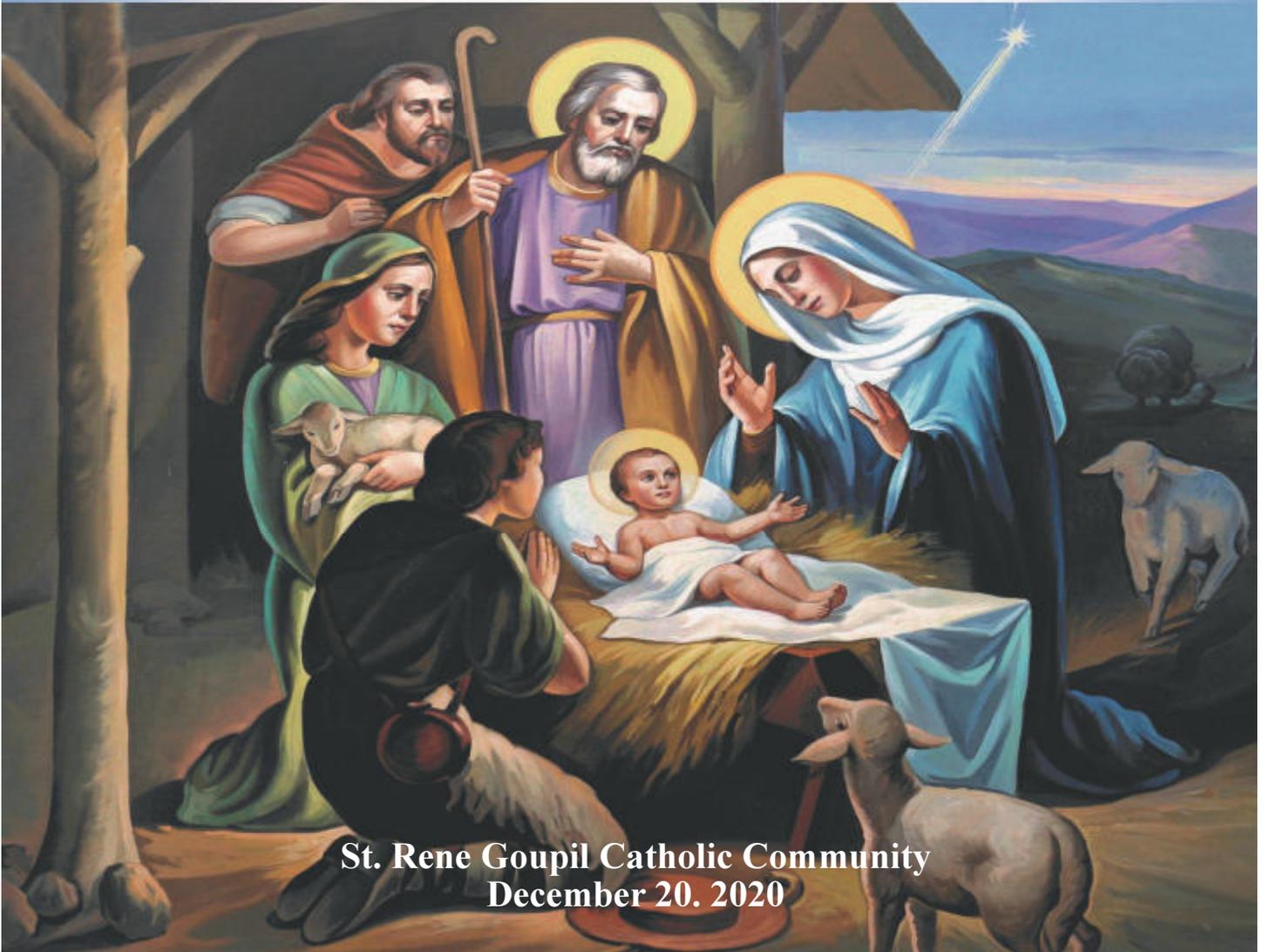


"For today in the city of David a savior has been born for you who is Christ and Lord. And this will be a sign for you: you will find an infant wrapped in swaddling clothes and lying in a manger." - Lk 2:11-12



St. Rene Goupil Catholic Community
December 20, 2020

HOLIDAY Mass Schedule

Thursday, December 24, 2020

Christmas Eve

Mass at 4:00 p.m.

7:00 p.m. (Simbang Gabi)

Friday, December 25, 2020

Christmas Day

Mass at 8:30 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.

Holiday Schedule

In Celebration of the

Christmas Holiday

The Parish Office

Will be closed

December 24th thru January 1st

Notes from Fr. Steve

As we prepare for Christmas 2020, I greet you with words of the angels to the shepherds that Christmas morning: "Do not be afraid, for behold I bring you good news of great joy that will be for all people. For today in the city of David a savior has been born for you who is Christ and Lord." (Luke 2:11)

Christmas 2020 will undoubtedly will be quite different for most of us. Given the uncertainty the pandemic had brought upon us, we will be celebrating in a way that is more simple and modest. In fact, for many this Christmas there may be little reason for celebration, because of the loss of a loved one, or sickness in the family. No matter what our circumstances, every one of us has felt overwhelmed by fear about things we cannot control. We wonder when all of this will end, where will the future take us? Our country and our state are enduring great suffering at every level, causing us to take a second look at who we are and what we will be doing in the future.

More than ever, we need to reflect on the hope filled message of Christmas. Again and again in the Christmas Gospels, whenever an angel appears the message is the same "Do not be afraid..." Mary heard these consoling words at the annunciation. Joseph heard the same words several times in St. Matthew's account of Christ's birth. Aged Zachariah was given the same advice as he and his wife Elizabeth, were about to receive the surprising gift-and challenge-of the birth of a son John the Baptist. As I mentioned at the outset of the column, the shepherds first heard the Good News and were commissioned not to be afraid.

Fear is a natural human reaction, it is instinctive for humans to be afraid of the unknown or things that are predictable and unfamiliar. Every manifestation of God makes us feel a bit off-balance, overwhelmed by the surprising gift and mystery of God's presence and commitment to us in sending His own Son. We need the right kind of fear-"Fear of the Lord-one of the gifts of the Holy Spirit means a loving respect for the wonder, majesty, and mystery of god-all powerful but yet very near to us.

As we grapple with fears in our hearts, we need to be ever more sensitive to the voice of the Holy Spirit trying to calm us from within, assuring us that not only will we survive but will indeed grow closer to God as we give up false pride and the need to control. We need to set aside human fears and embrace the fear of the Lord.

The Christmas story reminds us of the way God chose to show His abiding love for us-by sending His Son to dwell among us at a particular point in time and to a particular group of people. He came in such a hidden way no one recognized His presence. The message of good news was first proclaimed to shepherds, people who were social outcasts and therefore not acceptable or credible witnesses. Yet the Lord entrusted them with the Good News and commissioned them to share it. Why did he pick shepherds? Probably because shepherds had to be people of great courage, spending all night, throughout every season guarding and protecting their flock from wild animals. Shepherds were attentive and strong-an excellent combination of traits, the same traits we need during these very challenging times.

The Christmas message has a very personal quality to it, but at the same time, the Christmas experience is a public and communal event, a manifestation of God for all to see, a mystery for all to encounter and share. We need to express our faith in public ways, sing Christmas Carols, praying with the family, reaching out to those who are lonely or in grief, display your Christmas creche and so forth. As we do these things however modest or simple, we are proclaiming hope and joy to our sisters and brothers in these times of darkness and anxiety.

Every one had the ability to be a messenger of the Christmas story in word and in deed. I pray that all of you will take time to truly embrace the Christmas message of hope!

Please remember to pray for the parish, especially the sick and the suffering, your prayers bring them comfort, healing and peace. Merry Christmas and May God Bless each and every one of you!

Fr. Steve

Christmas Flower Offerings in loving memory and honor of...

Sylvia Aguilar	Peggy & Daniel Galeswicz	Maria Tran Thi Nguyet
Jessie Ancona	Rita Gatt	Eugene Nosek
Cathie Anhut	Sylvia Gonulinski	William & Lottie Nosek
Walter, Cecile & Roberta Babbish	Carmella DiForti Gorofalo	Arturo S. Orzame
Mary Lou Bahleda	Zigmund & Felicia Graczyk	Eda J. Petrous
Maria Tran Thi Ban	John & Maria Lam Dai Hanh	Loretta Petrous
Donald Barrett	Deceased Members Libunao Family	The Phillips Family
John & Frances Baczkowski	Mateo A. Hernandez	Christine P. Pittel
Brigida Buendia	Linda Hohmann	Pittiglio Family
Hedy Bernardez	Mr. & Mrs. Stephen Kalinowski	Deceased Members Romanik Family
Joy Buendia	Mark Karpinski	Mary Rosinski
Rafael Bernardez	Faransi & Mary Kasmikha	St. Rene Parishioners
Albert Beskawgy	Korkes Kinaya	George Stromske & Family
Brian Botkin	Mary Kinaya	Milagros Sunga
Harvey & Lucille Broaddus	Mae Kombirtz	Ester & Quirico Tagalag
Diane Broski	John & Margaret Kompier	Adam Tallion
Walter Broski	Konicek Family	Margaret Tallion
Mario & Emeliana Castanares	Paula Kortis	Kathleen Thorne
Mr. & Mrs. John A. Chrustowski	Frank & Milka Kregar	The O'Gorman Family
Mr. & Mrs. John J. Chrustowski	Linette Krych	The Silvers Family
Joseph & Carl Cubba	Joseph & Wanda Krzycki	The Wilson Family
Cataldo DiForti Family	Alberta M. Kusiak	Martino Lam Quang Tinh
Vincent DiMambro	Ernest F. Kusiak	Guy & Dorothy Trombley
Robert Van Eenoo	Robert Labinski	Frances & Chester Urban
Cecilia R. Emmendorfer	Maurice Langevin	Thomas Urban
Harold P. Emmendorfer	Lipka Family	U. S. Military Men & Women
Martin F. & Agnes M. Emmendorfer	Mary Lou Liptak	Deceased Members Wilinski Family
Martin W. Emmendorfer	Linda Malkiewicz	Makayla Weiland
Araceli Esmana	Gene & Bunny Mandziuk	Ellen Mae Wilburn
Edwin Esmana	Francisco Manlusoc	Ted Wojciechowski
Chuck & Charlene Fooy	Frank & Laura Mastracci	Donald Wyniemko
Frank Finazzo	Mark May	Christine Zimny
Finazzo Family	John F. Mukalla	Sue Zwierzchowski

Readings for Fourth Sunday of Advent

Reading I

2 Samuel 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16/11

When King David was settled in his place, and the Lord had given him rest from his enemies on every side, he said to Nathan the prophet, "Here I am living in a house of cedar, while the ark of God dwells in a tent!" Nathan answered the king, "Go, do whatever you have in mind, for the Lord is with you." But that night the Lord spoke to Nathan and said: "Go, tell my servant David, 'Thus says the Lord: Should you build me a house to dwell in?'"

"It was I who took you from the pasture and from the care of the flock to be commander of my people Israel. I have been with you wherever you went, and I have destroyed all your enemies before you. And I will make you famous like the great ones of the earth. I will fix a place for my people Israel; I will plant them so that they may dwell in their place without further disturbance. Neither shall the wicked continue to afflict them as they did of old, since the time I first appointed judges over my people Israel. I will give you rest from all your enemies. The Lord also reveals to you that he will establish a house for you. And when your time comes and you rest with your ancestors, I will raise up your heir after you, sprung from your loins, and I will make his kingdom firm. I will be a father to him, and he shall be a son to me. Your house and your kingdom shall endure forever before me; your throne shall stand firm forever."

Reading II

Romans 16:25-27

Brothers and sisters: To him who can strengthen you, according to my gospel and the proclamation of Jesus Christ, according to the revelation of the mystery kept secret for long ages but now manifested through the prophetic writings and, according to the command of the eternal God, made known to all nations to bring about the obedience of faith, to the only wise God, through Jesus Christ be glory forever and ever. Amen.

Gospel

Luke 1:26-38

The angel Gabriel was sent from God to a town of Galilee called Nazareth, to a virgin betrothed to a man named Joseph, of the house of David, and the virgin's name was Mary. And coming to her, he said, "Hail, full of grace! The Lord is with you." But she was greatly troubled at what was said and pondered what sort of greeting this might be. Then the angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favor with God.

"Behold, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you shall name him Jesus. He will be great and will be called Son of the Most High, and the Lord God will give him the throne of David his father, and he will rule over the house of Jacob forever, and of his kingdom there will be no end." But Mary said to the angel, "How can this be, since I have no relations with a man?" And the angel said to her in reply, "The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you. Therefore the child to be born will be called holy, the Son of God. And behold Elizabeth, your relative, has also conceived a son in her old age, and this is the sixth month for her who was called barren; for nothing will be impossible for God." Mary said, "I am the handmaid of the Lord. May it be done to me according to your word." Then the angel departed from her.

Readings for the Week

Sunday, December 20, 2020: 2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16/Ps 89:2-3, 4-5, 27, 29/Rom 16:25-27/Lk 1:26-38

Monday, December 21, 2020: Sg 2:8-14 or Zep 3:14-18a/Ps 33:2-3, 11-12, 20-21/Lk 1:39-45

Tuesday, December 22, 2020: 1 Sm 1:24-28/1 Sm 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd/Lk 1:46-56

Wednesday, December 23, 2020: Mal 3:1-4, 23-24/Ps 25:4-5ab, 8-9, 10 and 14/Lk 1:57-66

Thursday, December 24, 2020: 2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16/Ps 89:2-3, 4-5, 27 and 29/Lk 1:67-79

Friday, December 25, 2020: Is 62:1-5/Ps 89:4-5, 16-17, 27, 29/Acts 13:16-17, 22-25/Mt 1:1-25 or 1:18-25

Saturday, December 26, 2020: Acts 6:8-10; 7:54-59/Ps 31:3cd-4, 6 and 8ab, 16bc and 17/Mt 10:17-22

Sunday, December 27, 2020: Sir 3:2-6, 12-14 or Gn 15:1-6; 21:1-3/Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5

MASS INTENTIONS

Tuesday, December 22, 2020

9:30 a.m.

+Msgr. John Schweider
+Edward Misiuk

Thursday, December 24, 2020

4:00 p.m.

+Dorothy Giuglaro
+Illuminado M. Reyes
+Richard & Nadine Koehler
+Raymond & Gloria Koehler
+Bernie & Gail Ebert
+Julia Rzeppa Pazik
+Mr & Mrs Victor Stataitis
+Mark May
+Gerald & Dorothy Hurley
+Paul & Alvina May
+Louis & Connie Raona
+Donald Wyniemko
+Anthony, Genevieve & Regina Szeliga
+Ead Hamameh
+Genevieve Holiak
+Leo & Sophie Olbrys
+Priscilla & Eugene Zielinski
+Helen & Leo Wilinski
+Mary & Jack Zielinski
+Jerome Wilinski
+Michael Valade
Jeffery Valade
+Lottie Roman
+Genevieve Sobecki

Friday, December 25, 2020

8:30 a.m.

+Dorothy Giuglaro
Living & Deceased Members of the Martineau Family
+Marie Stabile
+John & Margaret Kompier
+Lawrence Bucciero
+John & Mary Schultz
+John Wyrwicz
+Fred Ignash
+Joe Denha

10:30 a.m.

+Richard & Nadine Koehler
+Gail & Bernard Ebert
+Ted & Fern Russman
+Chad Steller

Friday, December 25, 2020 Cont.

10:30 a.m.

+Danilo Maribbay
Intention of the Lipka Family
+Walter Broski
+Diane Broski
+Ninfa Davison
Living & Deceased Members of the DeVera & Bonrosto Families
+Roger DeVera
+Michael Peterson
+Annella Vaccaro

Saturday, December 26, 2020

4:00 p.m.

+Rita Gatt
+Robert Labinski
+Concetta DiStefano
+Franklin Langenstein
+Ronaldo Sales
+Marialuz Sales
+Virgencita Andrion

Sunday, December 27, 2020

8:30 a.m.

+Josephine Martineau

10:30 a.m.

+Edwin Esmana
+Joanne Pazjiorko
+Pauline Filiccia

5:30 p.m.

Living & Deceased Members of St. Rene Goupil Parish



GOSPEL MEDITATION

In Blaise Pascal’s work, *Pensees*, he says: “What else does this craving, and this helplessness, proclaim but that there was once in man a true happiness, of which all that now remains is the empty print and trace? This he tries in vain to fill with everything around him, seeking in things that are not there the help he cannot find in those that are, though none can help, since this infinite abyss can be filled only with an infinite and immutable object; in other words by God himself.”

We have a difficult time accepting that fulfillment and happiness are not achieved by our own merits but through a relationship with God. We are hardwired for this relationship and it is in our DNA. The simple fact is that we come from God and are designed to return to God. If our beginning and our end define who we are, why would we not want to seek the One who can truly satisfy? The world does not realize that it is waiting. It is waiting for the birth of God in time, within one’s soul and in eternity. We get so confused by seeking other momentary satisfactions that we misinterpret the hunger within. We crave God.

The union of God and humanity, revealed in Jesus Christ, is precisely what sets us on a straight path, orders our relationships, establishes proper focus and goals and tells us whose kingdom we really are meant to serve. We are so lost. God is with us. The prophet Nathan told this to King David, the angel said this to Mary and the birth of Christ brings this Good News to us. We do not need to be busily looking for more things but must learn to find contentment and blessing in the One Presence. This is the beautiful simple message of Advent!

If you are feeling unsettled, anxious, angry, disgruntled, disconnected, unhappy, worried, fearful, off center, becoming overly self-indulgent, unable to spend time alone and without distraction, then there’s a good chance you are lost. Now is the time to allow God to find you! Ponder the holy simplicity of Mary’s call to be the Mother of God. “Behold, I am the handmaid of the Lord. May it be done to me according to your word.” When we are helpless and at home with our emptiness, God will fill us. Our Savior has come.

Trust in God

During a time of crisis or uncertainty, we may find ourselves struggling with fear and anxiety. This is a natural reaction. But St. Paul reminds us in his Letter to the Philippians to “have no anxiety about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God” (4:6). Then, he assures us, “the peace of God, which passes all understanding, will keep your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus” (v.7). With steadfast prayer and thanksgiving, then, we do our best to put our trust in the Lord.

Let our reactions reflect the trust and peace that can only be found in him. Stay close to Jesus and the Blessed Mother in prayer, asking that those who are suffering from the disease or from any related anxiety may find healing and peace.

If you would like to reserve a copy of the Little Blue Books for the Advent/Christmas season when they arrive, please fill out the information below. The donation is \$1.00 per book and we will let you know when they arrive. The donation for the book needs to be separate from your contribution.



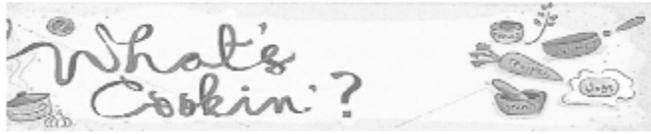
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CANDLES

If you would like St. Rene to light a candle for you, please send in your donation of \$1.00 per candle and we will light it for you. Please fill out the form below. This donation needs to be separate from your contribution.

Name: _____
Quantity: _____
Amount Enclosed: _____





HOMEMADE HOT SAUCE

- 1 pound mixed medium to hot fresh chilies like fresno, holland or cayenne
- 3 tablespoons kosher salt
- 2 cups distilled white vinegar

Rinse the chilies in a colander and pat dry. Transfer the chilies to the bowl of a food processor; add salt. Transfer the chilies mixture to a glass jar. Cover and allow to sit for 2 to 3 days so it can ripen. Do not stir.

Uncover and stir in the vinegar. Cover again and allow to sit in a cool place for 5 days. Strain mixture through a mesh strainer and press with a spoon. Discard the solids. Pour mixture in a bottle with a tight-fitting lid. You can refrigerate this for up to 6 months.



**PLEASE
BE
GENEROUS**

Adoration Chapel

We are happy to announce the Adoration Chapel will open again, with a different schedule. The chapel will be open Monday through Friday from 7 am to 7 pm. The chapel is small, so the capacity will be limited to 4 people at a time. Masks **MUST** be worn. Please limit your visit to 15 minutes in consideration of those waiting to enter. The door will be latched at 3:30 pm each afternoon. You will need to knock to enter. At 7 pm it will close until the following morning.

If this arrangement does not work because people will not accommodate to the mask and distance standard, we will be forced to close it again.

Please help us keep the chapel open!

Hours of Commitment Needed:

Thursday 1:00 p.m.
Friday 10:00 a.m., 1:00 p.m. & 4:00 p.m.

Please call Mary Peterson if you are willing to commit to one of these hours.
(586)979-1469 or (586)738-1154

Weekend Liturgy Schedule for December 26 & 27

	Saturday 4:00PM	Sunday 8:30AM	Sunday 10:30AM	Sunday 5:30 PM
Presider	Fr. Steve	Fr. Joy	Fr. Steve	Fr. Tim
Lector	Dorothy Arche	Rob Wilson	Mary Peterson	Virginia Jennings
Altar Servers	Lance Tolentino	Karin Nieto	Keith Baines	Roan Go Rohan Go
Eucharistic Ministers	R Fisher	Open Open Open	R Bernardez	Open Open Open
Ushers	<u>Bill Broaddus</u> Dave Hintz Tom Pluta Todd Messineo Karen Messineo Jim Dudley Nick Rieser	<u>Tom Dutkiewicz</u> Luis Nieto Martin Simpao Gene Wiklanski Richard Satora Al Gyenese Sam Lumetta	<u>Bob Abraham</u> Ed Stivers Gary Novelli Elmor Monteiro Paul Lize Chris Norris	<u>Paul Hornung</u> Duane Zawacki Mike Galuszka Carl Siglin Ofelia Fermil Fred Rossi Nancy DeLaCurz Matt Kazyak
Sacristan	R Kranson	K Nieto	T McWilliams	V Jennings



**Our Sunday Offering
December 12 & 13**

**Thank you for your
generous response.**

God Bless you!

From the Vatican

Pope Francis gave a Papal Indult in March at the Vatican that said, Because of the Pandemic, anyone who prays a sincere “Act of Contrition”, receives the same absolution from their sins as they would have in making a confession”.

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

Spiritual Communion

With a contrite and a pure and loving heart say:
My Jesus, I believe that Thou art present in the Blessed Sacrament. I love Thee above all things and I desire to possess Thee within my soul. Since I cannot receive Thee sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart.
 (Pause)

As though Thou were already there, I embrace Thee and unite myself wholly to Thee; permit me not that I should ever be separated from Thee.

The Council of Trent requires for a spiritual communion an ardent desire, lively faith, and fervent charity.

It is recommended that you keep this card with your daily prayers to be recited often.

Copies of this card available from:
Our Lady of the Rosary Library
 4016 Preston Hwy. • Louisville, KY 40213
 2¢ each plus \$2.00 P & H in U.S.
 Outside U.S. See Our Order Form For P & H
 To review other material that we offer, visit our webpage: olrl.org

**Daily Offering
of the
Most Precious Blood**

With a contrite and a pure and loving heart say:

O MARY, Immaculate Mother of JESUS, offer, we beseech thee, to the Eternal Father, the Precious Blood of thy Divine Son, to prevent at least one mortal sin from being committed somewhere in the world this day. [night]

“If every night, before we went to sleep,” says Father Faber, “we begged our dear Lady to offer up to God the Precious Blood of her Divine Son for grace to hinder one mortal sin somewhere in the world, during that night, and then renewed the same offering in the morning of the hours of daylight, surely such an offering, and by such hands, could not fail to win the grace desired, and then each one of us might probably hinder numbers of mortal sins every year.”

— All for Jesus

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.

Please Pray for our Sick

Magdalena Arche	Gina Demarzio	Josephine Kuhlman	Norma Prall
Raymond Anderson	Joan Droz	Barbara Kusiak	Jim Rasico
Ramzi Azara	Steve Femminino	Christine Laubach	Robert Rasico
Bernice Barc	Sylvester Galuska	Marion Leckman	Jim Rossbach
Sally Boa	Pat, Mike & Bill Goodwin	Lori Leman	Edwin Schlicht
Josephine & George Bouharb	Chester Gorski	Julie Lombardo	Edward Stivers
Mike & Brenda Boyle	Jeanette Groen	Sam Lumetta	Angeline Szelak
Karla Brocker	Diane Guappone	Lucy Maloziec	Charlie Tocco
Ellen Burton	Barbara Haapala	Laura DiMarco	Talon Tolliver
Marion Calverley	Jeffrey Johannes	Joyce Mike	Chris Vertrees
Rachel Canavesio	Pat Johnson	Dee Mullaney	Michael Waggener
Ligaya Carandang	Fran Karpinski	Al Napolitano	Helen Walczak
Cresenciano Carandang	Ronnie Ketvirtis	Judith Ochss	Molly Yandell
Matthew Cass	Camille Keyes	Donna O'Toole	Marsha Zanardelli
Walter Ciesielski	Roxann, Rick & Tony Klee	Remmie Rento Papa	Daniel Zaniewski
James Coakley	Sue Knudsen	Bob Pawlik	Rose Zappa
Teresita Covacha	Michael Knudsen	Christopher Plec	

While we know that many people are continuously suffering from pain and illness, the main function for our sick list is to offer prayers for those urgently needing prayer (i.e. someone who is experiencing an acute illness or serious injury...) In our efforts to maintain an updated list, names will stay on the list for four weeks and can be requested by immediate family members only. All others who are sick will be remembered and prayed for with the phrase "and for all our parishioners and family members who are sick, living with chronic health troubles, and / or are in assisted living or nursing homes." Thank you for your understanding.

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

Corporal Joshua Arrington (Marines)	Staff Sgt. Nicole R. Grenon	Chief Daniel Przybylinski (Navy)
Sgt. Major Justin Ball	Christopher Grubby (Navy)	Justin Quinn (Marines)
Lt. Cmdr. Kristian Barton	Pfc. Kevin Heath	Anthony Roszko (Army)
Sr. Airman Greg Baumgartner	Lt. Christopher Kerr	CPL Marcus Sierra (Marines)
Airman 1st Julie M. Chervon	Pfc. Paul Koss (Marines)	Lt. Greg Siuta
Spc. Shaen Connery (Army)	In Afghanistan	Maj. Allison Stewart
P.O. 1st Dale A. Foglyano	Lt. Joseph Kraft	Sgt Tomas R. Studholme, Jr.
Nicholas Foglyano (Army)	Sgt. Joseph Kucharek (Army)	ISG Robert Sutton
Nicolas Fooy (Navy)	Sgt. Chris Libecki	Sgt. Matthew Sweetman
Lt Col David Fries	Mark Locricchio (Army)	Joel Vasquez, (Navy Seal)
Maj. Laura Geldhof	Sgt. Sean McDowell (Army)	CPL Cameron Wilson (Marines)
Joe Gill, Navy	LCPL Miguel Menzer	
	SPC Matthew Muellenhagen	
	Maj. Eric Olson	

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.

ST. JOHN PROVIDENCE GRIEF COUNSELING SERVICES

Grief Support Groups are offered for adults who have experienced the loss of a loved one through death. The group provides a supportive, safe and friendly environment to share their grief journey and to begin the healing process in a group setting by Reverence Hospice, a service of St. John Providence Health System. There is no charge. These groups are open to anyone who has lost a loved one due to death.

Locally, St. John Macomb/Oakland Hospital Education Center, 27351 Dequindre in Madison Heights every First and Third Wednesday 1:00 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. and Utica Untied Methodist Church, 8650 Canal Road in Sterling Heights, every 3rd Thursday of the month 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. To register call Lora Blake (586) 292-1359 or Becky Hall (586) 292-1359.

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Monday - Thursday
9:00 a.m. - 4:00 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
Rev. Mr. Dave Fleming, Deacon
Michael Novak,
Director of Evangelization & Education

ORGANIZATIONS & SERVICES

Legion of Mary

Mary Peterson (586) 979-1469

Divine Mercy

Diane Broaddus (586) 977-1978

Ushers

Bill Broaddus (586) 977-1978

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

St. Nicholas Knights of Columbus

Jim Pawlik (586) 268-2849

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.

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

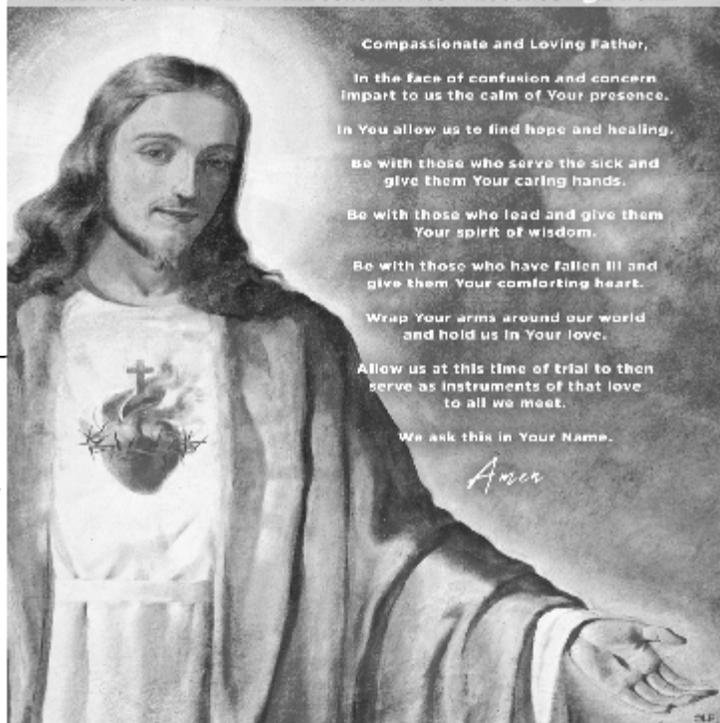
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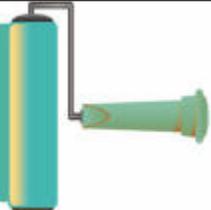
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