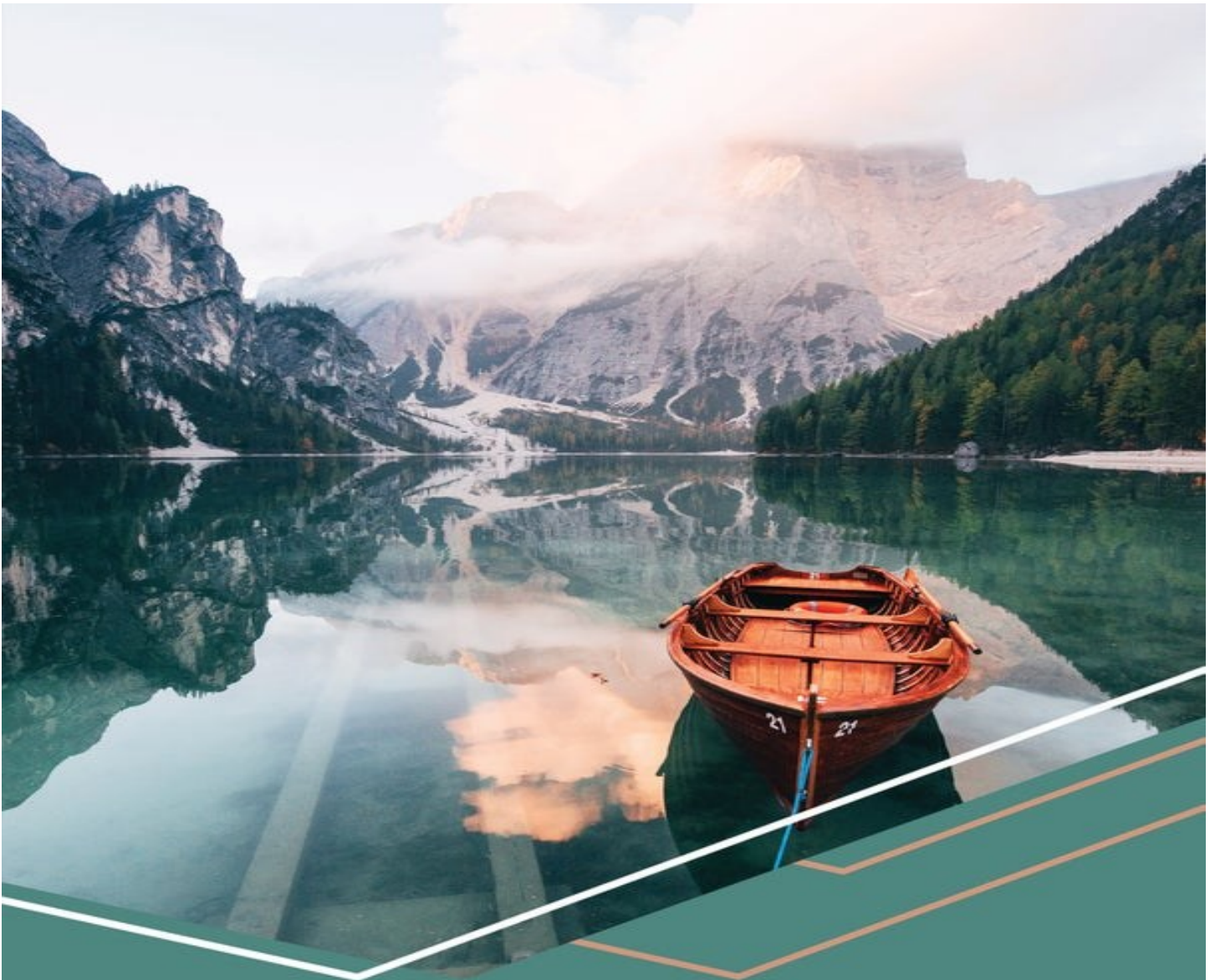




January 25, 2026

St. Rene Goupil

Catholic Community
Sterling Heights



3rd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“Come after me, and I will make you fishers of men.”
- Mt 4:19

Notes from Fr. Steve

We are a pilgrim Church being renewed for mission. The Second Vatican Council offered a powerful and enduring image of the Church as the *People of God on pilgrimage*. Vatican II reminded us that the Church is not meant to stand still, but to journey through history, continually discerning how best to live and proclaim the Gospel in changing times. As a pilgrim Church, we are always being called to renewal—deepening our faith, strengthening our unity, and responding more faithfully to God's mission in the world.

It is within this hopeful and forward-looking vision that the Archdiocese of Detroit continues its restructuring and renewal process. This effort is not primarily about closing or merging parishes, nor is it simply an exercise in efficiency. At its heart, the restructuring program is about mission: ensuring that our parishes remain spiritually vibrant, pastorally strong, and capable of forming disciples for generations to come.

Over time, demographic shifts, changing patterns of parish participation, and financial realities have challenged the way the Church carries out its mission. The Archdiocese's restructuring initiative seeks to respond to these realities with faith and wisdom. By encouraging greater collaboration among parishes, sharing resources, and reimagining how ministry is offered, the Church is positioning itself to serve more effectively and sustainably.

This renewed approach places people at the center. Strong parish communities are built not only on buildings, but on relationships—relationships with Christ, with one another, and with the wider community. Through restructuring, parishes are better able to support essential ministries such as worship, catechists, outreach to the poor, and evangelization. Collaboration allows priests, deacons, lay leaders, and parishioners to work together in new and creative ways, drawing on the gifts of many rather than relying on a few.

Importantly, this process is rooted in prayer and discernment. Parishioners are invited to see this time not as a loss, but as an opportunity to ask deeper questions: How is God calling us to serve today? Where is the Holy Spirit leading our parish and our Archdiocese? How can we be a more welcoming, missionary Church in our neighborhoods?

While change can bring uncertainty, it can also open doors to renewal and hope. Throughout its history, the Church has continually adapted in order to remain faithful to Christ's mission. The restructuring program of the Archdiocese of Detroit is another step in that long journey of faith.

As we move forward together, we do so united as a pilgrim Church—trusting in God's providence, committed to one another, and confident that the Lord who has guided us thus far will continue to lead us into the future. With faith, cooperation, and hope, we embrace this moment as an opportunity to renew our commitment to Christ and to the mission entrusted to us.

Several people have asked about the Christmas Collection. It has now been counted (it comes several weeks before Christmas and several afterward) I am happy to report to you that the Christmas collection this year was over \$50,000.00! WE all thank God for everyone who sacrificed more at Christmas, so that the parish community can continue its mission! God bless all of you and thank you!

Please remember the sick and suffering in the parish, especially now, it seems we have many people in the hospital and many people calling and asking for prayers because of illness. Your prayers bring them healing, comfort and hope! God bless you and those you love!

Fr. Steve

My dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

We thank you for your participation in being compliant with our Safe Environments requirements. As a reminder all volunteers who are giving their time to the Church are required to take Protecting God's Children, have a criminal background check conducted, and sign a Code of Conduct in order to volunteer or be employed in any parish or school within the Archdiocese of Detroit. With you working in partnership with our due diligence, we are ensuring that all members of the Church are creating an environment of awareness for all forms of maltreatment to our children and vulnerable adults. This is for the protection of those among us and for us to continue to have healthy boundaries with all active members within our community.

Should you have any questions around this program, please contact The Archdiocese of Detroit's Safe Environment Manager, Maegan Pierson via email at:
protectchildren@aod.org

In Christ,

Maegan

ARCHDIOCESE OF DETROIT RE-CERTIFICATION POLICY (Revised January 2026)

To work or volunteer in the Archdiocese of Detroit, all clergy, staff, and volunteers:

- Must attend original 3 hr. VIRTUS® “Protecting God’s Children” Adult Awareness Session,
- Must re-certify every three years on/or before the expiration date on the face of their current certificate. See the sample dateline below. The participant has 30 days after their expiration date to complete the recertification; if not, they must be inactivated in VIRTUS and will not be able to work or volunteer until completion of training.

<u>“Protecting God’s Children” Training</u>	<u>1st Recertification Year</u>	<u>2nd Recertification Year</u>
2023	2026	2029
2024	2027	2030
2025	2028	2031
2026	2029	2032

Option #1 Retake VIRTUS® 3 hr. “Protecting God’s Children.”

Option #2: VIRTUS® 30 minute “Teaching Boundaries and Safety Online Module 2.0 ” Recertification

Participants whose current certificate has not yet expired may attend 30 minute. “Teaching Boundaries and Safety Online Module 2.0” recertification. This module is an online training that provides best practices for employees, volunteers, caring adults and parents, equipping them on how to be better protectors of children, and on how to teach children to better protect themselves. This online module builds from the foundation of the Teaching Boundaries and Safety Guide™, and provides easy conversation starters, bulleted tips and quick summaries of pertinent information.

Important Notice

Participants must keep their original VIRTUS® Protecting All God’s Children and any additional recertification certificates as proof of compliance, which can be located when logging into the VIRTUS platform. Only a “copy” of the certificate should be given to the parish/school where you work or volunteer.

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

By Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

Mini reflection: Young or old, believer or non-believer, rich or poor: it doesn't matter who we are. It doesn't matter what our life looks like. If we are a human being, if we have a soul, we stand on the shore of a great and powerful sea, a net in our hands and a hunger in our soul.

Sea of Galilee Moments

Young or old, believer or non-believer, rich or poor, healthy or sick: it doesn't matter who we are. It doesn't matter what our life looks like. If we are a human being, if we have a soul, we stand on the shore of a great and powerful sea, a net in our hands and a hunger in our soul.

So what's in the sea? I don't know about yours, but mine is filled with feelings of inadequacy. It's filled with fear and resentment and confusion. It's filled with misplaced pride. It's deep. It's dark. It's well-stocked.

I cast my net, over and over again. What else is there to do? If I draw back a harvest, it can sustain me for days, weeks, maybe even years. The nourishment of the sea can keep away the hunger pangs — for a time. You can survive on fear and resentment and pride if it's all you have. You'll never feel full, and you'll never be strong, but you'll survive on what the world can offer you — so long as you keep coming back to the shore.

This is where Jesus finds us.

If I close my eyes, I can picture the moments exactly, all of them: my Sea of Galilee moments. I could describe them to you — the day, the year, what was happening in my life, what I wanted and what I needed and what gnawing hunger had brought me, once again, limping, crawling back to the shore.

But you wouldn't understand my Sea of Galilee moments, just like I wouldn't understand yours. There is only one who understands, and his is the voice we heard, clear and strong: "Put down the net, and come with me."

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

If you wish to access the readings, you may do so at the following website.

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

Readings for the Week

Sunday, January 25, 2026: Is 8:23-9:3/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14/1 Cor 1:10-13, 17/Mt 4:12-23 or 4:12-17

Monday, January 26, 2026: 2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5/Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 7-8a, 10, 21-22, 25-26/Mk 3:22-30

Tuesday, January 27, 2026: 2 Sm 6:12b-15, 17-19/Ps 24:7, 8, 9, 10/Mk 3:31-35

Wednesday, January 28, 2026: 2 Sm 7:4-17/Ps 89:4-5, 27-28, 29-30/Mk 4:1-20

Thursday, January 29, 2026: 2 Sm 7:18-19, 24-29/Ps 132:1-2, 3-5, 11, 12, 13-14/Mk 4:21-25

Friday, January 30, 2026: 2 Sm 11:1-4a, 5-10a, 13-17/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6a, 6bcd-7, 10-11/Mk 4:26-3

Saturday, January 31, 2026: 2 Sm 12:1-7a, 10-17/Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 16-17/Mk 4:35-41

Sunday, February 1, 2026: Zep 2:3; 3:12-13/Ps 146:6c-7, 8-9a, 9b-10/1 Cor 1:26-31/Mt 5:1-12a

REQUEST FOR 2026 CONTRIBUTION STATEMENT

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JWJ CATHOLIC ACADEMY KID'S CORNER



JANUARY 25, 2026: 3RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

GOSPEL: MATTHEW 4:12-17

MATTHEW 4:12-17 TELLS HOW JESUS GOES TO A NEW PLACE AND STARTS TEACHING PEOPLE ABOUT GOD. HE BRINGS HOPE AND LIGHT TO THOSE WHO FELT SAD OR LOST AND TELLS EVERYONE TO TURN TO GOD AND FOLLOW HIM.

Jesus brings God's light and invites everyone to turn to God and follow Him, so they can join Him one day in heaven.

3RD SUNDAY IN O.T. FILL-IN THE BLANKS

THE LORD IS MY _____
AND MY _____ ;
WHOM SHOULD I _____ ?
I _____ THAT I SHALL _____
THE _____ OF THE LORD IN THE
_____ OF THE _____ .
_____ FOR THE LORD
WITH _____ .
BE _____ ,
AND WAIT FOR THE _____ ,

USE THESE WORDS TO FILL IN THE
BLANKS IN THE SENTENCES ABOVE
FEAR, COURAGE, SALVATION, LAND,
SEE, STOUTHEARTED, BOUNTY, WAIT,
LIVING, LORD, LIGHT, BELIEVE

Family Activity

FOLLOW THE LIGHT

Have everyone sit comfortably in a room together. Give one person a flashlight and turn off all the lights so the room is dark. The person with the flashlight shines it around the room at different objects and family members yell out the objects as the light hits them.

*Praise
THE Lord*

DEAR JESUS,
THANK YOU FOR BEING
OUR LIGHT AND
SHOWING US GOD'S
LOVE. HELP US TO
FOLLOW YOU, ALWAYS.
AMEN.

Mass Intentions

FOR THE WEEK



Tuesday, January 27, 2026

9:30 a.m.

+Bradley Leonard Plec

+Fr. Bill Siebert

+William Zeeman

Agocs, Santoro & Seaver Families

Thursday, January 29, 2026

9:30 a.m.

+Betty Eschrich

Agocs, Santoro & Seaver Families

Friday, January 30, 2026

9:30 a.m.

+Joyce Clashman

+Gerry Nicosia

Agocs, Santoro & Seaver Families

+Rose Marie Sobota

Saturday, January 31, 2026

4:00 p.m.

+Joan Herbert

+Franklin Langenstein

+Maybelle Koehler

+Nadine Koehler

+Hanora Bates

+Marian & Lottie Kobus

Agocs, Santoro & Seaver Families

+Richard Joseph Cebulla

Sunday, February 1, 2026

8:30 a.m.

+Jose Paunan

Deceased Priests of the Archdiocese

Agocs, Santoro & Seaver Families

+Debbie Todd

10:30 a.m.

Deceased Members of the Knights of Columbus-St. Nicholas Council & Their Families

+Marie Forman

+Fred Schulte (4th R.A.)


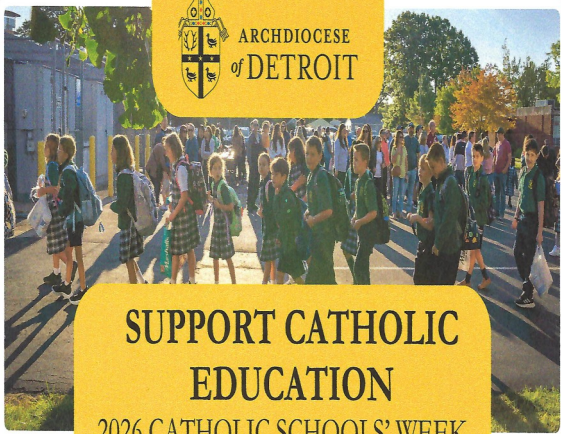
5:30 p.m.

Living & Deceased Parishioners of St. Rene Parish



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

Mr. Nicholas Weingartz

SUPPORT CATHOLIC EDUCATION

2026 CATHOLIC SCHOOLS' WEEK




CATHOLIC SCHOOLS IN THE AOD

- 27,006 students enrolled in 24-25
- 79 Catholic Schools
- 2.5% increase in enrollment since 2019

WHY GIVE?

In the 25-26 school year, the Dept. of Catholic Schools awarded **\$2.2 million** in tuition assistance.

2,979 additional students qualified for aid, but were unable to be awarded due to limited funds.



FACTS

- 98.7% of Catholic students graduate high school,
- 83.7% of Catholic high school graduates attend a 4-year college
- Many Catholic schools serve students with mild to moderate disabilities- 9.1% of students have a diagnosed disability.

Sources: Broughman et al (2021-22); Irwin et al. (2024)

"We cannot miss the opportunity to help our students grow in our faith and become great disciples of Christ."

-Eric Haley, Superintendent of Schools

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EVERY DOLLAR YOU GIVE SUPPORTS CATHOLIC EDUCATION TUITION ASSISTANCE.



**HIGH SCHOOL
AVERAGE
SCHOLARSHIP**
\$1,684



**GRADE SCHOOL
AVERAGE
SCHOLARSHIP**
\$1,425



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REMEMBER in your prayers

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

Drop Your Nets and Be Free

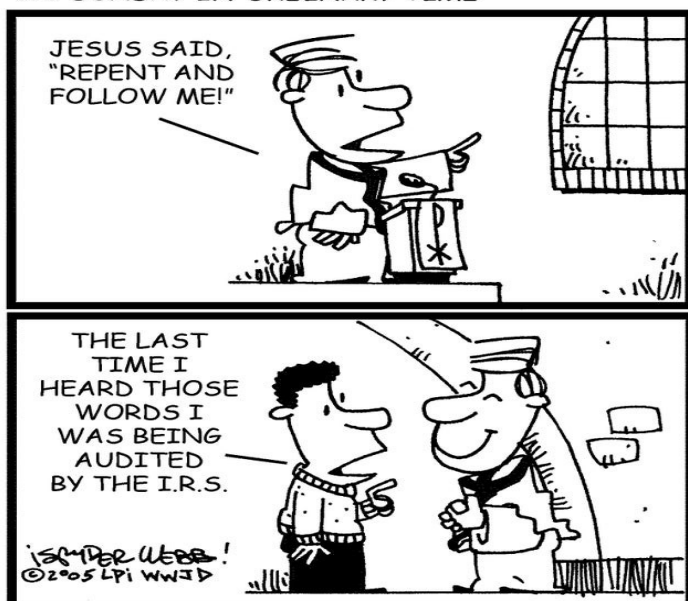
There are times I wish I had no obligations. It would be great to take my wife's hand, hop in the car, and drive into the sunset. Where we were going would not matter as much as the fact that we would have nowhere we *had* to be. There would be nothing we *had* to do. No bills. No commitments. No problems. *Freedom!*

Life doesn't work like that, however. When Jesus came along and asked some fishermen to drop their nets and follow him, they did just that. Wow! In some ways, they experienced true freedom. That is what Jesus offers all of us. Yet, true freedom looks quite different than my dream scenario.

In living in the true freedom that Jesus offers, there are things we must do and places we must go. That is because freedom only exists in following God's will, not our own. We are called to be and called to give ourselves completely to God without reservations. We always have the free will to not respond to His call, but we will find that a negative answer may complicate our lives even further. God's path for us calls on us to give freely of what we have been given. Saying no to that call means we carry the weight of those gifts. We were never meant to keep them. The path of God's will may seem long and winding, but it is the one that leads us into that sunset. It is the way to true freedom.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

3rd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Are you interested in becoming Catholic?

Would you like to receive the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, or First Communion in the Catholic faith?

Do you want to explore and grow in your faith life?



The St. Rene Goupil R.C.I.A. program begins soon and concludes at the Easter Vigil, April 4, 2026.

For more information contact Mike Novak @ 586-939-7500 ext. 109

Virtues, Explained! Patience



Mini Explanation

In practicing patience, we bear any kind of suffering for a greater good, safeguard our reason against sorrow, and "look at (other people) with God's gaze knowing how to distinguish their faces from their faults."

Patience, Explained!

In treating others with a spirit of patience, [said Pope Francis](#), we "look at them ... with God's gaze, knowing how to distinguish their faces from their faults."

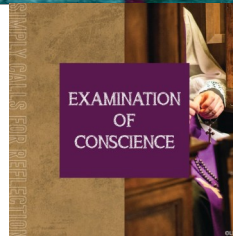
"Rushing and impatience are enemies of spiritual life," he continued. "God is love, and those who love do not tire, they are not irascible; they do not give ultimatums. God is patient, God knows how to wait."

Patience is sometimes referred to as being "annexed" to the moral virtue of fortitude. In practicing patience, we bear any kind of suffering for a greater good. St. Thomas Aquinas describes patience as a means to "safeguard the good of reason against sorrow, lest reason give way to sorrow" (*Sum. II-II, 136, Art. 1*).

The virtue of patience is a fruit of the Holy Spirit (Galatians 5:22), and as Christians who have received the Holy Spirit we are called to "be patient in tribulation" (Romans 12:12) and to "preach the message (of Christ) ... with great patience" (2 Timothy 4:2).



Devotions, Explained! Examination of Conscience



Mini Explanation

The practice of examining one's conscience dates to the very beginning of the Christian faith. It simply calls for reflection on one's actions, making note of lapses in judgment that should be confessed in the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

Examination of Conscience, Explained

In Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians, the apostle writes that it is imperative for a Christian to reflect on his conscience before he partakes of Holy Eucharist: "Let a man examine himself, and so eat of the bread and drink of the cup" (1 Corinthians 11:28). The practice of examining one's conscience before seeking the Sacrament of Reconciliation thus dates to the very beginning of the Christian faith and was encouraged as a regular practice by many saints and founders of religious orders as a means of growing in virtue. An examination of conscience, when it relates to the sacrament, simply means reflecting on one's actions (and particularly the intentions behind those actions) since the penitent's last absolution, making note of lapses in judgment that should be confessed. A good basis for this reflection can be the Ten Commandments, the Beatitudes and the seven deadly sins.

GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

January 25, 2026

3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Matthew 4:12-23

I was 22 years old, lying in bed one night while on a pilgrimage, when I suddenly sensed an idea in my mind: "Go to the seminary." There was no voice, no vision, but a gentle and unmistakable clarity. I simply prayed, "Lord, if that's from you, let me find great joy in it." Three days later, my heart was bursting with joy. I dropped everything and entered the seminary. The older I get, the stranger my rather careless and hasty departure seems to me. I followed not because it made sense, or because I was especially brave. I went because the Lord called me.

Something like this happens in today's Gospel. Jesus walks by Simon, Andrew, James, and John and says, "Come after me" (Matthew 4:19). And immediately they leave their nets and follow. There's no explanation, no hesitation ... just movement. Why? As St. John says, "In this is love: not that we have loved God, but that he loved us" (1 John 4:10). They do not leave their nets because his call made perfect, calculable sense. They left them because they were called. And Jesus' call is powerful.

Take a moment this week to remember when Christ first called you. However small or quiet it was, recall it, and give thanks. The more we marvel that Christ has called us personally, the more passionately and freely we will follow him.

— Father John Muir

WHERE THE
ROSARY IS
RECITED
THERE WILL
BE DAYS OF
PEACE AND
TRANQUILITY.

—ST. JOHN BOSCO

PRAYER TO ST. JOSEPH

TO YOU GOD ENTRUSTED HIS ONLY SON;

IN YOU MARY PLACED HER TRUST;

WITH YOU CHRIST BECAME MAN.

OBTAIN FOR US GRACE, MERCY

AND COURAGE. AMEN.

— POPE FRANCIS



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>



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

REFLECTIONS—EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP
So the NFL season is almost over. Only the Super Bowl remains. For some fans, the season is already over since their team is now sitting at home. It is amazing the allegiance some people have to their teams. Some people bleed Green Bay green and yellow or believe the only team is supposedly America's team, the Dallas Cowboys. Of course, if you are reading this outside the States, perhaps you live and breathe a team like the New Zealand All Blacks or the Calgary Flames.

In the early church, people took their allegiance to certain leaders to an extreme. Paul chastised them for thinking that the baptism of one community or the teachings of a certain leader were superior to the anything else in this new movement of Jesus followers. He reminded them that there is to be no division in Christ and that all things flow from Christ, not from the leaders in the community. Those who follow Jesus are one body of Christ: a place where there is no room for competition or condescension.

Sometime our stewardship efforts in a parish become all about the parish. We seek to get people to do more stuff and give more money and we lose sight of why we live a stewardship way of life in the first place: Jesus. It is wonderful to watch our parishes grow into more vibrant communities that lead people to Jesus. We should rejoice to be in such a parish family. But one day there will be no parishes and those who have received his gifts freely and have followed him will live with Christ as one forever. In your stewardship, always keep Jesus as *the main thing*.



If you are looking for a volunteer opportunity at St. Rene look no further. We are looking for volunteers for becoming a Lector, Sacristan, (**Lectors & Sacristans for the 5:30 p.m. Mass**) Eucharistic Ministers, Altar Servers (**both Youth and Adults for the Saturday at 4:00 p.m., Sunday at 10:30 a.m. & 5:30 p.m. Mass**). We are also looking for Lectors, Sacristans for our weekday Masses. Volunteers to join the watering committee (watering the outdoor plants). Volunteers to help vacuum the Church on Friday's after Mass. If you're interested in any of the volunteer areas that are listed, please contact the parish office and we will gladly pass your information on to the person in charge of the assignments and have them contact you. Thank you in advance for volunteering!

Weekend Liturgy Schedule for January 31 & February 1

	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	Barbara Kiernan	Wendi Lillie	Marv Laubach	Ricky Yulo
Altar Servers	Lance Tolentino	Rom Beltran	Eli Wing-Nga	Open
Eucharistic Ministers	K. Moravek L. Nosek	Open Open	T. Monteiro 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
Sacristan	K. Moravek	R. Beltran	T. Monteiro	Open

Altar Care Team: Friday, January 30th Team 2 Roxann Klee Suong Le Antonina Notarantonio	Weekday Liturgy Schedule for January			
	Week	Tuesday, January 27, 2026	Thursday, January 29, 2026	Friday, January 30, 2026
Church Vacuuming : Friday, January 30th OPEN	Celebrant	Fr. Steve	Fr. Joy	Fr. Steve
	Lector	L. Youkhana	M. Peterson	M. Peterson
Altar Linen: January Khristine Cochiasue February Theresa Wilson	Sacristan	B. Wyrwicz	J. Carlisle	J. Carlisle
	Eucharistic Minister	M. Peterson	L. Youkhana	M. Peterson

PRAYER –
FOR EVERYDAY AND EVERYBODY

Family Blessing

May God bless, protect, unite, mend, and renew our family.

Help us to be instruments of healing and holiness, breaking generational curses, rewriting scripts, overcoming tribulation, joining in gratitude, and growing in joy ... together.
 Amen.

Archdiocesan Restructuring QR Code/Link
Strengthening the Church for the Next Generation
<https://www.restructuring.aod.org>



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 1st 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.



Italian Appetizer Bread



2 lbs. frozen bread dough
Olive oil
Oregano
Romano or Parmesan cheese
Garlic powder
Paprika (sweet)
Ground red pepper (optional)

Thaw frozen bread dough. Roll dough in jelly roll pan 1/4 to 1/2 inch thick; let rise. With finger tips, press indentations all around dough. Spread olive oil all around dough, then sprinkle layer of oregano, cheese, garlic powder, paprika, and ground red pepper (if you like it hot). Bake in 350 F oven for approximately 25 to 30 minutes. Check bottom of bread; it should be light to medium brown.



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

WHERE TO FIND THE BULLETIN

You can find St. Rene's bulletin on our website at St. Rene

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.



**Our Sunday Offering
January 17 & 18
Thank you for your
generous response.
God Bless you!**

You now can donate to St. Rene Goupil using your cell phone! Just take a picture of the QR code in the gathering space or in the bulletin; it will automatically link you to the St. Rene donation site. Enter the amount you wish to donate, card information and press the "Pay" button. It's that simple! We thank you for your generosity.



SCAN CODE TO DONATE
TO ST. RENE GOUPIL



**If you have
borrowed a Pyx
from the Church
Office and are
no longer in
need of using it;
please return it
to the office, so
that
others may
borrow them.
Thank you!**

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
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 @ 1:00 p.m.,

Thursday @ 8:00 a.m. and Friday @ 9:00 a.m., 1:00 p.m. & 4:00 p.m.

TAKE TIME FOR PRAYER!

SAINT RENE GOUPIL Catholic Church

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Office Hours
Monday - Thursday
9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Closed 12 Noon—1:00 p.m. Lunch
Friday 9:00 a.m. - Noon

Pastoral Staff

Rev. Steven Koehler, Pastor
Rev. Joy Chakian, Associate
Rev. Mr. John Ball, Deacon Emeritus
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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.



Prayer for Archdiocesan Restructuring

Come, Holy Spirit.

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

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

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

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

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