

TWO HOLY MARTYRS PARISH

St. Symphorosa & St. Rene Goupil
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Thirtieth **SUNDAY** in Ordinary Time

October 24, 2021



**Although they go forth weeping,
carrying the seed to be sown,
they shall come back rejoicing,
carrying their sheaves.**

Psalm 126:6



Fr. Bob's Weekly Blog

Welcome to Two Holy Martyrs Parish!!
St. Symphorosa & St. Rene Goupil

“Christianity is, above all, a way of seeing.”

This is how Bishop Robert Barron begins the Prelude to his book *And Now I See ... A Theology of Transformation*. It's true, because being an authentic follower of Christ changes the way we see the world and beyond.

How we see things matters, immensely. A person who takes God into consideration will have a different vision of reality than someone who thinks God does not exist. God matters. Russian author Fyodor Dostoevsky wrote, “Without God all things are permitted.” Perhaps that is why some folks choose to push God away; so that everything is permitted and the word no is deleted from the human lexicon.

There is also a direct correlation between a growing godlessness and a growing selfishness as we each declare ourselves a god. St. Thomas Aquinas reminds us of love's definition. He wrote, “Love is willing the good of the other, as other.” We can see how true love gets us out of ourselves in concern for others, whereas a selfish love concerns itself only with “me, myself, and I.”

In this Sunday's Gospel, Jesus encounters Bartimaeus, who is blind. The latter cries out to the man from Nazareth, that He have pity on him. Please note the pivotal question Jesus asks the man who cannot see. Christ asks, “What do you want me to do for you?”

Bartimaeus expressed his honest desire, “I want to see.” Yes, we know we're dealing with a physical concern on the surface. Because of the man's faith, Jesus performs the miracle of restoring eye sight. At a deeper level, however, Bartimaeus will begin to view the world differently on the spiritual plane as he becomes a follower of Jesus.

Consider this: Why concern ourselves with the poor? Why do we consider sexism and racism wrong? Why does domestic abuse rise to the top of things that turn our stomachs? Why is intentional pollution of our waterways and airways a violation of our planet? Why is the intentional taking of a human life a crime across the world?

We cannot answer these “why” questions with “just because.” Our “why” questions point to a Love beyond us; a Love that desires for us to see more clearly the way, the truth, and the life shown to us by Jesus. Looking out at the world through a sacramental lens enables us to see the sanctity of all human life from conception to natural death. We can see our common humanity and our common home (earth) with the aid of divine light.

Bishop Barron writes, “If we but awaken to the presence of Christ within us, if we learn to live and to see at a deeper level, if we live in basic trust rather than fear, then we can withstand even the most frightening storms.”

Spend some time today in prayer. Call out to Jesus as did the blind man Bartimaeus. Hear Jesus ask you the same

question. “What do you want me to do for you?” What would you say to Christ? What's your deep desire?

We can all hope to see more clearly human life and this beautiful world through the eyes of Christ; the One who commands us to “Love one another as I have loved you.”

Beware the Boo!

Halloween in the United States is different things to different people.

For some it is a fun day to dress up in a costume, enjoy some treats, and simply laugh. For others, it has taken on a more sinister and demonic character. Embrace the former, please, and avoid the latter.

While there has always been a temptation toward darkness among humans, we are living in a period of increasing fascination with magic, the occult, new age, spirits, death and demons. Proof can be seen by what airs on television, what can be found in certain sections at the bookstore, and what is available via the internet.

One of the “tricks” of the Evil One is to get us to be curious about the dark world that works in opposition to the law and love of God. It wants us to take our focus off of God and tempt us to go lurking down dark alleys. “Hmmm! I wonder what that's about?”

This is why Jesus' first question in the Gospel of John is so important for His first disciples and for us today. Christ asks, “What are you seeking?” He wants us to make a firm decision to follow Him and Trust Him at all times; yes, even when life gets tough and it seems darkness is prevailing. Thankfully, we know the end of the story – Light triumphs.

There are far too many folks today who scoff at the notion of the reality of Evil; or they laugh at it. However, folks who have personally experienced evil do not scoff or laugh.

C.S. Lewis wrote this, “There are two equal and opposite errors into which our race can fall about the devils. One is to disbelieve their existence. The other is to believe, and to feel an excessive and unhealthy interest in them. They themselves are equally pleased by both errors and hail a materialist or a magician with the same delight.”

As devoted Catholics, we keep our eyes on Christ, all the while acknowledging the reality of evil in this world. We don't deny evil nor do we show it an unhealthy interest. This helps us to enjoy the fun of Halloween as we prepare to celebrate All Saints Day and All Souls Day.



Quote of the Week

“The Devil can cite scripture for his purpose.”
~ William Shakespeare,
Merchant of Venice

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

For the repose of the souls of Nick Alderfer, Bob, John, & Bobby Soltis given by Pat Soltis

For the repose of the souls of Mr. & Mrs. Huber given by Daughter

For the repose of the souls of Irene Podlasek & Loretta Pozniak given by Pozniak Family

For the repose of the soul of Vince Porcelli given by Family

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



BABY BOTTLE PROJECT

During the dates listed below, our parish will be participating in The Baby Bottle Project benefiting The Women's Centers of Greater Chicagoland. This non-profit organization directly assists mothers and families experiencing crisis pregnancies by offering emotional, financial, material, and spiritual support through counseling, clothing & monetary provisions, prayer, and other aid. By God's Grace, The Women's Centers have saved over 40,000 babies—and their mothers—from abortion since opening in 1984.

Please take a Baby Bottle home with you from the church on **October 3, 2021**, fill it with your spare change, and return it the weekend of **October 24, 2021**.

This is a simple, but crucial fundraising effort for The Women's Centers. Please note: the Baby Bottles cost almost \$1.00 per bottle and are recycled afterwards so please return upon completion of the project. *Thank you for helping defend life*, and remember to keep all pro-life undertakings in your prayers.

If you are making a donation by check, please make it payable to: The Women's Center. Thank you! You can also go directly to their website at: GoTWC.org or call 773-794-1313 to donate.



Two Holy Martyrs Parish Offerings for the weekend of:

Sunday, October 10, 2021
Contribution: \$8,354.02

Sunday, October 17, 2021
Contribution: \$8,672.85

Thank you for your generosity!



Split the Pot
October 10, 2021
Received: \$485.00
Winning envelope: #63935

October 17, 2021
Received: \$450.00
Winning Envelope: #63855

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

St. Symphorosa School cordially invites you to our 3rd annual

Grateful Thankful Blessed

At St. Symphorosa

Saturday, November 13, 2021

6:00pm-11:00pm

Flannery Hall (St. Rene campus)
6340 S. New England Ave Chicago, IL 60638



Featuring LIVE MUSICAL ENTERTAINMENT by ...
Dario Radio Dueling Pianos
An Interactive, All Request Show!



Silent Auction, Raffle Baskets, Split the Pot, Door Prizes!

Tickets are \$40.00 per person in advance, \$45.00 at the door. This includes a dinner, desserts, beer, wine, pop, and water. Event is for adults 21 and over

All proceeds are donated directly to St. Symphorosa School to benefit the students

"Grateful, Thankful, Blessed" will follow all current health and safety guidelines to prevent the spread of COVID-19

To purchase tickets: Scan the above QR code on your phone, or call the School Office at 773-585-6888 or the Rectory at 773-767-1523.

HELP

Please spread the word!

WANTED

We are in search of an Athletic Director for the school and parish. The position is renewed yearly as needed. Flexible hours and a generous yearly stipend. The right candidate will be highly organized, collaborative, have strong written and verbal communication skills, budgeting knowledge, and an understanding and love for elementary school sports programs. If interested, please send a cover letter and resume to kberry@stsymphorosaschool.org ASAP or no later than October 13, 2021.

Previous experience in a Catholic Parish/School environment is preferred but not required.



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

On this Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time, we pray with the Church universal, “Almighty ever-living God, increase our faith, hope and charity, and make us love what you command, so that we may merit what you promise. 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.)

A tension might seem to exist between what we “merit,” what we justly earn by our actions, and what God gratuitously gives to us, what is beyond our merit. The Church prudently distinguishes for us that “With regard to God, there is no strict right to any merit on the part of man. Between God and us there is an immeasurable inequality, for we have received everything from him, our Creator. The merit of man before God in the Christian life arises from the fact that God has freely chosen to associate man with the work of his grace. The fatherly action of God is first on his own initiative, and then follows man's free acting through his collaboration, so that the merit of good works is to be attributed in the first place to the grace of God, then to the faithful. Man's merit, moreover, itself is due to God, for his good actions proceed in Christ, from the predispositions and assistance given by the Holy Spirit.” (Catechism of the Catholic Church, para. 2007-2008) Although we are distinct from God, we are not independent of God; we cannot create ourselves, save ourselves or merit anything by ourselves. However, God invites and enables us to cooperate freely with Him in this life with an eye toward the life to come.

The initial petition in the opening prayer, “[Increase] our faith, hope and charity, and make us love what you command,” is more than a *pro forma* request of God. Faith, hope and charity are the three theological virtues infused into our souls when we are baptized and not only can but are meant to increase by the additional reception of God's grace in the course of our lives. As we mature in other aspects of our lives, such as developing new skills or improving existing ones, so should the virtues of faith, hope and charity develop and shape our lives. To love what God commands can sound strange, even intimidating, when viewed from an earthly perspective or experience. God's commands, though, are reliable for our eternal life in Him; they are never for the purpose of driving ourselves or someone else away from Him and toward condemnation. Are the divine commands always or even often easy, no, are they always for our salvation, yes. By loving what God commands, fulfilling His word, “we may merit what you [God] promise.” How God meets us and how we may cooperate with God in a meritorious way toward heavenly life is a beautiful albeit trying mystery.

As our bishops teach, “Since the initiative belongs to God in the order of grace, no one can merit the initial grace of forgiveness and justification, at the beginning of conversion. Moved by the Holy Spirit and by charity, we can then merit for ourselves and for others the graces needed for our sanctification, for the increase of grace and charity, and for the attainment of eternal life. Even temporal goods like health and friendship can be merited in accordance with God's wisdom. These graces and goods are the object of Christian prayer. Prayer attends to the grace we need for meritorious actions. The charity of Christ is the source in us of all our merits before God. Grace, by uniting us to Christ in active love, ensures the supernatural quality of our acts and consequently their merit before God and before men. The saints have always had a lively awareness that their merits were pure grace.” (Catechism of the Catholic Church, para. 2010-2011)

The loving and accomplishing of God's commandments and ultimately His will for our lives is not a 50-50, 60-40 or even a 99-1 split between the Holy Trinity and us; instead, God is “all in,” 100%, and invites us to be all in with Him. Crucially, God's initiative toward us is offered in complete freedom and He invites us in complete freedom to trust and respond to Him, to cooperate with those graces of faith, hope and charity, which then elevate our actions to merit the blessed life, which God promises.

On paper and intellectually, these descriptions seem attainable and sound appealing, yet to be a woman or man of faith, hope and charity, to yield oneself, including one's impulses, passions, preferences, comforts and desires to God is a high threshold, the “narrow gate,” as Jesus describes it (Matthew 7:13-14) The last line from the above citation in the *Catechism* is a key for us: “The saints have always had a lively awareness that their merits were pure grace.” Whether participating in a particular good work for someone else in which we are blessed to see a fruitful outcome or whether our works go unnoticed they are both occasions for meeting and cooperating with God. Whether we have been blessed to see a significant conversion in our lives, perhaps turning away from a particular sin or bad habit, or whether this conversion seems glacially slow, these are actual occasions for being with God as well, even when a visible outcome is absent. In both scenarios, the Psalmist's verse applies, “The LORD has done great things for us; we are glad indeed.” (Psalm 126:3) In light of the Church's prayer for this Sunday and the Gospel Reading, how do you answer our Lord who asks us, “What do you want me to do for you?” (Mark 10:51)

~Fr. Matt Compton

Prost! Two Holy Martyrs Prost!

Transformation Team
PRESENTS OUR THEMED

OKTOBERFEST

BINGO

\$20 admission at the door
in the Sharp Center on the St. Symphorosa Campus

Pull tabs! Sunday October 24 Split-the-pot!

DOORS OPEN AT 12:30
GAMES BEGIN AT 1:30

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Parish Council Application
Two Holy Martyrs
St. Symphorosa & St. Rene Goupil

Interested in serving on the parish council? Qualifications include:

- Registered Catholic member of the parish, commitment to attend monthly meetings, participate in meetings, volunteer for special activities.
- Familiarity with the parish; understanding of interrelationships of parish programs.
- Interaction with finance council to help ensure that parish resources are used prudently and wisely.
- Commitment to consensus-seeking approach.
- Commitment to represent the whole community, being attentive to the needs and concerns of parishioners and the wider community, maintaining a unifying spirit as a Catholic community, serve as advocate for pastor, staff, and ministries.
- Commitment to spiritual growth and daily prayer life.
- Love for God, love for the Church, love for the parish.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Primary phone contact: _____ Primary email contact: _____

Family (spouse, children, single): _____

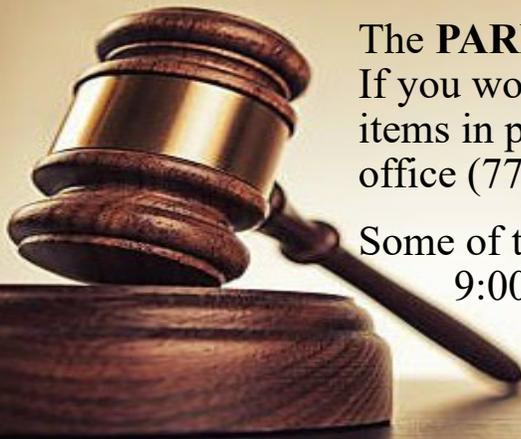
Occupation: _____

Short personal biography (100 words or less):

Motivating Factor for this position:

THE AUCTION HAS BEGUN

Two Holy Martyrs Parish



The **PARISH AUCTION** is well under way!
If you would like to view any of the Auction items in person, please contact the parish office (773.767.1523) to schedule a time.

Some of the items will be on display at the 9:00am and the 10:30am Mass on Sunday, October 31st.

Please spread the word to family and friends!!!



Faith Formation Office
 Phone: (773) 767-1523 x226
 Email: msiebenaler@archchicago.org
 Coordinator: Peg Siebenaler

UPCOMING EVENTS

- 10/26: Faith Formation Classes - Tuesday**
St. Rene Campus
- 10/30: Faith Formation Classes - Saturday**
St. Symphorosa Campus
- 11/2: Faith Formation Classes - Tuesday**
St. Rene Campus
- 11/6: Holy Fire**
- 11/7: Faith Formation Classes on SUNDAY**
St. Symphorosa Campus



HOLY FIRE



On Friday, November 5th and Saturday, November 6th the Archdiocese of Chicago is presenting a special event, Holy Fire, designed around the baptismal call of the Confirmation candidates. This event provides an opportunity for young people in Junior High to reflect more deeply on their Baptismal Promises and gifts of the Holy Spirit which they will receive more fully in the sacrament of Confirmation.

We have been asked by our Cardinal Blasé J. Cupich, to participate in this event with our 8th grade students preparing for Confirmation. Our students who have attended in the past have really enjoyed the experience. More information is forth coming.

WELCOME FAMILIES TO TWO HOLY MARTYRS PARISH FAITH FORMATION



Our level eight students, preparing for Confirmation have been assigned their “Saint Projects” (a requirement for Confirmation.) The students will select their saints to research, and they will present their findings during class in February. Many times, our Confirmandi choose the Saint whose name they take as their Confirmation Name.



We thank all our Families who came to the Third Grade Mass on Sunday, October 17th.

A special “thank-you” to all those students who performed a special ministry during the Mass.

Readers: Diego Gonzalez and Maximiliano Reynaga.
 Gift-Bearers: Liam, Brayden and Nicole Watson.
 Altar Servers: Kameron McHugh and Antonio Perez.

Thanks, too, for assisting our local food pantries and our needy parishioners with your consistent donations of non-perishable food items. May you be blessed for your great generosity!





All Saints' Day and All Souls' Day Mass Schedule

All Saints' Day, Monday, November 1, 2021. With this day falling on a Monday this year it is not a Holy Day of obligation. Mass will be celebrated at 8am at St. Rene Church and an evening Mass will be celebrated at 7pm within St. Symphorosa Church.

All Souls' Day, Tuesday, November 2, 2021, Mass will be celebrated at 8am at St. Rene Church. There will be a 7pm Mass offered at St. Symphorosa Church. Our parish community will be honoring all those who have entered into eternal life before us. The parish office is currently collecting photos of deceased loved ones from family members so that we can display our remembrance board in our churches throughout the month of November. If you would like your photo displayed, please bring it to the parish office at any time during regular business hours. We ask that you clearly state which church site you would like the photo displayed at. You may also place your photos in the collection basket at Mass or email them to info@twoholymartyrs.org. If you would like your photo returned to you please print your name, number and address on the back of the photo(s) so that we may return them.



JOIN OUR FAMILY!

- Students are known and loved
- Driven by Catholic virtues
- Full and Half Day Pre-K options for ages 3-4
- Affordable tuition and financial aid
- Before and After Care
- Small class sizes

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Grades PK-8th for 2021-2022
 Call 773-585-6888 or email
stsymphorosa1@gmail.com to enroll
 or request a tour!

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*Two Holy Martyrs Parish invites you
to attend our 7th annual*

Holiday Extravaganza luncheon, craft & vendor fair

Sunday, November 21, 2021
 10:30am-2:30pm
 Sharp Center
 5940 W. 62nd Street, Chgo. IL, 60638

Attendees are encouraged to bring non-perishable food items for our Thanksgiving food drive to benefit the St. Blase food pantry in Summit, IL.
 Each donation receives a complimentary raffle ticket (limit 5 tickets).

For more information, please contact our parish office at (773) 767-1523.

Pastor Al®



"I call stewardship 'towardship' because it keeps me headed toward God."

**SUPER
SENIOR CLUB
NEWS**

**Two Holy
Martyrs Parish**

IT'S OFFICIAL!

Senior Club is back in session. **WELCOME** back to all of our members and **WELCOME** to any interested in joining our group. We ask all members, from both campus sites, to join us at our first meeting in over a year. This meeting will be held on Wednesday, October 27, 2021 in Flannery Hall (lower hall in the St. Rene Goupil school building). Doors open at 9am and this meeting will be a Halloween Costume party. We are looking forward to seeing some familiar faces as well as some new ones as we get going once again.



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

~Psalm 6:3

Mary Adkins
Guadalupe Almdendarez
Raeann Arends
Ignatius Battiatto
Jean Bell
Mary Bieser
Fr. Ted Bojczuk
Kathy Calcagno
Maxine Carey
Michael Clifford
Maria Flores
Geri Gestaut
Carol Gress
Heather Hradek
Deacon Tom Hyde
Denise M. Jandura
Rich S. Jandura
Joan Juris

John Kappel, Jr.
Lee Karpinski
Claudia Kwilosz
Norman Kwilosz
Sharon Labiak
James Lapsansky
Maryann Larson
Donna Lauritzen
Domenico Lepore
Rose Ann Lindsay
Debbie Lipien
Maria Lopez
Diane Malarick
Cathy Mazieka
John Martini
Elaine McCarthy
Lori McCarthy
Maria Perez Montiel

Joan Orsi
Bob Pac
Eleanor Pastorek
Stanley Polit
Ann Robertson
Edward Robertson
Fr. John Rudnik
Joseph Rudnik
Mary Shortall
Brian Styka
Sr. Christine Styka
Terry Styka
Joanne Tishka
Mary Thorpe
Shirley Tloczek
Judith Webber
Michelle

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.

SUPPORT OUR TROOPS

Sgt. Jaime A. Acosta, USMC
Sgt. Ted Bartelmey
CS-1 Joel Battung
1st Sgt. Chas. Berglund, USMC
Sgt. Naveen Bobba, USMC
Sgt. Arthur A. Boruch, National Guard
Hospitalman Blythe A. Cisneros, USN
Airman Carlos Cisneros, USAF
Sgt. Frank Cisneros, USMC
Corpsman Nicholas J. Cundari-USN
Captain Kevin Dobbyn, US Army
Sgt. John Flores, IL National Guard
Staff Sgt. Andrew Gaca, USAF

Sgt. Michael Hough, US Army
Anthony Johaniewicz, US Navy
Corporal Noah M Konie, USMC
Lance Corp. Tim Lisenko, USMC
Trevor Lutz, US Army
Private Joseph M. Mikutis, USMC
Pvt 1st Class Daniel Morales, US Army
SPC Alex Ramos
Staff Sgt. Abel Sandoval, USMC
WO-1 Richard Sobeske, US Army
Sgt. 1st Class Kristina Stuhlmacher
LCpl. Justin R. Thorpe, USMC
1LT Zachary White, IL Army NG



**A Prayer to St. Joseph,
Defender of Life**

Dearest St. Joseph, at the word of an angel, you lovingly took Mary into your home. As God's humble servant, you guided the Holy Family on the road to Bethlehem, welcomed Jesus as your own son in the shelter of a manger, and fled far from your homeland for the safety of both Mother and Child. We praise God that as their faithful protector, you never hesitated to sacrifice for those entrusted to you. May your example inspire us also to welcome, cherish, and safeguard God's most precious gift of life.

Help us to faithfully commit ourselves to the service and defense of human life - especially where it is vulnerable or threatened. Obtain for us the grace to do the will of God in all things. Amen.

St. Joseph, defender of life,
pray for us!

During the month of October, the Catholic Church celebrates *Respect Life Month*. For more information please visit respectlife.org

WEDDING BANNES

III - *Audra Hecker & Taylour Estes*

Mass Intentions for the Week October 23 - October 29 **Mass Intentions for Saturday & Sunday**

Saturday, October 23, 2021
 4:00pm *St. Rene Church*
Presider: Fr. Norm
 Health & 50th wedding anniversary blessings for Antonino & Tanina Ballone (*Family*)
 Health & 25th wedding anniversary blessings for Maria & Robert Nelson (*Family*)
 †Walter & Harriet Hrbacek (*Barb Grzenia*)
 †George Nowak (*Wes & Debbie Szumowski*)
 †Shirley Plahutnik (*Capparelli Family*)
 †Walter Szumowski (*Wes & Debbie Szumowski*)

5:30pm *St. Symphorosa Church*
Presider: Fr. Bob
 †Robert Hilliard (*Joanne Tishka*)
 †Janet & Steve Molnar (*Hohm Family*)
 †Tom & Sue Saviano (*Carpenter Family*)
 †Marge Walsh (*Carpenter Family*)

Sunday, October 24, 2021
 7:30am *St. Rene Church*
Presider: Fr. Matt
Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time
 Health & all the Lord's blessings for Jeff Reagan (*Family*)
 †Judith Malone (*Family*)
 †Sean Murtaugh (*Capparelli Family*)

9:00am *St. Symphorosa Church*
Presider: Fr. Matt
 Health & all the Lord's blessing for Ruth Simon (*Friends*)
 †Robert Hilliard (*Ray & Mary Lou Kolasinski*)
 †Janet & Steve Molnar (*Hohm Family*)
 †Jose Vega (*Arlene Scaletta*)

10:30am *St. Rene Church*
Presider: Fr. Bob
 †Carl Bell (*Altar & Rosary Society*)
 †Chester Dober (*Dennis & Judy Dober*)
 †Sue Solcani (*Keating Family*)

12:00pm *St. Symphorosa Church*
Presider: Fr. Bob
 †Grandma Doherty (*Erin Kolasinski*)
 †Rosaria & John Dragosetti (*Family*)

Monday, October 25, 2021
 8:00am *St. Symphorosa Church*
 Health & birthday blessings for Adele Sarlitto (*Mary Sarlitto*)
 †Pedro Battung & all the poor souls in purgatory (*Rosario Battung*)
 †James Casey (*Kathy Hynes*)
 †Albert James (*Nancy Markham*)

Tuesday, October 26, 2021
 8:00am *St. Symphorosa Church*
Saint Rene Goupil
 †Chris Doherty (*Mary Shilney*)
 †Ronald Nawrocki (*Barbara Rendak*)

Wednesday, October 27, 2021
 8:00am *St. Symphorosa Church*
 †Al Bekak (*Soltis Family*)
 †Guadalupe De La Cruz (*Maria, Jean, Jennifer, Christina, Natalie & Joe*)
 †Vince Porcelli (*Wife Judy*)
 †Raymond Sutkowski, Sr. (*Sutkowski Family*)

Thursday, October 28, 2021
 8:00am *St. Symphorosa Church*
Saints Simon and Jude, Apostles
 Health & all the Lord's blessings for Maggie Koziar & Family (*Ilna Szkadon*)
 For vocations to the priesthood and religious life (*Stefania Furczon*)
 All souls in purgatory (*Stefanie Furczon*)

Friday, October 29, 2021
 8:00am *St. Symphorosa Church*
 †Roberto Rodriguez (*Inez Rodriguez*)
 †Marion Schrock (*Kids*)

Saturday, October 30, 2021
 8:00am *St. Symphorosa Church* †Nick Alderfer (*Pat Soltis*)
 4:00pm *St. Rene Church*
Presider: Fr. Matt
 Health & all the Lord's blessings for Beverly & Richard Zaleski (*Neighbor*)
 †Thomas Biondo (*Joe Izzo & Karen Derango*)
 †Dorothy & Joe Cochara (*Chiaromonte Family*)
 †Casimir Gerlick (*Chiaromonte Family*)
 †Petra & Miguel Parra (*Almendarez Family*)

5:30pm *St. Symphorosa Church*
Presider: Fr. Norm
 Health & birthday blessings for Fr. Norm (*Mary Kolimas*)
 †Robert Hilliard (*Transformation Team*)
 †Janet & Steve Molnar (*Hohm Family*)
 †Anita Wierz (*Michelle Stevens*)

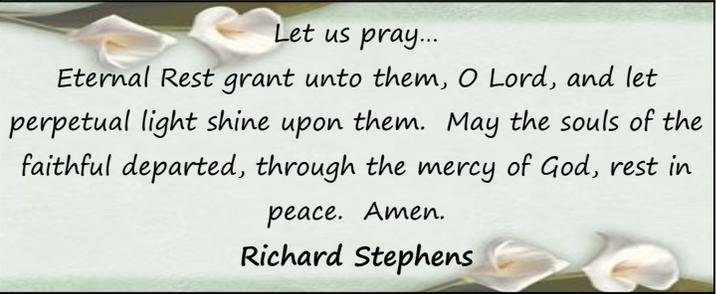
Sunday, October 31, 2021
 7:30am *St. Rene Church*
Presider: Fr. Bob
Thirty First Sunday in Ordinary Time
 Health, healing & all the Lord's blessings for Jeff Malone (*Family*)
 †Vince Porcelli (*Wife Judy*)

9:00am *St. Symphorosa Church*
Presider: Fr. Bob
 Health & birthday blessings for Mary Thorpe (*Mary Mielnicki*)
 †Mieczyslaw Adam Koziar (*Nancy Markham*)
 †Jeanette Sochacki (*Brother*)
 †John Julius Sochacki (*Brother*)
 †Rita Mae Sullivan (*Nancy Calderon*)

10:30am *St. Rene Church*
Presider: Fr. Bob
 †Carl Bell (*Barb Grzenia*)
 †Jack Orzi (*Family*)
 †Dolly Pawlak (*Nancy Calderon*)

12:00pm *St. Symphorosa Church*
Presider: Fr. Matt
 Health & birthday blessings for Lorraine DeLauriea (*Mary Kolimas*)
 †Leon Kozicki (*Denise, Kevin & Family*)
 †Regina Kraujalis (*Denise, Kevin & Family*)
 †Janet & Steve Molnar (*Hohm Family*)

Weekend Presider subject to change without notice



Join us for Bible Study every Thursday evening beginning at 6:30pm in the day chapel at St. Rene church. For more information please call the office at 773.767.1523.

LECTOR & ALTAR SERVER SCHEDULE

Mass Time	4pm <i>Oct. 30, 2021</i>	5:30pm <i>Oct. 30, 2021</i>	7:30am <i>Oct. 31, 2021</i>	9am <i>Oct. 31, 2021</i>	10:30am <i>Oct. 31, 2021</i>	12pm <i>Oct. 31, 2021</i>
Lector(s)	Nancy Gunnell	Eileen Davenport	Pat O'Brien Kenney	Mary Shilney Barbara Rendak	Barbara Wilschke	Lori Noceda
Altar Server(s)		Allie Amato		Tyler & Joey Ptaszowski Andrew Aranda	Eleanor McHugh	

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Two Holy Martyrs Parish Office Hours

Monday - Friday
9:00 am - 4:00 pm

Saturday
9:00 am - 12:00 pm

Sacrament of Penance

6-7pm every Tuesday (St. Symphorosa Church Site)
3-3:45pm every Saturday (St. Rene Church Site)

Two Holy Martyrs Mass Times

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

Weekday Mass

Monday - Saturday 8am
at alternating church sites

St. Rene Church (*Jan., Mar., May, July, Sept., Nov.*)

St. Symphorosa Church (*Feb., Apr., June, Aug., Oct., Dec.*)

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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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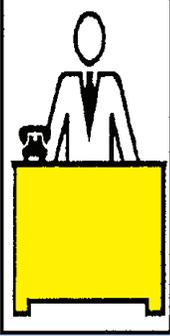
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