

THE UNIVERSITY PARISH OF CHRIST SUN OF JUSTICE

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October 2, 2022:

27th Sunday In Ordinary Time



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MASS/LITURGY SCHEDULE

DAILY MASS

MON. - THUR. 5 PM (No daily Mass this Thursday Oct. 6)

WEEKEND MASS

SATURDAY VIGIL 5 PM SUNDAY 10 AM (*livestream*) and 5 PM We are transitioning the Sunday Mass Livestream to YouTube in mid-October. Subscribe here.

CONFESSION - The Sacrament of Reconciliation is available by appointment with Fr. Larry at *chaplain@rpi.edu*.

MASS INTENTIONS

SUNDAY OCTOBER 2, 10 AM MASS In memory of Tom Tilston requested by Charmayne Tilston

TUESDAY OCTOBER 4, 5 PM MASS

in memory of Karl Joseph Kniele and Karl John Kniele requested by Dolores Kniele and Family

SATURDAY OCTOBER 15, 5 PM MASS In memory of Al Schongar requested by Ora Schongar

SUNDAY OCTOBER 15, 10 AM MASS

In memory of Salvatore Clemente requested by the Rensselaer Newman Foundation

EVENTS OF INTEREST

SATURDAY OCT. 1

Parish Visioning Retreat Day: Please join us on Saturday October 1, at 10am (coffee & doughnuts at 9:30), as we gather for a time to reflect on the Mission of our parish, and where we see ourselves in the coming months and years. The last few years have seen some tremendous changes in all our lives; this will be a day of listening to begin a process of planning for our future. We would love to have a wide diversity of voices represented, and all are welcome to attend. Lunch will be provided. Sr. Chris Partisano CSJ will facilitate the process for us; We'll wrap up by 2pm. Please RSVP on the bulletin board in the C+CC, or email Fr. Larry at *Irice@paulist.org*. Thank you!

SUNDAY OCT. 2

1:00 p.m. at the C + CC.

Join us for the traditional Blessing of the Animals for the feast of St. Francis of Assisi.

MONDAY OCT. 3

Singers and instrumentalists are invited to join the choir, serve as cantor, or play an instrument. Rehearsals are held every Monday night at 7:00 PM Please see Barbara Musial after Mass or call 518-366-6381.

SUNDAY OCT. 9

RPI Alumni Weekend: All are welcome to join us at the C+CC for coffee and treats after the 10AM Mass and/or for wine and cheese after the 5 PM Mass.

MONDAY OCT. 10

The Brunswick Elks # 2556 at 665 Brunswick Road, Troy (Route 2) is hosting a turkey dinner with proceeds being donated to the OLS Food Pantry. More details in next weekend's bulletin.

THURSDAY OCT. 20

9:00 -3:00 Red Cross Blood Drive at the C+CC. Register *here.*

A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE by Bud Ozar

Faith is one of those things we just can't get enough of! In today's gospel the apostles asked Jesus to "Increase our faith." It is faith in ourselves, our spouse, our children, and our parents that equips us to overlook annoyances, helps us to forgive, and urges us to ask forgiveness. "Lord, increase our faith!"

COLLECTIONS

Your continued generosity is appreciated! Here are ways to give...

- Mail your collection envelope and/or your check made payable to Christ Sun of **Justice** or place in the collection basket.
- Make an *online donation* ("Mass donation" in the comments section.)
- Venmo: At offertory time (or any time, really!) you can use your Venmo app to give to "csjparish". If it is for a special collection, just note that in the comments
- NEXT weekend is the collection for the hungry & income-insecure of our community. Thank you in advance for being as generous as your means allow. The greatest need at the OLS Food Pantry is for: toilet paper, tissues, laundry detergent, band aids, anti-perspirant (men/women), shampoo & conditioner, toothpaste, body wash & body lotion.

If you would like offertory envelopes, we have additional ones available. Please contact Mary Crangle at cranglemary@gmail.com or 518-439-5577.

UKRAINE RELIEF: Bishop Scharfenberger urges us to support emergency relief for Ukraine as the humanitarian crisis grows. Catholic Relief Services is working with its partner, Caritas Ukraine, to respond. Here is how people can help: https://bit.ly/3hbagDJ.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday: Hab 1:2-3; 2:2-4, Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9, 2 Tm 1:6-8, 13-

14, Lk 17:5-10

Monday: GAL 1:6-12, PS 111:1B-2, 7-8, 9 AND 10C, LK 10:25-

Tuesday: GAL 1:13-24, PS 139:1B-3, 13-14AB, 14C-15, LK

10:38-42

Wednesday: Gal 2:1-2, 7-14, Ps 117:1bc, 2, Lk 11:1-4

Thursday: GAL 3:1-5, LK 1:69-75, LK 11:5-13

Friday: GAL 3:7-14, PS 111:1B-2, 3-4, 5-6, LK 11:15-26 Saturday: LK 11:15-26, PS 105:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, LK 11:27-28 Sunday: 2 Kgs 5:14-17, Ps 98:1-4, 2 Tm 2:8-13, Lk 17:11-19

MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

Romans 12:6 "In his grace, God has given us different gifts for doing certain things well."

BAKERS NEEDED

Our parish has been asked to supply 350 portions of dessert (cookies, cupcakes, brownies) for the annual Election Eve Spaghetti Supper fundraiser at the Italian Community Center. Sign up here or contact Donna to sign up or for more information: 518-283-3743 donna.crone@gmail.com

Please bring dessert donations to the C+CC kitchen Nov 5 -6. We will deliver to the ICC.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES EVENTS

- Cleanup day, this Saturday, October 1 from 9 AM- 1 PM at Catholic Charities' Sunnyside Child Development Center (110 East Sunnyside Way, Troy). Join us for a day of outdoor clean-up, fun and community impact. Stay for a bit or a while, any amount of help is welcome.
- Drive through food distribution: Monday Oct. 24 at Lansingburgh Boys & Girls Club, 504 4th Ave, Troy. Volunteer and food pick up info here.

NOTES

The C+CC will be closed Monday, October 10 for the holiday but there WILL be Mass at 5 PM. The C+CC will also be closed on Thursday, October 6 for President Schmidt's Inauguration and there will be NO Mass at 5 PM.

The C+CC is looking for student receptionists to greet visitors and guests. There are various daytime and evening shifts available. Please email Kevin at krolik2@rpi.edu for more information.

CONGRATULATIONS to President Schmidt on his Inauguration! Thursday October 6: 11:45am-7:45pm

WELCOME to those attending the RPI Reunion & Homecoming Weekend October 7 – 9!

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~Campus Connection~





FR. LARRY RICE, CSP Father Larry Rice may be contacted at *chaplain@rpi.edu*.

It's true that we Catholics have a blessing for just about everything. In my 33 years as a priest, I've been asked to bless new homes, cars, people, rosaries— a few years ago one of my parishioners asked for a blessing to mark the opening of her new business, a pet store. So we asked for God's blessing on the new business, her new employees, their customers, and of course, all the animals.

The blessing of animals has a long history in the Church. It seems likely that from our earliest centuries we prayed for the health and happiness of the animals that were necessary to agriculture. From Genesis onward, the Scriptures are filled with passages that connect human beings to the animals with whom we share God's creation. The Scriptures clearly ask us to treat animals with respect and compassion, even those we know we're eventually going to eat.

But the popular tradition of blessing animals probably goes back to St. Francis of Assisi, who—legend has it—preached to the birds, spoke to notorious wolves, and had a love for all the animals as part of God's creation. In many places, on the Feast of St. Francis (October 4th), people bring their animals, especially their pets, to be blessed. It's not unusual to see a parade of dogs and cats, plus the occasional snake, rabbit, horse, or chinchilla, brought forward by their owners to be blessed. The Catholic Book of Blessings even has a rite for the blessing of animals which concludes with this prayer:

O God.

the author and giver of every gift, animals also are a part of the way you provide help for our needs and labors.

We pray through the intercession of St. Francis of Assisi, that you will make available for our use the things we need to maintain a decent human life.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.

This somewhat flat prayer, obviously not composed by a pet owner, nevertheless reflects the theology of the goodness of creation, and the role that our animals play in our lives. This Sunday, at 1pm, we'll be blessing animals at the Chapel + Cultural Center, but with a prayer more appropriate for the companion animals that we love so much



SPIRITUAL SEEDS

by Tracy Watson, RPI Associate Catholic Chaplain spiritual.advisorCCC@gmail.com

Greetings to you!

Can you believe we are into October already?!

Thank you CSJ parishioners for your on-going support and prayer for our students and campus ministry: we are grateful!

Special shout out to parishioner Charmayne Tilston for the breakfast

quiches and strawberry cobbler: delicious additions to our Tuesday Nite Newman table!

This week I hope to highlight both the coming week at a glance as well as Tuesday Nite Newman for October

<u>Tuesday, October 4th</u>: Supper: Chili and Cornbread Conversation focus: spirituality and forms of prayer (lectio divina and the examen) The Hospitality House will be open around 5:45pm, with supper at 6:30pm. RSVP using the QR code on posters and on Discord. <u>Wednesday, October 5th @ 7pm:</u> Bible Study in the C+CC lounge Father Larry continues a deep dive into the Gospel of Luke.

<u>Thursday</u>, <u>October 6th @ 7pm</u>: Knights of Columbus meeting in the C+CC lounge. Contact student leader Andy Bouffard (*bouffa@rpi.edu*) for more information.

Tuesday Nite Newman Oktoberfest (October 11th): please contact me if you would like to drop something off. Sounds like we have parishioners making sauerkraut, spaetzle, and possibly bratwurst. Danke Conversation focus: seizing opportunities for service (cookie baking in early November!)

Tuesday Nite Newman Third Tuesday Adoration (October 18th): snacks and fellowship at the Hospitality House around 6:15pm; Adoration in Chapel beginning at 7pm

Tuesday Nite Newman (October 25th): Potluck Supper! Conversation focus: prayer traditions

Got a question? Contact Associate Catholic Chaplain Tracy Watson (spiritual.advisorccc@gmail.com) or student leaders Megan Adam (adamm2@rpi.edu) and Andy Bouffard (bouffa@rpi.edu)



COLLEGE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL #13635 by Andy Bouffard bouffa@rpi.edu

Congratulations to our newly initiated Knights of Columbus: Kedwin, Chris, Joey, Fr. Larry, Andy, Seán, Cameron. With (on the right) alumnus member Joseph, and District Deputy Alan Burke. Not pictured (and photographer!): Dave Dziewulski.

Contact me (bouffa@rpi.edu) if you're interested in joining the group or stop by Thursday at 7PM in the C+CC lounge.

