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May 14,
2023:
Sixth Sunday of
Easter

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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](#))

There will be no Sunday evening Mass at 5 pm.

The Sunday night Mass will resume in August.

THURSDAY MAY 18—ASCENSION

Mass will be at 12:15 PM ([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 MAY 13 5 PM Mass— Caroline Musical requested by CSJ Choir

SATURDAY MAY 20 5 PM Mass— Andrew Martello requested by Cherie, Bill and the Plante Family

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 the form [here](#) or a hard copy form can be found in the C+CC hallway.

CSJ BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP

If you enjoy reading and discussing a good book, please join us the 3rd Wednesday of every month from 6:30-8:30 PM in the lounge for a book discussion group. Our first gathering will be **MAY 17** starting with the book: "Hidden Mercy, AIDS, Catholics, and the Untold Stories of Compassion in the Face of Fear" by Michael J. O'Loughlin. Everyone is welcome to participate! Join us each month for a new book. Contact Grace Reale with questions at graceereale@gmail.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.
- Personal Care Closet: During the month of May the parish will be collecting donations for the personal care closet for Catholic Charities (i.e. shampoo, soap, dental care, laundry detergent, razors, feminine hygiene products, household cleaning products, etc.) Please place your donations in the coat rack area anytime during the month of May. If you would prefer to make a monetary donation make your check out to Christ Sun of Justice and indicate personal care closet on the memo line.
- **THIS 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 the May collection includes men and women's deodorant, liquid hand soap, bar soap, band aids, antibacterial cream, shampoo, conditioner, toothpaste, and laundry detergent. Thank you so much for all that you do!

MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

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

COFFEE HOUR During the summer months we will have a coffee hour after the 10 am Sunday Mass on the second Sunday of the month **only**. Please join us at the next coffee hour on May 14. Help is always needed and a sign up sheet is posted on the bulletin board

CATHOLIC CHARITIES Drive through food distribution: Tuesday MAY 23 at Lansingburgh Boys & Girls Club, 504 4th Ave, Troy. More information can be found [here](#) or for a ride please email Fran at lighthouse Troy1@aol.com

C+CC NEWS

YOGA Emerald Mind & Body Wellness **Tues. MAY 16** 6 PM Details available [here](#).

SUN AND BALANCE Spring edition is available [here](#).

NOTES

ANNIVERSARY On May 13, Father Larry will celebrate his 34th ordination anniversary. Congratulations Fr. Larry, may God continue to bless you!

MOTHER'S DAY May today be filled with God's blessings and love. Happy Mother's Day to all Mothers both on earth and in heaven.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS Thank you for your ongoing support of our CLYNK project. When you need a new bag, please check the blue grocery bag with the CLYNK sign attached to it located above the coat rack.

A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE by Bud Ozar

Mothers are instruments of Christ's presence in the home. A mother's love reveals the attentive, thoughtful, serving, forgiving and concerned side of God's love. Thanks to all mothers for showing us the tender and loving face of God.

CONGRATULATIONS

Christ Sun of Justice Parish sends heartfelt congratulations to each of the graduating RPI students! May the Lord bless your next adventure and watch over you. We wish all students a productive and relaxing summer break. We look forward to seeing you again for the Arch and fall semesters.

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

May 14 Sun: Acts 8:5-8, 14-17; Ps 66:1-3, 4-5, 6-7, 16, 20; 1Pt 3:15-18; Jn 14:15-21

May 15 Mon: Acts 16:11-15; Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b; Jn 15:26-16:4

May 16 Tue: Acts 16:22-34; Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 7c-8; Jn 16:5-11

May 17 Wed: Acts 17:15, 22-18:1; Ps 148:1-2, 11-12, 13, 14; Jn 16:12-15

May 18 Thurs: Acts 18:1-8; Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4; Jn 16:16-20

May 19 Fri: Acts 18:9-18; Ps 47:2-3, 4-5, 6-7; Jn 16:20-23

May 20 Sat: Acts 18:23-28; Ps 47:2-3, 8-9, 10; Jn 16:23b-28



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BRIANDA VALERIO
MAJOR
Architecture
FUTURE PLANS
Moving to Orlando, FL and
starting a new job at an
architecture firm.



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KEDWIN DIAZ
MAJOR
Applied mathematics
FUTURE PLANS
Moving to Orlando FL and
starting a job as math
teacher in a middle school



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KATE O'REILLY
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FUTURE PLANS
Job search

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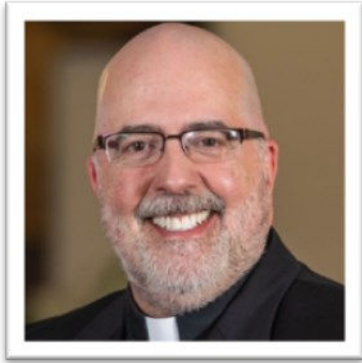
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~Campus Connection~



FR. LARRY RICE, CSP

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This past Thursday, the CDC officially ended the COVID-19 pandemic emergency. A week earlier, the World Health Organization basically made the same declaration. So COVID is officially over. Almost.

Some people are still contracting the virus. While most don't experience severe illness, there are still some who succumb, or who are coping with so-called "long COVID," a array of lingering symptoms. And, of course, given the nature of coronaviruses, there's the every-present possibility of new variants and strains that may elude our current batch of vaccines and protocols.

When the pandemic began in 2020, and we all went into various forms of lockdown, I remember thinking, "when this is all over, we should have a huge celebration." That seems pretty naïve today. Back then, most of us didn't imagine that the thing would drag on for three years, nor that its ending would be so squishy and ambiguous. This week's declaration that the emergency is over feels anti-climactic. It feels both too soon and too-long delayed.

Most of us back in 2020 could not have imagined the cost of the pandemic, in economic and personal terms. The economy of the whole world has been shaken, and still shakes today. All of us have been traumatized to a greater or lesser extent, and many of us have lost friends and family members.

I'm struck by what didn't happen during the pandemic. In earlier decades (think the Great Depression, and World War II), times of national crisis pulled the country together with a shared sense of purpose, and shared sacrifices for the common good. During the COVID pandemic our political and ideological polarization actually worsened and became more toxic.

It's hard to underestimate how the pandemic has affected our churches. We've certainly benefitted from the availability of livestreaming, but it's apparent that many of our parishioners have not come back to in-person worship. Coupled with the decrease in religious practice across the entire American landscape, and the understandable anger people feel at the Church's leadership (fueled by the abuse crisis, bankruptcy, and political entanglements), we are a much smaller church than we were, and that is forcing us to do things differently, and to understand our mission in a different light.

So, good riddance to the COVID19 pandemic. May it disappear from the face of the earth, and never trouble us again. And may the Holy Spirit guide us as we heal, rebuild, and discern how to be Church now and in the future.

SPIRITUAL SEEDS

by Tracy Watson, RPI Associate Catholic Chaplain

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Mentorship in the Faith

"Passing on faith and tradition from one generation to the next has never been an easy task. One important aspect, in particular, seems to be missing in many Catholic communities today just as it was in mine back in the day: **mentorship in the faith.**" writes Kevin P. Considine, Adjunct Theology Professor at Catholic Theological Union. [Read his article in U.S. Catholic here: <https://uscatholic.org/articles/202305/mentorship-is-key-to-passing-on-a-living-faith/>]



Click the image below for information on the challenge!

For reflection and action: in what ways can our University Parish, Christ Sun of Justice cultivate programming that fosters mentorship in the faith? I would love to hear your ideas!

Got a suggestion? A question?

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