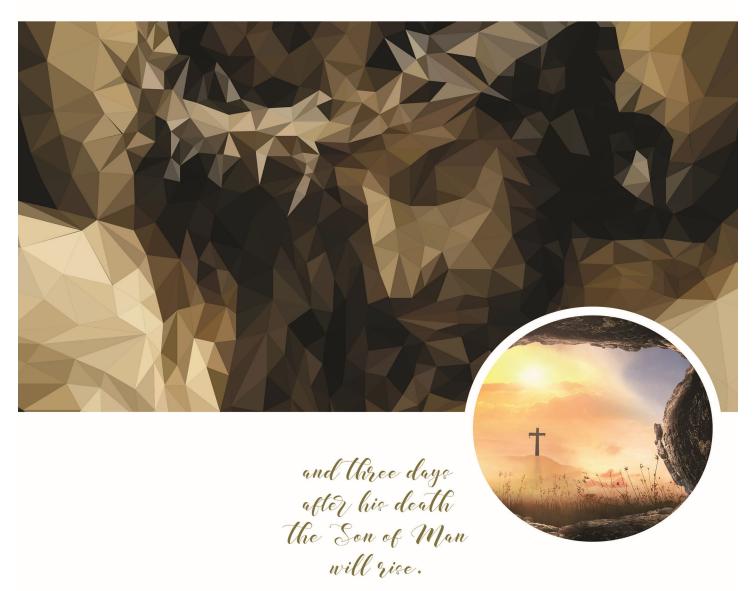
SEPTEMBER 19, 2021 TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

THE SON OF MAN IS TO BE HANDED OVER TO MEN AND THEY WILL KILL HIM,



~ MARK 9:31

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TWO HOLY MARTYRS PARISH

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Fr. Bob's Weekly Blog

Welcome to Two Holy Martyrs Parish!!

St. Symphorosa & St. Rene Goupil

God has a plan.

We need to be reminded of this on occasion because some days it's tough to believe God is actually in charge.

And yet, we know the Lord is at work in ways that don't always make sense to our limited human minds. Deep in our hearts is planted the desire for God and for heaven, but in this broken, wounded world, this desire is frustrated because this world is NOT HEAVEN.

A casual glance of the daily news reminds us that the kingdom of God has not yet been brought to completion. The weeds and the wheat are growing side by side, but the day will come when Jesus comes again in glory. He will be the One who separates the weeds and wheat.

In the meantime, we aspire to be the wheat; we aspire to holiness. We stand in need of grace. We need God's grace spiritually the way our physical body needs oxygen. What happens when we are deprived of oxygen for too long a time? There will be complications if not outright physical death. Well, so too we need the life-giving grace Jesus provides those who make themselves available to receive so great a gift.

Far too many folks today think we can move forward without God. This is a deception if not outright human arrogance. God's love for you is without question. God is love. Do we love God? God gave us concrete proof of how far He'd go in His love for us by sending the Son to die so that we might have life.

Realizing this, our entire life then becomes a response to God's love. The word love can, at times, seem abstract. God puts a face to Love in the Person of Jesus. We can no longer say we don't know what love looks like. The Father has shown us in His Son. We look to Jesus to see our way forward. We then allow this love to work in us and through us.

Tootsie Roll Mania

Our parish Knights of Columbus along with our SPRED program will be present this weekend before and after Masses selling Tootsie Rolls.

Please consider supporting this wonderful cause.

Keep an eye out in the church narthex or outside in front of the church for those individuals selling the cans of Tootsie Rolls.

SPRED stands for Special Religious Education. The program assists those with development disabilities learn about Jesus and our faith. We have some amazing volunteers who make this program a reality.

Thank you for your generosity!

Catechetical Sunday

This weekend we recognize Catechetical Sunday. We take notice of those men and women who step up and volunteer to help our young aspiring disciples to know Jesus and to know the faith.

We want to offer a blessing to these catechists who are entrusted with the minds and hearts of our children. This is an important task.

Thank you to everyone accepting the role of catechist.

The teachers in our St. Symphorosa School make sure that Christ is taught in the classroom in addition to educational basics.

Our Religious Education (Faith Formation) teachers compliment a child's public school education by helping form the children in the Catholic faith.

Keep the teachers and the children in your prayers.

Seminary Appeal

Priests don't fall out of trees and into a parish.

Priests are taught and formed within a seminary system, and we continue to say thank you to everyone who financially supports Mundelein Seminary – the major seminary for the Archdiocese of Chicago.

Fr. Matt, Fr. Norm and myself are all products of Mundelein Seminary. It's where we studied philosophy and theology, as well engaging the process of formation that seeks to help the seminarian mature in four main areas, known as pillars of formation: spiritual, human, intellectual and pastoral.

The major seminary located in Mundelein, Illinois needs financial assistance to continue its mission. Please consider making a donation to Mundelein Seminary. If you need an envelope, please find one in the church narthex. The envelope, with donation inside, can simply be dropped in the collection basket or sent to the parish office.

Fr. Tom Byrne, director of Chicago seminarians, will be the presider at our Noon Mass this weekend. He is a native of Tinley Park, a University of Illinois graduate, and an alum of Mundelein Seminary. Thank him for answering the call to serve the Lord as a priest.

Quote of the Week

"How much we need in the Church and in society, witnesses of the beauty of holiness, witnesses of the splendor of truth, witnesses of the joy and freedom born of a living relationship with Christ."

~ Pope emeritus Benedict XVI

Our Sanctuary Candle burning before the Blessed Sacrament for the month of September is offered for the following intentions: For health & birthday blessings for Linda Light given by Mom Mary For the repose of the souls of Rosaria & John Dragosetti given by Family For the repose of the soul of Vince Porcelli given by Family For the repose of the soul of Christine Waynauskas given by Family May this light which reminds us of Jesus' presence in the Tabernacle help welcome our prayers into His eternal presence.





Two Holy Martyrs Parish Offerings for the weekend of:

Sunday, September 12, 2021 Contribution: \$8,178.10 Thank you for your generosity!



Split the Pot September 12, 2021 Received: \$450.00 Winning envelope: #60107

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



Knights of Columbus "Tootsie Roll Drive"

Please help support the fundraising efforts of the Two Holy Martyrs Parish Knights of Columbus Council by purchasing a Tootsie Roll bank after all Masses. All proceeds benefit our parish SPRED programs.

Saturday, September 18th & Sunday, September 19th

Cost is \$3 each or 2 for \$5.

Join Us For. .









When: Sunday, September 19, 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



BUT ONLY SAY THE WORD

Jesus met many people who were ill. These Bible passages are only a few of the accounts of Jesus' compassion for people who were suffering and how he healed them. Read these Gospel stories with an adult, and then decide how each picture represents a healing story.



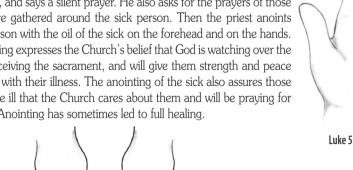


Matthew 9:27-31

Mark 7:31-37

Jesus continues to heal us today in the sacrament of the anointing of the sick. Many parishes celebrate this sacrament with those who are ill at a special Mass on a Sunday during the year. The entire church, led by the priest, prays for God's grace and healing.

During the celebration of the sacrament, the priest lays his hands on the sick person, as Jesus did, or extends his hands over a group of people, and says a silent prayer. He also asks for the prayers of those who are gathered around the sick person. Then the priest anoints the person with the oil of the sick on the forehead and on the hands. Anointing expresses the Church's belief that God is watching over the one receiving the sacrament, and will give them strength and peace to deal with their illness. The anointing of the sick also assures those who are ill that the Church cares about them and will be praying for them. Anointing has sometimes led to full healing.





Luke 5:17-26

The next time you are in church, ask an adult to help you find the three holy oils, and look for the oil of the sick that is used in this sacrament. The bottle might be inscribed with the initials "OS" (for "oil of the sick") or "OI" (for oleum infirmorum, the Latin words for "oil of the sick"). It is usually found in a place of honor with the other two holy oils, the oil of catechumens, used in baptism, and chrism, used in baptism, confirmation, and Holy Orders.

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



Back to Catholic fundamentals is a way of interpreting the Mass for this Sunday. The Collect, the opening prayer for this Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time, is another concise one: "O God, who founded all the commands of your sacred Law upon love of you and of our neighbor, grant that, by keeping your precepts, we may merit to attain eternal life. 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.)

"O God, who founded all the commands of your sacred Law upon love of you and of our neighbor," is a clear citation of Jesus' teaching of the Two Great Commandments of Love, found in St. Matthew's Gospel (22:37-40) and St. Mark's Gospel. (12:28-31) Our Catholic life, our following, imitating and being

conformed to Christ is practiced through these two commandments, not just one or the other but both together. By loving God (seeking the good of God), we glorify Him as we seek our salvation (a proper loving of ourselves); by loving our neighbor (seeking the good of our neighbor), we again glorify God, now by seeking the salvation of others, not only our own.

Jesus practices this two-fold love by His Paschal Mystery, the entirety of His life on earth, culminating in His Passion, Death, Resurrection and Ascension. Already prophesied in the Book of Wisdom (2:12, 17-20), the source of the First Reading for this Sunday, we hear of how people will conspire to put Jesus to death; however, Jesus, out of love for the Father and for us, will not only acknowledge such prophecy but sanctify it by the free-will offering of His life on the Cross. As our Lord reveals to His disciples, in the Gospel Reading, "The Son of Man is to be handed over to men and they will kill him, and three days after his death the Son of Man will rise." (Mark 9:31) Then, knowing that His disciples "did not understand the saying, and they were afraid to question him," (Mark (9:32) Jesus teaches them in such a way that they may understand His eventual self-offering for them as well as how they are to follow Him: ""If anyone wishes to be first, he shall be the last of all and the servant of all." Taking a child, he placed it in their midst, and putting his arms around it, he said to them, "Whoever receives one child such as this in my name, receives me; and whoever receives me, receives not me but the One who sent me." (Mark 9:35-37) Jesus' example with the child seems to emphasize the love of neighbor yet the Son and the Father, in the Holy Spirit, never cease to love one another. (John 3:35-36; 5:20-21) Moreover, Jesus says earlier in His ministry that He has come to do "the will of my Father." (John 6:37-40)

As the opening prayer continues, the Church petitions God "[to] grant that, by keeping your precepts, we may merit to attain eternal life." This prayerful desire is a fundamental development of what the Church has already affirmed about the Two Great Commandments of Love, now asking that God enable us to cooperate with Him in applying these commandments. Critical for our understanding of the "merit to attain eternal life," is that it is not simply the contractual earning of salvation as though earning a salary or a prize on earth. Eternal life in God is a gift, which the Holy Trinity grants to us after Christ accomplishes the work of our redemption in His Paschal Mystery. (*Catechism of the Catholic Church*, para. 2008-2009) In the Second Reading, St. James, out of love for God and his fellow early Catholics, distinguishes some of the characteristics of practicing the Two Great Commandments of Love: "Where jealousy and selfish ambition exist, there is disorder and every foul practice. But the wisdom from above is first of all pure, then peaceable, gentle, compliant, full of mercy and good fruits, without inconstancy or insincerity. And the fruit of righteousness is sown in peace for those who cultivate peace." (James 3:16-18)

Looking back on recent days or maybe during the summer, how has God guided you in loving Him and loving your neighbor? Do you find St. James' characteristics of Christian life applicable in your own life?

~Fr. Matt Compton



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 to view.

Qualified Charitable Distribution

Your generosity during your lifetime has enabled **Two Holy Martyrs Parish** to serve the people of God in this community. Continue to be a part of the strength of this community by making a qualified charitable distribution (a.k.a. IRA charitable rollover gift) from your IRA to Two Holy Martyrs Parish.

For more information on making a QCD gift, please contact Ken Hilliard at 773.767.1523 ext. 222. or contact Krystina M. Campbell, Planned Giving Officer, Archdiocese of Chicago at 312.534.5404 or kcampbell@archchicago.org.

Bible Study returns to Two Holy Martyrs parish on Thursday, September 30th.

We will pray the weekly Sunday Readings to discover what the written Word is saying to you. Exploring Scripture helps us live our lives as Disciples of Jesus.

All are Welcome to join us beginning, September 30th, from 6:30P.M. to 8:15P.M. at St. Rene church in the day chapel. Bring a Bible or we can supply one for you and experience hearing the message of the Good News with fellow parishioners. Before you make a decision about attending Bible Study you may want to reflect on some of the reasons how Scripture can change your life.

Jesus used Scripture as a defensive weapon when the enemy came against Him. The Word of God is sharper from any two-edged sword.

help you to stay strong mentally, emotionally and spiritually and help you fight back against doubt, fear, anxiety, sadness, negative thoughts, and thoughts of being alone, abandoned or forgotten.

Learning and remembering Scriptures will

Come and see what Scripture has to offer.



Please spread the word!

St. Symphorosa is in need of a food server who would be employed by FSP. This person would warm the food and prepare it for serving. Ability to do simple math, also be able to lift about 30 pounds. Most of all, like working around children. The position pays \$15 per hour. Requires 4 hours per day. Approximately 9:30am to 1:30pm. Job sharing is available if someone only wants to work a couple days per week.

Interested candidates should contact Patty Ridge ASAP at 773.447.0907 or email at pridge@fspro.com

FEAST OF FAITH

DOXOLOGY AND AMEN

BIBLE

"Doxology" comes from a Greek word meaning "words of praise." The Eucharistic Prayer ends with a doxology addressed to the triune God: "Through him, with him, in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor is yours, almighty Father, for ever and ever." It is an exclamation of praise, honor, and glory to God, reminding us that we receive everything from God through the Son, in the power of the Spirit. At the consecration, the priest held up the host and then the chalice for us to see and adore. During the doxology, the host and chalice are held up again, but this time they are held up and offered to God the Father.

With the doxology, the Eucharistic Prayer ends, as it began, with words of praise addressed to the Father: truly, it is right and just to give God praise, and we assent to this in our whole-hearted acclamation, "Amen." Never was more meaning packed into so short a word. This "Amen," sometimes and fittingly called "the great Amen," is our response to the entire Eucharistic Prayer.

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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 September is for an Environmentally Sustainable Lifestyle.

We pray that we all will make courageous choices for a simple and environmentally sustainable lifestyle, rejoicing in our young people who are resolutely committed to this.





First Responders!



Faith Formation Office

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

UPCOMING EVEN S

9/19: Catechetical Sunday

9/21: Faith Formation Classes Begin

St. Rene Campus

9/26: Confirmation Commitment Mass

9/28: Faith Formation Classes

St. Rene Campus



CLASSES HAVE BEGUN!!!

Hurry, you can still register for our 2021 - 2022 Faith Formation Classes.

Registration forms are available at our

web-site or at our Main Parish Office on Austin Ave. Call Miss Peggy with any questions at 773.767.1523 ext. 226



WELCOME FAMILIES TO TWO HOLY MARTYRS PARISH FAITH FORMATION

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"Give thanks to the lord, for he is good!"

Ps. 18:1

We take this opportunity to thank the following parishioners who responded to the call to be Catechetical Ministers here at Two Holy Martyrs Parish:

Fidel Arroyo, Taura Basulto, Janine Brzezicki, Angel Cardenas, Karla Cortez, Lynn Duewerth, Barb Grzenia, Dominique Gulli, Ceil Kucinsky, Joanna Magana, Annette Matulewicz, Irma Ortiz, Diana Ramirez Cortes, Anakaren Rodriguez, Annie Siebenaler, Katherine Smith, Sr. Christine Styka, Mike West, and Barb Wilschke.

Our Hope and prayer is that you will embrace this ministry with joy and enthusiasm, forming our young people as followers of Jesus.



CATECHIST PRAYER

Gracious and all-loving Father, out of love for all people you spoke your Word who became flesh for our salvation.

May your Word transform me so that the message of your Son, our Lord, may be echoed through my teaching.

Allow me to guide the hearts of those whom I teach in such a way that they will enter more deeply into your way of truth and salvation.

Grant me the insight needed to lead them to know, love, and serve you. With the guidance of the Holy Spirit, may they become hearers and followers of your Word, so that they might help transform the world to follow the way of life to which your Son has called us all, for he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever.

Amen.

PREPARING FOR CONFIRMATION

Our level seven and level eight students, along with their parents, will participate in a Commitment Mass on September 26, in preparation for the sacrament of Confirmation. During the upcoming year these students will seek service opportunities to help them grow in discipleship as they serve those in need. We invite you to please remember them in your prayers during this time of preparation.



Join the Two Holy Martyrs Choir

Do you like to sing? Singing in a choir can be one of the great joys in life. A unique and rewarding experience like none other! You are part of a team, like an athlete who plays a sport, but it's a team of musical artists creating a peak musical moment in time, that not only uplifts you and your fellow singers, but moves the congregation in profound and deeply memorable ways.

If you saw the choir sing at the church picnic a few weeks ago, you heard the wonderful music that this devoted group produced. We could use a few more members to expand upon this sound. We rehearse every Wednesday from 6:30-7:45pm. For the month of September, we will rehearse at the St. Rene Campus.

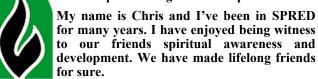
Give it a try!! No experience is necessary. I will teach you what you need to know. What a wonderful way to worship together!!

In song and faith,

Steve Kittler Director of Music



SPRED Special Religious Development



- Chris Sieroslawski, Helper Catechist

A few years ago, I saw an article in the bulletin asking for a volunteer for SPRED. The second week I saw the same article I decided I would be that volunteer. I haven't looked back since. There is something special that happens when this group comes together to help our friends deepen their faith – our faith deepens as well. We have a connection. We share an unexplainable experience that bonds us together. Compassion, caring, empathy, understanding, happiness come together for a short time every week that enriches our lives. I will always value these moments.

- Ann Smolucha, Parish Chair Person

Many Sundays I sat in church listening, watching, but mostly waiting. Waiting for something to grab my attention, keep me coming back. SPRED brought that to me. When I joined SPRED I believed I would be helping our friends but what I would come to find out was they helped me so much more. I became a part of a community within our church. A family that I could share with my family. SPRED has become a home over the last 10 years and I am forever grateful that I stood up, asked questions and said yes.

- Joanna Baxter, Activity Catechist

SPRED (Special Religious Development) is a program which trains and guides parishes to provide faith formation to persons with developmental disabilities and/or learning problems and become integrated into parish life. St. Rene has had a SPRED group for more than 30 years and St. Symphorosa has had a SPRED group for 20 years. Now that our two churches have become one parish, our SPRED ministry has doubled. The need for this ministry is great. And the need for volunteers is great.

If you are interested in learning more about SPRED in our parish or volunteering to become a catechist, please contact Ann Smolucha at ann@smolucha.com or 773-914-1900.

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.

Anita Weirz



"Unless I sit up in the front pew, Pastor AI, I can't see much. Why don't you install some stadium seating?"



God has a special place for each of us to serve, and you have chosen to follow His path.

You have been the HANDS, the FEET, the VOICE, and the LOVE OF GOD expressed in many different ways.

You have chosen to honor Him and as you have served in His name.

Thank you for your willingness to give yourself and be used where God has placed you.

You have blessed many lives.

KENNEDY HIGHSCHOOL ALL CLASS REUNION

with a spotlight on

THE CLASS OF 1980's 40 YEAR REUNION

When: October 16, 2021

Where: Tailgaters Sports Bar & Grill

431 W Boughton Rd. Bolingbrook, IL 60440

Time: 6:00pm5

Tickets: \$12 (plus tax & fee) available online on

August 15, 2021 at https://www.tailgatersgrill.com/ \$14 at the door **EXPECTED TO SELL OUT**

Ticket Includes: Band, DJ, light appetizers, mixing, mingling

and dancing

SPLIT THE POT RAFFLE:

In conjunction with the all-class reunion, we are hosting a plit the pot raffle. PLEASE CONSIDER bringing an item/basket to donate. Half of the money raised will go to John F. Kennedy Highschool!

IT'S FOR THE KIDS!!



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

~Psalm 6:3

Mary Adkins Guadalupe Almendarez Raeann Arends Ianatius Battiato Carl Bell Jean Bell Mary Bieser Fr. Ted Bojczuk Kathy Calcagno Maxine Carey Michael Clifford Chris Doherty Maria Flores Geri Gestaut **Carol Gress Heather Hradek** Deacon Tom Hyde Denise M. Jandura Rich S. Jandura

Joan Juris John Kappel, Jr. John Kappel, Sr. 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

Maria Perez Montiel Ioan Orsi Bob Pac Eleanor Pastorek **Stanley Polit** Ann Robertson **Edward Robertson** Fr. John Rudnik Joseph Rudnik Mary Shortall Sue Solcani Brian Styka Sr. Christine Styka Terry Styka 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.

Lori McCarthy



In today's Gospel Jesus called the Twelve, and said to them, "If anyone wishes to be first, he shall be the last of all and the servant to all." Taking a child, he placed it in their midst, and putting his arms around it, he said to them, "Whoever receives one child such as this in my name, receives me; and whoever receives me, receives not me but the One who sent me."

You gift to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul will help hungry children feel the arms of Jesus around them.

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Pray, hope, and don't worry.

St. Pio of Pietrilcina
20th-century Capuchin friar, priest and mystic who bore the stigmata. Countless healings and miracles have been attributed to his intercession.

Sowing Seeds in Our Garden

Let's admit it, the Holy Bible can be intimidating.

We recognize the collection of books as the inspired word of God. We might want to dive into Sacred Scripture. Where to begin?

Consider starting with the four gospels of Matthew, Mark, Luke and John, which are part of the New Testament. In these Gospels you meet the Person of Jesus. Allow the sacred words to wash over you as you read through the chapters of each book.

Before you sit down to read scripture, ask the Holy Spirit to inspire you and assist you. Don't put pressure on yourself to understand every little nuance. Appreciate the story of God taking on human flesh. Pay attention to the words and actions of Jesus. He models for us what love looks like.

We can never read these four gospels too much. They are meant to be savored, not just read as an academic exercise. The gospels are the living Word of God.

Once you've spent time with the four gospels, consider moving on to Acts of the Apostles, which reveals to us the reality of the early Church.

We do well to remember that when we read Sacred Scripture, we do so in relation to the Magisterium of the Church. We are NOT individual interpreters of Sacred Scripture. We do so within the unity of the universal Church and Her teaching authority.

We can, however, be open to how the Spirit may help us see how a specific scripture passage relates to our life in the here and now, but always with respect to how God used the original human writer to communicate at that time and place in history.

Please use a translation of the Holy Bible that is Catholic. Here are a few examples:

- New American Bible (NAB)
- * New American Bible Revised Edition (NABRE)
- * Jerusalem Bible
- * Revised Standard Version (RSV)
- * New Revised Standard Version (NRSV)
- * Douay Rheims Bible.

Yes, there is a difference between a Catholic bible and a Protestant Bible. The details of which are a column for another day.

Move toward spending some time in your bible every single day.

~Fr. Bob

Mass Intentions for the Week Sept. 18 - Sept. 24 **Mass Intentions for Saturday & Sunday** Saturday, September 18, 2021 Saturday, September 25, 2021 4:00pm St. Rene Church †Carolyn Simek (Florence Goluch) 8:00am St. Rene Church †Marion Tulik - 3rd anniversary of passing Presider: Fr. Norm †Al Wilczak (Florence Goluch) (Marge Tulik) †Wanda Zalewski (Chester & Peggy Potempa)) 4:00pm St. Rene Church Health & 25th Wedding Anniversary blessings 5:30pm *St. Symphorosa Church* Health & all birthday blessings for Rita Cernick Presider: Fr. Bob for Julie & Mark Miklos (Fr. Bob) Presider: Fr. Marc Pasciak (The Crowley Family) †Filippo & Joe Chiaramonte Health & all the Lord's blessings for (Chiaramonte Family) Chris Doherty (Mary Trendle) †Providenza Chiaramonte †Richard Frank Cernick (His Precious Family) (Chiaramonte Family) †Janet & Steve Molnar (Hohm Family) †Eliza Gose & Maria Luna (Almendarez Family) †Joseph Potempa (Potempa Family) †Dolores Prochot (Dom Paraga) Sunday, September 19, 2021 Twenty Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time 5:30pm *St. Symphorosa Church* Health & all the Lord's blessings for 7:30am St. Rene Church For all Two Holy Martyrs Parishioners, Presider: Fr. Matt Mike Merda (Mary Kolimas) Presider: Fr. Bob living and deceased †Mary & Phil Deluca (Deluca Family) †Janet & Steve Molnar (Hohm Family) 9:00am St. Symphorosa Church †Rafael Alvarez (Tom & Maryann Milici) †Stanley J. Wozniak, Jr. (Carpenter Family) †Janet & Steve Molnar (Hohm Family) Presider: Fr. Bob Sunday, September 26, 2021 Twenty Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time †Carolyn Morgan (Dad Ray Madej) 7:30am St. Rene Church †Vince Porcelli (Wife Judy) 10:30am St. Rene Church For all Two Holy Martyrs Parishioners, Presider: Fr. Norm living and deceased Presider: Fr. Matt 9:00am *St. Symphorosa Church* Health & all the Lord's blessings for 12:00pm *St. Symphorosa Church* †Rosaria Maria & John Dragosetti *(Family)* Presider: Fr. Bob Kathy Hynes (Woulfe Family) Presider: Fr. Tom Byrne †Cathy & John Ryan (Cathy & Pat Carone) †Janet & Steve Molnar (Hohm Family) †Gerard Ryan (Cathy & Pat Carone) †Geri Norbut (Family) Monday, September 20, 2021 St. Andrew Kim Tae-gon †Reverend Christopher Schramm (Family) 8:00am St. Rene Church St. Paul Chong Ha-Sang Health & all the Lord's blessings for †Viviencio Battung & all the poor soul's in 10:30am St. Rene Church purgatory (Rosario Battung) Presider: Fr. Bob Catherine Rak (Sutkowski Family) †James Ellison *(Linda Ellison)* †Joseph Lopez (Amelia Family) †Greg Miller (Shilney Family) †Catherine Bartuch Morrell (Sutkowski Family) Tuesday, September 21, 2021 St. Matthew, Apostle †Jack Orsi (Family) 8:00am St. Rene Church Health & all the Lord's blessings for †Judith Siwek (Sharon Siwek) John Kurtovich (Mary Shilney) 12:00pm *St. Symphorosa Church* †Joe & Celeste Carone *(Cathy & Pat Carone)* †Rosemary Witt (Marie Zilka) †Israel Garcia - 1st anniversary of passing Presider: Fr. Matt Wednesday, September 22, 2021 (Family) 8:00am St. Rene Church †William Bojarski (Barbara Rendak) *Weekend Presider subject to change without notice* †Edward Cieslewski (Bernice Cieslewski) †Charles DeLauriea (Lorraine DeLauriea) SUPPORT OUR TROOPS †John Soltis (Pat Soltis) Sgt. Jaime A. Acosta, USMC Thursday, September 23, 2021 St. Pius of Pietrelcina, Priest Sgt. Ted Bartelmey 8:00am St. Rene Church Health & birthday blessings for CS-1 Joel Battung Hichele Battung (Rosario Battung)

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
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WEDDING BANNS

Friday, September 24, 2021

8:00am St. Rene Church

†Vince Porcelli (Wife Judy)

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†Justine Chval (Barbara Rendak)

(Sutkowski Family)

Chris Doherty (Mary Shilney)

III - Amie Bartlett & Dan Ryan

LECTOR SCHEDULE

Mass	4pm	5:30pm	7:30am	9am	10:30am	12pm
Time	Sept. 25, 2021	Sept. 25, 2021	Sept. 26, 2021	Sept. 26, 2021	Sept 26, 2021	Sept 26, 2021
	Frank Zalewski	Bill Wilschke	Amy Shanahan	Dominic Pettenon Rosa Heredia	John Strompolis	Barbara Rendak Page 9

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St. Rene Worship Site

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Two Holy Martyrs Parish Office Hours

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

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Sacrament of Penance

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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

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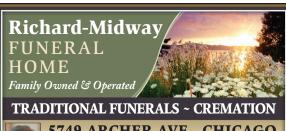
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