

THE UNIVERSITY PARISH OF CHRIST SUN OF JUSTICE

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First Sunday of Lent







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MASS/LITURGY SCHEDULE

DAILY MASS NO DAILY MASS FEB 27- MAR 3

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

CONFESSION The Sacrament of Reconciliation is available Saturdays 3:30-4:30 PM and by appointment with Fr. Larry at chaplain@rpi.edu

MASS INTENTIONS

SUNDAY FEB. 26 10 AM Mass—Stephanie M. and Michael J. Dziewulski requested by David and Dee Dziewulski

Consider having a Mass said in thanksgiving, for the intentions of another person (ex. birthday), or, most common, for the repose of the soul of someone who has died. Complete form here or hard copy form can be found in the C+CC hallway.

C+CC NEWS

HAVE A HEART, LEND A HAND Yoga Fundraiser to benefit OLV/OLS Food Pantry FEB 28, 6-7 PM. More info here.

50 STATE QUARTER POEMS Exhibit by Bill Amirault '81 is on display until Friday, MAR 31. More info here.

EMERALD MIND BODY & WELNESS Yoga sessions 6-7 PM on Tuesdays in MAR. \$12/ class, contact info@emeraldmindbody.com

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 week there is a second collection for the Black, Native American & Latin American Missions. Collected funds are distributed as grants to dioceses supporting and strengthening evangelization programs, which would otherwise be in danger of disappearing among these communities in the United States.

A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE by Bud Ozar

In today's gospel Jesus advises: "Stay awake, watch out, and pray for the strength to hold your ground" when "fearful and bewildering signs" appear threatening your family. Resist being fearful;" fear cripples! Instead "pray for the strength" to be courageous.

MINISTRY OF MUSIC

We will be using new Mass Parts for Lent and Easter. Mass parts include the Holy, Save Us, Savior, Amen and the Lamb of God. The Mass is the Mass of St. Mary Magdalene, composed by Sarah Hart, and found in the Breaking Bread #938, 941, 942 and 943.

We will take time before Mass this weekend to introduce the score and sing through the parts. We hope you find the music uplifting, accessible and simply beautiful.

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Readings can be found in multiple ways:

- Web: https://bible.usccb.org/
- Sign-up for a daily email with a link to the day's readings: https://bible.usccb.org/daily-biblereading#subscribe
- On the Hallow app
- In the Bible

Feb 26 Sun: Gn 2:7-9; 3:1-7; Ps 51:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 17; Rom 5:12-19 or Rom 5:12, 17-19; Mt 4:1-11 **Feb 27 Mon:** Lv 19:1-2, 11-18; Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15; Mt 25:31

Feb 28 Tue: Is 55:10-11; Ps 34:4-5, 6-7, 16-17, 18-19; Mt

6:7-15

Mar 1 Wed: Jon 3:1-10; Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19; Lk 11:29-

Mar 2 Thu: Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25; Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 7c-8; Mt 7:7-12

Mar 3 Fri: Ez 18:21-28; Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-7a, 7bc-8;

Mt 5:20-26

Mar 4 Sat: Dt 26:16-19; Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8; Mt 5:43-

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NOTES

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS The Knights are happy to announce our first fundraiser! We will be using "CLYNK" can and bottle return through the Hannaford located on Hoosick Street. We are asking for all the help we can get as we look to restart and grow the Council. After Masses on Sunday Knights will supply plastic bags and stickers with the bar code for our account. All that is required is for you to fill the bag with redeemable containers. Once the bag is full take it to the local Hannaford and drop it off at the Clynk station in the parking lot and that's it. Hannaford will take care of the rest! We thank you for any help as this will be used to help fund our mission and grow the group!

LOW GLUTEN HOSTS are available for those who need them. They contain .001% gluten and are authorized for use in the Catholic Mass. If that amount of gluten still presents a problem,

Fr. Larry will arrange for you to receive the consecrated wine at communion time. Please see the Mass coordinator or Fr. Larry before Mass to make arrangements.

BULLETIN Interested in receiving an electronic copy of the bulletin? Sign up here. At the bottom of the page, check "Weekly Bulletin".

ATTENTION STUDENTS Searching for a way to make your Catholic faith more visible? RPI Newman Catholic Fellowship apparel is now available! Visit this link to our merch store here.

INCLEMENT WEATHER Winter is here! Please call the C+CC phone (518-274-7793) and listen to the voicemail message for any changes in Mass times. Also, if you see on TV that OLV Masses are cancelled. CSJ will also be cancelled.

MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

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

LORD OF THE BEANS Help is needed to host coffee hour. Please sign-up on the bulletin board to host a coffee hour on Sundays after the 10 AM and 5 PM Masses. It's easy! Help is provided! Many thanks to the Knights of Columbus for providing last Sunday's 10 AM coffee hour!

CATHOLIC CHARITIES Drive through food distribution: Tuesday FEB. 28 at Lansingburgh Boys & Girls Club, 504 4th Ave, Troy. More information can be found *here* or for a ride please email Fran at lighthousetroy1@aol.com

EASTER TRADITION At Eastertime, our community gives a lily plant to those who are homebound or who have lost a relative during the past year. PLEASE SIGN-UP and share the joy of Easter. We'll give you a name, address, and phone number so you can be in touch and visit at a mutually convenient time during Easter Week. \$12 donation; cash or check made payable to Christ Sun of Justice with the notation "EASTER PLANT". Sign-up on the C+CC hallway bulletin board or contact Dee Dziewulski at 518-331-6825 or dmdeezee@nycap.rr.com

STUDENTS: We have funding available and will cover the cost of the plant and can arrange transportation. This is a beautiful ministry and your participation is a blessing.

Not able to deliver an Easter lily but wish to donate to the cost of the flowers? Please look for a basket in the C+CC hallway to help.

RNF/CSJ LENT SPEAKER SERIES

Each Wednesday we'll begin with Mass at 5:30 PM, followed by a meatless pot-luck supper at 6 PM, and our speaker at 7 PM. Each evening will also be live-streamed on our YouTube channel found here.

WEDNESDAY, MAR. 8 Fr. Evan Cummings, CSP— Press F to pay respects Pray

WEDNESDAY, MAR. 15 Dr. Brian Flanagan— Stumbling in Holiness

WEDNESDAY, MAR. 22 Sr. Pat Connick, OP-Seeing with Both Eyes: Science and Theology

WEDNESDAY, MAR. 29 Mr. Michael O'Loughlin— Hidden Mercy: Catholics, AIDS, and Untold Stories of Compassion in the Face of Fear

GROWING IN FAITH IN 2023

HALLOW APP The parish has acquired a group subscription making the app FREE until Easter 2023 (normally \$8.99/mo). This is a great opportunity to explore new ways to pray, and to make a deeper prayer life part of 2023 and particularly your Lenten preparation. To sign up, visit http://hallow.com/ holyday. They'll walk you through the free sign-up.

LENT The 40 days of Lent is a time for prayer, fasting, and almsgiving. Lent began on Ash Wednesday. More info can be found *here*.



~Campus Connection~





FR. LARRY RICE, CSP

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In the Catholic Tradition, the 40 days of Lent are observed through three disciplines: prayer, fasting, and almsgiving. Each of these is intended to strengthen, purify, and reconcile us as we prepare for the celebration of Easter. Over the next few weeks, we'll be looking at each one of these disciplines as part of our Lenten journey.

The first of these traditions, prayer, is something that is supposed to be part of our lives every day. Communication is essential to any healthy relationship, and one's relationship with God works the same way. We pray communally whenever we gather for worship, but private, personal prayer is critical for personal spiritual growth. We're supposed to be praying all the time. So why is prayer emphasized during Lent?

In part, I think, it's because we don't always do what we're supposed to. For many people, praying is like flossing—something you do when an appointment with the dentist is coming up, but easy to neglect otherwise. Lent calls us back to relationship with God, and asks us to renew our commitment to communication with God.

If you're someone who's already praying daily, and I hope you are, then I have a suggestion for you. Instead of your usual prayer, try something different for the 40 days of Lent. Rather than praying for something you need, or to tell God about your day, or to thank God for some favor you've received, why not use your prayer time this Lent to simply listen. Rather than reciting prayers, clear your mind, and invite God to speak to your heart. And then wait in silence. Culturally we're not very comfortable with silence so this may be difficult at first. But give it time, and let hopeful silence become your prayer this Lent. You may be surprised by what God has to say.



SPIRITUAL SEEDS

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

Lenten Actions: Fasting

Fast One: Many of our students have expressed that cutting down on screen time and fasting from social media are things they hope to do this Lent so as to make space for intentional times of prayer. Might that **fast** be calling to you too?

Fast Two: "Take a pause on buying non-essential items. Make space for the sacred and give the planet a rest. Whether it is **refraining from** buying fast food, makeup, books, shoes, video games, etc., or perhaps buying nothing at all outside of the essentials, do what you can to liberate yourself from consumption. You may find you are able to get along with a lot less than you realized you were able."

Go deeper with this Lenten Prayer Guide inspired by Laudato Si.

Upcoming Tuesday Nite Newman Events:

February 28th: Lite snacks at 6:30pm followed by Adoration @ 7:15pm

Shout out to Mary Crangle, Fran Hyde and all who contributed to our delicious Mardi Gras supper at Newman last week!