



THE UNIVERSITY PARISH OF CHRIST SUN OF JUSTICE

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January 7, 2024:

Epiphany of the
Lord

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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](#))

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, JAN. 6 5 PM Mass—Jane Spain
Ducatt requested by Ed and Kathy Spain

SUNDAY, JAN. 7 10 AM Mass—Scott Lavonas
requested by Dee and Dave Dziejewski

SATURDAY, JAN. 13 5 PM Mass—Lynne Kaiser
requested by Dee and Dave Dziejewski

SUNDAY, JAN. 14 10 AM Mass—Rosemary
Waters requested by the Rensselaer Newman
Foundation

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.

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 pantry items for the hungry, homeless and income insecure in our community. Please bring donations with you to Mass on January 13-14th: juice (apple, cranberry, or grape), canned fruit (peaches, fruit cocktail), peas, cereal/oatmeal, tuna fish, egg noodles, instant mashed potatoes, bread crumbs, canola oil, salad dressing, mayonnaise, mustard, and brownie mix. Thank you in advance for your generosity!

A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE by Bud Ozar

The Magi in today's gospel were led to Jesus by a star. Who are the stars your children follow? Don't let it be the tabloid stars. Resolve in this New Year to be the guiding star in the life of your children.

MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

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

COFFEE HOUR Weekly coffee hours are held after the 10AM and 5PM Sunday Masses. Please come and meet your fellow parishioners! Help is always needed and sign up sheets are posted on the bulletin board.

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

Jan. 7 Sun: Is 60: 1-6; Ps 72: 1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13; Eph 3: 2-3a, 5-6; Matt 2: 2; Matt 2: 1-12

Jan. 8 Mon: Is 55: 1-11; Is 12: 2-3, 4bcd, 5-6; 1 Jn 5: 1-9; Jn 1: 29; Mk 1: 7-11

Jan. 9 Tue: 1 Sam 1: 9-20; 1 Sam 2: 1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd; 1 Thes 2: 13; Mk 1: 21-28

Jan. 10 Wed: 1 Sam 3: 1-10, 19-20; Ps 40: 2 and 5, 7-8a, 8b-9, 10; Jn 10: 27; Mk 1: 29-39

Jan. 11 Thurs: 1 Sam 4: 1-11; Ps 44: 10-11, 14-15, 24-25; Matt 4: 23; Mk 1: 40-45

Jan. 12 Fri: 1 Sam 8: 4-7, 10-22a; Ps 89: 16-17, 18-19; Lk 7: 16; Mk 2: 1-12

Jan. 13 Sat: 1 Sam 9: 1-4, 17-19; 10: 1; Ps 21: 2-3, 4-5, 6-7; Lk 4: 18; Mk 2: 13-17

C+CC NEWS

IN THE NORTH—Artist Virginia Bryant's exhibit has been extended through FEB. Artist information can be found [here](#).

LIO KUOK-WAI & EVAN GRAY CONCERT— Sat.

Jan. 13 2 PM presented by Friends of Chamber Music. More info can be found [here](#).

CSJ BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP

Please join us for our next book discussion meeting on Wednesday, January 17, 6:30-8:30 pm in the lounge to discuss, John Vaillant's ["Fire Weather, A True Story from a Hotter World."](#) Everyone is welcome to participate! Join us each month for a new book. Contact Grace Reale with questions or future suggestions at graceereale@gmail.com

NOTES

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

TAX LETTERS If you would like to receive a CSJ gift acknowledgement letter for tax purposes, please complete the form [here](#) or call the office. Letters will be sent out starting JAN. 15.

BULLETIN Interested in receiving an electronic copy of the bulletin? Sign up [here](#).

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.

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

EPIPHANY HOUSE BLESSING

There is a Catholic tradition of blessing our homes at Epiphany inviting the Lord's presence and blessing over the household throughout the upcoming year. We welcome you to start (or continue) this tradition in 2024! Blessed chalk will be available this weekend after Masses. More information is found [here](#) explaining the meaning and the prayers for the blessing!

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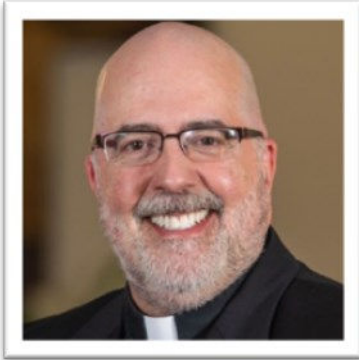
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~Campus Connection~



FR. LARRY RICE, CSP

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It is widely known that the Catholic Church, like many Christian denominations, has been experiencing a severe shortage of clergy. Unfortunately, my order, the Paulist Fathers, is also not immune to these demographic shifts. As a result, the Paulists are currently engaged in a process of discernment and planning to address our own aging personnel pool and diminishing membership.

Just before the winter break, I received a communication from the President of the Paulists, Fr. Rene Constanza, who informed me that the Paulists intend to reassign me this coming summer. This means that I will be leaving my position as chaplain at Rensselaer and Christ Sun of Justice. According to the agreement between the Paulists and the Rensselaer Newman Foundation, which funds and supports the chaplaincy, the agreement can be terminated with six months' notice, and they have now given that notice.

During the remaining six months of my time here, I will be working closely with the board of the Rensselaer Newman Foundation, the RPI administration, and our parish leadership to find a suitable replacement chaplain who can build upon the work we have done together. In my preliminary conversation with the leadership of the Albany diocese, they have expressed a desire for dialogue to explore how the pastoral needs of our parish can be met.

At this point there are many questions yet to be answered, and contingencies to be planned for. In some ways this six month period is a gift: often these changes in leadership and assignments happen with very little notice. We have the opportunity to work together to keep our parish community growing and moving forward.

I know this is difficult news for all of us. I hope I can count on your prayers and support as we process this new development. May the Holy Spirit continue to guide our community.

"The difficulties which I have experienced in the various phases of my work have not been without great profit to me. The wise and merciful providence of God has in his own way provided for me. He has drawn me near to himself, and by reason of this has assigned me to work which I never expected to do, and which I could not have done had he not thus prepared me for it."

- Servant of God Fr. Isaac Hecker, CSP

"And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose."

- Romans 8:28

SPIRITUAL SEEDS

by Tracy Watson, RPI Associate Catholic Chaplain

Welcome back students - and happy New Year!

Stay tuned and check Discord for start up dates for our programs and upcoming events!



Got a suggestion? A question?

Contact Associate Catholic Chaplain Tracy Watson, MDiv, (spiritual.advisorccc@gmail.com or watsot4@rpi.edu) or Newman Student Leaders Cameron Yergeau (yergec@rpi.edu), Toby McDonald (mcdont7@rpi.edu), Riley Scritchfield (scriitr@rpi.edu) and Joey Trosa (trosaj@rpi.edu).