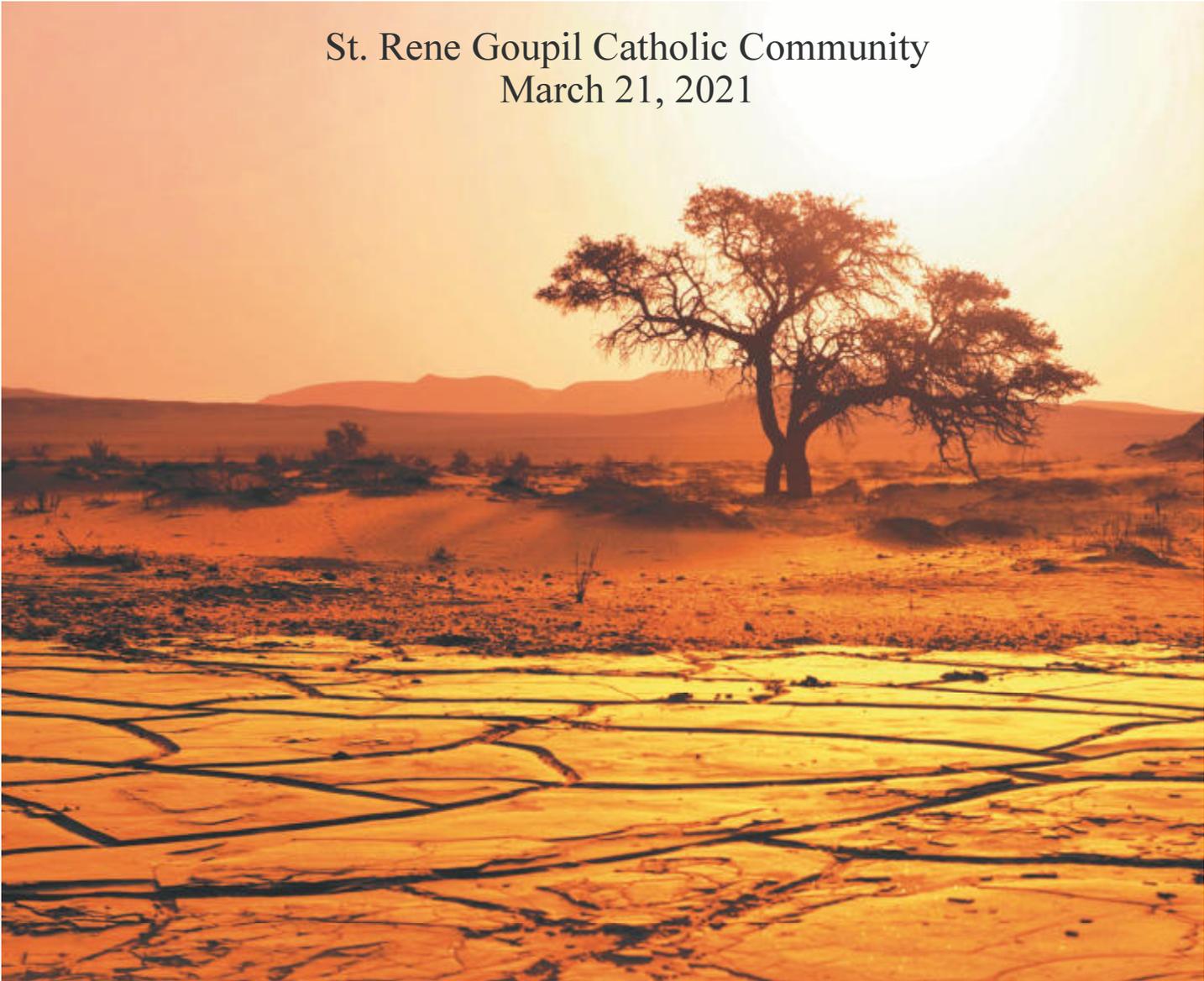


St. Rene Goupil Catholic Community  
March 21, 2021



*5<sup>th</sup> Sunday*  
**OF LENT**

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“Amen, amen, I say to you, unless a grain of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains just a grain of wheat; but if it dies, it produces much fruit.” - Jn 12:24

## Notes from Fr. Steve

Next week we will be celebrating Palm Sunday, so I thought a “little” history on Palm Sunday might be helpful in appreciating the Palm Sunday celebration. This ancient celebration can become more meaningful, when we appreciate its origins.

Palm Sunday commemorates the triumphal entrance of Jesus into Jerusalem (Matthew 21:1-9) when palm branches were placed in His path, before His arrest on Holy Thursday and His crucifixion on Good Friday. It marks the beginning of Holy Week of Lent, and the week in which Christians celebrate the mystery of their salvation through Christ’s death and resurrection on Easter Sunday.

The celebration of Palm Sunday began in the fourth century in Jerusalem, Palm Sunday was celebrated by a procession of the faithful carrying palm branches, representing the Jews who celebrated Christ’s entrance into Jerusalem. In the early centuries, the procession began on the Mount of the Ascension and went to the Church of the Holy Cross.

As the celebration grew throughout the Christian world by the ninth century, the procession would begin in each church with a blessing of the palms, proceed outside the church, and then return into the church for the reading of the Passion according to the Gospel of Matthew. The faithful would hold the palms during the reading of the Passion in this way, they would recall how many people greeted Christ with shouts of joy on Palm Sunday, would recall that many of the same people would call for His death on Good Friday— a powerful reminder of our own weakness and the sinfulness that causes us to reject Christ.

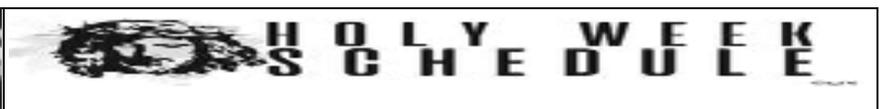
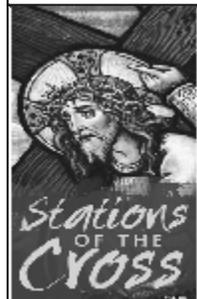
In some places in the world, where palm branches are not available, the faithful use olive, box elder, spruce and various willow branches, all available in early spring. The faithful have decorated their homes, doors and the graves of the dead to celebrate Palm Sunday.

Since the palms have been blessed they simply cannot be discarded: rather the faithful bring their palms back before Ash Wednesday of the next year to be burned. The ashes are then ground up and used on Ash Wednesday.

Please come and join in our Palm Sunday celebration, and take with you blessed palms to decorate your homes. May the palms remind all of us, that Jesus died for our sins, and that we are saved by His blood shed on the cross.

Please remember the parish in your prayers, especially the sick and the suffering, your prayers bring them comfort, healing and peace. Thank you for your prayers for Steve, our facilities manager, who fell off the ladder several weeks ago. He is out of the hospital and still needs your prayers as he recovers from his fall. God Bless you!

Fr. Steve

	
<p><b>Monday, March 29th</b></p> <p><b>7:00 p.m.</b></p>	<p><b>Thursday, April 1, 2021</b>  <b>7:00 p.m. Mass of the Lord’s Supper</b>  <b>Followed by the Altar of Repose until 11:00 p.m.</b></p> <p><b>Friday, April 2, 2021</b>  <b>12:00 Noon Stations of the Cross,</b>  <b>1:00 p.m. Good Friday Liturgy</b></p>
 <p><b>Friday’s during Lent after the</b>  <b>9:30 a.m. Mass and</b>  <b>7:00 p.m.</b></p>	<p><b>Saturday, April 3, 2021</b>  <b>11:00 a.m. Blessing of the Food Baskets</b>  <b>4:00 p.m. Easter Vigil Mass</b></p> <p><b>Sunday, April 4, 2021</b>  <b>8:30 a.m. Easter Mass</b>  <b>10:30 a.m. Easter Mass</b>  <b>There will be no 5:30 p.m. Mass celebrated on Easter Sunday</b></p>

**EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP**

**When Our Own Hour Comes**

We parents know that it's tricky, tackling the topic of fear with our kids. We want them to know that it's okay to be scared, that it's something we all feel from time to time. We want them to understand that bravery isn't the absence of fear, but the choices we make in persevering despite that feeling.

Most of all, we want to model the right kind of behavior for our kids. Whatever our scary situation is — illness, a job loss, life changes — we want them to see us make a choice to face that fear head-on.

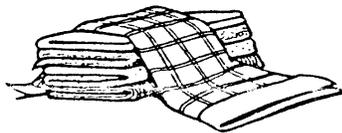
Jesus seems to be the parent who is gently broaching the topic of fear with his children. A great sense of foreboding hangs over these readings. Jesus knew what was coming. He knew it was going to be hard, both for him and for his followers, who did not have his courage. Even he admits to being "troubled" and he speaks of "the time of judgment." There is the dramatic raising of Lazarus, the talk of how a grain of wheat must die in order to bear fruit, the depiction of Christ as an obedient student of his own suffering.

"Yet what should I say?" he asks them. "Father, save me from this hour?" But it was for this purpose that I came to this hour."

This week, Christ gives us a very parental gift: He shows us his fear, and he shows us how to conquer it. He challenges us to embrace the purpose for which we came to this hour — whatever that hour may hold.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

**Lenten Towel Drive**

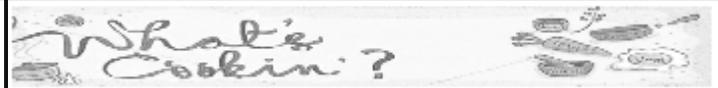


It is that time of year again...time for our annual Lenten Towel Project. We will be collecting brand-new bath towels and wash clothes during the Lenten season; from Ash Wednesday until Good Friday. These may be placed in the wooden bin near the library. These shelters are so appreciative of the help we provide every year.

The towels and wash-clothes will once again be distributed to the Salvation Army's MATTS (Macomb's Answer To Temporary Shelter) program and Turning Point (a shelter for abused women and children).

Lent is a wonderful time of prayer and sacrifice. Please pray to see if it is in your heart to give a little help to these people who need so much.

May God bless you this Lent.



**SALMON PATTIES**

Drain and remove skin and bones from 1 (1pound) can salmon. Flake salmon and blend with:

- 1/2 (10 1/2 oz.) can undiluted cream of mushroom soup
- 1 egg
- 1/2 c. fine bread or cracker crumbs
- 1/2 tsp. salt
- 1/2 tsp. pepper (cayenne if you have or prefer)

Sauté in 1 tablespoon butter:

- 1 Tbsp. finely chopped onion
- 1 Tbsp. Finely chopped celery

Stir into Salmon mixture and shape into patties. Lightly coat each patty with crumbs. Chill for 1 hour. Brown patties lightly on both sides in hot shortening.

**Because many have returned to Mass, there is no need to send the bulletin to everyone in the parish. If you are not able to attend Mass and would like the bulletin sent to you, please return the tag with your offertory envelope in your next mailing, to continue your mailing.**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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**Prayer During A Health Crisis**

Compassionate and Loving Father,  
 In the face of confusion and concern  
 impart to us the calm of your presence.  
 In You allow us to find hope and healing.  
 Be with those who serve the sick and give them Your caring hands.  
 Be with those who lead and give them Your Spirit of wisdom.  
 Be with those who have fallen ill and give them Your comforting heart.  
 Wrap your arms around our world  
 and hold us in your love.  
 Allow us at this time of trial to then  
 serve as instruments of that love to all we meet.  
 We ask this in Your Name.  
 Amen.

## Readings for Fifth Sunday of Lent

### Reading I

*Jeremiah 31:31-34/35*

The days are coming, says the Lord, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. It will not be like the covenant I made with their fathers the day I took them by the hand to lead them forth from the land of Egypt; for they broke my covenant, and I had to show myself their master, says the Lord. But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the Lord. I will place my law within them and write upon their hearts; I will be their God, and they shall be my people. No longer will they have need to teach their friends and relatives how to know the Lord. All, from least to greatest, shall know me, says the Lord, for I will forgive their evildoing and remember their sin no more.

### Reading II

*Hebrews 5:7-9*

In the days when Christ Jesus was in the flesh, he offered prayers and supplications with loud cries and tears to the one who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverence. Son though he was, he learned obedience from what he suffered; and when he was made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him.

### Gospel

*John 12:20-33*

Some Greeks who had come to worship at the Passover Feast came to Phillip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and asked him, "Sir, we would like to see Jesus." Philip went and told Andrew; then Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus. Jesus answered them, "The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. Amen, amen, I say to you, unless a grain of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains just a grain of wheat; but if it dies, it produces much fruit. Whoever loves his life loses it, and whoever hates his life in this world will preserve it for eternal life. Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there also will my servant be. The Father will honor whoever serves me.

"I am troubled now. Yet what shall I say? 'Father, save me from this hour'? But it was for this purpose that I came to this hour. Father, glorify your name." Then a voice came from heaven, "I have glorified it and will glorify it again." The crowd there heard it and said it was thunder; but others said, "An angel has spoken to him." Jesus answered and said, "This voice did not come for my sake but for yours. Now is the time of judgement on this world; now the ruler of this world will be driven out. And when I am lifted up from the earth, I will draw everyone to myself." He said this indicating the kind of death he would die.

## *Readings for the Week*

**Sunday, March 21, 2021:** Jer 31:31-34/Ps 51:3-4,12-13,14-15/Heb 5:7-9/Jn 12:20-33 or Ez 37:12-14/Rom 8:8-11/Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8/Jn 11:1-45 or 11:3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45

**Monday, March 22, 2021:**Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 or 13:41c-62/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6/Jn 8:1-11

**Tuesday, March 23, 2021:**Nm 21:4-9/Ps 102:2-3, 16-18, 19-21/Jn 8:21-30

**Wednesday, March 24, 2021:**Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95/Dn 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56/Jn 8:31-42

**Thursday, March 25, 2021:**Is 7:10-14;8:10/Ps 40:7-8, 8-9, 10, 11/Heb 10:4-10/Lk 1:26-38

**Friday, March 26, 2021:**Jer 20:10-13/Ps 18:2-3a, 3bc-4, 5-6, 7/Jn 10:31-42

**Saturday, March 27, 2021:**Ez 37:21-28/Jer 31:10, 11-12abcd, 13/Jn 11:45-56

**Sunday, March 28, 2021:**Mk 11:1-10 or Jn 12:12-16/Is 50:4-7/Ps 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24/Phil 2:6-11/Mk 14:1—15:47 or 15:1-39

# MASS INTENTIONS

**Tuesday, March 23, 2021**

**9:30 a.m.**

Birthday of Johnathan Lipka

+Fr. Ronald Sayes

Joe Tabbi

+Bette Maybee

**Thursday, March 25, 2021**

**9:30 a.m.**

+Donald Hudec Jr.

**Friday, March 26, 2021**

**9:30 a.m.**

+Josephine Martineau

+Bette Maybee

+Frank Finazzo

+Linda Hohmann

**Saturday, March 27, 2021**

**4:00 p.m.**

+Robert Labinski

+Felicia Graczyk

+Edwin Wagner

+Rita Gatt

+Franklin Langenstein

+Johnny Ciesliga

+Loretta Stromske

**Sunday, March 28, 2021**

**8:30 a.m.**

+Gloria Kuszynski

**10:30 a.m.**

+Edwin Esmana

+Delfin Divina

+Patricia Dominski & Family

+Desiderio Segundo

+Jessie Ancona

Drysdale-Lanz Sanchez

Poor Souls in Purgatory

+Marivi Garcia

+David Willick

**5:30 p.m.**

Living & Deceased Members of St. Rene Goupil



## 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.

## Priestly Vocations: Discernment Group

The Office of Priestly Vocations’ discernment group for men (18-55) considering the priesthood is having its third meeting on Thursday, March 25, 2021 – 7:00-8:30pm. New members can join at any time, as there is no requirement to have been at the previous meeting. The first two nights were a great success with many men excited to talk about their possible vocation to the priesthood. Meetings are led by Fr. Craig Giera, Director of Priestly Vocations, and will include prayer, group discussion on discernment, light refreshments, and fellowship with other-like-minded men. Please contact the vocation office for more info: <https://detroitpriestlyvocations.com/discernment-groups/>.

## Prayer for Protection in Time of Pandemic

O Mary, you always brighten our path as a sign of salvation and of hope. We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick, who, at the Cross, took part in Jesus’ pain while remaining steadfast in faith.

O loving Mother, you know what we need, and we are confident you will provide for us as at Cana in Galilee.

Intercede for us with your Son Jesus, the Divine Physician, for those who have fallen ill, for those who are vulnerable, and for those charged with protecting the health and safety of others and for those who are tending to the sick and seeking a cure.

Help us, O Mother of Divine Love, to conform to the will of the Father and to do as we are told by Jesus, who took upon himself our suffering and carried our sorrows, so as to lead us, through the Cross, to the glory of the Resurrection. Amen.

Under the protection we seek refuge, O Holy Mother of God. In our needs, despise not our petitions, but deliver us always from all dangers, O glorious and blessed Virgin. Amen.

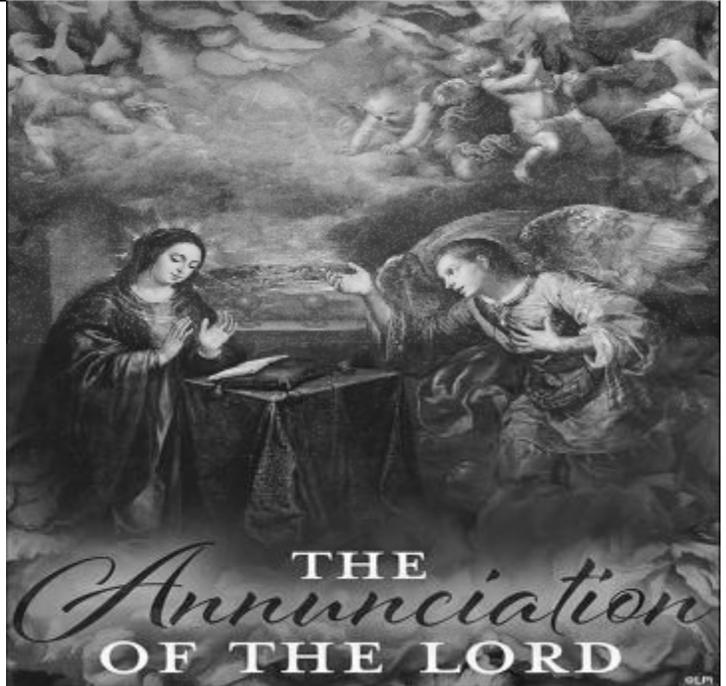
**GOSPEL MEDITATION**

**5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent**

Any good teacher or parent will tell you that once a lesson is really learned it doesn't need to be taught again. When we internalize things we have learned, they become a part of who we are and influence how we perceive and interact with our world. The same is true for the law God has written upon our hearts. Once humanity learns this lesson, we will simply know it to be true and act accordingly. Sometimes, it is hard to get people to learn the lessons they need to learn. They are often distracted, disinterested, conflicted, misdirected, or just too stubborn and unable or unwilling to see what is right before their eyes. Understanding that God is in a loving and committed relationship with those fashioned and formed in God's own image, seems like such a simple lesson to learn. But history and experience has proven that it is not.

We struggle with faith, especially when that faith asks us to learn something very particular about ourselves. We must, like a grain of wheat, fall to the ground and die. Because God's DNA is at the very core of who we are, there are specific pearls of wisdom that must be acquired before we can live a full life. One very powerful lesson is that it is not the task of the world to tell us who we are and what has meaning, but God. For many, death is not an opportunity for greater life but a permanent ending to the life they have known. Jesus knew every dimension to what it means to be fully human because he was! He knows the joys, limitations, sorrows, frustrations, wonders, suffering, opportunities, and joys of the human experience. Jesus can teach us a wealth of knowledge and life's lessons from his example, especially obedience.

When we accept the law God has placed in our hearts and gain wisdom from it, then when we suffer we learn to listen more attentively to the Voice behind that law. We naturally flee to our Creator for inspiration, consolation, hope, direction, and comfort as we navigate through this time of darkness. We will not need to run from it, subdue it, fight it, or be overcome by it because we will know, having internalized this profound lesson before, that God will bring new life. God's law is love and love never fails. Even in the moments of Jesus' deepest despair, he glorified the name of his Father. What he learned allowed him to put everything in perspective and be obedient to the tender, loving Voice that echoed within. As Lent quickly winds down, may we learn the same! Then, may we gain the fortitude and wisdom to help others see what is right before their eyes.



**REQUEST FOR  
2020 CONTRIBUTION  
STATEMENT**

**NAME** \_\_\_\_\_

**ADDRESS** \_\_\_\_\_

**CITY** \_\_\_\_\_

**ENVELOPE NUMBER** \_\_\_\_\_

**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:** \_\_\_\_\_



### Neighbors In Need

In such stressful times, St. Vincent de Paul members want to remind all parishioners that our mission is to help anyone who lives within the St. Rene Parish boundaries. We may be able to help with utility bills, clothing, household items and non-perishable food. Because of COVID restrictions our pantry is closed except for emergencies. If you know of anyone who needs help, please have them call (586)718-4523. They do not need to be parish members. For someone outside our parish boundaries, suggest they call their local church. All information is kept strictly confidential.



**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:**

Tuesday 8:00 a.m.  
Thursday 8:00 a.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 March 27 & 28

	<b>Saturday 4:00PM</b>	<b>Sunday 8:30AM</b>	<b>Sunday 10:30AM</b>	<b>Sunday 5:30 PM</b>
<b>Presider</b>	Fr. Steve	Fr. Joy	Fr. Steve	Fr. Tim
<b>Lector</b>	Barbara Kiernan Jovita Engalan	Rob Wilson Barb Wyrwicz	Marv Laubach Dorothy Arche	Virginia Jennings Alex Sitchon
<b>Altar Servers</b>	Isabella Gonzalez Nathan Gonzalez	Karin Nieto	Keith Baines Owen Brink	
<b>Eucharistic Ministers</b>	J Dzuris	Open Open Open	R Bernardez	Open Open Open
<b>Ushers</b>	<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 Paul Lize Chris Norris Al Gyenese Terry Shaughnessy	<u>Paul Hornung</u> Duane Zawacki Mike Galuszka Carl Siglin Ofelia Fermil Fred Rossi Nancy DeLaCruz Matt Kazyak
<b>Sacristan</b>	M Stanczyk	K Nieto	T Monterio	V Jennings



**Our Sunday Offering  
March 13 & 14**

**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](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.

**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](http://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](http://Parishesonline.com) then search by zip code.

You can go online to the [aod.org/live](http://aod.org/live) masses to find Weekday and Weekend Masses that can be watched.

### Please Pray for our Sick

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

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)
Sr. Airman Greg Baumgartner	Pfc. Kevin Heath	Anthony Roszko (Army)
Josey Blades (Air Force)	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 Libeck	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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Office Hours  
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  
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## 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

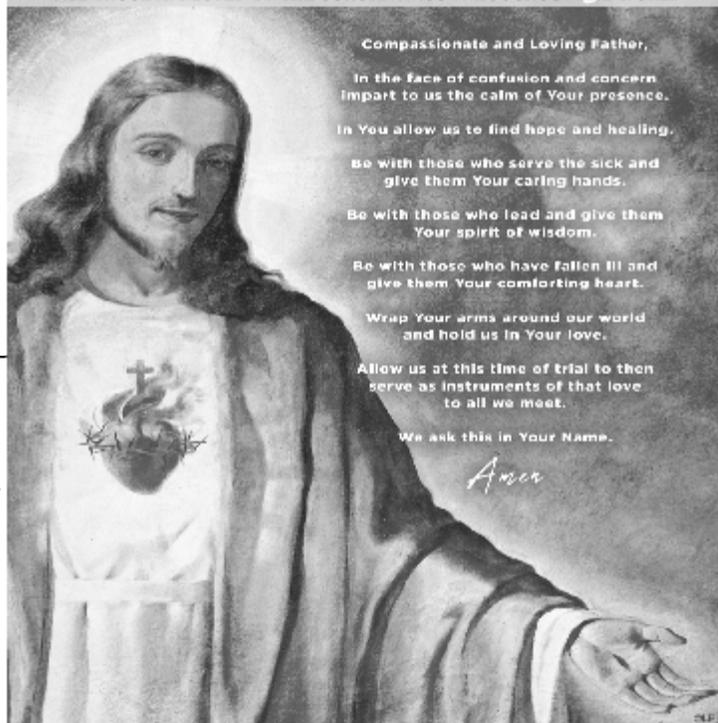
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## WELCOME

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.

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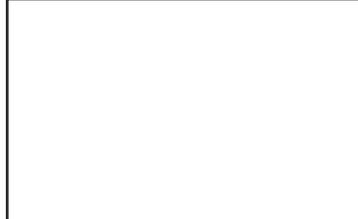
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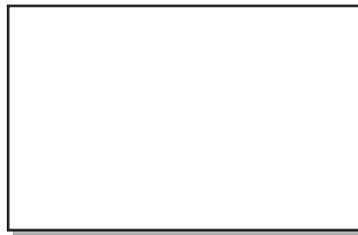


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