



December 21, 2025

St. Rene Goupil

Catholic Community
Sterling Heights

Fourth Sunday of
ADVENT



Notes from Fr. Steve

As we gather at St. Rene Parish this Christmas, we extend a joyful and heartfelt welcome to all—parishioners, visitors, family, and friends. Whether you come every Sunday or are returning home for the holidays, please know this: **you belong here**, and we are blessed by your presence.

From the earliest centuries, Christians have paused in wonder at the mystery of the incarnation—God taking on our humanity in Jesus Christ. By the 4th century, the Church had set aside December 25th as the Feast of the Nativity, joining communities around the world in celebrating the birth of our Savior. Over the centuries, traditions grew—candles symbolizing Christ the Light, nativity scenes inviting us to step into Bethlehem, hymns and carols proclaiming the good news the angels first announced.

At its heart, Christmas has always been about **God drawing near to His people**, shining hope into a world longing for peace.

“Do Not Be Afraid...”—Luke 2:1-14

In Luke’s Gospel, shepherds keeping watch in the quiet night suddenly witness heaven breaking open:

“I bring you good news of great joy...for to you is born this day in the city of David a Savior.”

That message is for **us** today. No matter our worries, our past, or our uncertainties, Christmas reminds us the God enters our lives with tenderness and strength. Christ comes to lift us, guide us, forgive us, and stay with us. Heaven still speaks: **“Do not be afraid.”**

Stay close to Christ all year! We hope your worship here at St. Rene this Christmas fills you with peace and joy. And we warmly invite you to stay connected throughout the coming year—Sunday Mass, parish events, outreach ministries, prayer opportunities, and community gatherings. Our parish is at its best when *you* are part of it.

Let this Christmas be the beginning—

A year of faith.

A year of worship.



A year of growing closer to Jesus and to one another.

Please remember to pray for the parish, especially the sick and the suffering. Your prayers bring them healing, comfort and peace.

From all of us at St. Rene, **Merry Christmas!**

May the Christ Child bless you and your loved ones with hope, joy, and lasting peace.

Fr. Steve

	<p>In Celebration of the Christmas Holiday the Parish Office will be closed December 24th at 12 Noon through January 1st</p>	<p>In Celebration of the Christmas Holiday the Adoration Chapel will be closed on Wednesday, December 24th at 12 Noon Thursday, December 25th And Friday, December 26th</p> 



CHRISTMAS EVE-WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 24
4:00 pm Mass ~ 7:00 pm Tagalog

CHRISTMAS DAY~ THURSDAY, DECEMBER 25
8:30 am & 10:30 am~ THERE IS NO 5:30 pm MASS

NEW YEARS DAY~ THURSDAY, JANUARY 1
9:30 am Mass



"In Me, you may have peace. In the world you will have tribulation; but be of good cheer, I have overcome the world."

Christ's words from John 16:33 bring comfort in our weary, injustice-laden, COVID exhausted world. As we light the candle of Peace, we are promised blessings by Christ who has silenced the waves, stilled the wind, and made calm for us in a noisy world.

When our Congregation became the Dominican Sisters of Peace, we accepted the name "Peace" that God gave us, not just as an identifier, but as a goal and a promise.

As we celebrate the birth of Christ, the Prince of Peace, may each of us recommit to our goal of peace. Let us build peace by respecting life in all its forms and by seeking justice: justice for the poor, the refugee and the immigrant, for our sisters and brothers who experience exclusion. Let us preach peace by sharing the love of God and the Good News of the Gospel with those around us. Let us be peace to those who may disagree with us by not engaging in words that are hurtful or disruptive.

We are praying for you and for your family. May Christ's peace, hope and joy be born into our hearts this Christmas season.

We wish you the most blessed Christmas, and a New Year full of Peace.



JWJ CATHOLIC ACADEMY KID'S CORNER

DECEMBER 21, 2025: FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

GOSPEL: MATTHEW 1: 18-24

AN ANGEL APPEARED TO JOSEPH IN A DREAM AND TOLD HIM NOT TO BE AFRAID TO TAKE MARY AS HIS WIFE, BECAUSE HER BABY WAS FROM GOD. THE ANGEL SAID THE BABY WOULD BE NAMED JESUS, AND HE WOULD SAVE HIS PEOPLE. JOSEPH LISTENED TO GOD AND DID EXACTLY WHAT THE ANGEL SAID.

The Fourth Week of Advent reminds us that Jesus is God's greatest gift of love, and we can share that love with everyone around us.



LOVE

**COLOR THE IMAGE ABOVE FOR
THE FOURTH WEEK OF ADVENT**

FAMILY ACTIVITY

THE GREATEST GIFT BOX

Read together that the Fourth Week of Advent is about love. Talk about how Jesus is God's greatest gift of love and how we can show love to others through kind words, helpful actions, and caring hearts. For the activity, find a large box. Leave one side open and decorate it to look like a manger. You can even find a huge box to put outside in your yard. After making it look like a manger, write the words "THE GREATEST GIFT" above the box on a sign or even on the box itself. Leave it on display, and when Christmas Day arrives, add a baby Jesus to the manger scene.



**DEAR JESUS,
THANK YOU FOR LOVING US
SO MUCH THAT YOU CAME TO
BE WITH US. HELP ME TO
SHARE YOUR LOVE WITH MY
FAMILY, FRIENDS, AND
EVERYONE I MEET. AMEN.**

Readings for the The Fourth Sunday of Advent

Reading I *Isaiah 7:10-14*

The LORD spoke to Ahaz, saying: Ask for a sign from the LORD, your God; let it be deep as the netherworld, or high as the sky! But Ahaz answered, "I will not ask! I will not tempt the LORD!" Then Isaiah said: Listen, O house of David! Is it not enough for you to weary people, must you also weary my God? Therefore the Lord himself will give you this sign: the virgin shall conceive, and bear a son, and shall name him Emmanuel.

Reading II *Romans 1:1-7*

Paul, a slave of Christ Jesus, called to be an apostle and set apart for the gospel of God, which he promised previously through his prophets in the holy Scriptures, the gospel about his Son, descended from David according to the flesh, but established as Son of God in power according to the Spirit of holiness through resurrection from the dead, Jesus Christ our Lord. Through him we received the grace of apostleship, to bring about the obedience of faith, for the sake of his name, among all the Gentiles, among whom are you also, who are called to belong to Jesus Christ; to all the beloved of God in Rome, called to be holy. Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

Gospel *Matthew 1:18-24*

This is how the birth of Jesus Christ came about. When his mother Mary was betrothed to Joseph, but before they lived together, she was found with child through the Holy Spirit. Joseph her husband, since he was a righteous man, yet unwilling to expose her to shame, decided to divorce her quietly. Such was his intention when, behold, the angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream and said, "Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary your wife into your home. For it is through the Holy Spirit that this child has been conceived in her. She will bear a son and you are to name him Jesus, because he will save his people from their sins." All this took place to fulfill what the Lord had said through the prophet: *Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and they shall name him Emmanuel*, which means "God is with us." When Joseph awoke, he did as the angel of the Lord has commanded him and took his wife into his home.

Readings for the Week

Sunday, December 21, 2025: Is 7:10-14/Ps 24:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 (7c, 10b)/Rom 1:1-7/Mt 1:18-24

Monday, December 22, 2025: 1 Sm 1:24-28/1 Sm 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd/Lk 1:46-56

Tuesday, December 23, 2025: Mal 3:1-4, 23-24/Ps 25:4-5ab, 8-9, 10 and 14/Lk 1:57-66

Wednesday, December 24, 2025: Morning: 2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16/Ps 89:2-3, 4-5, 27 and 29/Lk 1:67-79

Thursday, December 25, 2025: Vigil: Is 62:1-5/Ps 89:4-5, 16-17, 27, 29 (2a)/Acts 13:16-17, 22-25/Mt 1:1-25 or 1:18-25 Night: Is 9:1-6/Ps 96:1-2, 2-3, 11-12, 13 (Lk 2:11)/Ti 2:11-14/Lk 2:1-14 Dawn: Is 62:11-12/Ps 97:1, 6, 11-12/Ti 3:4-7/Lk 2:15-20 Day: Is 52:7-10/Ps 98:1, 2-3, 3-4, 5-6 (3c)/Heb 1:1-6/Jn 1:1-18 or 1:1-5, 9-14

Friday, December 26, 2025: Acts 6:8-10; 7:54-59/Ps 31:3cd-4, 6 and 8ab, 16bc and 17/Mt 10:17-22

Saturday, December 27, 2025: 1 Jn 1:1-4/Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12/Jn 20:1a, 2-8

Sunday, December 28, 2025: Sir 3:2-6, 12-14/Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5 (see 1)/Col 3:12-21 or 3:12-17/Mt 2:13-15, 19-23



St. Rene Goupil Catholic Community
December 25, 2025

The Nativity of the Lord



Readings for the The Nativity of the Lord

Reading I *Isaiah 9:1-6*

The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; upon those who dwelt in the land of gloom a light has shone. You have brought them abundant joy and great rejoicing, as they rejoice before you as at the harvest, as people make merry when dividing spoils. For the yolk that burdened them, the pole on their shoulder, and the rod of their taskmaster you have smashed, as on the day of Midian. For every boot that tramped in battle, every cloak rolled in blood, will be burned as fuel for flames. For a child is born to us, a son is given us; upon his shoulder dominion rests. They name him Wonder-Counselor, God-Hero, Father-Forever, Prince of Peace. His dominion is vast and forever peaceful, from David's throne, and over his kingdom, which he confirms and sustains by judgment and justice, both now and forever. The zeal of the LORD of hosts will do this!

Reading II *Titus 2:11-14*

Beloved: The grace of God has appeared, saving all and training us to reject godless ways and worldly desires and to live temperately, justly, and devoutly in this age, as we await the blessed hope, the appearance of the glory of our great God and savior Jesus Christ, who gave himself for us to deliver us from all lawlessness and to cleanse for himself a people as his own, eager to do what is good.

Gospel *Luke 2:1-14*

In those days a decree went out from Caesar Augustus that the whole world should be enrolled. This was the first enrollment, when Quirinius was governor of Syria. So all went to be enrolled, each to his own town. And Joseph too went up from Galilee from the town of Nazareth to Judea, to the city of David that is called Bethlehem, because he was of the house and family of David, to be enrolled with Mary, his betrothed, who was with child. While they were there, the time came for her to have her child, and she gave birth to her firstborn son. She wrapped him in swaddling clothes and laid him in a manger, because there was no room for them in the inn. Now there were shepherds in that region living in the fields and keeping the night watch over their flock. The angel of the Lord appeared to them and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were struck with great fear. The angel said to them, "Do not be afraid; for behold, I proclaim to you good news of great joy that will be for all the people. For today in the city of David a savior has been born for you who is Christ and Lord. And this will be a sign for you: you will find an infant wrapped in swaddling clothes and lying in a manger." And suddenly there was a multitude of the heavenly host with the angel, praising God and saying: "Glory to God in the highest and on earth peace to those on whom his favor rests."



Mass Intentions

FOR THE WEEK



Tuesday, December 23, 2025

9:30 a.m.

Paddy Lynch

Agocs, Santoro & Seaver Families

Christmas Eve

Wednesday, December 24, 2025

4:00 p.m..

+Walter Broski

+Diane Broski

+Rudy Pomper Jr.

+Helen Pomper

+Jane Pomper DeHart

+Felix & Rita Gatt

+Marian & Lottie Kobus

+Ron Tash

Deceased Members of the Kudla Family

+Don & Ruth Szymanski

+Ken Szymanski

+Phyllis Szymanski

+Rosalie Barrett

+Ken Winiemko

+Marlene Breaz

+Robert Serocki

+Julia Rzeppa Pazik (Birthday Remembrance)

+Charles & Theresa McDonald

+Ralph A. Basile

+Heather & Marie Swan

+Walt Kalcevic

+Rose Zappa

+Sam Zappa

+Eugene & Priscilla Zielinski

+Leo & Helen Wilinski

+Jack & Mary Zielinski

+Jerome Wilinski

Special Intention of E. Stickney

+Phillip Kalcevic

+Ken & Donald Winiemko

+Sharon Murawski

Intention of the Munir & Odish Families

+Munir Odish

Amel Odish & Family

Nadia Odish

Almas Odish (Healing)

+Stanley & Bernice Barc

Deceased Members of the Sobecki Family

Thanksgiving for Healing

Deceased Members of the Roman Family

Christmas Day

Thursday, December 25, 2025

8:30 a.m.

+Joseph & Mary Schultz

+John Wyrwicz

+Robert Labinski

David Boni

+Barbara Liwo

+Karin Nieto

+Antonio Andrion (3rd R.A.)

+Ronaldo Sales (7th R.A.)

Christmas Day

Thursday, December 25, 2025

8:30 a.m.

+Marialuz Sales (5th R.A.)

+Robert Urick

+Marge Wichlacz

Agocs, Santoro & Seaver Families

10:30 a.m.

+William O'Neill

Members of the Caudal Family

Members of the Feliciano Family

+Marion Calverley

Intentions of the Jarin & Maribbay Families

+Patricia Coffee

+Joyce Fackler

+John Proz

+Victor & Kay Stanatis

+Glenn & Dorothy Fackler

Living & Deceased Members of the Bonrosto & DeVera Families

Healing of Leah Bonrosto

Healing of Amy Bonrosto Vila

Friday, December 26, 2025

9:30 a.m.

+Benito & Simplicia Capajo

Agocs, Santoro & Seaver Families

Saturday, December 27, 2025

4:00 p.m.

+Giuseppe & Concetta Distefano

+Jerry Nowakowski

+Steven Herbert

+Edwin Wagner

+Jack McGlinchey

+Marian & Lottie Kobus

+Hanora Bates

+Franklin Langenstein

Agocs, Santoro & Seaver Families

Sunday, December 28, 2025

8:30 a.m.

+Karin Nieto

+Antonio Andrion (3rd R.A.)

+Ronaldo Sales (7th R.A.)

+Renato & Lydia Francisco

Thanksgiving for the Capajo Family

+Lula Bell Winfield

Agocs, Santoro & Seaver Families

10:30 a.m.

+Josephine Martineau

+Rose Marie Sobota

Members of the Caudal Family

Members of the Feliciano Family

5:30 p.m.

Aimeo Austria Chapman

Luke Austria Bessen (Birthday)

Devotions, Explained! Epiphany Blessing

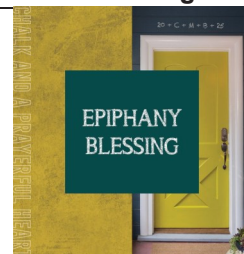
Mini Explanation

The Epiphany household blessing is an ancient practice in the Church. This tradition is a beautiful way to observe the coming of the magi while invoking God's blessing on your home and all who enter it. All that is needed is chalk and a prayerful heart!

Epiphany Blessing, Explained

The Epiphany household blessing is a centuries-old tradition that invokes God's blessing on all who enter one's home. All you need for an Epiphany blessing is chalk, which is usually made available by parishes either on the feast of the Epiphany or in the weeks leading up to it. There are a few different formulas for blessings out there, but the essence of the ritual is always the same: a priest or the head of the household calls down God's blessing on the house and everyone who comes into it, and an inscription is made above the door in chalk.

The inscription reads: the first two digits of the year + C + M + B + the last two digits of the year. The initials C, M and B represent the names of the magi — Caspar, Melchior and Balthasar — and also signify the Latin phrase *Christus mansionem benedicat*: "May Christ bless the house."



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>

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



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

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

Weekend Liturgy Schedule for December 27 & 28

	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	Jovita Engalan	Barbara Wyrwicz	Corina Sison	Louis Youkhana
Altar Servers	Open	Rom Beltran	Open	Open
Eucharistic Ministers	G. Labinski L. Nosek	Open Open	C. Sison G. Yeck	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	R. Kranson	R. Betran	C. Sison	Open

Weekend Liturgy Schedule for December 24 & 25

	Saturday 4:00PM	Sunday 8:30 AM	Sunday 10:30 AM	Sunday 5:30 PM
Presider	Fr. Steve	Fr. Joy	Fr. Steve	NO MASS
Lector	Wendi Lillie	Rob Wilson	Marv Laubach	NO MASS
Altar Servers	Lance Tolentino	Rom Beltran	Phat & Phong Le	NO MASS
Eucharistic Ministers	L. Nosek G. Labinski	Open Open	G. Yeck M. Laubach	NO MASS
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	NO MASS
Sacristan	R. Kranson	R. Beltran	G. Yeck	NO MASS

<div>Altar Care Team: Friday, December 26th Team 3</div> <div>Teresita Bugante Helen DeVera Ofelia Cunanan Divina Divina Marietta Martinez</div>		Weekday Liturgy Schedule for December			
		Week	Tuesday, December 23, 2025	Thursday, December 25, 2025	Friday, December 26, 2025
		Celebrant	Fr. Steve	CHRISTMAS DAY SEE ABOVE	Fr. Steve
		Lector	M. Peterson	CHRISTMAS DAY SEE ABOVE	L. Youkhana
<div>Church Vacuuming : Friday, December 26th OPEN</div>	Altar Linen: December Denise Link	Sacristan	B. Wyrwicz	CHRISTMAS DAY SEE ABOVE	J. Carlisle
		Eucharistic Minister	L. Youkhana	CHRISTMAS DAY SEE ABOVE	M. Peterson

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



PLEASE REMEMBER ST. RENE GOUPIL PARISH IN YOUR WILL

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



SCAN CODE TO DONATE
TO ST. RENE GOUPIL



**Our Sunday Offering
December 13 & 14
Thank you for your
generous response.
God Bless you!**

WHERE TO FIND THE BULLETIN

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.



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!

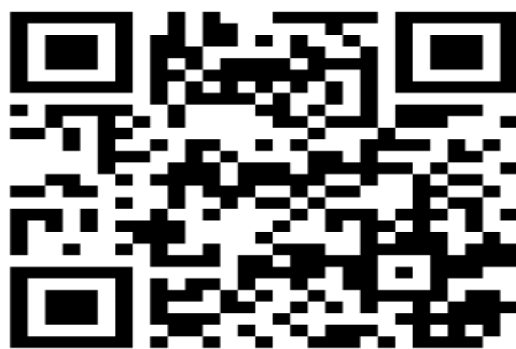
Holiday Trifle



2 pkg. ladyfingers or pound cake or sponge cake
2 cans cherries packed in juice—drained (not pie filling)
2 cans custard or vanilla pudding
4 bananas (sliced and placed in lemon/sugar mixture to keep from browning—drain before layering)
1/4-1/2 cup Harvey's Bristol Cream sherry (or your favorite liquor)
1 large container Cool Whip
Sprinkles (red dots and green long pieces to form holly)

Use a trifle bowl for presentation purposes. Place split ladyfingers (pound cake or sponge cake) on bottom of bowl. Line split ladyfingers around the bowl standing up. Place layer of cherries that have sat in the sherry or liquor for several hours; layer of custard; layer of bananas; layer of pieces of ladyfingers or cake; layer of cherries; layer of custard; layer of bananas; thick layer of Cool Whip. Place red dots on top of cool whip and add two green sprinkles to form leaves (looks like holly). Chill overnight. Makes a lovely presentation. Use a large spoon and go to bottom of bowl to get a little bit of everything.

Archdiocesan Restructuring QR Code/Link
Strengthening the Church for the Next Generation
https://www.restructuring_aod.org



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

**Monday @ 12 Noon, Wednesday @ 1:00 p.m.,
Thursday @ 8:00 a.m. and 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
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9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Closed 12 Noon—1:00 p.m. Lunch
Friday 9:00 a.m. - Noon

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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

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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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