spiritual blessings and grow in holiness through the intercession of St. Therese.

Come and experience the serenity and divine at the National Shrine of the Little Flower. May the Little Flower’s example of trust and love inspire you to walk your own “Little Way” toward God.

“My mission—to make God loved—will begin after my death. I will spend my heaven doing good on earth.” - St. Therese of Lisieux

I encourage you to visit the National Shrine this year, to experience the grace of the Jubilee year.

Please remember 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



Novena to Saint Theresa “The Little Flower”

O St. Theresa of the Child Jesus, who during your short life on earth became a mirror of angelic purity, of love strong as death, and of wholehearted abandonment to God,

Make my troubles your own, speak on my behalf to Our Lady Immaculate, “who smiled on you at the dawn of life”.

Beg her powerful intercession for the grace I yearn for so ardently at this moment (*here name your request*) and that she join with it a blessing that may strengthen me during life, defend me at the hour of death, and lead me to a happy eternity. Amen.

O God, who did inflame with the Spirit of Love, the soul of your servant Theresa of the Child Jesus, grant that we also may love and make You much loved. Amen.

Readings for The Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Reading I

Samuel 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23

In those days, Saul went down to the desert of Ziph with three thousand picked men of Israel, to search for David in the desert of Ziph. So David and Abishai went among Saul's soldiers by night and found Saul lying asleep within the barricade, with his spear thrust into the ground at his head and Abner and his men sleeping around him. Abishai whispered to David: "God has delivered your enemy into your grasp this day. Let me nail him to the ground with one thrust of the spear; I will not need a second thrust!" But David said to Abishai, "Do not harm him, for who can lay hands on the Lord's anointed and remain unpunished?" So David took the spear and the water jug from their place at Saul's head, and they got away without anyone's seeing or knowing or awakening. All remains asleep, because the LORD had put them into a deep slumber. Going across to an opposite slope, David stood on a remote hilltop at a great distance from Abner, son of Ner, and the troops. He said: "Here is the king's spear. Let an attendant come over to get it. The LORD will reward each man for his justice and faithfulness. Today, though the LORD delivered you into my grasp, I would not harm the LORD'S anointed."

Reading II

1 Corinthians 15:45-49

Brothers and sisters: It is written, *The first man, Adam, became a living being*, the last Adam a life-giving spirit. But the spiritual was not first; rather the natural and then the spiritual. The first man was from the earth, earthly; the second man from heaven. As was the earthly one, so also are the earthly, and as is the heavenly one, so also are the heavenly. Just as we also bear the image of the earthly one, we shall also bear the image of the heavenly one.

Gospel

Luke 6:27-38

Jesus said to his disciples: "To you who hear I say, love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who mistreat you. To the person who strikes you on one cheek, offer the other one as well, and from the person who takes your cloak. Give to everyone who asks of you, and from the one who takes what is yours do not demand it back. Do to others as you would have them do to you. For if you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? Even sinners love those who love them. And if you do good to those who do good to you, what credit is that to you? Even sinners do the same. If you lend money to those from whom you expect repayment, what credit is that to you? Even sinners lend to sinners, and get back the same amount. But rather, love your enemies and do good to them, and lend expecting nothing back; then your reward will be great and you will be children of the Most High, for he himself is kind to the ungrateful and the wicked. Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful. "Stop judging and you will not be judged. Stop condemning and you will not be condemned. Forgive and you will be forgiven. Give, and gifts will be given to you; a good measure, packed together, shaken down, and overflowing. Will be poured into your lap. For the measure with which you measure will in return be measured out to you."

Readings for the Week

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Sunday, February 23, 2025: 1 Sm 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23/1 Cor 15:45-49/Lk 6:27-38

Monday, February 24, 2025: Sir 1:1-10/Ps 93:1ab, 1cd-2, 5/Mk 9:14-29

Tuesday, February 25, 2025: Sir 2:1-11/Ps 37:3-4, 18-19, 27-28, 39-40/Mk 9:30-37

Wednesday, February 26, 2025: Sir 4:11-19/Ps 119:165, 168, 171, 172, 174, 175/Mk 9:38-40

Thursday, February 27, 2025: Sir 5:1-8/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/Mk 9:41-50

Friday, February 28, 2025: Sir 6:5-17/Ps 119:12, 16, 18, 27, 34, 35/Mk 10:1-12

Saturday, March 1, 2025: Sir 17:1-15/Ps 103:13-14, 15-16, 17-18/Mk 10:13-16

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

COLOR

Read the Gospel of the week and color the image.



GOSPEL

Treat others the way you want to be treated. God doesn't want us to treat other people the same way they treat you. Choose to be kind, even when other people are mean. Choose to forgive, even when someone has hurt you.

PRAYER

Dear God, help me to love other people the way you love me.

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PUZZLE

Unscramble these words from today's Gospel:

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| good | give | reward |
| bless | kind | pity |

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MISSION

When someone hurts your feelings this week, instead of getting even, pray for that person.

PUZZLE

Say the name of each picture name. Circle the picture that **begins** with this letter.

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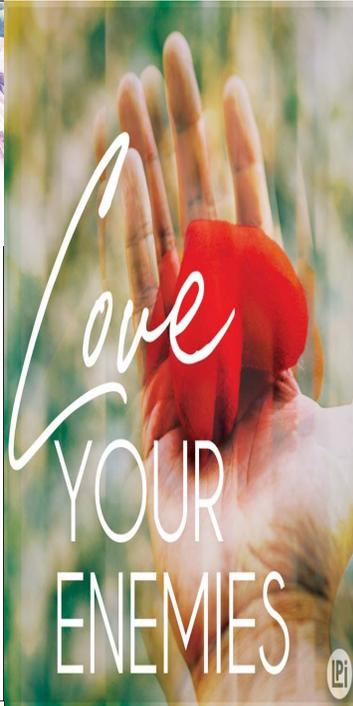
MISSION

When I receive a new toy, I will give one toy to the needy.



Celebration of Marriage

St. Rene Parish
would like to Congratulate
Mr. & Mrs. Brendan Ronne
that were
married on
Saturday, February 22, 2025



Prayer of Christian Life

Dear Jesus,

Help me to pray for and bless everyone I encounter, whether that be easy or hard.

Help me to act in the mercy I have known through you.

Help me to demonstrate generosity, as you have given so much to me.

Amen.

PRAYER FOR MY FAMILY

" BE OUR STRENGTH "

Dear God,
 I come before You today with my family.
 Be our strength and our guide.
 Help us to overcome any bad situation that may come our way.
 You are our safe place God, help us to trust in You.
 Preserve us and deliver us from our sins.
 Thank You for all that You do for us
 Through Jesus Christ we pray.

Amen

GOSPEL MEDITATION

7th Sunday of Ordinary Time
 Luke 6:27-38

One of my favorite new singers/songwriters is Noah Kahan. I'm a little biased because, like me, he is originally from Vermont. In a fine song entitled "Stick Season," he sings of his hope to "cancel out the darkness I inherited from dad." This lyric articulates his painful recognition of a dark spiritual "inheritance" from his father, and his hope to be free of it. We all inherit some degree of evil from our earthly forebears. It's easy to feel doomed to repeat their darknesses.

But we're not so doomed, thank God. This week's Gospel proclaims this. Whatever good or bad we received from our parents, we have a more definitive and perfect inheritance in God. Jesus commands us, "**Be merciful just as your Father is merciful**" (Luke 6:36). We have a perfect Father in heaven and are destined to inherit and reflect *that* perfect and merciful love. We have an inheritance of light, not darkness, and thus a whole new possibility of magnanimous love. Like any inheritance, this is a free gift to us.

What are we destined to repeat? Not the darkness of our earthly parents. We are destined to be a reflection of *God's* life. Jesus liberates us from the inevitability of repeating whatever evils and imperfections are in our familial or cultural upbringings. It's time to claim that perfect inheritance.

— *Father John Muir*

"How is a priest required to freshen his breath before Mass?"



"With a **vestMINT.**"

FUN FACT! When celebrating the Sacrifice of the Mass, priests wear special garments known as vestments. They wear the Amice, the Alb, the Cincture, the Stole, and finally the Chasuble, the colorful outer garment.

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 JWJCatholic.Academy to receive a free journal



Help support our World Youth Jubilee trip!



Join us for an afternoon of fun, fellowship & baseball!

JIMMY JOHN'S
FIELD

Ticket Price
\$38

BEAVERS VS. UNICORNS
SUNDAY, MAY 18, 2025

FIRST PITCH 1:05 PM
GATES OPEN @ NOON



\$10 per ticket will be funded to Metro Detroit United!

Each \$38 Ticket includes:

- Game seating in party patio area
- Group photo on the field
- Welcome message on scoreboard
- Kids run the bases after the game
- Meet JJ the Field General, the bat dog
- Meet & Greet with a team mascot
- Free Parking

-PLUS an All American BBQ Buffet!
Premium Hot Dogs, Slow Roasted BBQ Pulled Chicken, Sliced Smoke Sausage with peppers & onions, Fresh Pasta Salad, Coleslaw, Baked Beans, Potato Chips, and Cookies. Food is served starting when the gates open for 90 minutes. Each guest will receive unlimited soft drinks, lemonade, iced tea, and water.



Meet our Jubilee Pilgrims:

ADULT CHAPERONES
Michael, Jack, Jessica, Annette, Michelle, Andrew, Karen, Jennifer, Kevin
TEEN/YOUNG ADULT PILGRIMS
Carlie, Parker, Anna, Sean, Sienna, Kiera, Emma, Owen, Dennis, Abbi, Val, Charlee
Jessica, Farrah

Ticket purchases support all 4 parishes:
St. Lawrence
St. Rene Goupil
St. Jane Frances
Star of the Sea

To purchase tickets visit: jwjcatholic.academy/jubilee

JWJ CATHOLIC ACADEMY

St. Jane Frances Sterling Hts, MI St. Rene Goupil
JWJCATHOLIC.ACADEMY / JWJCATHOLIC@GMAIL.COM

JUBILEE WEEKEND
Join us for **PILGRIMS OF HOPE** any or all events!

FRIDAY, MARCH 21, 2025: FISH FRY, 4:00-7:00 P.M. @ ST. JANE FRANCES de CHANTAL
World Youth Jubilee pilgrims will work at the fish fry
@ St. Jane Frances de Chantal, Sterling Heights, MI
World Youth Jubilee is in Rome: July 27- August 3, 2025



SATURDAY, MARCH 22, 2025: TIMOTHY AWARDS, 1:00 PM @ OUR LADY OF CZESTOCHOWA
2025 recipients: Abbi Friedrich, Danielle Griffor, Phuong Le, Lilian Nguyen
Past recipients: Elizabeth Galadik, Jaise Bergmoser, Valentina Mansour, Dennis Surhigh, Isabelle Gonzales, Sienna Roberts, Kimberly Storen, Aaron Amano, Madison Santiago



SATURDAY, MARCH 22, 2025: 4:00 PM Mass @ ST. RENE GOUPLI

World Youth Jubilee Pilgrims will be introduced and take donations after mass

SATURDAY, MARCH 22, 2025: HOLY BROTHS! Fundraiser 5:00-7:00 PM @ ST. RENE GOUPLI

Jubilee Pilgrims will host a Soup and Salad Saturday Spectacular

- Soup, Salad, and stix meal (\$10/person, \$20/family)
- Soup sampling and "Best of Soup" competition
- A variety of gift baskets for raffle (additional cost)
- 50/50 raffle (additional cost)



SUNDAY, MARCH 23, 2025: 8:30 AM, 10:30 AM, 5:00 PM Masses @ ST. RENE GOUPLI

World Youth Jubilee Pilgrims will be introduced and take donations after all masses



Thank You For Supporting Our World Youth Jubilee pilgrims!!!

ADULT CHAPERONES: Michael, Jack, Jessica, Annette, Michelle, Andrew, Karen, Jennifer, Kevin, Johannes
YOUTH PILGRIMS: Carlie, Parker, Anna, Sean, Sienna, Kiera, Emma, Owen, Dennis, Abbi, Val, Charlee, Jessica, Farrah



A Soup and Salad Fundraiser for World Youth Jubilee 2025

featuring:

- All you can eat soup, salad & stix
- Soup sampling contest w/ Best of Soup prize
- basket raffles of all kinds
- 50/50 drawing

Saturday, March 22nd
5:00 P.M.
St. Rene Goupil

\$10/individual \$20/family
(Basket raffles and 50/50 at additional cost)



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Michael, Jack, Jessica, Annette, Michelle, Andrew, Karen, Jennifer, Kevin
TEEN/YOUNG ADULT PILGRIMS
Carlie, Parker, Anna, Sean, Sienna, Kiera, Emma, Owen, Dennis, Abbi, Val, Charlee, Jessica, Farrah

To enter a soup in the contest visit: JWJCatholic.Academy

MASSt INTENTIONS

Tuesday, February 25, 2025

9:30 a.m.

+Celi Esmana
+Fran Dolinski
+Pat Purdy
+Kelly Cobb
Vincenzo Parrino (Healing)

Thursday, February 27, 2025

9:30 a.m.

+Deacon Joseph Daratony
+Grace Selvamony

Friday, February 28, 2025

9:30 a.m.

+Richard & Nadine Koehler

Saturday, March 1, 2025

4:00 p.m.

+Rosemarie Calmi
Parishioners of St. Rene
+Felix & Rita Gatt
+Maybelle Koehler
+Franklin Langenstein
+James Testa
+Ken Szymanski
+Don & Ruth Szymanski

Sunday, March 2, 2025

8:30 a.m.

+Mary, Matthew & Rosie Chakian

10:30 a.m.

+Christine Laubach
+William O'Neill
Deceased Members of the Knights of Columbus, St.
Nicholas Council & Their Families
+Dolores Szalanski
+Joseph Kuzdral
+Celi Esmana
+David Willick

5:30 p.m.

Living & Deceased Parishioners of St. Rene

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP

7th Sunday in Ordinary Time

I sometimes spend more money than I should. I make decisions based upon my wants and not my needs. Those actions can create a financial difficulty or circumstance where more sacrifice is needed. Instant gratification or selfish impulses can create havoc in one's bank account, marriage, or family. All these issues to deal with simply because I wanted what I wanted and I got it. Yes, it sounds like the actions of a child.

However, I know I am not alone. We all can easily find ourselves acting in this manner. This is why it struck me to listen once again to the words of Jesus when he says, "Do to others as you would have them do to you." The words are reminiscent of another of Jesus' phrases, "Love your neighbor as yourself." The problem is that too often I would like for others to fulfill my wants instead of needs, and I can seemingly love myself by doing what I already mentioned above.

A stewardship way of life means that I wisely steward what I have, and I cannot give what I do not have. Have you ever given someone a present you couldn't afford and think that was love? It wasn't. We don't show love by giving what we do not possess. We show love by meeting another's needs and by sharing our very self with them. At our core, what we long for from others more than anything else is love. Would I have others give me lavish gifts and shower me with empty compliments or would I have them give to me something much more valuable: the love in their hearts? In turn, I need to love myself more by realizing that no purchase will offer fulfillment more than the love of God shown to me in Christ Jesus.

—Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS



FAMILY PRAYER

Dear God, I come before You with my family today.

Be our guide in whatever we do.

Help us to live in unity.

I pray that each one of us will grow in understanding.

Help us to love and accept each other as we are, with all our strengths and our shortcomings.

I pray that no ploy from the wicked to divide us will prosper.

Keep us unified in Jesus name I pray. Amen.

HEALS
Prayer

7TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



.(PRACTICING) CATHOLIC – JUDGEMENT AND LOVE

By Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

Mini Reflection: It saddens me that Christians have somehow gained this reputation as a people who judge, who condemn. Today’s Gospel is an invitation for us to consider how we engage with people who disagree with us — or maybe even actively dislike us.

Judgment and Love

“Oh, well. I’m going to hell anyway, right?”

I have a few family members and friends who are not practicing Catholics who say this to me from time to time. It’s always spoken in a teasing manner, with a wink and a shoulder shrug, usually to explain away some sort of minor misbehavior they feel guilty about.

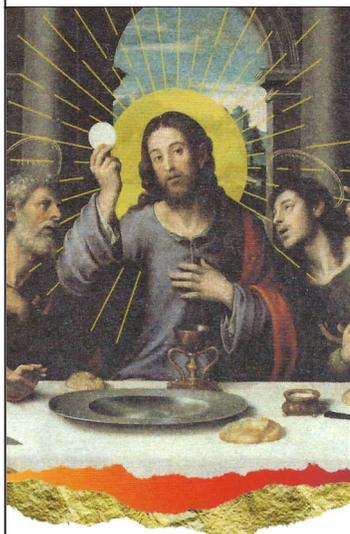
It saddens me that Christians have somehow gained this reputation as a people who judge, who condemn. I think in part it stems from a misunderstanding on the part of unchurched people (and lots of churchd ones, too) regarding what constitutes “judging.” It is absolutely not “judging” someone to disagree with a personal decision, whatever that decision may be, or to decline from participating in that decision. We all have functioning consciences; we are all supposed to discern the moral goodness of any action before we take it.

But it *is* judging someone if we allow their decisions to impact how we treat them.

Today’s Gospel is an invitation for us to consider how we engage with people who disagree with us — or maybe even actively dislike us. Much is said these days of the “culture wars.” I certainly don’t disagree that it can often feel like you’re fighting a war when you’re trying to live as the Church teaches. The forces against you often seem overwhelming and nefarious. And guess what? They are.

But we need to remember who the enemy really is. The enemy is not other children of God, even if they are children of God who are actively promoting ideas that are wrong. Perhaps these people are misguided and mistaken. Perhaps they are misled by the devil. Have we not all been misled by him at some point?

We must interact lovingly with people who think differently and live differently from us. The Christian life absolutely demands it.



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 our parish website.



eucharisticrevival.org

SAVING A SEAT FOR YOU



| Weekend Liturgy Schedule for March 1 & 2 | | | | |
|---|---|--|--|---|
| | Saturday 4:00PM | Sunday 8:30 AM | Sunday 10:30 AM | Sunday 5:30 PM |
| Presider | Fr. Steve | Fr. Joy | Fr. Steve | Fr. Tim |
| Lector | Steve Szeliga | Barbara Wyrwicz | Corina Sison | Paul Hornung |
| Altar Servers | Lance Tolentino | Karin Nieto | Eli Wing-Na | Open |
| Eucharistic Ministers | K. Moravek G. Labinski | Open Open | C. Sison H. DeVera | Open Open |
| Ushers | <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 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 Elmor Monteiro | <u>Paul Hornung</u> Mike Galuszka Ofelia Fermil Fred Rossi |
| Sacristan | K. Moravek | K. Nieto | C. Sison | Open |

| Weekday Liturgy Schedule for February | | | |
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| Week | Tuesday, February 25, 2025 | Thursday, February 27, 2025 | Friday, February 28, 2025 |
| Presider | Fr. Steve | Fr. Joy | Fr. Steve |
| Lector | B. Wyrwicz | L. Youkhana | M. Peterson |
| Sacristan | K. Nieto | K. Nieto | K. Nieto |
| Eucharistic Minister | M. Peterson | M. Peterson | L. Youkhana |

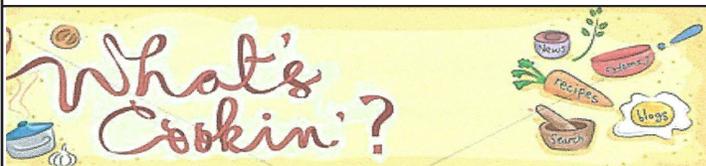
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| <p>Altar Care Team: Friday, February 28th Team 2 Roxann Klee Karin Nieto Antonina Notarantonio</p> |  | <p>If you are looking for a volunteer opportunity at St. Rene look no further. We are looking for volunteers for becoming a Lector, Sacristan, (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</p> |
| <p>Church Vacuuming : Friday, February 28th Volunteer Needed</p> | <p>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.</p> | |
| <p>Altar Linen: February: Theresa Wilson</p> | <p>Thank you in advance for volunteering! God Bless!</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 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 or toll-free at 844-367-6331.

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.



Scotch Shortbread Bars

- 1 cup butter-no substitutes
- 1/2 cup confectioner’s sugar
- 2 cups all purpose flour
- 1/4 tsp. baking powder
- 1/4 tsp. salt
- Additional confectioner’s sugar

In a mixing bowl, cream butter and sugar. Combine flour, baking powder and salt; gradually add to the creamed mixture. Spread into an ungreased 11x7x2 baking pan. Prick several times with a fork. Bake at 350 F for 20-22 minutes, or until edges begin to brown. Dust with confectioner’s sugar. Cool on a wire rack. Cut into bars. (2 dozen cookies)



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 15 & 16 Thank you for your generous response.

God Bless you!

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

Prayer of God’s Blessing

Bless me, Lord, mold my heart in imitation of Yours.

Bless me, Lord, help me to see people as You do, and to hear their needs. Bless me, Lord, replace my understanding with Yours.

Amen.

WHEN WE PUT OUR PROBLEMS IN GOD’S HANDS, HE PUTS HIS PEACE IN OUR HEARTS.



Prayer for Family Unity

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.

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!

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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
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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

Compassionate and Loving Father,
In the face of confusion and concern
impart to us the calm of Your presence.
In You allow us to find hope and healing.
Be with those who serve the sick and
give them Your caring hands.
Be with those who lead and give them
Your spirit of wisdom.
Be with those who have fallen ill and
give them Your comforting heart.
Wrap Your arms around our world
and hold us in Your love.
Allow us at this time of trial to then
serve as instruments of that love
to all we meet.
We ask this in Your Name.
Amen