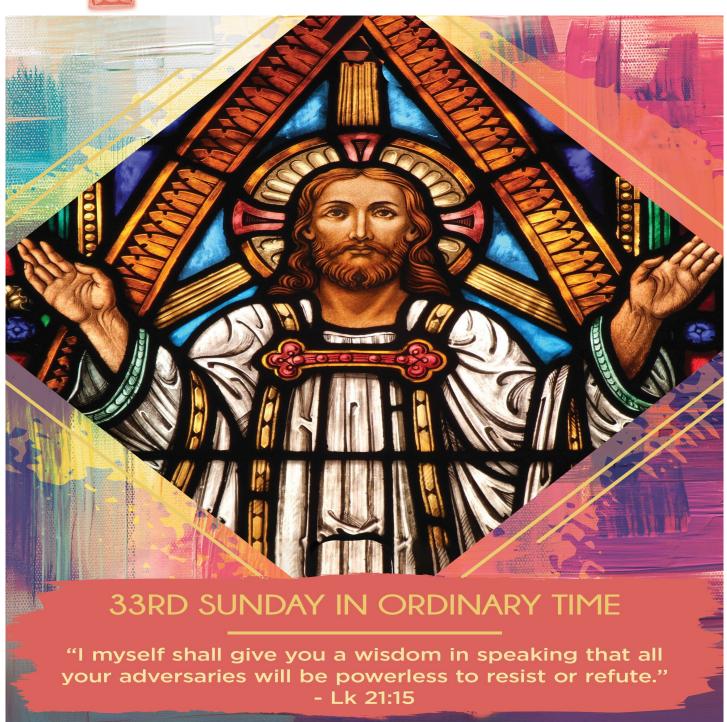


# St. Rene Goupil

Catholic Community
Sterling Heights



#### **Notes from Fr. Steve**

When we gather for Mass each Sunday, we take part in the central act of Catholic worship—a sacred encounter with Christ in Word and Sacrament. The Mass is composed of two main parts: the **Liturgy of the Word** and **the Liturgy of the Eucharist**. Both are deeply rooted in Scripture and the life of the early Church, and together they form one unified act of worship.

The first part of the Mass centers on **hearing and responding to God's Word.** We listen to readings from the Old and New Testaments, culminating in the proclamation of the Gospel. Through the homily, the priest or deacon helps us apply the message of Scripture to our daily lives. The Liturgy of the Word continues with the **Profession of Faith** and the **Prayer of the Faithful,** where we express our beliefs and lift up the needs of the Church and the world.

This part of the Mass has its roots in the Jewish synagogue service, where the Scriptures were read and interpreted. The early Christians continued this tradition, adding readings from the apostles' writings and gathering to reflect on how God's Word called them to discipleship. It reminds us that faith begins by **listening**—hearing God's Word and allowing it to shape our hearts and actions.

The second part of the Mass flows naturally from the first. Having been nourished by the Word, we are now invited to the **table of the Lord.** The gifts of bread and wine are brought forward, symbolizing the offering of our lives. Through the words of consecration, the Holy Spirit transforms these gifts into the Body and Blood of Christ. In Holy Communion, we receive Christ Himself—our spiritual food and strength for the journey.

The Liturgy of the Eucharist is rooted in the actions of Jesus at the Last Supper, when He took bread, blessed it, and gave it to His disciples. The early Christians gathered each Sunday, as the Acts of the Apostles tells us, to "break bread" together in memory of the Lord's death and resurrection. This sacred meal unites heaven and earth and makes present the one sacrifice of Christ for all time.

Though distinct, the two parts of the Mass are inseparable. The Liturgy of the Word prepares our minds and our hearts to recognize Christ in the Eucharist, while the Liturgy of the Eucharist gives us the strength to live out what we have heard. As the Second Vatican Council beautifully teaches, Christ is present in the Word proclaimed and in the Sacrament shared.

When we understand the meaning and history of these two parts, the Mass becomes more than a ritual—it becomes a living encounter with the Lord who speaks to us, and sends us forth as His disciples.

Please remember to pray for the parish, especially the sick and the suffering, your prayers bring them healing, comfort and hope. Also, I want to thank all of you who have raised your sacrificial tithe for the support of the Church! God bless you! As you well know, the cost of everything has gone up! God bless you and those you love!

Fr. Steve



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

Mr. & Mrs. Rodney Harris Mr. Trevor Koch Ms. Sierra Nagy

## Readings for the The Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

**Reading I** Malachi 3:19-20a

Lo, the day is coming, blazing like an oven, when all the proud and all evildoers will be stubble, and the day that is coming will set them on fire, leaving them neither root nor branch, says the LORD of hosts. But for you who fear my name, there will arise the sun of justice with its healing rays.

**Reading II** 2 Thessalonians 3:7-12

Brothers and sisters: You know how one must imitate us. For we did not act in a disorderly way among you, nor did we eat food received free from anyone. On the contrary, in toil and drudgery, night and day we worked, so as not to burden any of you. Not that we do not have the right. Rather, we wanted to present ourselves as a model for you, so that you might imitate us. In fact, when we were with you, we instructed you that if anyone was unwilling to work, neither should that one eat. We hear that some are conducting themselves among you in a disorderly way, by not keeping busy but minding the business of others. Such people we instruct and urge in the Lord Jesus Christ to work quietly and to eat their own food.

Gospel Luke 21:5-19

While some people were speaking about how the temple was adorned with costly stones and votive offerings, Jesus said, "All that you see here—the days will come where there will not be left a stone upon another stone that will not be thrown down." Then they asked him, "Teacher, when will this happen? And what sign will there be when all these things are about to happen?" He answered, "See that you not be deceived, for many will come in my name, saying, 'I am he,' 'The time has come.' Do not follow them! When you hear of wars and insurrections, do not be terrified; for such things must happen first, but it will not immediately be the end." Then he said to them," Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. There will be powerful earthquakes, famines, and plagues from place to place; and awesome sights and mighty signs will come from the sky. "Before all this happens, however, they will seize and persecute you, they will hand you over to the synagogues and to prisons, and they will have you led before kings and governors because of my name. It will lead to your giving testimony. Remember, you are not to prepare your defense beforehand, for I myself shall give you a wisdom in speaking that all your adversaries will be powerless to resist or refute. You will even be handed over by parents, brothers, relatives, and friends, and they will put some of you to death. You will be hated by all because of my name, but not a hair on your head will be destroyed. By your perseverance you will secure your lives."

## Readings for the Week

**Sunday, November 16, 2025:**Mal 3:19-20a/Ps 98:5-6, 7-8, 9 (see 9)/2 Thes 3:7-12/Lk 21:5-19 **Monday, November 17, 2025:**1 Mc 1:10-15, 41-43, 54-57, 62-63/Ps 119:53, 61, 134, 150, 155, 158/Lk 18:35 -43

**Tuesday, November 18, 2025:**2 Mc 6:18-31/Ps 3:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Lk 19:1-10

**Wednesday, November 19, 2025:**2 Mc 7:1, 20-31/Ps 17:1bcd, 5-6, 8b and 15/Lk 19:11-28

Thursday, November 20, 2025:1 Mc 2:15-29/Ps 50:1b-2, 5-6, 14-15/Lk 19:41-44

Friday, November 21, 2025:1 Mc 4:36-37, 52-59/1 Chr 29:10bcd, 11abc, 11d-12a, 12bcd/Lk 19:45-48

**Saturday, November 22, 2025:**1 Mc 6:1-13/Ps 9:2-3, 4 and 6, 16 and 19/Lk 20:27-40

Sunday, November 23, 2025:2 Sm 5:1-3/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4, 4-5 (see 1)/Col 1:12-20/Lk 23:35-43



November 15, 2025

#### Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Since arriving in Detroit this past March, I have had the great joy of meeting many of you at parish celebrations, diocesan gatherings, Mass, and other liturgies. In every encounter, I have seen something truly beautiful. I have witnessed your deep love for Christ, your local parish, and our Archdiocese. I also have witnessed your intense desire to see the Church of Detroit flourish for generations to come.

Along with our many blessings, I have also heard the candid expression of your concerns and your understanding of the challenges we face now and into the future. Please know that I hear you and that I see these challenges, too. Many of our churches were built during a time of tremendous growth, when more than 1.5 million Catholics called this Archdiocese home. Today, our Catholic census is closer to 900,000, with a smaller number regularly attending Mass. We have been struggling to maintain buildings, ministries, and structures that were designed for a much larger Church. The situation that unfolded in the last 50 years has left us stretched—sometimes stretched too thinly to serve as well as we want. Moreover, as we struggle to care for buildings and parish structures where there are very few people, we are also seeking to ensure the presence of the Church as we follow the Catholic population in those areas where the Church is growing.

While I believe that our commitment to Christ and his Church means that we must face these challenges, I do not believe that this moment in time need be marked primarily by anxiety or despair. Rather, I believe the situation we are facing is one that holds real and blessed opportunities. I believe with all my heart that God is inviting us to reimagine parish life, priestly ministry, and our mission. I believe God is asking us to face our future with creativity and deeper faith and trust that if we ask Him, then He will show us the way toward building something vibrant, sustainable, and enduring into the future.

This is why I am inviting every Catholic in our Archdiocese to join me in a serious two-year process of Archdiocesan restructuring. It will be a journey of discernment that I believe we can accomplish only together—a time for us to chart the best path forward for each of our parish communities and regions. In such an endeavor, every voice matters, just as every prayer matters. The end result will affect each parish and community of our Archdiocese, so each of you has a part to play in shaping the future of our Church.

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It is important to be honest about what this restructuring may bring. We know that we cannot maintain the same number of parish buildings that we have today. Some parish communities may see changes in how or where they gather, while others may be called to see church buildings closed—structures that have been dear to their hearts for generations. But just as there will be mourning over losses or changes in parish life, there likewise will be new blessings with enhanced locations, renewed communities, and the ability to redirect our efforts toward sharing the Gospel and making disciples. I believe that as we work to right-size the Archdiocese and reallocate our personnel and financial resources, the footprint of the Church's presence—her mission, her faith, and her people—will remain.

Our work will be guided primarily by three key pillars:

- **Vibrant parishes:** We want every parish to be a living heartbeat of faith, where people encounter Christ, grow in discipleship, and build real community.
- Flourishing priests: Our priests are at the heart of parish life. They must be supported and free to focus on what they do best: preaching the Gospel, celebrating the Sacraments, and caring for the faithful.
- Mission ready: By realigning our clergy and financial resources wisely, we will bring the joy of Christ to the next generation with energy and purpose. We will hand the next generation a Church that is vibrant, thriving, and alive in every way.

Next spring, each parish will host two listening sessions where you will have a chance to share your insights, hopes, and dreams for the future of your local parish and the Archdiocese. In the meantime, I ask for your prayers. Special prayer cards will be made available for this purpose at each parish. You can also access the prayer at restructuring.aod.org, along with other resources related to this effort.

Additionally, every step of the restructuring will be covered in **Detroit Catholic**, the Archdiocese's free online news source. The best way to be kept up to date with how our restructuring unfolds is to sign up to get Detroit Catholic delivered to your email inbox either daily or weekly at detroitcatholic.com/subscribe.

Brothers and sisters, thank you for your generosity of time, prayer, talent, and faith. Together, and with God's grace, we will fashion a Church in this Archdiocese that is vibrant, flourishing, and fully alive in the mission of the Gospel.

May God bless you abundantly.

Most Reverend Edward J. Weisenburger

Archbishop of Detroit

(PRACTICING) CATHOLIC – BENEATH THE SURFACE

By Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

Mini reflection: Love and hate. Hope and fear. Death and life. What lasts forever, and what is even now passing away before our eyes. To be human is to know that these feelings, these realities, can and often do occur at the same time. To be Christian is to know that it means something.

#### Two Things Can Be True At Once

As my husband and I drove our firstborn child home from the hospital, I sat alongside my daughter in the backseat. Terrified, exhausted, exhilarated, confused, hopeful — I was all of these things at the same time. I gazed at her, this magnificent little creature whose face was both familiar and strange to me, thinking: *She is exquisite*. *She is the future*. *She is life*.

And then I burst into uncontrollable sobs.

"What's wrong?" my husband cried, panicked, glancing in the rearview mirror.

"She's — going — to — die — someday," I blubbered, choking on my own tears.

"Ohhh, honey." I'll never forget the tone of his voice as he clearly debated turning this car around and taking me back to the hospital for an emergency psych evaluation. "I think you might be tired."

Ten years later, it's a memory we laugh about. I hadn't slept more than four hours in four days. Postpartum hormones had lain waste to my senses. Here, on the threshold of new life, all I could think of was death. It's funny. It's absurd.

But it also makes a lot of sense.

Love and hate. Hope and fear. Joy and sorrow. Death and life. What lasts forever, and what is even now passing away before our eyes. To be human is to know that these feelings, these realities, can and often do occur at the same time. To be Christian is to know that it means something — even if we cannot understand what. Not yet.

In every moment of his earthly life, Christ shows us that two things can be true at once. A virgin is a mother. An exile is a king. The temple will be destroyed, and it will last forever. The world is ending. The world is beginning. The cross is death. The cross is life.



Thank you so much for your generous outpouring for the patients in the Pediatric Cancer Unit at Children's Hospital. The final count this year was 1,355 books! That is 343 more books than last year! The nurses are always so happy to receive these books, as they really cheer the children up during their chemotherapy.

God bless all of you who gave so generously! Theresa Wilson, OFS

#### GOSPEL MEDITATION

November 16, 2025 Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time Luke 21:5-19

When I was a kid growing up in New England, I'd occasionally go on a whale watch. Once we went out with calm waters and clear skies. But on the way back in, the sea got rough. I was just a kid, and I remember thinking we should turn left or right toward the shoreline I could see. But the pilot of the boat kept going straight — right into the waves — focused on a small, discouragingly distant lighthouse. Even when it flickered in and out of sight, he stayed the course. He knew where he was going.

That image comes to mind when I hear Jesus' words in today's Gospel regarding false messiahs: "Do not follow them" (Luke 21:8). In times of chaos or uncertainty, there are always voices offering easier routes, promising false safety, claiming to speak for God. But Jesus isn't found in the loudest voice or the nearest shoreline. He is steady, like a lighthouse in the storm.

The tribulation of which Jesus speaks — it's real. It happened to the Temple, it happened to him, it happens in the Church, and it will come to each of us. But the command is not to panic. It's to endure. To keep steering toward him. Faith isn't about having all the answers or dodging every wave. It's about knowing where the lighthouse is — and trusting it enough to keep going, especially when false safety beckons us to stop.

— Father John Muir

## Devotions, *Explained!* Advent Wreath



#### Mini Explanation

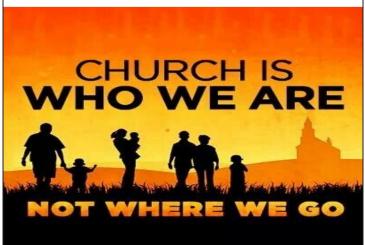
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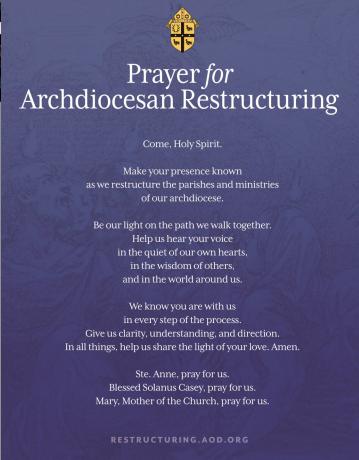
#### Advent Wreath, Explained!

The Advent Wreath as we know it today is a modern spin on an ancient practice — or rather, several of them.

Christians have always utilized candles to illustrate the metaphor of Christ as the "great light" shining on a people waiting in darkness (Isaiah 9:2). Historians tell us that pre-Christian societies in Europe also viewed candles as symbolic of the coming light of spring, and may have used wreaths of natural material along with these candles. Traditions and rituals surrounding an "Advent Wreath" are often thought to have originated in the Lutheran tradition in 16th-century Germany. Today, Advent Wreaths are a practice embraced by most Christians in the Western world.

An Advent Wreath consists of a circle of evergreen and four candles, one for each week of Advent. Three of the candles are purple; one is rose, representing Gaudete Sunday, a time of rejoicing at the closeness of Christmas. In Catholicism, Advent Wreaths are blessed on the First Sunday of Advent. For Advent Wreaths in private homes, it is appropriate for a family member to perform the blessing.





## SOCK DRIVE



It's time again for our "Annual Sock Drive." We are collecting men's warm socks ("NEW socks only!) for the homeless. These socks will be distributed to the less fortunate to help keep their feet warm this winter. (Long white tube socks are especially needed). There will be a container in the gathering area for the collection. The sock drive will run through the end of November. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

God Bless!



## Tuesday, November 18, 2025 9:30 a.m.

Agocs, Santoro & Seaver Families

## Thursday, November 20, 2025 9:30 a.m.

+Emmanuel Raphael

Agocs, Santoro & Seaver Families

+Ninfa Davison

Souls of Purgatory

## Friday, November 21, 2025 9:30 a.m.

- +Rose Marie Sobota
- +Karin Nieto
- +Ciriaco Ganir (7th R.A.)

Agocs, Santoro & Seaver Families

## Saturday, November 22, 2025 4:00 p.m.

- +Jerry Nowakowski
- +Walter Broski
- +Joan Herbert
- +Mary Jean Calmi
- +Jack McGlinchey
- +Marian & Lottie Kobus
- +Kenneth Wyniemko
- +Franklin Langenstein
- +Bob & Karen Brooks

Agocs, Santoro & Seaver Families

+Robert Crisp

## Sunday, November 23, 2025 8:30 a.m.

- +Karin Nieto
- +Barbara Liwo

Agocs, Santoro & Seaver Families

#### 10:30 a.m.

- +Laura Mastracci
- +Michael Downey
- +Eddie & Ann Filipiak
- +Debbie Waller

Members of the Caudal Family

Members of the Feliciano Family

+Ciriaco Ganir (7th R.A.)

#### 5:30 p.m.

- +Roberto & Aurora Palermo
- +Dr. Isaac Sr. & Amparo Austria





### **Italian Tuscany Soup**



1 lg. can cannellini beans, rinsed and drained

2 (14 oz.) cans chicken broth

1 can water

1 (14 oz.) can diced tomatoes with juice

1 lb. or more sweet Italian sausage with fennel seeds

1 lg. onion, diced

1 stalk celery, diced

3 cloves garlic, minced

2 tbsp. olive oil

1 carrot, diced

1 lg. potato, diced

1/2 pkg. chopped frozen spinach, thawed and drained

1 bay leaf

2 tsp. Italian seasoning

Salt and pepper, to taste

Remove casing from sausage and crumble. Sauté sausage in skillet until color fades. Remove from pan and set aside. Add olive oil to skillet and sauté onions and celery until soft. Add garlic. Put onion mixture and sausage in large pot. Add broth, water and bay leaf. Cook to boiling point.

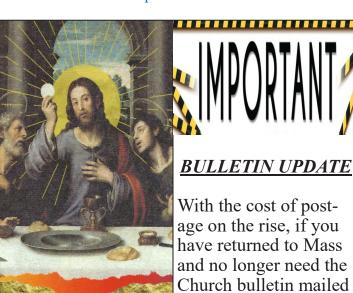
When boiling, add potatoes and carrots. Return to boiling for 1/2 hour. Add beans, spices and tomatoes, Italian seasoning and drained spinach. Simmer 3/4 to 1 hour. Serve in bowls with a sprinkle of fresh Parmesan cheese.

#### **Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Today's apocalyptic Scripture passages challenge us to reflect on the end times. In the First Reading, from the Book of the Prophet Malachi, he forewarns of ruin for evildoers and healing for the just. St. Paul, in his Second Letter to the Thessalonian community, encourages perseverance through toil and drudgery and not being busybodies. In St. Luke's Gospel, Jesus speaks of natural disasters, including earthquakes, famines, and plagues, as well as wars, and even persecutions, before His second coming. Deepening our discipleship in Christ leads to a personal relationship with Him and fortifies and strengthens us. Pray daily and attend Mass frequently to partake in the Eucharist for Christ's strength during difficult times. As Jesus states: By your perseverance, you will secure your lives.

#### **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



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EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

#### **Eyes On Your Own Paper**

"Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. There will be powerful earthquakes, famines, and plagues from place to place."

Looking at these words, I have to wonder. Am I reading the Bible or today's newspaper headline?

It's never easier to despair than when you glance up and take a good look at what's going on in the world: disasters, natural and contrived, wars, resentments, rivalries, and divisions. It is almost too much sometimes, isn't it? The twenty-four-hour news cycle doesn't help. Add social media and it's enough to push anyone into a nervous breakdown.

When you find yourself in this place of despair, remember Paul's admonishment in his letter to the Thessalonians. Work quietly and eat your own food.

It's not so different from the old "keep-your-eyes-onyour-own-paper" rule of the classroom. Poking our noses into other people's business, we may think we are getting a shortcut to the right answer, but we're really just getting distracted. When we become too preoccupied with events that we cannot control whether they are happening in our neighborhood or half-a-world away — we are tempted to leave off the very specific work God has given us in our own lives. We are easily lured into anger, bitterness, and anxiety.

What is the work that God has called you to? Is it your career? Your family? Your community? What is your food — what nourishes you, sustains you, connects you to something real, powerful, and life-giving? This is what you should be concerned with. This is where your thoughts and your efforts should be.

Work quietly and eat your own food.

– Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS



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	Weekend Liturg	gy Sc	hedule for	November 22	<b>&amp; 23</b>	3
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Presider	Fr. Steve	Fr. Libor		Fr. Steve		Fr. Tim
Lector	Louis Youkhana	Jovita Engalan		Marv Laubach		Ricky Yulo
Altar Servers	Lance Tolentino	Open		Eli Wing-Na		Open
Eucharistic Ministers	L. Nosek G. Labinski	Open Open		C. Sison M. Laubach		Open Open
Ushers	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
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Week	Tuesday, November 18, 2025		Thursday, November 20, 2025		Friday, November 21, 2025	
Celebrant	Fr. Steve		Fr. Libor		Fr. Steve	
Lector	L. Youkhana		L. Youkhana		M. Peterson	
Sacristan	B. Wyrwicz		J. Carlisle		J. Carlisle	
<b>Eucharistic Minister</b>	M. Peterson		M. Peterson		L. Youkhana	

Altar Care Team: Friday, November 21st Team 1

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Church Vacuuming: Friday, November 21st OPEN

> Altar Linen: November Aiby Sales



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!

#### **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:

- 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.



### **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.





**Our Sunday Offering** November 8 & 9 Thank you for your generous response. God Bless you!

#### WHERE TO FIND THE BULLETIN

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You can go online to the aod.org/ live masses to find Weekday and Weekend Masses that can be watched.



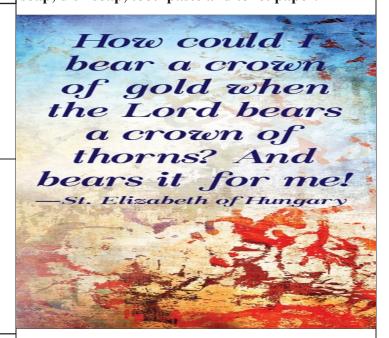
If you have borrowed a Pyx from the Church office and are no longer in need of using it; could you please return it to the office. Thank You!

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

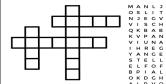


the intrinsic value of every person – to serve and be served. Please join us in fostering the common bond of humanity to bring wholeness and healing for all. Contact George Downey at (586)904-5171 for information on how to attend the meeting or for more information.

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. PANTRY ITEMS NEEDED: laundry soap, hand soap, dish soap, toothpaste and toilet paper.



### New! Check out the











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:

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 Joe Gill, Navy

Christopher Grubby (Navy)
Pfc. Kevin Heath
Lt. Christopher Kerr
Pfc. Paul Koss (Marines)
Lt. Joseph Kraft
Sgt. Joseph Kucharek (Army)
Sgt. Chris Libecki
Mark Locricchio (Army)
Sgt. Sean McDowell (Army)
LCPL Miguel Menzer
SPC Matthew Muellenhagen

Staff Sgt. Nicole R. Grenon

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.





## 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 @ 1:00 p.m., Friday @ 9:00 a.m., 12:00 p.m. & 1:00 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 Alexander Sunga Director of Music

#### **ORGANIZATIONS & SERVICES**

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

#### **Ushers**

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.

