

TWO HOLY MARTYRS PARISH

St. Symphorosa & St. Rene Goupil

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March 20, 2022



Third Sunday

of

Lent

God called out to Moses from the burning bush and said, "Remove the sandals from your feet, for the place where you stand is holy ground."

Exodus 3:4, 5

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Fr. Bob's Weekly Blog

Welcome to Two Holy Martyrs Parish!!

St. Symphorosa & St. Rene Goupil

Every experience of beauty points to infinity.

Those are the thought-provoking words of Catholic theologian Hans Urs von Balthasar. We mere mortals sometimes run the risk of taking everyday things for granted; including beauty. We've all, at some point, encountered something or someone so beautiful that it takes our breath away or makes us say, "Wow!"

We can stop right there and determine that the beautiful thing or person we've seen with our eyes is limited to this world, or we can allow what is earthly beautiful to lead us to contemplate the One Who is Beauty itself – God.

Nature regularly causes me to pause and soak in beauty. As a young boy, I remember the first time I came up the ramp and saw the green grass of a professional baseball stadium. Golf courses intrigue me. Standing on the shoreline of Lake Michigan and looking out at the water always seems to give me a lift toward God. Trying to ponder the enormity of outer space blows my mind.

Yes, Mr. Von Balthasar was onto something in regards to beauty. In philosophical language, beauty is one of the transcendentals; the other two being goodness and truth. Think of how often we just assume these things or take them for granted. Why is there beauty? Why the good? Why truth? All three point to the One Who is Truth, Goodness, and Beauty.

The entire natural world is the creation of the Creator, and those who make it their life's work to explore the natural world see the amazing intricacies through microscopes and telescopes. There is no need for science and theology (study of God) to be in competition with one another, or to be opposed to the other.

Pope John Paul II tried to explain this to the world when he wrote the encyclical *Fides et Ratio* (faith and reason). He said:

"Faith and reason are like two wings on which the human spirit rises to the contemplation of truth; and God has

placed in the human heart a desire to know the truth – in a word, to know Himself – so that, by knowing and loving God, men and women may also come to the fullness of truth about themselves."

We do not have to choose between science or faith. We can embrace both as we search with our hearts and minds in the quest for truth. As is the case with other topics in Catholicism, the issue of faith and reason is a both/and and NOT an either/or.

As we make our way through Lent, into Holy Week, and into the Easter season, be intentional about making time for beauty. It'll be good for your soul. Avoid the ugly, and the avenues the purveyors of the ugly use to get it into your home so that they can get it into your eyes and ears.

During my first few days that I was a patient at Silver Cross Hospital, as I sat up in bed, I discovered a channel on the TV called the CARE Channel. Basically, it was footage of the beauty of our natural world set to soothing piano music. I would watch and listen for hours, and it helped me stay calm and relaxed. I can't say the same for all the other cable channels with superficial programming and extra loud in-your-face commercials.

The natural world, music, literature, worship, etc., are all avenues where we can encounter beauty. If we make time for beauty, then we soon find ourselves in a more beautiful state, and we become instruments of beauty for the One Who is Beauty.

Friday Fish Thanks

Thank you to the members of our parish Transformation Team who sponsor and do all the physical work to make a Friday Fish Fry available to parishioners and the larger community on specific Fridays during Lent.

We all know we can hem and haw during Lent about where to get our fish. Well, if you

haven't yet indulged the Fish Fry sponsored by the Two Holy Martyrs Transformation Team, then you have one more opportunity on Friday, April 1, from 5 p.m.-7 p.m..

As I like to regularly say, nothing just happens by wishing it. The hands and feet of parish volunteers makes the Fish Fry a reality. They set up, cook up and clean up. They do it for our parish, and we are thankful.

Parish Lent Mission

Our Two Holy Martyrs Lenten Mission begins this coming Thursday (March 24) as we welcome Fr. Tom McCarthy, an Augustinian priest who regularly travels the country giving retreats and mission talks.

Fr. McCarthy's schedule was booked when we reached out to him, but he agreed to give us a one-evening commitment. We are grateful. He will be basing his talk off St. Augustine's famous words, "You have made us for Yourself, O God, and our heart is restless until it rests in You."

The mission talk begins at 7 p.m. and will be held at our St. Rene Goupil church site.

Please check the THM Mission schedule box inside this bulletin.

Our Lent Mission concludes on Wednesday (March 30) as we welcome Bishop Ron Hicks to our parish. His excellency is the bishop of the Diocese of Joliet. He grew up in South Holland and attended Quigley South, Niles College, and Mundelein Seminary. He was ordained a priest for the Archdiocese of Chicago in 1994.



Quote of the Week

"In beautiful things, St. Francis saw Beauty itself, and through His vestiges imprinted on creation he followed his beloved everywhere, making from all things a ladder by which he could climb up and embrace Him who is utterly desirable."

~St. Bonaventure

Lent Mission 2022

Two Holy Martyrs Parish - Chicago, Illinois

Thursday, March 24th
St. Rene Goupil church - 7pm
"Our Restless Hearts"
Speaker: Fr. Tom McCarthy
O.S.A.

Friday, March 25th
St. Symphorosa church - 7pm
Stations of the Cross

Monday, March 28th
St. Symphorosa church - 7pm
Lent Reconciliation Service
Reflection by Fr. Bob Regan
Time for individual
confession

Tuesday, March 29th
St. Symphorosa church - 7pm
Holy Hour with Rosary
Exposition of Blessed
Sacrament, Rosary,
Reflection by Fr. Matt
Compton, Silence &
Benediction

Wednesday, March 30th
St. Rene Goupil church - 7pm
"Our Eucharistic Love"
Speaker: Bishop Ron Hicks,
Diocese of Joliet



Two Holy Martyrs Parish
Offerings for the weekends
of:

Sunday, March 13, 2022

Contribution: \$6,162.00

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Split the Pot

March 13, 2022

Received: \$385.00

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required to participate.



PRAYER OF THE WEEK

Third Sunday of Lent

O God, author of every mercy and of all goodness, who in fasting, prayer and almsgiving have shown us a remedy for sin, look graciously on this confession of our lowliness, that we, who are bowed down by our conscience, may always be lifted up by your mercy. 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.

Join Us For...



When: Sunday, March 20, 2022
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

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

**For the repose of the souls of Vince Porcelli & his daughter
Maria Porcelli
given by Family**

**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)

“Why do bad things happen to good people good things happen to bad people?” this is a question, which humans have asked and pondered for millennia. From Psalm 73, we read, “Because I was envious of the arrogant when I saw the prosperity of the wicked. For they suffer no pain; their bodies are healthy and sleek. They are free of the burdens of life; they are not afflicted like others.” (Psalm 73:3-5) To the best of my knowledge, even the Holy See does not answer this question absolutely, as though knowing the full meaning and reason for the experience of prosperity or suffering when one’s general disposition seems to be mismatched with an outcome. We hear this perplexing scenario addressed, if only briefly, as well as a faithful, faith-filled response, in the readings for this Sunday.

St. Paul, in the Second Reading, writing to the Christians in Corinth, clarifies Israel’s history and warns, “These things happened as examples for us, so that we might not desire evil things, as they did. Do not grumble as some of them did, and suffered death by the destroyer. These things happened to them as an example, and they have been written down as a warning to us, upon whom the end of the ages has come. Therefore, whoever thinks he is standing secure should take care not to fall.” (1 Corinthians 10:6, 10-12) St. Paul acknowledges that “our ancestors were all under the cloud and all passed through the sea, and all of them were baptized into Moses in the cloud and in the sea. All ate the same spiritual food, and all drank the same spiritual drink, for they drank from a spiritual rock that followed them, and the rock was the Christ. Yet God was not pleased with most of them, for they were struck down in the desert.” (1 Corinthians 10:1-5) This summary reveals God’s continuity from the Exodus to its fulfilled in the New Covenant with Christ.

Morally speaking, what St. Paul teaches the Corinthians is that even when there are common experiences of prosperity among the good and the bad, God knows the ones with whom He is not pleased. When both good and bad people seem to enjoy the same blessings or relation with God, do not yield to the perception and temptation that our actions and interior life are irrelevant, that God is not aware of our authentic selves and whether we are being faithful to Him or not. The evil may enjoy the same general blessings and opportunities of the just for some time but “whoever thinks he is standing secure should take care not to fall.” (1 Corinthians 10:12)

Jesus, in the Gospel Reading, preaches a similar message of faith and morality: “Some people told Jesus about the Galileans whose blood Pilate had mingled with the blood of their sacrifices. Jesus said to them in reply, ‘Do you think that because these Galileans suffered in this way they were greater sinners than all other Galileans? By no means! But I tell you, if you do not repent, you will all perish as they did! Or those eighteen people who were killed when the tower at Siloam fell on them—do you think they were more guilty than everyone else who lived in Jerusalem? By no means! But I tell you, if you do not repent, you will all perish as they did!’” (Luke 13:1-5)

Without revealing the details of each deceased person’s life, Jesus is quick to quell the assumption that the two groups of people who died were the result of sin or that they were worse sinners than others. Initially, this group of disciples who reports the events of the deaths to Jesus seems to be concluded that the deceased must have suffered for some sin, which they committed. Jesus warns them and those near Him to avoid such conclusions since those who died might not have been guilty of sin, or at least not of grave sin, and that just because a person does not suffer such a death does not mean that he or she is free of sin: “By no means! But I tell you, if you do not repent, you will all perish as they did!” (Luke 13:5)

By analogy with the fig tree, God is patient with us, even with those who are not producing good fruit, being barren and sinful instead, which might lead us to think as the Psalmist admits, “I was envious of the arrogant when I saw the prosperity of the wicked. For they suffer no pain; their bodies are healthy and sleek. They are free of the burdens of life; they are not afflicted like others.” (Psalm 73:3-5) God’s patience, which allows for a time of repentance, is not to be taken as obliviousness or indifference to us or to our interior and exterior lives, good or evil. By the explanation of the gardener in the parable, Jesus, explains the eventual judgment of each of us: “““Sir, leave it for this year also, and I shall cultivate the ground around it and fertilize it; it may bear fruit in the future. If not you can cut it down.””” (Luke 13:8-9)

What at first seems to be bad things happening to good people or good things to bad people in this life does not necessarily carry over into eternal life. Put another way, a person who appears to be good but overlooked by God in this life and suffer evil might very well be blessed all the more abundantly in the life to come. Critical for us, as Jesus reveals, is to realize that we do not know everything about the lives of others, their moral good or evil, their fidelity or infidelity, and why they experience certain events here, good or bad. As St. Paul directs, “Therefore, whoever thinks he is standing secure should take care not to fall.” (1 Corinthians 10:12)

Do St. Paul’s and Jesus’ responses help you in responding to these questions good people suffering and bad people prospering? Do these teachings allow you to appreciate God’s patience and mercy for our reconciliation a focus for us during Lent?

~Fr. Matt Compton



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
~Margie Andre



In today’s Gospel Jesus is quite clear in his message: “bear fruit or be cut down.”

This Lent we are called to cultivate and fertilize our spiritual lives through prayer, fasting and almsgiving.

Through your almsgiving you are performing a good work; far greater than you think. Know that your nickel, dime, or quarter is multiplied by the coins placed by others in the St. Vincent de Paul Poor Box.

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STATIONS OF THE CROSS



*We adore you, O Christ,
and we praise you.
Because by your holy cross
you have redeemed the world.*

Join us every Friday during Lent at St. Symphorosa Church at 7pm as we pray the Stations of the Cross together.



LENTEN COMPANION: MARY

We have a very special companion for this third week of Lent—Mary, the Mother of Jesus and our mother. March 25 is the feast of the Annunciation, when we remember the angel Gabriel announcing to Mary that she was to become the mother of Jesus. It might seem odd to think about Mary preparing for the birth of Jesus at the same time we are preparing to remember his death. But it makes sense if we remember that Jesus came into the world to do God's will and save us. His birth is the beginning of a lifetime of obeying God, even to his final act of love, his death on the cross.

4 weeks to Easter: We travel with Mary, our Mother.

Mary is a good model for us during Lent. She said yes right away to God's desire that she become the mother of Jesus. Mary teaches us to say yes to what God asks us to do. She cared for Jesus and taught him how to love God. Mary teaches us how to pray and love God. Mary was there on the road to Calvary as Jesus carried his cross. She is here with us when we have to do hard things. She stood with Jesus' friend John at the foot of the cross when Jesus was dying. She teaches us to stand with our friends even when it is hard. She was with the apostles when Jesus sent the Holy Spirit. Mary reminds us that we too are filled with the Holy Spirit so that we can spread God's word.

Next to these letters write some of the ways that Mary is our model.
A few are already written for you.



M
Always near in times of trouble
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Gave us the Rosary

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Taught Jesus to Love God

A Monk and His Anger

A monk takes a boat and rows out to the middle of a lake on the monastery grounds, leans back, closes his eyes and begins to pray.

This sacred time of "conscious contact" and serenity goes on for a while until, alas, another boat collides with his and startles the monk entirely.

Opening his eyes and looking around, he feels the indignation and anger rising at once and prepares to shout at the boatman for this rude disturbance.

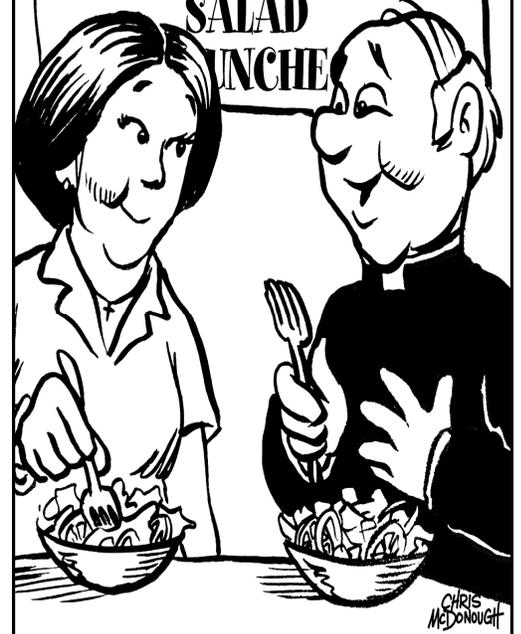
But, alas, all he sees is an empty boat floating there out in the middle of the lake...

At that moment, the monk understands anew that anger is present within him; all it needs is some external circumstance, meager or otherwise, to come forth.

After that, whenever he met some disturbance, he remembered: that it is just an empty boat. The anger is inside him.



LADIES' SODALITY SALAD LUNCHEON



"No, I'm OK... if Jesus could fast for 40 days in the desert, I'm sure I can undergo a salad for lunch."



Faith Formation Office

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WELCOME FAMILIES TO TWO HOLY MARTYRS PARISH FAITH FORMATION

UPCOMING EVENTS

- 3/20: **Seventh Grade Family Mass**
- 3/22: **Faith Formation Classes
Tuesday, ST. SYMPHOROSA
CAMPUS**
- 3/26: **Faith Formation Classes
Saturday, St. Symphorosa Campus
Reconciliation Service for
Confirmation Students**
- 3/29: **Faith Formation Classes
Tuesday, ST. SYMPHOROSA
CAMPUS**



Lenten Outreach

Our Faith Formation students invite all of our parishioners to participate in our Lenten Outreach project. All levels will be donating Children's Easter Basket items for the local shelters and agencies we service. Donations can be brought to our Faith Formation classes, to the Main Parish Office on Austin Avenue or dropped off in the Narthex when attending Mass. Please note, we can always use empty Easter Baskets and the cellophane bags to wrap the baskets after we fill them. For more information, feel free to call the Faith Formation Office. God be with you and your dear families as we enter into this Holy Season of Lent. Our 2022 Confirmandi will take part in assembling the Easter Baskets and earn service hours for their upcoming Confirmation.

Jesus Projects

This year, our Faith Formation students in level seven and the eighth grade school students have focused on the person of Jesus in the Gospels. These students used a variety of creative art forms to depict a Jesus story of their choice. The projects will be on display in the Narthex, for viewing by our parish community this weekend.



FAMILY MASS

The seventh-grade family Mass will be held TODAY March 20th, at 9:00am at St. Symphorosa Church. Seventh grade students and their families are invited to attend this Mass. Families are asked to bring a non-perishable food item to be donated to our local food pantry. In addition, we will feature the Jesus Projects in the Narthex. Please take a moment to come and see the display.

We look forward to welcoming all of our seventh grade families!

PRAY + FAST + GIVE =

LENT +

Tips for Getting in the Spirit of Lent

- ⇒ Turn the radio off in the car today and simply pay attention.
- ⇒ Write a letter, especially to the sick or elderly.
- ⇒ Learn something new today.
- ⇒ Turn off the TV and listen to music or read.
- ⇒ Count your blessings. (You'll need a good deal of time for this one).
- ⇒ Recall a favorite prayer and pray it slowly.
- ⇒ Perform a random act of kindness.
- ⇒ Imagine God saying to you, "May I have your attention, please?" How will you answer?
- ⇒ Fast from something for a day.



RECONCILIATION BEFORE CONFIRMATION

As the Eighth Grade Confirmation Candidates prepare to receive the sacrament of Confirmation they will first participate in the sacrament of Reconciliation with their classmates on Saturday, March 26th, and on Tuesday, March 29th during their regularly scheduled classes. These students continue to work hard on their journey toward the celebration of the sacrament of Confirmation on April 8th.

We ask that you remember them, their sponsors, and parents in your prayers.



Our level one students enjoyed a St. Patrick's Day lesson recently. Jesus is the Real Treasure at the end of the Rainbow

The Augustinian Friars of the St. Rita of Cascia Shrine Chapel

present

A Festival of Peace 2022

Friday, March 25

An oasis in the city providing an opportunity to be anchored in love, mercy, and healing.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

- 12:00 PM – Mass for the Solemnity of the Annunciation with St. Rita Novena Prayers followed by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament until 11:45 PM
- 1:00 PM – Joyful Mysteries of the Rosary with St. Rita Novena Prayers
- 3:00 PM – Divine Mercy Chaplet with St. Rita Novena Prayers
- 5:00 PM – Sorrowful Mysteries of the Rosary with St. Rita Novena Prayers
- 7:00 PM – Glorious Mysteries of the Rosary with St. Rita Novena Prayers
- 8:00 PM – 10:00 PM – Praise & Worship Music with Fr. Bradley Zamora, Fr. Joshua Link & Friends
- 10:30 PM – 11:30 PM – Praise & Worship Music with St. Rita of Cascia Parish
- 11:45 PM – Benediction

THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION WILL BE OFFERED FROM 12:00 PM UNTIL 12:00 AM CONTINUOUSLY.

The St. Rita of Cascia High School Fathers' Club will offer hospitality with a Bistro of food & drink from 5:00 PM until 11:30 PM.

For additional information or to view the entire event via live stream visit:
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The faithful all around the world are invited to join with Pope Francis for his special intention. Won't you join in? The intention for the month of March is for A Christian Response to Bioethical Challenges.

We pray for Christians facing new bioethical challenges; may they continue to defend the dignity of all human life with prayer and action.

Menu

Fish plate \$12

2 fish, fries, coleslaw, bread & butter

Soup bowl \$4

oyster crackers

Pierogi (4) \$4

Kids Plate \$5

PB&J, chips, fruit, juice box & cookies

Potato Pancakes \$5

Quesadillas \$3

Plate of fries \$2

Assorted Pound Cake \$2

Lenten Fish Fry

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TRANSFORMATION TEAM

April 1st

5pm-7pm

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

~Psalm 6:3

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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.



SYMBOLON™ THE CATHOLIC FAITH EXPLAINED

The *Symbolon* series will continue as follows:

Session 5: Saturday, March 26, at 1:30 PM, day chapel in St. Rene Goupil Church.

Session 6: Saturday, April 2, at 1:30 PM, day chapel in St. Rene Goupil Church.

Session 7: Saturday, April 9, at 1:30 PM, day chapel in St. Rene Goupil Church.

Saturday, April 16 (Holy Saturday), no meeting.

Session 8: Saturday, April 23, at 1:30 PM, day chapel in St. Rene Goupil Church.

Saturday, April 30, no meeting.

Session 9: Saturday, May 7, at 1:30 PM, day chapel in St. Rene Goupil Church.

Saturday, May 14, no meeting

Session 10: (final session), Saturday, May 7, at 1:30 PM, day chapel in St. Rene Goupil Church.

The sessions will conclude in time for the Confessions and Vigil Mass. Again, this series is free of charge. Materials will be provided but please bring a pen or pencil for note-taking. If you have questions, please contact me at (773) 767-1523, ext. 229, or at matthew.compton1@icloud.com.

Take care and God bless.

In Christ,

Fr. Matt



Two Holy Martyrs Parish

The next Super Senior Club general meeting will be held on

Wednesday, March 23rd in the St. Rene church narthex. Doors will open at 11am. We will be playing bingo! We look forward to seeing you all there.

Mass Intentions for the Week March 19 - March 25		Mass Intentions for Saturday & Sunday	
Saturday, March 19, 2022	St. Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary	Saturday, March 26, 2022	
4:00pm <i>St. Rene Church</i> Presider: Fr. Bob	†Al Beyer (Ptak Family) †Pat Koperczak (Frank Zalewski) †Sophie Simbick & Joseph Niziolek (Almendarez Family)	8:00am <i>St. Rene Church</i>	†Ann Tuszynski (Arlene Capparelli)
5:30pm <i>St. Symphorosa Church</i> Presider: Fr. Norm	†Joe Loduca (Nancy & Rebecca) †Richard Sarge (Barbara Rendak) †Marvin Simpson (Barbara Rendak)	4:00pm <i>St. Rene Church</i> Presider: Fr. Norm	†Allen Beyer (Jean Piotrowski) †Richard Merda & Phil Scaletta (Arlene Scaletta) †Ann Tuszynski (Ptak Family) †Robert & Wanda Zalewski (Frank Zalewski)
Sunday, March 20, 2022	Third Sunday of Lent	Sunday, March 27, 2022	Fourth Sunday of Lent
7:30am <i>St. Rene Church</i> Presider: Fr. Matt	†Al Beyer (Ptak Family)	7:30am <i>St. Rene Church</i> Presider: Fr. Bob	†Al Beyer (Bernice Cieslewski) †Ann Tuszynski (Dina Gnat)
9:00am <i>St. Symphorosa Church</i> Presider: Fr. Bob	†Nick Bouzios (Janina) †David Feddor (Mom Theresa) †Bertha Godinez (Barb Grzenia) †Claude Wiatrak (Wife Clara)	9:00am <i>St. Symphorosa Church</i> Presider: Fr. Matt	Health & 15th wedding anniversary blessings for Susie and Andy Aranda (Family) †Alice Gillies (Nancy Markham) †Tom Jacques (Arlene Scaletta) †James & Mary Thorpe (Family)
10:30am <i>St. Rene Church</i> Presider: Fr. Bob	†Vince Porcelli (Wife Judy) †Rita & Tom Udvard (Judy Canter)	10:30am <i>St. Rene Church</i> Presider: Fr. Bob	Health & all the Lord's blessings for Joey Sutkowski & David Rak (Sutkowski Family) †Kathy Bragiel (Chrp Sisters) †Vince Porcelli (Wife Judy) †Jack Orsi (Family)
12:00pm <i>St. Symphorosa Church</i> Presider: Fr. Matt	†Albert Marks (Karen Walsh)	12:00pm <i>St. Symphorosa Church</i> Presider: Fr. Matt	All Two Holy Martyrs parishioners, living & deceased
Monday, March 21, 2022			
8:00am <i>St. Rene Church</i>	†George Schramm (Shilney Family) †Walter Szumowski (Wes & Debbie Szumowski)		
Tuesday, March 22, 2022			
8:00am <i>St. Rene Church</i>	†Al Beyer (Irene Perconti)		
Wednesday, March 23, 2022			
8:00am <i>St. Rene Church</i>	†Paco Calderon (Nancy Calderon) †Vince Porcelli (Wife Judy)		
Thursday, March 24, 2022			
8:00am <i>St. Rene Church</i>	†Al Beyer (Linda Dobias) †Mel Keiffer (Janina) †Joseph Staszal (Bas Rendak)		
Friday, March 25, 2022			
8:00am <i>St. Rene Church</i>	Annunciation of the Lord Health & all the Lord's blessings for Sarah Muhamed (Mary Sarlito) †Al Beyer (Nancy Markham)		

Weekend Presider subject to change without notice

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March 20

Sir, give me this water so that I will not be thirsty, or have to keep coming here to draw water.

St. Photina

The Samaritan woman at the well recounted in St. John's Gospel. According to tradition, she preached the Gospel and was imprisoned and martyred.

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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.

Josephine Rezny
Ann Tuszynski

LECTOR & ALTAR SERVER SCHEDULE

Mass Time	4:00pm March 26, 2022	5:30pm March 26, 2022	7:30am March 27, 2022	9am March 27, 2022	10:30am March 27, 2022	12pm March 27, 2022
Lector(s)	Debbie Szumowski	Janine Brzezicki	Pat O'Brien Kenney	Rosa Heredia Leticia Reyes	Barb Grzenia	Jack Ruby
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Saturday Vigil Mass

4:00pm - St. Rene Church
5:30pm - St. Symphorosa Church

Sunday

7:30am & 10:30am - St. Rene Church
9am & 12pm (noon) - St. Symphorosa Church

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Sacrament of Baptism: Celebrated the second & fourth Sunday at 1:30pm in Church. Parent Preparation Session is required. Please contact Maggie (ext. 221) in the parish office for more information.

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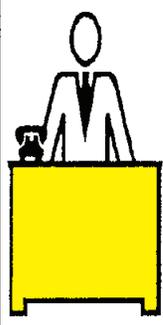
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