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October 23, 2022:

30th Sunday In Ordinary Time

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# MASS/LITURGY SCHEDULE

DAILY MASS MON. - THUR. 5 PM

## WEEKEND MASS

SATURDAY VIGIL 5 PM SUNDAY 10 AM (*livestream on YouTube*) and 5 PM.

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

# 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 box.
- THIS weekend, Oct. 22/23 there will be a special diocesan collection for World Mission Sunday. The Society for The Propagation of the Faith seeks prayer and financial support for the Church's missionary work and provides ongoing help for the pastoral and evangelizing programs of the Church in Africa, Asia, the islands of the Pacific and remote regions of Latin America. PLEASE NOTE: If paying by check, make payable to The Propagation of the Faith Office.

# **EVENTS OF INTEREST**

## SATURDAY/SUNDAY OCT. 22/23

RPI Family Weekend Coffee Hour. Welcome families! Join us for a reception after each of the Masses.

## MONDAY OCT. 24

Pastoral Council meeting at 7PM in the C+CC lounge. Join us!

## SATURDAY OCT. 29

C+CC Student Piano Recital 11-12 noon

## MONDAY NOV. 7

ICC Election Eve Spaghetti and Meatball Supper to benefit the Italian Community Center (ICC) Soup Kitchen, Street Warriors, and Fr. Harry Scholarship. 4-7 PM at the ICC for eat-in or takeout. \$10 donation for adults, \$5 for children. No pre-order necessary. Want to help? See Ministries section below!

#### THURSDAY NOV 17

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

## MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY OCTOBER 22, 5 PM MASS In memory of Timothy M. Maloney requested by David and Jean Seaver

#### **MONDAY OCTOBER 24,** 5 PM MASS In memory of James Makowiec requested by Judy Makowiec

# READINGS FOR THE WEEK

**Sunday:** Sir 35:12-14, 16-18, Ps 34:2-3, 17-18, 19, 23, 2 Tm 4:6-8, 16-18, Lk 18:9-14

Monday: EPH 4:32–5:8, PS 1:1-2, 3, 4 AND 6, LK 13:10-17 Tuesday: EPH 5:21-33, PS 128:1-2, 3, 4-5, LK 13:18-21 Wednesday: Eph 6:1-9, Ps 145:10-11, 12-13ab, 13cd-14, Lk 13:22-30

Thursday: EPH 6:10-20 , 144:1B, 2, 9-10 , LK 13:31-35 Friday: Eph 2:19-22, 19:2-3, 4-5, Lk 6:12-16

Saturday: PHIL 1:18B-26 , PS 42:2, 3, 5CDEF , LK 14:1, 7-11 Sunday: Wis 11:22-12:2, Ps 145:1-2, 8-9, 10-11, 13, 14, 2 Thes 1:11-2:2, Lk 19:1-10

## MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

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

#### **ICC SOUP KITCHEN**

We are requesting 4-5 volunteers to assist with serving desserts at the ICC spaghetti dinner on Monday, Nov. 7 from 3-7pm. Please contact Donna: *donna.crone@gmail.com* 

#### **CATHOLIC CHARITIES**

Drive through food distribution: Monday Oct. 24 at Lansingburgh Boys & Girls Club, 504 4<sup>th</sup> Ave, Troy. Volunteer and food pick up info *here.* 

#### **DIOCESAN WOMENS RETREAT**

The Diocese of Albany is hosting a Women's Retreat titled "Unleashing Love". The day will empower women to open their hearts to share God's love. Saturday DEC 10. Details here: https://www.rcda.org/UnleashingLove

# A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE by Bud Ozar

Listen to Jesus in today's gospel: "who humbles himself will be exalted." It is not the occasional big events, but the daily humble routine of family life which creates bonds and relationships that last a lifetime.



~Campus Connection~





#### FR. LARRY RICE, CSP

#### Father Larry Rice may be contacted at *chaplain@rpi.edu*.

With some regularity, a couple of times a year, someone will ask me if their dog or cat will go to heaven. Usually the questioner is a child, but not always. While the Church hasn't issued a definitive statement on this pressing theological issue, the matter raises some important questions.

First of all, I think it's important to remember that the question arises

out of the love that people have for their pets, their concern for them, and the fear that they'll be separated from them. The feelings people have for their beloved pets are real, and like any experience of love, should be respected.

Having said that, we can say with some certainty that animals are a different order of creation than human beings. Do animals have souls? In 1990, St. John Paul II said that animals do have souls and are "as near to God as men are." In 2008, Pope Benedict XVI contradicted this saying that when an animal dies, it "just means the end of existence on earth." Neither pope made what could be called an authoritative theological statement. Pope Francis in 2014 implied that he believed that our beloved pets will be with us in eternity.

So, even if animals don't have souls, what would there be to persist into eternal life? Well, we believe that we don't just go to heaven as disembodied souls, we believe in the resurrection of the body.

We also have plenty of references in the scriptures to indicate that the created world is good, animals are good, and that Christ's passion, death, and resurrection has redeemed all of creation. (See Romans) So is it possible that our dogs, cats, and (in my case) ferrets will meet us in God's Kingdom?

I think it's possible. If we believe that heaven means that all our hopes are fulfilled, and our experience of love is perfect and complete, then no good thing we need or desire will be lacking. In short, when someone asks if their pet will be in heaven, I usually say, "If you need them there to be happy, fulfilled and complete, God will provide them for you." Love will find a way.

# SPIRITUAL SEEDS



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

Greetings to you!

Wow- looks like another beautiful Fall weekend for each of us to delight in! I don't know about you, but I have been continually stunned by the colors this Fall- the oranges, yellows and reds seem to deepen with each passing day. The

hills off to the East and West appear to be dotted with clumps of little upside-down paint brushes dripping their colors onto the earth below. How wonderful a sight they are standing together! Upon a closer inspection we see that in fact each individual tree has begun its own change or transformation dependent on many variables. We too are like these trees, each undergoing our own personal transformation from within as the Holy Spirit meets us where we are on our faith journey. As we deepen our relationship with our Lord and allow ourselves to be open to the movements of the Holy Spirit in us and our lives, our outward appearance (our lives) will more fully express our inward journey. How awesome it is to serve a God who provides so abundantly!

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

**Saturday Fall Fest (2pm-4pm October 29th)**: Newman will table at RPI's Fall Fest which is a family friendly event with food, fall activities, and performances for students and their families to enjoy. Stay tuned for more information about how you can be involved from student leader Megan Adam.

#### Saturday, November 5th: Baking for a Cause

Do you enjoy baking cookies and sharing them with others? Do you like eating homemade chocolate chip cookies? Then this Service opportunity is for you! Our University Parish has been asked to provide 350 dessert servings for the Election Eve Spaghetti supper that supports the work of the Soup Kitchen and Street Warriors, and parishioner Donna Crone is coordinating two cookie baking sessions at the Hospitality House: 10am-12n and 1pm-3pm. Space is limited to 6 students per session: be on the lookout for Sign Ups in Discord.

#### New Section!!! Celebrating CSJ Parish Ministries and Those Who Serve

Over the next few weeks, we will be spotlighting the ministries that assist us in deepening our worship experience and faith life. This week we take a look at veteran members of the choir, and in the weeks to come, we will spotlight newer faces to CSJ music ministry before moving on to other liturgical ministries. Stay tuned...

Front row: Emily Crone, Donna Crone, Dee Dziewulski, Jenny Kraus

Back row: Martin Kaiser, Dave Dziewulski, Henry Scarton, Michael O'Reilly, Jean Seaver

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