



# THE UNIVERSITY PARISH OF CHRIST SUN OF JUSTICE

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February 11, 2024:

Sixth Sunday in  
Ordinary Time

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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

### ASH WEDNESDAY FEB. 14

Mass at 12:15 ([livestream on YouTube](#)) 5 and 7 PM.

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

## MASS INTENTIONS

**SUNDAY, FEB. 18** 10 AM Mass—Virginia Fogarty requested by Leo and Marie Carroll

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.

## C+CC NEWS

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

## EVENTS OF INTEREST

**HAVE A HEART, LEND A HAND** Yoga Fundraiser to benefit the OLV/OLS Food Pantry **FEB 13, 20, & 27** 6-7 PM. More info [here](#).

**MINISTRY TO CHILDREN AND FAMILIES SUN., FEB. 11** after 10 AM Mass—Please join us to discuss how our Parish Community can better serve our children and families. We will meet in the lounge. Any questions, please contact Rosanne at 518-257-2596 or [Rose.FR@verizon.net](mailto:Rose.FR@verizon.net)

**SUPER BOWL WATCH PARTY SUN., FEB. 11** 6 PM — Join us after 5 PM Mass for food and fun while watching the game on the big screen! More info found [here](#).

**MARDI GRAS TUE., FEB. 13** 6-8 PM — Celebrate Fat Tuesday with us! Food, music and fellowship. More info found [here](#).

**LENTEN ENRICHMENT BEGINS WED., FEB. 21** Ongoing series on Wednesdays through March 13. Join us for 5:30 PM Mass, 6:15 PM meatless potluck and 7:00 PM Bishop Robert Barron's "Catholicism" series. More info found [here](#).

**PYSANKY WORKSHOP SAT., MAR. 2** 9-1 PM— Learn about this Ukrainian tradition while creating your own Easter egg. More info found [here](#).

## A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE by Bud Ozar

Family life is about decisions. The leper in today's gospel knew this when he said to Jesus. "If you will, you can make me clean." Jesus knew this when He said, "I do will it." Love is not an emotion. It is a decision to be with and for another person in "good times and bad," even when we don't feel like it.

## 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** we will be collecting pantry items for the hungry, homeless and income insecure in our community through the OLV/OLS food pantry. Please bring donations with you to Mass on February 10-11th. Items most needed for **FEBRUARY** are: combs, bar soap, shampoo and conditioner, toilet paper, hand soap-pump, laundry detergent, toothpaste and toothbrush, mens', and womens' deodorant. Thank you in advance for your generosity!
- **NEXT WEEK** there will be 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.

## 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. 11 Sun:** Lev 13: 1-2, 44-46; Ps 32: 1-2, 5, 11; 1 Cor 10: 31 – 11: 1; Lk 7: 16; Mk 1: 40-45

**Feb. 12 Mon:** Jas 1: 1-11; Ps 119: 67, 68, 71, 72, 75, 76; Jn 14: 6; Mk 8: 11-13

**Feb. 13 Tue:** Jas 1: 12-18; Ps 94: 12-13a, 14-15, 18-19; Jn 14: 23; Mk 8: 14-21

**Feb. 14 Ash Wed:** Joel 2: 12-18; Ps 51: 3-4, 5-6ab, 12-13, 14 and 17; 2 Cor 5: 20 – 6:2; *Verse Before the Gospel:* Ps 95: 8; Matt 6: 1-6, 16-18

**Feb. 15 Thurs:** Deu 30: 15-20; Ps 1: 1-2, 3, 4 and 6; *Verse Before the Gospel:* Matt 4: 17; Lk 9: 22-25

**Feb. 16 Fri:** Isa 58: 1-9a; Ps 51: 3-4, 5-6ab, 18-19; *Verse Before the Gospel:* Amos 5: 14; Matt 9: 14-15

**Feb. 17 Sat:** Isa 58: 9b-14; Ps 86: 1-2, 3-4, 5-6; *Verse Before the Gospel:* Eze 33: 11; Lk 5: 27-32

## NOTES

**LENT** begins on Ash Wednesday. The Little Black Books are available to help you on your Lenten journey. We also have the Catholic Relief Services Rice Bowls. Pick them up after Mass this weekend or any time thereafter.

**INCLEMENT WEATHER** Winter is here! Please call the C+CC phone (518-274-7793) and listen to the voicemail for any changes in Mass times or if Masses are being cancelled. This information will also be available on the C+CC website, on Facebook, and on the local TV stations.

**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.

**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.

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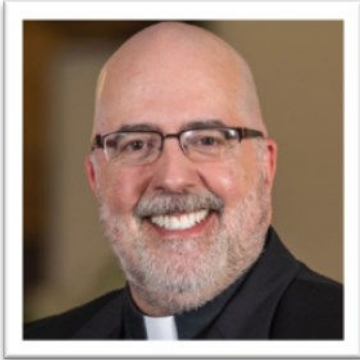
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## ~Campus Connection~



### FR. LARRY RICE, CSP

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For many people-- from blushing school children to long-time spouses -- Valentine's Day is a time to celebrate the notion of romantic love. And lots of people think that while they're exchanging cards, flowers, and chocolate, they're observing the vestiges of the feast day of a Catholic saint. The only problem is it doesn't appear to be true.

"Valentine" was a popular name in the ancient world, and even in the old 1914 edition of the Catholic Encyclopedia, it was claimed that St. Valentine could have been one of at least three different people. When the Church revised its liturgical calendar in 1969, it deleted the feast days of saints whose history-- or existence-- was in doubt. So, along with the probably mythical Veronica and Christopher, Valentine lost his feast day.

The story that St. Valentine's Day was created to supersede the Roman feast of Lupercalia of February 15th, was, according to contemporary scholars fabricated by 18th-Century English antiquarian Alban Butler, author of Butler's Lives of the Saints.

So where does the idea come from, that St. Valentine's Day is the time to celebrate romantic love? The idea can be traced back to England in the 14th century, particularly to the works of Geoffrey Chaucer, particularly his "Parliament of Foules."

So, where does that leave us? We have legends, fabrications, and fiction. Nevertheless, it must be said that the Church has nothing against romance. Indeed, the love that draws couples together is a wonderful gift from God, best tempered with the other virtues. And if hearts, flowers, and chocolate have become a traditional way to express love and affection, I say, "Bring 'em on!"

### SPIRITUAL SEEDS

by Tracy Watson, RPI Associate Catholic Chaplain

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Students interested in the upcoming **Emmaus Retreat**- here are the details:

**Who:** RPI and UAlbany Catholic students like you!

**When:** Friday evening, February 23rd- Sunday early afternoon, February 25th (meals and snacks provided)

**Where:** Dominican Retreat House, Schenectady (single rooms for retreatants; rides can be arranged)

**What and Why:** a retreat is an intentional time set aside to deepen your faith life; to encounter Christ differently.

**Cost:** FREE!!

\*\*See Discord for Registration form, and please sign up by February 15th!\*\*

If you have questions, Joey Trossa ([trosaj@rpi.edu](mailto:trosaj@rpi.edu)), Dennis Colucci ([bscout2012@yahoo.com](mailto:bscout2012@yahoo.com)), and Tracy Watson ([spiritual.advisorccc@gmail.com](mailto:spiritual.advisorccc@gmail.com)) are ready with answers!

### Upcoming Events

**Tuesday Nite Newman:** Join us at the C+CC for Mardi Gras- featuring creole inspired supper and jazz music! Festivities commence after 5pm daily Mass (around 6pm).

### Got a suggestion? A question?

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