

3<sup>rd</sup>

*Sunday*  
OF ADVENT

St. Rene Goupil Catholic Community  
December 15, 2024

## Notes from Fr. Steve

The Advent season is a time of preparation, hope, and joyful anticipation of the birth of Christ. Among the many figures who embody the spirit of this sacred season, St. Nicholas stands out as a beacon of charity, faith, and love. Known today as the inspiration behind Santa Claus, St. Nicholas's life and legacy are deeply intertwined with the themes of Advent.

St. Nicholas was born in the 3rd century in Patara, a coastal town in what is now Turkey. Orphaned at a young age, he inherited significant wealth but chose to dedicate his life to God, embracing the teachings of Christ. Nicholas became the Bishop of Myra, a position through which he demonstrated profound generosity and compassion.

One of the most famous stories of his life tells of his secret gift-giving to save three impoverished sisters from slavery or worse. Nicholas, learning of their plight, dropped bags of gold through their window under the cover of night—some versions say down a chimney—providing dowries for their future. This act of anonymous giving is emblematic of his character and laid the foundation for his association with selfless generosity.

St. Nicholas was also a defender of the Christian faith, attending the Council of Nicaea in 325 AD, where he opposed the Arian heresy. His devotion to the poor, his steadfast faith, and his miracles of healing earned him widespread veneration. He passed away on December 6, a date celebrated as his feast day.

St. Nicholas is more than a historical figure; he represents the virtues that the Advent season calls us to embrace:

### 1. **Clarity and Generosity**

Nicholas's life of giving echoes the Advent call to serve others, particularly the poor and vulnerable. His secretive, humble giving reminds us that true clarity seeks no recognition but reflects Christ's selfless love.

### 2. **Hope and Preparation**

Just as Nicholas brought hope to those in despair, Advent invites us to bring hope into our world. By preparing our hearts for Christ's coming, we emulate St. Nicholas's commitment to living a life of faith and action.

### 3. **Joy and Wonder**

Nicholas's acts of kindness sparked joy and awe in those he helped. Similarly, Advent rekindles a sense of childlike wonder as we anticipate the ultimate gift. God's love in the Incarnation.

As we conclude this Advent season, the life of St. Nicholas inspires us to live with open hearts and hands. His example encourages us to reflect on the true meaning of the season: to prepare for the coming of Christ by loving others as Christ loves us. Whether through acts of charity, moments of prayer, or simply spreading joy, we can honor the spirit of St. Nicholas and carry his legacy into our Advent celebrations.

May St. Nicholas remind us all that every act of kindness, no matter how small, is a reflection of God's boundless love—a love that we eagerly await and celebrate during this holy season.

Please remember the parish in your prayers, especially the sick and the suffering, your prayers bring them healing, comfort and peace.

Fr. Steve



## Christmas Flower Donations

Tom & Stella DiLaura  
 Phillip Tallion  
 Mary Lou Liptak  
 Adam Tallion  
 Margaret Tallion  
 Antonio Andrion  
 Ronaldo Sales  
 Kimmy Schanta  
 Hedy Bernardez  
 Racquel Bernardez  
 Rafael James Bernardez  
 Renato Redaon  
 John Sheeley  
 Cecile, Walter & Roberta Babish  
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 Arturo Orzame  
 Jacob Bayuga  
 Cathie Anhut  
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 Chester Gorski  
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 Frank Pareja  
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 Alberta Kusiak  
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 Donald Barrett  
 Cynthia (Cindy) Barr  
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 Eugene S. Nosek  
 Linda A. Malkiewicz  
 Thomas Urban  
 Walt Kalcevic  
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 Sam Zappa  
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 Angus Montrose  
 Barbara Montrose  
 Mary Mlutkowski  
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 The Sopala Family  
 The Bugnacki Family  
 The Krivanek Family  
 Henry & Virginia Bialy  
 Henrietta Lopinski  
 Jeffrey Lopinski  
 Edward & Ruth Schillag  
 Arvel & Mark Clark  
 Sharon Clark  
 The Piskor Family  
 Raymond Mdryl  
 Madigan  
 Ciriaco Ganir  
 Al Napolitano  
 Mr. & Mrs. Feminineo  
 Mr. & Mrs. Napolitano  
 Fr. Joseph Feminineo  
 Angelina Testa  
 James Testa  
 Joseph Testa  
 Peter Formanczyk  
 Phyllis Aszurek  
 Paul & Wanda Buback  
 Damiaian & Isabella Fadri  
 Pablo Sr. & Furita Fano  
 Julian & Dina Fano  
 Resito & Tess Fano  
 Rodolfo Fano  
 Deceased Members of Zielinski Family  
 John M. Mukalla

Deceased Members of Wilinski Family  
 John Sopala Sr.  
 Chester Gorski  
 Members of Sopala Family  
 Members of Barskaw Family  
 Fred Schulte  
 Denis & Jean Stockinger  
 Lottie & William Nosek  
 Thomas Urban  
 Catherine Kowalec  
 Carol Ann Kowalec  
 Norm Kopaczski  
 Milagros Sunga  
 Estrella Monzon Villeta  
 Zenaida Javier  
 Alfonzo Sunga  
 Umberto & Lucille Cataldi  
 Antonio & Antonietia Cataldi  
 Mike & Mary Peszko  
 Hedwig Prus  
 Edward Prus  
 Ted Thompson  
 Darlene Thompson  
 Martin & Agnes Emmandofer  
 Harold Emmandofer  
 Martin W. Emmandofer  
 Cecelia Emmandofer  
 Henry Dudek  
 Virginia Dudek  
 Alan Dudek  
 Bernadine Wandzel  
 Nick Wandzel  
 Angelo & Mary Roberti  
 Philip Roberti  
 Frank & Gert Murray  
 Ryan Griffin  
 In Thanksgiving for My Family  
 The Doyle Family  
 The Wnuk Family  
 Lance Cpl. Kristofer Bo Fermil  
 The Quick Family  
 The Lohn Family  
 The Dornoff Family  
 Stanley & Bernice Barc  
 Anna & Jessie Davis  
 Elizabeth & Daniel Maurus



## Everyday Stewardship

I wish I were a better steward. I would like to think I am a pretty generous person, and I do work hard to cultivate the characteristics of a good Everyday Steward in my life. However, stewardship is about more than giving. It is also about prudence and wise planning. It is about storing up grain for the lean years and making sure there is enough oil to light your lamps when the power goes out. If I were a better steward, I would have that \$1,000 emergency fund to dip into when I need a car repair. I would save more for retirement and vacation. I would have more food in the garage freezer because I bought more on sale and prepared for when money was a little tighter. In a nutshell, I would be prepared for whatever comes my way, good or bad.

Advent is a time of preparation. We not only prepare for Christmas, but for the day when Jesus Christ returns again. Unfortunately, we too often act like this is the only time to prepare for such events. We should be preparing all throughout the year.

If we only focus on our spirituality at Advent and Lent, then we are poor stewards of our time the rest of the year. The wise steward is always cultivating their faith and working to improve their relationship with God. They know that they need to be prepared for anything at any time. They stand ready, waiting for the call of their God.

—Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS



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). 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! God Bless!



## Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

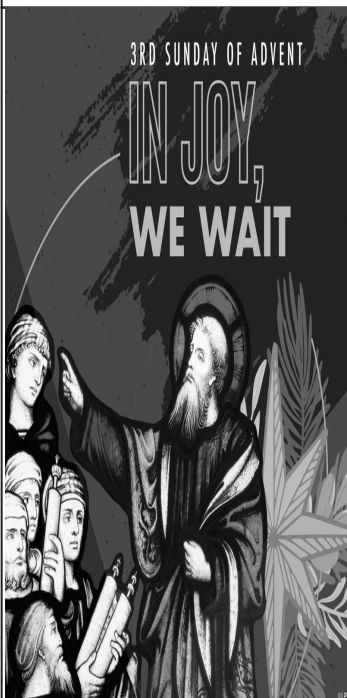
Are you interested in exploring the Catholic Faith, becoming Catholic, or receiving Sacraments in the Catholic Church?

Do you know someone who might be interested in becoming Catholic?

Classes begin soon at St. Rene Goupil. Call (586)939-7500, extension 109 for more information or talk to RCIA coordinator Michael V. Novak.

## Third Sunday of Advent

In today's Gospel from St. Luke, the crowds seek moral direction from John the Baptist, asking, *What should we do?* In the spirit of giving, which pleases the Lord, John instructs them to be generous with their clothing and food to the less fortunate, and warns tax collectors and soldiers to be true to their positions. The prophet Zephaniah and St. Paul, in his Letter to the Philippians, express joy in the coming of the Lord. During this joyous Advent season, follow St. John's declarations on charity and fairness toward our most vulnerable brothers and sisters. Evangelize through your stewardship, such as donating food to a family in need or participating in a parish "giving tree."



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Check out the  
**ONLINE PUZZLE PAGE**

## Readings for Third Sunday of Advent

### Reading I *Zephaniah 3:14-18a*

Shout for joy, O daughter Zion! Sing joyfully, O Israel! Be glad and exult with all your heart, O daughter Jerusalem! The LORD has removed the judgement against you; he has turned away your enemies; the King of Israel, the LORD, is in your midst, you have no further misfortune to fear. On that day, it shall be said to Jerusalem: Fear not, O Zion, be not discouraged! The LORD, your God, is in your midst, a mighty savior; he will rejoice over you with gladness, and renew you in his love, he will sing joyfully because of you, as one sings at festivals.

### Reading II *Philippians 4:4-7*

Brothers and sisters: Rejoice in the Lord always. I shall say it again: rejoice! Your kindness should be known to all. The Lord is near. Have no anxiety at all, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, make your requests known to God. Then the peace of God that surpasses all understanding will guard your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.

### Gospel *Luke 3:10-18*

The crowds asked John the Baptist, "What should we do?" He said to them in reply, "Whoever has two cloaks should share with the person who has none. And whoever has food should do likewise." Even tax collectors came to be baptized and they said to him, "Teacher, what should we do?" He answered them, "Stop collecting more than what is prescribed." Soldiers also asked him, "And what is it that we should do?" He told them, "Do not practice extortion, do not falsely accuse anyone, and be satisfied with your wages." Now the people were filled with expectation, and all were asking in their hearts whether John might be the Christ. John answered them all, saying, "I am baptizing you with water, but one mightier than I is coming. I am not worthy to loosen the thongs of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing fan is in his hand to clear his threshing floor and to gather the wheat into his barn, but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire." Exhorting them in many other ways, he preached good news to the people.

## Readings for the Week

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**Sunday, December 15, 2024:** Zep 3:14-18a/Is 12:2-3, 4, 5-6 (6)/Phil 4:4-7/Lk 3:10-18  
**Monday, December 16, 2024:** Nm 24:2-7, 15-17a/Ps 25:4-5ab, 6 and 7bc, 8-9/Mt 21:23-27  
**Tuesday, December 17, 2024:** Gn 49:2, 8-10/Ps 72:1-2, 3-4ab, 7-8, 17/Mt 1:1-17  
**Wednesday, December 18, 2024:** Jer 23:5-8/Ps 72:1-2, 12-13, 18-19/Mt 1:18-25  
**Thursday, December 19, 2024:** Jgs 13:2-7, 24-25a/Ps 71:3-4a, 5-6ab, 16-17/Lk 1:5-25  
**Friday, December 20, 2024:** Is 7:10-14/Ps 24:1-2, 3-4ab, 5-6/Lk 1:26-38  
**Saturday, December 21, 2024:** Sg 2:8-14 or Zep 3:14-18a/Ps 33:2-3, 11-12, 20-21/Lk 1:39-45  
**Sunday, December 22, 2024:** Mi 5:1-4a/Ps 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19 (4)/Heb 10:5-10/Lk 1:39-45

# MASS INTENTIONS

**Tuesday, December 17, 2024**

**9:30 a.m.**

Isaac & Emily Austria (47th Wedding Anniversary)

Thanksgiving by Brendo & Khristine

**Thursday, December 19, 2024**

**9:30 a.m.**

+Emmanuel Raphael

**Friday, December 20, 2024**

**9:30 a.m.**

+Frances Rozolosky

**Saturday, December 21, 2024**

**4:00 p.m.**

+Joan Herbert

+Rosemarie Calmi

+Jerry Nowakowski

Parishioners of St. Rene

+Maybelle Koehler

+Franklin Langenstein

**Sunday, December 22, 2024**

**8:30 a.m.**

+Robert Bramlage

+Sharon Murawski

**10:30 a.m.**

+Jane Pomper DeHart (Birthday)

+James Quirk

+Vistitacion Acosta

+Kriemhild Blaha

**5:30 p.m.**

Living & Deceased Parishioners of St. Rene



**COME,  
Lord Jesus!**



## GOSPEL MEDITATION

### 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Advent

On a bright Spring morning, a passerby once saw St. Francis of Assisi hoeing a row of beans and asked him, "What would you be doing right now if you knew this was the last day of your earthly life?" The Saint responded, "I'd keep hoeing this row of beans." Preparing for this world to end — whether by our death or by Jesus' glorious coming — invites us to live not in the past or the present, but deeply in the present moment.

This same point is on display in the simple advice given by the wild and eccentric John the Baptist. He speaks of the one who is to come who will baptize **"with the Holy Spirit and fire"** (Luke 3:16). Despite the bizarre awesomeness of this announcement, he tells his listeners to engage in the present moment with simple acts of justice and love as their preparation for Jesus' coming, sharing their clothes and food, eliminating greedy and underhanded practices, being content with their wages. It's so undramatic. But how many actually did it? We don't know. How many of us will commit ourselves to these types of humble and demanding practices in our lives? That's what we should be doing now in our present moment, not worrying about the future.

Advent challenge: Name one way you are doing the bare minimum towards others in your daily life. Or name something you are doing because you are not content with your financial situation. Pray: "Jesus, if it is your will, help me to stop doing these things this week. Help me prepare for your coming." Then make the appropriate changes.

— *Father John Muir*



As we light the rose-colored candle on Gaudete Sunday, we know that the arrival of Christ is almost upon us. Our hearts are full.

The Gospel acclamation from 1 Thessalonians 5:16 says it simply – Rejoice always.

But how can we rejoice in a world full of sorrow? Amid illness and want, injustice and hate?

St. Dominic found that joy was not only comforting, but life-giving. Walking the fields of France, he was aware of an impending attack by men sent to kill him but continued his songs and prayers. His would-be assassins were so taken aback by his joy that they did not harm him.

Can you find that same life-giving joy in the eyes of someone else, and in the small acts of kindness that surround you?

Remember God is with us. Mary is waiting with us to bring the light of her Son into our darkness. As we light this candle, pray for light and love to come into our hearts.

**Weekend Liturgy Schedule for December 21 & 22**

	<b>Saturday 4:00PM</b>	<b>Sunday 8:30 AM</b>	<b>Sunday 10:30 AM</b>	<b>Sunday 5:30 PM</b>
<b>Presider</b>	Fr. Steve	Fr. Joy	Fr. Steve	Fr. Tim
<b>Lector</b>	Barbara Kiernan	Wendi Lillie	Dori Fooy	Jovita Engalan
<b>Altar Servers</b>	Lance Tolentino	Karin Nieto	Paul Havern	
<b>Eucharistic Ministers</b>	L. Youkhana L. Nosek	Open Open	H. Devera P. Yeck	Open Open
<b>Ushers</b>	<u>Tom Pluta</u> Dave Hintz Todd Messineo Karen Messineo Nick Rieser Jim Moravek Omar Oszust Gary Novelli Don Sundstrom	<u>Tom Dutkiewicz</u> Luis Nieto Al 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
<b>Sacristan</b>	L. Youkhana	K. Nieto	H. DeVera	V. Jennings

**Christmas Liturgy Schedule for December 24 & 25**

	<b>Tuesday 4:00PM</b>	<b>Wednesday 8:30 AM</b>	<b>Wednesday 10:30 AM</b>	<b>Wednesday 5:30 PM</b>
<b>Presider</b>	Fr. Steve	Fr. Joy	Fr. Steve	NO MASS
<b>Lector</b>	Dorothy Arche	Rob Wilson	Marv Laubach	NO MASS
<b>Altar Servers</b>	Eli Wing-Nga	Karin Nieto	Phat Le Phong Le	NO MASS
<b>Eucharistic Ministers</b>	L Youkhana L Nosek	Open Open	G Yeck M Laubach	NO MASS
<b>Ushers</b>	<u>Tom Pluta</u> Dave Hintz Todd Messineo Karen Messineo Nick Rieser Jim Moravek Omar Oszust Gary Novelli Don Sundstrom	<u>Tom Dutkiewicz</u> Luis Nieto Al 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	NO MASS
<b>Sacristan</b>	L Youkhana	K Nieto	G Yeck	NO MASS

**Altar Linen:**

December:  
Denise Link

Friday, December 20th  
Team 1  
Bibiane Gagnon  
Joyce Fackler

**Altar Care Team:**

Friday, December 27th  
Team 2  
Roxann Klee, Karin Nieto  
Antonina Notarantonio



## STAY CONNECTED

I encourage you to sign up for this resource and make use of the Bible studies, faith formation opportunities, and Catholic movies available. Signing up only takes a few easy steps:

1. Visit [www.formed.org](http://www.formed.org) and click "Sign up."
2. Click "I belong to a Parish or Organization."
3. Type "Faith at Home Detroit" in the center box under Create New Account. (You'll see it populate from the drop-down menu.) Click "Next."
4. Enter your first and last name as well as your email.
5. Now you're registered! You can also download the app on you Smartphone. If you need further assistance, contact *Formed* at [www.help.formed.org](http://www.help.formed.org) or toll-free at 844-367-6331.



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



### **Prayer for the Third Sunday of Advent**

Dear Lord,  
Give us boldness as we move  
through the motions of the holiday season,  
to reflect and remind those around us  
of Your deep and abiding love for them.  
Allow them to encounter Your love,  
through us.  
Amen.



**Our Sunday Offering  
December 7 & 8  
Thank you for your  
generous response.**

**God Bless you!**

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

St. Rene St. Vincent de Paul helps with utility bills, clothing, household items, food and in certain cases evictions.



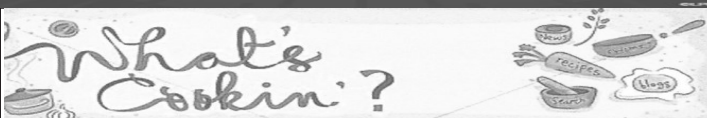
If you know of anyone who needs help, please have them call (586)718-4523. They do not need to be parish members. All information is kept strictly confidential.

### **Pantry items needed:**

Vegetable oil, salad dressing, spaghetti, fruit in a can, jam, canned potatoes, dehydrated mashed potatoes, dish soap, bar soap, shampoo and hand soap.

THIRD SUNDAY  
OF ADVENT

Our  
Savior  
will come



### **Cheesy Potatoes**

1/2 cup melted butter  
1/2 cup onion—chopped  
1 can cream of chicken soup—undiluted  
1 can cream of mushroom soup—undiluted  
1 pint sour cream  
5 cups shredded cheddar cheese  
6 lb. pkg. hash browns—thawed

### **Topping:**

1/4 cup melted butter  
7 cups crushed corn flakes

Mix butter, onion, and both cans of soup, sour cream, and cheese. Add potatoes and blend. Pour mixture into greased 3-qt. casserole or 9 x 13 pan. In a bowl mix butter and corn flakes. Cover potatoes with topping and bake at 350 F for 55 minutes or until bubbly.

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





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.



**We are in need of Sacristans and Eucharistic Ministers. If anyone is interested, please contact the parish office at (586)939-7500.**

**We are in need of Ushers at the 8:30 a.m. & 10:30 a.m. Masses. If you are interested in Ushering, please see one of the Ushers.**

#### **Altar Servers**

**We are in need of Altar servers, young or adult who would like to serve, please contact the parish office at (586)939-7500. Please come serve at the Altar!**

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

MSgt. Jason Bialy, Air Force  
Josey Blades (Air Force)  
Airman 1st Julie M. Chervon  
Spc. Shaen Connery (Army)  
P.O. 1st Dale A. Foglyano  
Nicholas Foglyano (Army)  
P.O. 2nd Nicolas Fooy (Navy)  
Lt Col David Fries  
Maj. Laura Geldhof  
Joe Gill, Navy  
Staff Sgt. Nicole R. Grenon

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

Chief Daniel Przybylinski (Navy)  
Justin Quinn (Marines)  
Anthony Roszko (Army)  
Lt. Greg Siuta  
Maj. Allison Stewart  
Sgt Tomas R. Studholme, Jr.  
ISG Robert Sutton  
Sgt. Matthew Sweetman  
Joel Vasquez, (Navy Seal)

### **Prayer for Those Serving in the Military**

Lord, hold our troops in your loving hands. Protect them as they protect us.  
Bless them and their families for their selfless acts they perform for us in our time of need.  
Amen.



### **Adoration Chapel**

In the documents of the Second Vatican Council, the Church Fathers describe the Eucharist as: "The source and summit of the Christian life. The term "Eucharist" originates in the Greek word Eucharistia, meaning thanksgiving.

"Take; this is my body" Mark 14:22

1. The real presence of Christ in the Eucharist is real, true and substantial.
2. "It is called the Eucharist because it is an action of thanksgiving to God." (CCC. No. 1328)
3. "Jesus awaits us in the sacrament of love." (St. John Paul II, Dominicae cene, no. 3)
4. Eucharist makes the one present sacrifice of Christ the Savior." (CCC, no. 1330)

If you would like to take the opportunity to be still and listen to God (without worldly interruptions), we have a need for almost every hour to have a second adorer, thereby making less the need for a substitute. It is a sacrifice being Catholic in our world today, you need contemplation and the grace to make you holy. Please call Mary Peterson to sign up at (586)979-1469 or (586)738-1154.

**Uncommitted Hours  
Wednesday 2pm & Friday 9am  
TAKE TIME FOR PRAYER!**

## SAINT RENE GOUPIL Catholic Church

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

### Pastoral Staff

Rev. Steven Koehler, Pastor  
Rev. Joy Chakian, Associate  
Rev. Mr. John Ball, Deacon Emeritus  
Rev. Mr. Kevin Tietz, Deacon  
Michael Novak,  
Director of Evangelization & Education  
Alexander Sunga  
Director of Worship & Music

### ORGANIZATIONS & SERVICES

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*Mary Peterson (586) 979-1469*  
**Divine Mercy**  
*Karin Nieto (586) 447-6927*  
**Ushers**  
*Al Gyenese (586) 808-3128*  
**Perpetual Adoration**  
*Mary Peterson (586) 979-1469*  
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*(586) 718-4523*  
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*(586) 556-2122*

### Weekend Liturgy Schedule

Saturday 4:00 p.m.  
Sunday 8:30 a.m.  
10:30 a.m.  
5:30 p.m.

### Weekday Mass

Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 9:30 a.m.

### Confessions

3:00 p.m. every Saturday

## WELCOME

If you have attended Mass at St. Rene and would like to become a member, please visit our parish office where you can register and discuss all of the wonderful ways to grow in faith through Christian Service, Worship, Youth Ministry, Outreach, Faith Formation, and in our Adoration Chapel. For more information call 586-939-7500.

## St. Rene Mission Statement

St. Rene Goupil Parish is a Catholic Community, dedicated to strengthening the faith and love of its people. Our mission is to proclaim that Jesus is Lord, to celebrate His Presence, and to reach out to others in His name.

### Parish Registration:

Welcome to all new families/individuals. Please register as soon as possible. Membership is a condition for the reception of the Sacraments of Baptism, Reconciliation, First Eucharist, Confirmation and Marriage.

Registration is also required before the parish can issue a sponsorship certificate for those asked to be a sacramental sponsor. Registration forms are available in the Parish Office.

### Baptism:

Baptisms are celebrated the third Sunday of the month at 12:00 p.m. A parent preparation class is mandatory. Classes are held on the fourth Saturday of each month at 10:00 a.m. Call the Parish Office during weekday office hours to register for a class.

**Penance:** Saturday 3:00 p.m. Special schedules for Advent and Lent.

### Marriage:

Arrangements must be made through the Parish Office at least six months prior to the desired wedding date. One person of the couple must be an active, registered member of St. Rene Goupil Parish for six months.

### Anointing of the Sick:

On request or by appointment through the Parish Office.

## Remember in Your Prayers

ALL THOSE AFFECTED BY THE CORONAVIRUS THROUGHOUT THE WORLD

