



*The bread that I will give
is my flesh for the life of the world.*

~ John 6:51

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TWO HOLY MARTYRS PARISH

St. Symphorosa & St. Rene Goupil
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Fr. Bob's Weekly Blog

Welcome to Two Holy Martyrs Parish!!

St. Symphorosa & St. Rene Goupil

One of my sisters shared a story about the night she woke up in a hotel room in northern Minnesota. As she made her way to the washroom, she looked outside the large picture window into the night sky. What she saw caused her to stand frozen in awe.

The clear night sky helped her see deep into the star-speckled universe. The view was so spectacular in the wee hours that she decided to get her husband out of bed so he could join her as the two of them stood staring out the window into the Lake Superior abyss. No doubt this was a WOW event.

Occasionally we need to be reminded of the many awe-inspiring things of the material world. We run the risk at times of taking too many things for granted, and our increasing use of video screens and simulated reality distracts from the beauty of the natural world.

We city dwellers lose sight of the stars because of artificial light. Imagine you tell someone who has never left the city that there are stars in the sky at night. He looks up into the Chicago night then scoffs. "Stars? I don't see any stars. You are lying," he says, incredulously.

You, of course, know what's going on – light pollution. However, we can't fault the skeptic because in his personal experience, he's never encountered the WOW of a naturally dark night that reveals the grandeur of the immense universe.

There is a Calvin & Hobbes meme that shows the two of them looking up into the starry sky. The caption reads, "If people sat outside and looked at the stars each night, I'll bet they live a lot differently."

We used to look up into the heavens. Now we look up into outer space. What changed?

Many folks today are deciding that all of the material world just happened. There is not a Creator; there is no God. They prefer to imagine, as John Lennon famously sang, "Imagine there's no heaven. It's easy if you try. No hell below us. Above us, only sky."

There will continue to be great harm done to the human person and to this planet if we continue down the "Imagine" road. The famous Russian author Fyodor Dostoevsky saw this spiritual crisis and named it. He wrote, "If there is no God, then anything is permitted."

There has been credible verification that John Lennon was abusive to women and children. Hmmm! Imagine that. In fairness, we don't know what trouble stirred in his heart, but his lyrical dream world sans God and religion is wishful thinking. Perhaps somewhere along the way the sky above him got cloudy or polluted with artificial light, and he could no longer see the awe-inspiring stars that remind us we are a small speck of humanity loved into existence by the Creator.

Calvin & Hobbes were onto something. The "awe" of the material world should point us to the One who is AWE: the One who is Goodness, Truth and Beauty. Maybe if we, the people, sat outside and looked at the stars each night, recognize the mighty works of the Creator, that we are part of His mighty works, we might decide to live a lot differently.

Consider me concerned at this moment in human history. "What specifically Fr. Bob?" I'm concerned we are losing sight of the stars amidst too much fear and despair. The power hungry and money hungry barons of the world have long since lost sight of the stars and are helping to chip away at the inherent dignity of the human person. Daring to even say "We are all human beings, aren't we?" might get you cancelled by folks who love to use morality as a weapon even though they would give no credence to the Law-giver.

We risk becoming merely producers of goods and consumers of goods, and if we are not doing one or the other, then we are no longer of any value. In the eyes of the Godless, we are expendable. In modern-day tech terms, we can be deleted; either voluntarily or involuntarily.

Oscar Wilde wrote, "We are all in the gutter, but some of us are looking at the stars."

God sent His only-begotten Son into this world – into the gutter – to save us; to redeem us. We have everything we need in and through His Church to make this world a better place. Our access to Grace is a heart-changer, and the more hearts transformed by Grace, the more the Kingdom of God is made manifest on earth. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in Heaven.

Our second reading this weekend from Ephesians gets to the heart of the matter. "All bitterness, fury, anger, shouting, and reviling must be removed from you, along with all malice. And be kind to one another, compassionate, forgiving one another as God has forgiven you in Christ."

Friends, please don't lose sight of the stars because of the clouds and artificial light of this world. The stars are there, and so is the One who brought the stars into existence; the One who brought you into existence. Yes, you. Imagine that!



Quote of the Week

"It's lovely to live on a raft. We had the sky up there, all speckled with stars, and we used to lay on our backs and look up at them, and discuss about whether they was made or only just happened."

~ Mark Twain

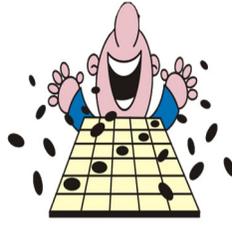
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6949 W 63rd Place
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Sacrament of Penance
6-7pm every Tuesday (St. Symphorosa Site)
3-3:45pm every Saturday (St. Rene Site)
Offered by Appointment During the Week
Please call the Parish Office

Join Us For...



When: Sunday, August 15, 2021
Where: St. Rene Goupil (Flannery Hall)
6949 W 63rd Place
Time: Doors open at 12:30pm
Games begin at 1:30pm
Cost: \$20 at the door

Please call the parish office for more information at 773.767.1523



EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

We are currently accepting resumes for a daycare position for our school children PK-8, for this school year beginning August 25, 2021.

The position is 6:30am - 8:15am and 3:00pm - 6:00pm Monday - Friday, approximately 25 hours weekly.

Interested candidates, please send your resume and cover letter highlighting your experience, salary requirement, and interest in the role to office@stsymphorosaschool.org no later than **August 10th**.



Two Holy Martyrs Parish Offerings for the weekend of

Sunday, August 1, 2021
Contribution: \$10,203.00
Thank you for your generosity!



Split the Pot

August 1, 2021
Received: \$490.00

Winning envelope: #60545

Reminder: A minimum of \$5.00 is required to participate.

WEDDING BANNES

II - Julianna Rosas & Eliseo Loeva
III - Carmen Leon & Eduardo Huerta



Our Sanctuary Candle burning before the Blessed Sacrament for the month of August is offered for the following intentions:

- For special intentions of the Duran Family given by Mrs. C. Duran
- For all members of the Soltis, Kopyszka, Lichtenstein, & Smagor families, living & deceased given by Pat Soltis
- For the repose of the soul of Vince Porcelli given by Family
- For the repose of the souls of Denise, Christopher & Baby Wiatrak given by Mom Clara

May this light which reminds us of Jesus' presence in the Tabernacle help welcome our prayers into His eternal presence.



“And behold, I [Jesus] am with you always, until the end of the age.” (Matthew 28:20)

I think that I have previously mentioned this aspect about the liturgical seasons of the Catholic Church, namely, that these weeks of Ordinary Time are identified differently within the Catholic Church but a reiteration might be beneficial for this week. According to the calendar for the Extraordinary Form, the Latin Mass, we are now in the Season after Pentecost (Pentecostide). The Byzantine Catholic Church also refers to these Sundays and weeks as being “after Pentecost.” Among Catholics who have come from the Anglican tradition, this same period is known as the Sundays and weeks after Trinity (Trinitytide). Within the one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church, different names have been applied to the same days and weeks resulting from different emphases drawn from this liturgical time. These differences are not conflictual with each other since the scope and immensity of God’s being and presence allows for multiple truths to be distinguished and to exist simultaneously with each other. At this time, we are following God after Pentecost and we do not want to forget God’s sending of the Holy Spirit upon us from the time of that first Pentecost among the Blessed Mother and the Apostles. At this time, we also are following God, the Holy Trinity, never forgetting the unique dogma of our faith of believing in the three Divine Persons yet one God concurrently. Both the reality of Pentecost and our belief in God, the Holy Trinity, are ordinary for us, not exceptional, not limited to a particular season.

With that rich character of our Church as a guide, we might appreciate more thoroughly the words of the Collect, the opening prayer for the Mass: “Almighty ever-living God, whom, taught by the Holy Spirit, we dare to call our Father, bring, we pray, to perfection in our hearts the spirit of adoption as your sons and daughters, that we may merit to enter into the inheritance which you have promised. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.” (*Roman Missal*, 3rd ed.)

God as one is invoked as are the three Divine Persons. The Father and the Holy Spirit each are addressed an additional time. The influence of Pentecost and the Holy Trinity on the language of this prayer is clear, enduring and intentional by the Church. “[The] spirit of adoption as your sons and daughters,” enabling us by the Holy Spirit’s teaching and movement to call God, “Father,” initiates with our Baptism. This spirit of adoption is our ordinary status before God. Keeping with that adoption, not rejecting it, we may then be confident “that we may merit to enter into the inheritance which you [God] have promised.”

Consistent with the Collect and perhaps an influence upon it, St. Paul directs the Christians in Ephesus, the Ephesians, how to preserve “the spirit of adoption as your [God’s] sons and daughters.” He first cautions, “Do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, with which you were sealed for the day of redemption. All bitterness, fury, anger, shouting, and reviling must be removed from you, along with all malice,” but then directs the Ephesians more positively, “And be kind to one another, compassionate, forgiving one another as God has forgiven you in Christ. So be imitators of God, as beloved children, and live in love, as Christ loved us and handed himself over for us as a sacrificial offering to God for a fragrant aroma.” (Ephesians 4:30-5:2) What the Apostle writes is challenging to our human nature and its tendency toward sin, concupiscence, but speaks to our ordinary life and discipleship, not an extraordinary or limited time.

Hearing those words of the prayer, “bring, we pray, to perfection in our hearts the spirit of adoption as your sons and daughters,” what do they evoke in your hearts and minds? From your own reaction, how might you describe “the spirit of adoption as your [God’s] sons and daughters” to someone else?

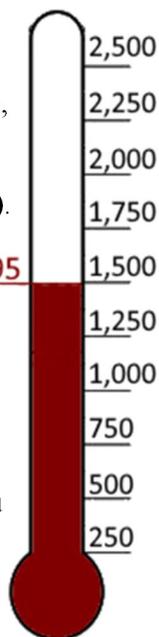
~Fr. Matt Compton

Get Ready for our Parish Picnic on August 29th.

Plenty of Faith (Outdoor 11 AM Mass), Food (THM Kitchen & Rita's Italian Ice) and Fun (Games, Prizes, DJ, Raffles & of course THE Grand Raffle).

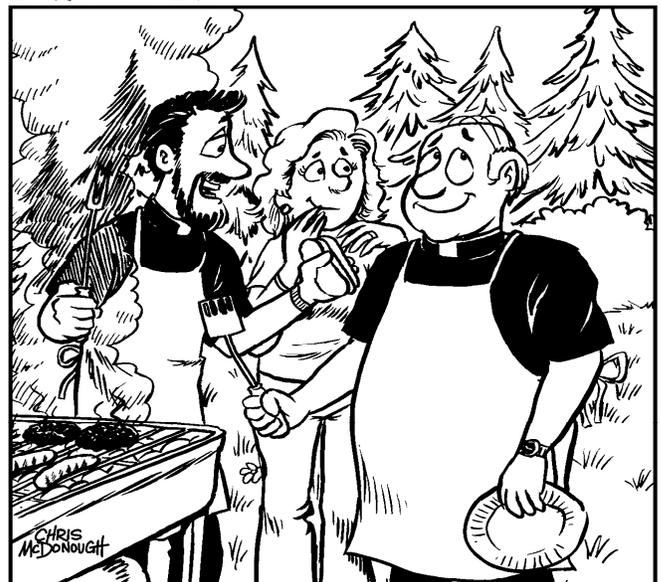
We are now only 1,000 ticket sales away from our Grand Raffle goal of 2,500 tickets sold! We are selling tickets at all Masses this weekend. Remember they are \$20 each or a 6-pack for \$100. Also, take some extra tickets to sell to friends, family, and neighbors - no money due until you turn in the stubs!

1,495



Three weeks to go....
Let's exceed the goal!!

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Let Us Pray...



Dear Lord,
we want to be an engaged church,
a parish motivated by love for You
and committed to our mission
of living out Your gospel.
We ask that You be with us
on our spiritual journey.

Help us to be a worshipping community,
devoted to Holy Mass,
praying with and for one another,
and lifting our voices joyfully in song.

Help us to be a welcoming community
with smiles and outstretched arms
as we greet all who enter our doors,
be they friends or strangers.

Help us to be a community of
good stewards who support our parish
and are compassionate
to the needs of the poor.

Help us to be a ministering community,
cheerfully and tirelessly offering time,
treasure, and talent in service to others.

Help us to be a community of disciples
who place You, Lord,
at the center of our lives.

Help us to be an engaged community
with open hearts and open minds to seek
You Lord, share Your gifts,
and rejoice in Your blessings.

We ask the intercession
of our two holy martyrs:
St. Symphorosa and St. Rene Goupil.

Through Christ our Lord. Amen

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Save the Date!

Fellowship, food & fun

Sunday August 29

PARISH



Picnic



One Month Away – Sunday August 29th
Picnic begins with an Outdoor Mass at 11:00am
on the St. Rene Campus

- ✓ Tents for shade
- ✓ Bingo (Air-Conditioned)
- ✓ Kids Games/Prizes
- ✓ Adult Games/Prizes
- ✓ Pull Tabs – Cash Prizes
- ✓ DJ
- ✓ Rita's Italian Ice – Dessert Truck
- ✓ Hourly Door Prizes
- ✓ Bags Tournament
- ✓ Bake Sale
- ✓ Split the Pot Drawings
- ✓ THM Kitchen – Picnic food from the grill
- ✓ Grand Raffle Drawing
- ✓ More info to come!



Please take a moment to sit down, watch, and/or listen to
Fr. Bob's "Embrace the Grace" meditations every week.

Fr. Bob and Steve Kittler, our parish Music Director, began this
page as a way to keep in contact with the parish and all our
parishioners during the COVID stay at home order. This seven to
ten minute video shares the good news with all
interested persons.

Please visit the parish website at twoholymartyrs.org
or go directly to the YouTube page at [https://www.youtube.com/
channel/UCJm6IOYVzFmLnENc-rj7jMQ](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCJm6IOYVzFmLnENc-rj7jMQ) to view.



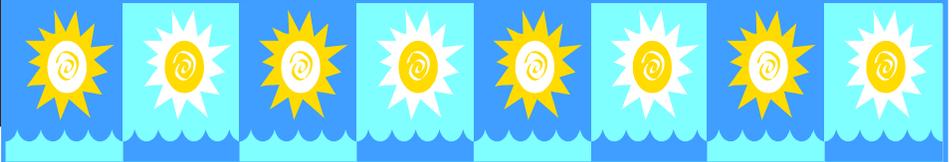
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WELCOME FAMILIES TO TWO HOLY MARTYRS PARISH FAITH FORMATION



UPCOMING EVENTS

Summer Communion Class

August 2nd - August 12th

**FALL CLASSES BEGIN AFTER
LABOR DAY!!!!**

Let Your Light Shine!

If you are reading this, you are most probably interested in nurturing and exploring your own faith and possibly sharing it with others. So, if you have faith to share and want to fulfill your Baptismal commitment, how about considering being a Catechist for the young people enrolled in our Faith Formation Program?

Feeling inadequate? Please know that all of your materials are prepared for you for each class. You will have the opportunity to meet with other catechists in our Program for a training session and to discuss any questions or concerns that you may have.

As we approach the start of a new school year.... we are finding there is a need for a few more Catechists. If you are able to make the commitment please call Peggy in our parish office. May God graciously reward your wonderful generosity of spirit.



2021-2022 Faith Formation Registration NOW OPEN!!!

New and returning families need to register.

Classes begin after Labor Day!

Registration Forms are available on our website (www.twoholymartyrs.org) and at our Parish Office.

We will continue to offer Faith Formation Classes for grades One through Eight on Tuesday evenings at our St. Rene Campus and on Saturday mornings at our St. Syms Campus. Registration Forms are available in the Narthex of our Churches and they are also available at the Main Parish Office on Austin Ave.

In addition Miss Peg will be present at the Parish Picnic on August 29th accepting Faith Formation Registrations and answering any questions you may have. The Parish Picnic will be held at our St. Rene Campus. You will find Miss Peg at the Face Painting Booth.

Please call Miss Peggy in the Faith Formation Office at (773) 767-1523 ext. 226. with any registration questions.



The start of a prayer chain.

Students playing the Yarn Game which shows how we are all interconnected in faith.



Enjoying a break outdoors during our Summer Communion class.

Sisters preparing for First Eucharist together.



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...at the Two Holy Martyrs Picnic



Join the Picnic Choir

- **Only 3 Rehearsals:**
 - August 11 @ St. Rene Campus 6:30-7:45pm
 - August 18 @ St. Syms Campus 6:30-7:45pm
 - August 25 @ St. Rene Campus 6:30-7:45pm

- **Open to All:** Adults and children of all ages!!
You can even bring a friend.



No experience is necessary. I will teach you what you need to know. *What a wonderful way to worship together!!*

I will have a sign-up sheet which you can fill out after Mass. (If I'm not at your Mass one week, I'll probably be there the next week).

Woody Allen once said that 80% of success in life is just showing up. See you on August 11th.

Steve Kittler, Director of Music

Weekly Split the Pot Raffle

Good News...As interest continues to increase in the weekly "Split the Pot Raffle" please note:

- Minimum donation to participate is \$5 in any week for one chance to win that week's Split the Pot drawing amount
- Any donation of \$10 or more in a week, will receive a total of two Split the Pot chances for an opportunity to win that week's Split the Pot drawing amount
- To be eligible to win you must also give a regular Sunday contribution

GOOD LUCK!!!!

FEAST OF FAITH

SANCTUS, SANCTUS, SANCTUS: SONG OF HEAVEN

The words of the Sanctus are rooted in the scriptures. They recall the song of the seraphim in the prophet Isaiah's vision of God in majesty: "Seraphim were stationed above; each of them had six wings: with two they veiled their faces, with two they veiled their feet, and with two they hovered aloft. 'Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts!' they cried one to the other. 'All the earth is filled with his glory!' " (Isaiah 6:2-3). They recall the Gospel accounts of Jesus' entry into Jerusalem: "Hosanna to the Son of David; blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord; hosanna in the highest" (Matthew 21:9).

Yet the liturgy adds something new to these ancient texts. The seraphim sang, "the earth is filled with his glory." But the liturgy proclaims, "heaven and earth are full of your glory." In the Eucharist, earth and heaven meet. For a moment in time, we join in the song that the angels sing for all time. The Sanctus raises us to heaven, but does not remove us from the earth. It is the song of the King who took on our human flesh so that we might share in his divine life.

—Corinna Laughlin,
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LECTOR SCHEDULE

Mass Time	4pm	5:30pm	7:30am	9am	10:30am	12pm
	August 14, 2021	August 14, 2021	August 15, 2021	August 15, 2021	August 15, 2021	August 15, 2021
	Frank Zalewski	Eileen Davenport	Pat Soltis	Mary Shilney Leticia Reyes	Barbara Wilschke	Jack Ruby

Two Holy Martyrs Parish
St. Symphorosa and St. Rene Goupil
GRAND RAFFLE
Grand Prize \$10,000

2nd Prize \$5,000 3rd Prize \$2,000

Grand raffle tickets are officially on sale. Tickets are available in the parish office during regular business hours. You may purchase them for \$20 each or 6 for \$100. CASH OR CHECK ONLY! There is a seller's prize for person who sells the winning grand prize Drawing will be held Sunday, August 29.

Tickets are available in the parish office. Tickets will be available one last time in the narthex this weekend:

August 7-8

Purchase your tickets early and be entered to win \$500 in the Early Bird Drawing on August 10th. Tickets must be returned 1 day prior to Early Bird Drawing.

Please remember to keep your tickets stubs and
GOOD LUCK!

**St. Laurence High School
 Class of 1970 Alums**

Join us for festivities and celebration at the St. Laurence Class of 1970 "50 plus 1" reunion weekend *September 10-12, 2021*. Spouses and guests are welcome. Activities include a banquet and entertainment at the Riviera Country Club in Orland Park on Saturday evening, September 11th. For more information, please call Tom Lipinski at 708.573.4923.



Have pity on me, Lord, for I am weak; heal me, Lord, for my bones are shuddering."

~Psalm 6:3

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| Mary Adkins | John Kappel, Sr. | Joan Orsi |
| Guadalupe Almendarez | Claudia Kwilosz | Bob Pac |
| Raeann Arends | Norman Kwilosz | Eleanor Pastorek |
| Ignatius Battiato | Sharon Labiak | Stanley Polit |
| Carl Bell | James Lapsansky | Ann Robertson |
| Mary Bieser | Maryann Larson | Edward Robertson |
| Fr. Ted Bojczuk | Donna Lauritzen | Fr. John Rudnik |
| Kathy Calcagno | Domenico Lepore | Joseph Rudnik |
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| Michael Clifford | Debbie Lipien | Sue Solciani |
| Chris Doherty | Maria Lopez | Brian Styka |
| Maria Flores | Diane Malarick | Sr. Christine Styka |
| Carol Gress | John Martini | Terry Styka |
| Heather Hradek | Elaine McCarthy | Mary Thorpe |
| Deacon Tom Hyde | Lori McCarthy | Judith Webber |
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Due to privacy laws, names may only be added to our prayer list by immediate family. Please call the parish office (773.767.1523) to add or remove a name.



One of the unfortunate aspects of the COVID restriction days was the loss of altar servers at Holy Mass.

We are (fingers crossed) close to having altar servers at many of our parish Masses. We will be welcoming back veteran servers but we also want to invite NEW servers to come forward.

Parents, if you have a son or daughter interested in being an altar server, please let Maggie in the parish office know. She will help coordinate the upcoming training session. Fr. Matt and others will also work to help get our Two Holy Martyrs Parish altar servers back up and running.

There is an added beauty to Holy Mass when altar servers process in and out of the church, as well as assisting at the altar of the Lord. We miss having altar servers.

Being an altar server at Mass is also a way to learn responsibility. Servers are expected to be on time for Mass, and to fulfill their obligation when they are scheduled. We have three wonderful priests at our parish who will be sure our children see the beauty of the Mass, and what an honor it is to be in the sanctuary as one who serves at the Lord's table.

In light of all this, it's important to remember to pray for vocations to the Priesthood and to religious life. We truly believe God calls men and women to serve Him in a very intimate way. Young men might already be experiencing a tug toward priesthood, and young men and women are sensing the Lord calling them to religious life.

Pray for vocations. The Church doesn't need more bureaucrats and paper pushers. She needs men and women to hear God's call, and to answer God's call to help serve the Lord as part of the Church's mission on earth.

Priests and religious often began their journey as altar servers. It's a great first step.

Mass Intentions for the Week August 7 - August 13

Saturday, August 7, 2021

4:00pm *St. Rene Church*
 Presider: Fr. Matt
 †Lorraine Gorniak (Family)
 †Aurora Lopez & Lupe Hernandez
 (Almendarez Family)

5:30pm *St. Symphorosa Church*
 Presider: Fr. Bob
 Health & birthday blessings for Mary Kolimas
 (Good Buddy)
 †Thomas McGrath (Sage Family)
 †Janet & Steve Molnar (Hohm Family)
 †Carol Frances Munoz - 30th Anniversary of
 passing (Robert Munoz)
 †Helen Peterson (Her Children)

Sunday, August 8, 2021

7:30am *St. Rene Church*
 Presider: Fr. Bob
Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
 †Marion Tulik (Niemczyk Family)
 †Veronica Ann Ulrich (Bernadine "Dina" Gnat)

9:00am *St. Symphorosa Church*
 Presider: Fr. Norm
 †Rafael Alvarez (Tom & Mary Ann Milici)
 †Tom & Julie Dorencz (Kathy Calcagno)
 †Mary Lou Madej (Husband Ray Madej)
 †Janet & Steve Molnar (Hohm Family)
 †Millie Newtoff (Family)

10:30am *St. Rene Church*
 Presider: Fr. Bob
 †Dominic Capparelli (Sandi Lyen)
 †Ann Ulrich (Marie Zilka)

12:00pm *St. Symphorosa Church*
 Presider: Fr. Matt
 †Rosaria Maria & John Dragosetti (Family)
 †James & Mary Eileen Rohan
 (Jim & Beatrice Rohan)

Monday, August 9, 2021

8:00am *St. Symphorosa Church*
 †Denise Wiatrak (Mom Clara)

Tuesday, August 10, 2021

8:00am *St. Symphorosa Church*
Saint Lawrence, Deacon
 †Vince Porcelli (Wife Judy)
 †Robert Strezio (Soltis Family)

Wednesday, August 11, 2021

8:00am *St. Symphorosa Church*
Saint Clare
 Health & birthday blessings for Bob Mikulecky
 (Mary Kolimas)
 †Gary Grisko (Family)
 †Josephine Pelegrino & Family
 (Pelegrino Family)
 †Margaret Wanstruth (Family)

Thursday, August 12, 2021

8:00am *St. Symphorosa Church*
 †Mary & Phil Deluca (Deluca Family)
 †Thaddeus Witkowski (Family)

Friday, August 13, 2021

8:00am *St. Symphorosa Church*
The Transfiguration of the Lord
 †Rosa Cicchino (Rosa Rodriguez)
 †LaVerne & Joseph Slowinski
 (Daughters & Families)
 †Bob Soltis (Pat Soltis)
 †John Sullivan (Dawn Gasior)



In this Gospel the love that Jesus reveals through the symbol of the cross is: self-giving, sacrificial, healing, forgiving, in solidarity with the weak, confident in the power of God.

During the hot summer months many of the elderly, especially those who are sick, are not able to find relief from the heat. Please help the Society of St. Vincent de Paul to bring respite and hope to them.

St. Vincent de Paul phone number: (773) 682-3342

Mass Intentions for Saturday & Sunday

Saturday, August 14, 2021

8:00am *St. Symphorosa Church*
Saint Maximilian Kolbe, Priest
 Zeneida Narea (Vincent & Victor Narea)
 †Bruna, Luigi, Tony & Anna Tomasinni (Family)
 †Stephanie Adam (Barb Stoyak)
 †Vince Porcelli (Wife Judy)
 †Ann Ulrich (Altar & Rosary Society)

4:00pm *St. Rene Church*
 Presider: Fr. Bob
 †Rosalia Karpinski (Good Buddy)
 †Janet & Steve Molnar (Hohm Family)
 †James Thorpe (Family)

Sunday, August 15, 2021

7:30am *St. Rene Church*
 Presider: Fr. Norm
Assumption of the Blessed Virgin
 †Adele Glaubke (Family)
 †Eugene R. Zdziennicki (Family)

9:00am *St. Symphorosa Church*
 Presider: Fr. Bob
 †Richard Merda (Arlene Scaletta)
 †Janet & Steve Molnar (Hohm Family)
 †Marilyn Polit (Karen & Allen Crosser)
 †George Simon (Family)
 †Lynda Sullivan (Jas Sullivan Family)
 †Denise Wiatrak (Mom Clara)
 †Catherine Bartuch Morrell (Family)

10:30am *St. Rene Church*
 Presider: Fr. Matt
 †O'Leary Family (Mike & Bea Byrne)
 †Nancy Ortman (Chuck Palka)

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“God will never refuse her anything she asks for us.”
 —St. John Vianney speaking of St. Philomena

St. Philomena
4th-century virgin and martyr to whom many miracles have been attributed; patron saint of infants and youth.

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August 11

Let us pray...

Eternal Rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

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