April 19, 2026

St. Rene Goupil

Catholic Community

Sterling Heights

Notes from Fr. Steve

This Easter season us a radiant celebration of hope fulfilled and life renewed. Emerging from the quiet intensity of Lent, Easter proclaims that darkness does not have the final word. The Resurrection invites us into a spirituality marked not by fear or burden, but by joy, freedom, and deep trust in God's promises. It is a season that stretches beyond a single day, offering weeks to reflect on what it truly means to live as people transformed by grace.

At its heart, Easter spirituality is about new life. Just as spring awakens the earth, the Resurrection awakens our souls. It reminds us that no situation is beyond redemption, no sorrow beyond healing, and no failure beyond forgiveness. We are called to live as witnesses to this truth—not only in grand gestures, but in the quiet renewal of our daily lives. Acting of kindness, patience, and compassion become signs of the risen life within us.

Easter also invites us into a deeper relationship. The risen Christ meets people where they are: in confusion, in doubt, in joy, and even in fear. This reminds us that faith is not about having everything figured out, but about remaining open to encounter. In prayer, in community, and in the ordinary rhythms of life, we are continually invited to recognize the presence of the living Christ walking alongside us.

As we reflect on both Lent and Easter, there are simple but powerful truths we can carry forward:

- Transformation often begins in small, hidden ways. The sacrifices and disciplines of Lent teach us that growth takes patience and intention.
- Hope is stronger than despair. Easter assures us that even when life feels uncertain, God us still at work bringing about something new.
- Love is our calling. The journey from the cross to the empty tomb reveals a love that gives everything and holds nothing back. We are invited to reflect that love in how we treat others.
- Faith is a daily journey. Both Lent and Easter remind us that our spiritual lives are not confined to seasons—they shape how we live every day.

To those who have entered the Church this Easter: welcome. Your presence is a gift, and your journey enriches the whole community. This season of new life is not only something to celebrate—it is something we live together. May you find joy in belonging, strength in faith, and peace in knowing that you are part of a story still unfolding. We are truly glad you are here.

As always, I ask you to remember to pray for the parish, especially the sick and the suffering, your prayers bring them healing, comfort and peace. God bless you and those you love!

Fr. Steve

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

Mr. & Mrs. Julian & Jessa Muron

Ms. Brittney Cucchiara

Archdiocese of Detroit Restructuring: Moving Forward in Hope

The Archdiocese of Detroit is entering an important new chapter as part of its ongoing mission to respond faithfully to the needs of today's Church. Under the leadership of Archbishop Edward J. Weisenberger, this restructuring effort builds on years of prayer, consultation, and pastoral planning. It reflects a continued commitment to ensure that our parishes are vibrant, sustainable, and well-equipped to carry out the mission of Jesus Christ in a changing world.

This effort is rooted in the recognition that demographics, priest availability, and parish resources have shifted over time. Rather than seeing these changes as obstacles, the Archdiocese is embracing them as opportunities—opportunities to renew parish life, strengthen ministries, and deepen our shared commitment to evangelization. Guided by faith, the Church is responding with courage and vision.

As members of the St. Rene community, you are invited to learn more about how this restructuring will specifically affect our parish. Two informational sessions will be offered:

- **May 11, 7:00–9:00 PM**
- **May 13, 7:00–9:00 PM**

These sessions will provide important insights, answer questions, and help us move forward together with clarity and confidence.

In preparation, parishioners are encouraged to review the Parish Handbook, available online at: **restructuring.aod.org**
This resource offers valuable background and helps explain the goals and structure of the initiative.

While change can sometimes feel uncertain, it is also a powerful moment of grace. Jesus continually calls His Church to grow, adapt, and carry His message into the future. This restructuring is not simply about organization—it is about renewal, mission, and the opportunity to become an even stronger witness to the Gospel.

Let us approach this time with open hearts, trusting in God's guidance and the promise that He is always leading His Church forward. We look forward to seeing you at one of the sessions and walking this journey together in faith.

Scan to Register for a Listening Session

DONUT SUNDAY
NEXT SUNDAY

Join us for
faith & fellowship
after the
10:30 am Mass
Sunday, April 26, 2026

REGISTER FOR A LISTENING SESSION

https://www.cognitoforms.com/ArchdioceseOfDetroit2/ParishListeningSessionRegistration

Breakfast Club

Please Join Pomeroy Living as we Host

St. Rene's Tuesday Breakfast Club

Breakfast will be on the 3rd Tuesday of every month.

NEXT BREAKFAST: TUESDAY, APRIL 21ST

10:00AM-11:30AM

Space is limited to 60 so make sure to reserve your spot today!

RSVP to Kristen in the parish office by: Friday, April 17th

Pomeroy Living

St. Rene Goupil Parish
35955 Ryan Road
Sterling Heights, MI 48310

★St. Rene Volunteers★

We will be hosting a Protecting God's Children class here at St. Rene on
May 05, 2026 from 6 pm - 9 pm
This class is for any volunteers that have not taken the class and need to do so to continue to volunteer.
A light meal will be served.
(This is mandatory for ALL volunteers per the AOD)
This class will be open to all parishes in the AOD and will fill up fast.
Contact Jeannie Novak at JWJCatholic@gmail.com and she will call you to get you added to the class OR fill out the form below.

SIGN UP NOW

Protecting God's Children Class here at St. Rene on May 05, 2026 from 6 pm - 9 pm

First Name: _____

Last Name: _____

Phone Number: _____

Email: _____

or Contact Jeannie Novak at JWJCatholic@gmail.com

Tuesday, April 21, 2026
9:30 a.m.
+Elisa Alido Abellera
+John Anhut (5th R.A.)
+Barbara Zolnierczak
+Fr. Gene Strain
Agocs, Santoro & Seaver Families

Thursday, April 23, 2026
9:30 a.m.
+Karin Nieto
+Carolyn Zwierzchowski (4th R.A.)
Agocs, Santoro & Seaver Families

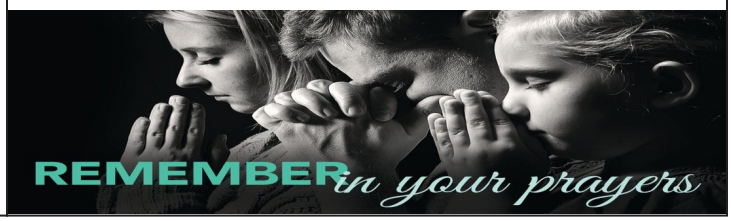
Friday, April 24, 2026
9:30 a.m.
+Fr. Walter Stanievich
Agocs, Santoro & Seaver Families

Saturday, April 25, 2026
4:00 p.m.
+Hanora Bates
+Walter Broski
+Jerry Nowakowski
+Franklin Langenstein
+Anthony Belkowski
+Barb Plotzka
Agocs, Santoro & Seaver Families

Sunday, April 26, 2026
8:30 a.m.
+Henry Jaworski (12th R.A.)
Agocs, Santoro & Seaver Families

10:30 a.m.
+Rose Marie Sobota
+Josephine Martineau
+Mary & Michael Sitto
Special Intention of the Tominna's Family Children & Grandchildren
+Maria Victoria Mamac Bjarnason (1st R.A.)

5:30 p.m.
+Anysaro Austria (Birthday)



JWJ CATHOLIC ACADEMY

Youth spotlight: Elizabeth Galadik

Elizabeth "Liz" Galadik is a senior at Sterling Heights High School. She will be attending Macomb Community College next year to start her pathway of studying Secondary Education. Liz is very active in the youth group and church life: she was a co-leader on our most recent retreat called, "Solid Rock, Bold Roll, Through Your Heart Down to Your Soul", and she has received the Timothy Award for Christian Teen Leadership. Liz is a catechist for kindergarten-1st grade at St. Jane Frances and has led all aspects of several youth group sessions, her favorite being, "You are not Alone." She is an altar server and participates in Good Friday by acting in the youth group's presentation of the passion and death of Jesus. She is an amazing role model in our program.

SOLID ROCK BOLD ROLL

Through Your Heart and Down to Your Soul

Pictured Left: Elizabeth (bottom) with four other retreatants: Phuong, Abbi, Farrah, Charlee

Pictured right: Liz (bottom) on her cheer squad

Pictured far right bottom: Elizabeth and two other retreat leaders, Phuong and Abbi

Elizabeth's quote on her youth group experience:

"Youth group has opened a door for me I never knew I needed. I have learned to find peace with God and really connect with Him. I have also learned that we all experience it and you will find a place you never knew you really needed."

St. Rene Goupil Parish presents:

SPIRITUAL BLOOM WEEKEND

Confirmation Retreat: Saturday 4:00 PM Mass
First Holy Communion: Sunday 10:30 AM Mass

MISSION TEXAS 2026

Mission Texas Service Trip
Youth Group donations
after all weekend masses

Blessed Solanus Casey relic
available for veneration
after all weekend masses

APRIL 25 & 26, 2026

GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

April 19, 2026
3rd Sunday of Easter
Luke 24:13-35

When I first read Homer's Odyssey as a teenager, one scene captured my imagination: Odysseus finally returning home after 20 years, yet no one recognized him. Disguised as a beggar, he speaks with his wife, his son, and even his enemies. He is fully present, yet hidden. Only at the right moment does he reveal himself, and everyone realizes he has been with them all along. I was struck by the mystery that he could be so close to his loved ones, and yet they simply could not identify him.

A similar mystery is at the heart of today's Gospel. Two disciples walk the road to Emmaus with Jesus, but **"their eyes were prevented from recognizing him."** (Luke 24:16) He listens, teaches, and eats with them, yet they remain blind until he breaks the bread. Suddenly their eyes are opened — and at that very moment, he vanishes. His disappearance is not absence. Rather, it is revelation. The Risen Lord is now present in a new way, in the breaking of the bread and in the life of His Church.

Faith is this shift of vision. Instead of searching for a visible Jesus as if he were absent, we learn to recognize him unveiled in hidden ways — in Scripture proclaimed, in the Eucharist, in the sacraments, in the very life of the Church.

And what is true of him is true of us. Just as he disappears into the mission of his Body, we too are meant to be hidden in him. When we live hidden in Christ, we are seen for who we really are.

— *Father John Muir*
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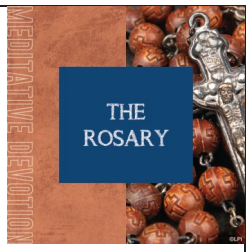

Devotions, *Explained!*
The Rosary

Mini Explanation
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The Rosary is traditionally attributed to a Marian vision received by St. Dominic de Guzman (1170-1221). Though scholarship on this point is uncertain, the Dominican Order was undoubtedly crucial in establishing and evangelizing the Rosary as a devotional prayer.

Over the centuries, the formula of the devotion eventually took the shape of 50 Hail Marys divided into five "decades," with each decade focused on a different mystery. The Church has defined the Joyful Mysteries (to be recited on Saturdays and Mondays), the Glorious Mysteries (Sundays and Wednesdays), the Sorrowful Mysteries (Tuesdays and Fridays), and most recently the Luminous Mysteries (to be recited on Thursdays).

Readings for the Week

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Sunday, April 19, 2026: Acts 2:14, 22-33/Ps 16:1-2 and 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11/1 Pt 1:17-21/Lk 24:13-35
Monday, April 20, 2026: Acts 6:8-15/Ps 119:23-24, 26-27, 29-30/Jn 6:22-29
Tuesday, April 21, 2026: Acts 7:51-8:1a/ Ps 31:3cd-4, 6 and 7b and 8a, 17 and 21ab/Jn 6:30-35
Wednesday, April 22, 2026: Acts 8:1b-8/ Ps 66:1-3a, 4-5, 6-7a/Jn 6:35-40
Thursday, April 23, 2026: Acts 8:26-40/ Ps 66:8-9, 16-17, 20/Jn 6:44-51
Friday, April 24, 2026: Acts 9:1-20/ Ps 117:1bc, 2/Jn 6:52-59
Saturday, April 25, 2026:1 Pt 5:5b-14/ Ps 89:2-3, 6-7, 16-17/Mk 16:15-20
Sunday, April 26, 2026: Acts 2:14a, 36-41/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6/1 Pt 2:20b-25/Jn 10:1-10

Virtues, *Explained!*
Temperance

Mini Explanation
This cardinal virtue of temperance is shown in the person who is master of his passions and his attachment to the world. "It ensures the will's mastery over instincts and keeps desires within the limits of what is honorable," we read in the Catechism.

Temperance, *Explained!*
"For the grace of God has appeared bringing salvation to the entire human race…(teaching) us to reject godless ways and worldly desires," reads Titus 2:11-12, "and in the present age to lead lives that are temperate, just and godly."

This cardinal virtue of temperance is shown in the person who is master of his passions and his attachment to the world. "It ensures the will's mastery over instincts and keeps desires within the limits of what is honorable," we read in the Catechism (CCC 1809).

Temperance is not repression of feeling; it is an exercise of the will, a careful and calculated choice. In this way, temperance actually safeguards virtuous love, keeping it "whole and uncorrupted," said St. Augustine. The practice of temperance is intimately linked to the virtue of chastity, which "protects the intimate center of the person… refusing to unveil what should remain hidden" (CCC 2521).

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(PRACTICING) CATHOLIC - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

By Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

Mini reflection: Christ gave us everything. He gave us "happily ever after." But what do you do with everything? What do you do with "happily ever after?" What do you do with the Resurrection? What do you do with salvation?

The Story That Never Ends

The biggest mistake we can make as Christians is to think that the Resurrection is the end of the story.

Of course we *know*, logically, that it isn't — there are whole books of the Bible that come after it, detailing not just the activities and teachings of the Risen Christ, but the development of the early Church and the Gospel's first baby steps into the wider world. We know this.

But sometimes we don't act like it.

The thing is, we like stories that can be tied up neatly in a bow. It's why "happily ever after" is a thing. These tidy endings are especially satisfying following an emotional gut punch and a twist — for instance, let's say the crucifixion of the story's hero and a *gotcha!* moment where it turns out he's not dead after all. Drinks all around! And…scene. The curtain falls.

But the curtain didn't fall. It still hasn't.

Look at Cleopas. He has heard the testimony of people he knew, people he trusted — and yet, he's in a world of confusion. He's stumbling along the road, wondering what to believe.

Christ gave us "happily ever after." But what do you do with "happily ever after?" What do you do with the Resurrection? What do you do with salvation?

The Resurrection left loose ends — not because it was insufficient, but because it was not a final chapter. So being a Christian means embracing the life of a loose end. It means figuring out what to do with the Resurrection, with salvation, with forgiveness — with this hard-won "happily ever after" that is a gift but also a commission.

Because the curtain is still up, and we are all characters in the Greatest Story Ever Told.

So, what's the next scene?

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PRAYER – FOR EVERYDAY AND EVERYBODY

Blessing for Spring

Dear Lord,
As this new season begins,
bring new life to our hearts as well.
Prune what has grown despondent,
brush back that which darkens and clouds.
As the flowers bud and bloom,
bless us with new wonder, new hope, new promise, new joy.
Amen.

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

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

One of my most serious responsibilities as your archbishop is ensuring the safety of children and vulnerable adults and addressing the painful history of abuse within the Church.

I offer my sincere apology to anyone who has been harmed by a member of the clergy. The suffering caused by abuse is real and lasting. What happened should never have occurred, and we must face this history with honesty, humility, and a deep commitment to healing.

While we cannot undo the past, we are working to strengthen safeguards so that our parishes, schools, and ministries remain safe places for all. The Archdiocese continues to enforce strict background checks, safe-environment training, and clear reporting procedures. In addition, **fingerprinting is now required as part of our screening process** for clergy, employees, and volunteers who work with children and vulnerable individuals. These steps help ensure greater accountability and protection.

We remain committed to supporting survivors, cooperating fully with civil authorities, and maintaining transparency in how concerns are handled.

Protecting God's children must always be a priority for the Church. I ask you to join me in praying for those who have been harmed and for the continued healing and renewal of our Church. With vigilance, repentance, and God's grace, we move forward together in hope.

Sincerely in Christ.

Archbishop Weisenberger

Archbishop of Detroit

EUCHARISTIC REVIVAL 2022 2025

eucharisticrevival.org

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.

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 April 25 & 26

	Saturday 4:00PM	Sunday 8:30 AM	Sunday 10:30 AM	Sunday 5:30 PM
Presider	Fr. Steve	Fr. Joy	Fr. Steve	Fr. Enno
Lector	Louis Youkhana	Ricky Yulo	Dorothy Arche	Jovita Engalan
Altar Servers	Lance Tolentino	Rom Beltran	Phat Le Phong Le	Open
Eucharistic Ministers	K. Moravek G. Labinski	Open Open	C. Sison T. Monteiro	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. Beltran	C. Sison	Open

Altar Care Team:
Friday, April 24th
Team 2

Roxann Klee
Suong Le
Antonina Notarantonio

Church Vacuuming :
Friday, April 24th
OPEN

Altar Linen:
April
Denise Link

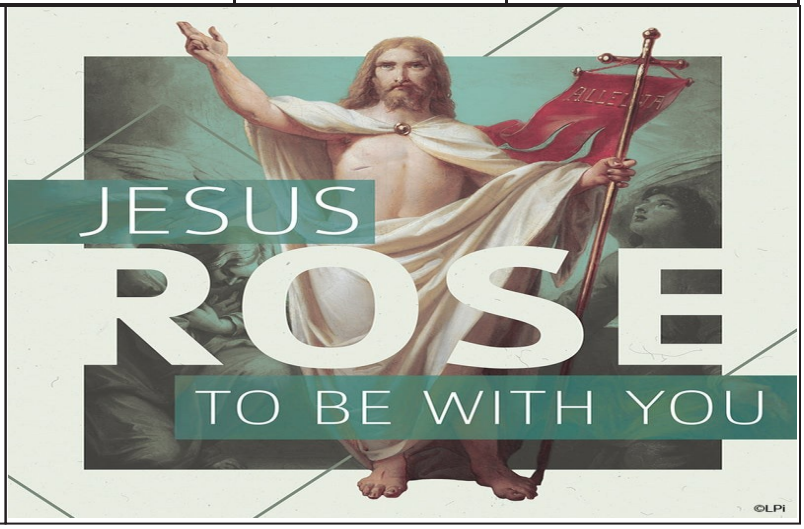
Weekday Liturgy Schedule for April

Week	Tuesday, April 21, 2026	Thursday, April 23, 2026	Friday, April 24, 2026
Celebrant	Fr. Steve	Fr. Joy	Fr. Steve
Lector	D. Monterosso	M. Peterson	L. Youkhana
Sacristan	B. Wyrwicz	J. Carlisle	J. Carlisle
Eucharistic Minister	M. Peterson	L. Youkhana	M. Peterson

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 web-site.

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



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.

PLEASE REMEMBER ST. RENE GOUPIL PARISH IN YOUR WILL

Tithes & Gifts

Our Sunday Offering
April11 & 12
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

Veal in Wine Mushroom Sauce

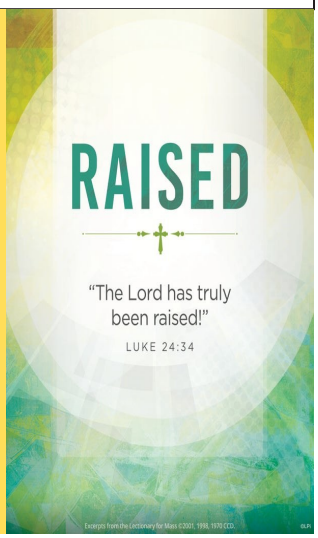
1 1/2 lb. thin veal cutlets
1 clove garlic
1 Tbsp. flour
1/4 cup margarine
1/2 lb. mushrooms—thinly sliced
1/2 tsp. salt
Dash white pepper
1/2 cup white wine or vermouth
1 tsp. lemon juice
Parsley

Pound meat to 1/4" thickness. Rub both sides with garlic. Cut veal to 2" strips and sprinkle with flour. Sauté veal, a few at a time, in hot margarine in a large skillet until golden brown. Return to skillet. Top with mushrooms and sprinkle with salt & pepper. Add wine and cook covered over low heat for 20 minutes until fork tender, adding 1 Tbsp. water if necessary. Serve sprinkled with lemon juice. (Serves 4-6)

WHERE TO FIND THE BULLETIN

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

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 Libecki
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 @ 7:00 a.m., Thursday @ 8:00 a.m. and
Friday @ 9:00 a.m., 12:00 p.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
Rev. Mr. Kevin Tietz, Deacon
Michael Novak,
Director of Evangelization & Education

Director of Music

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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 or go to our web site at strene.org.

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.

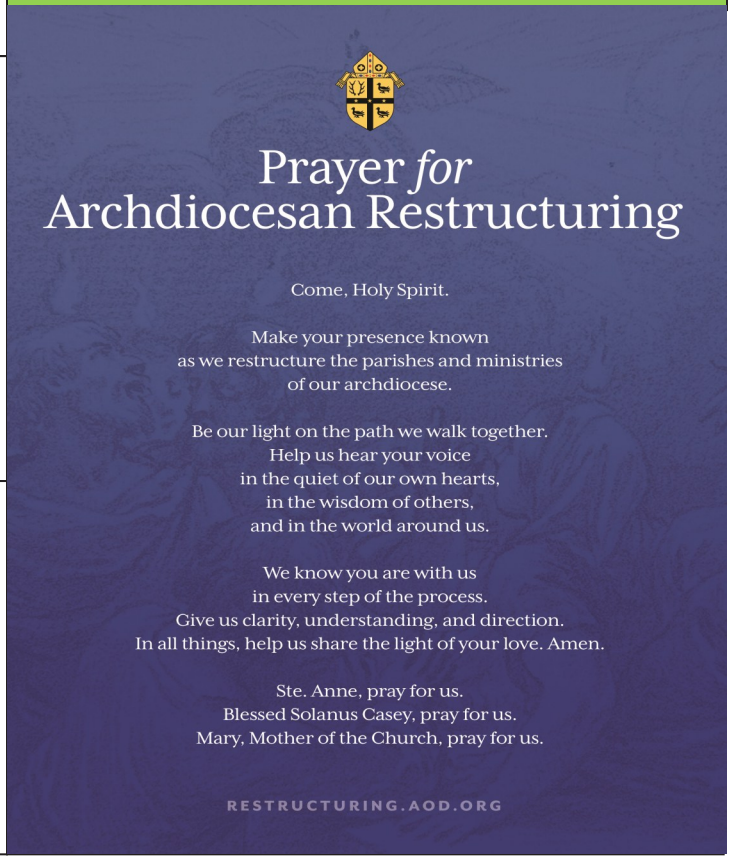
Baptism:

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.