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March 5,

2023:

Second Sunday of
Lent

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MASS/LITURGY SCHEDULE

DAILY MASS

Mon.—Thurs. 5 PM

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

SATURDAY MAR. 11 5 PM Mass—Mary Elizabeth Wiberley requested by the Rensselaer Newman Foundation

SUNDAY MAR. 12 5 PM Mass—Robert Hyde requested by Paul and Theresa Monseliu

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 a hard copy form can be found in the C+CC hallway.

C+CC NEWS

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

THANK YOU

We received a thank you note from the Grafton Food Pantry at OLS to our Christ Sun of Justice parishioners for the recent donations.

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.
- NEXT week we will be collecting items for the hungry and income insecure in our community through the OLV/OLS food pantry. The greatest need for March includes toothbrushes, men and women's razors and deodorant, liquid hand soap, laundry detergent, dish detergent (liquid), sugar (granulated and confectioners), ketchup, pasta sauce, cake and brownie mix and frosting. We are grateful for the support from your parish community.

A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE by Bud Ozar

Transfiguration is a common occurrence in families. When we commit to another, such as a spouse in marriage or a child in parenting, we are not committing to them only as they are today, but to the person they are becoming.

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](#)

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!

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

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.

PRAYER REQUESTS If you would like to add a friend, loved one, or yourself to the Prayer of the Faithful intentions for the sick, please complete the form [here](#), or hard copy form can be found in the C+CC hallway.

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](#).

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS are hosting a Rosary session on **MAR 23** and **APR 6** at 7pm at the C+CC. All are invited to join!

MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

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

GOD'S GIFT OF BREW 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 Linda Crucetti and Dan Doran for providing last Sunday's 10 AM coffee hour!

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 Dziejewski at 518-334-6825 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.

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-bible-reading#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 25:31-46

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 11:29-32

Mar 2 Thu: Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25; Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cd-e-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 5:43-48

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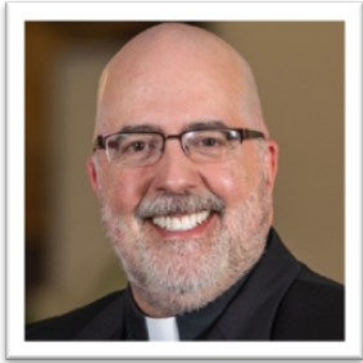
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Part of the Church's Lenten discipline is the practice of fasting and abstinence. Abstinence, in this case, is refraining from eating meat. We used to abstain from meat on every Friday, now it's only on the Fridays of Lent. Any Catholic above the age of 14 is required to abstain. And since this is intended as a penitential practice, having a 2-pound lobster instead kind of misses the point.

Fasting has a long history as a penitential practice. The ideal of giving up some food, for the sake of one's spiritual life, has been part of our tradition for centuries. Jesus himself went into the desert to fast and pray. Today's Lenten fast is pretty easy by comparison. The Lenten fast days are Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. On those days, Catholics between 18 and 59 years of age are expected to eat only one substantial meal and may eat two smaller meals if necessary. No snacking between meals is permitted. Obviously, the very young, the elderly, and anyone in poor health are exempt from these requirements.

But don't be too quick to let yourself off the hook. If you can't fast and give up meat, perhaps there's something similar you could be doing as a sign of repentance. One of my hypoglycemic friends, who has to eat every four hours or so, is giving up the television and the computer on fast days. For him, that's probably harder than not eating would be.

The point of these practices is to express sorrow for our sins, and to help us live in solidarity with those whose hunger is never satisfied. To live for a few hours with feelings of hunger is a reminder that we are constantly dependent on God for all that sustains us. That would be an appropriate dedication for all our fasting and abstinence this lent.



SPIRITUAL SEEDS

by Tracy Watson, RPI Associate Catholic Chaplain

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Ecological Conversion: an opportunity to turn back to our Creator God

During Lenten seasons we speak of conversion, and turning back towards our loving God. But what might conversion look like when considering our relationship to the environment?

laudatosimovement.org suggests that a key step is to make a "commitment to change and become good stewards of creation". Pope Francis reminds us that an ecological conversion "must translate into concrete ways of thinking and acting that are more respectful of creation" ([Pope Francis, 1 September 2016 message](#)).

What concrete action(s) might you be willing to make and take to become a good or better steward of creation?



Click on the **Eco Challenge** button below to explore fresh topics and actions!

Would you like other resources connected to *Laudato Si'*? Contact Associate Catholic Chaplain Tracy Watson, MDiv, (spiritual.advisorccc@gmail.com). I look forward to hearing from you.

Tuesday Nite Newman will return next week after RPI Winter Break!

Curious about something/got a question? Contact Associate Catholic Chaplain Tracy Watson (spiritual.advisorccc@gmail.com) or student leaders Megan Adam (adammm2@rpi.edu) and Joey Trosa (trosaj@rpi.edu)