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February 18, 2024:

First Sunday of
Lent

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MASS/LITURGY SCHEDULE

DAILY MASS

Tues. and Thurs. 5 PM

No Mass on Mon. Feb. 19

Wed. FEB. 21 Mass 5:30 PM (Lenten Series)

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, FEB. 17 5 PM Mass—Paul Yergeau requested by Cameron Yergeau

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

SUNDAY, FEB. 25 10 AM Mass—Stephanie M. and Michael J. Dziewulski requested by Dee and Dave 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 the form [here](#) or a hard copy form can be found in the C+CC hallway.

EVENTS OF INTEREST

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

NOTES

MON. **FEB. 19** Chaplains' Office will be closed.

LENT began 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.

C+CC NEWS

C+CC will be closed on **Monday, FEB. 19**

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

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. 18 Sun: Gen 9: 8-15; Ps. 25: 4-5, 6-7, 8-9; 1 Pet 3: 18-22; Verse Before the Gospel: Matt 4: 4b; Mk 1: 12-15

Feb. 19 Mon: Lev 19: 1-2, 11-18; Ps 19: 8, 9, 10, 15; Verse Before the Gospel: 2 Cor 6: 2b; Matt 25: 31-46

Feb. 20 Tue: Is 55: 10-11; Ps 34: 4-5, 6-7, 16-17, 18-19; Verse Before the Gospel: Matt 4: 4b; Matt 6: 7-15

Feb. 21 Wed: Jon 3: 1-10; Ps 51: 3-4, 12-13, 18-19; Verse Before the Gospel: Joe 2: 12-13; Lk 11: 29-32

Feb. 22 Thurs: 1 Pet 5: 1-4; Ps 23: 1-3a, 4, 5, 6; Verse Before the Gospel: Matt 16: 18; Matt 16: 13-19

Feb. 23 Fri: Ezk 18: 21-28; Ps 130: 1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8; Verse Before the Gospel: Ezk 18: 31; Matt 5: 20-26

Feb. 24 Sat: Deut 26: 16-19; Ps 119: 1-2, 4-5, 7-8; Verse Before the Gospel: 2 Cor 6: 2b; Matt 5: 43-48

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
- **THIS 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.

A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE by Bud Ozar

Jesus "was led by the Spirit in the wilderness." What is the wilderness in your life to which the Holy Spirit is leading you this Lent? Perhaps there are uncharted areas in your marriage or family relationships. Spend this Lent in your "wilderness" with God work. Where is the Spirit leading you this Lent?



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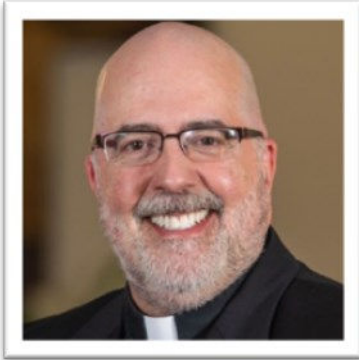
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In the Catholic Tradition, the 40 days of Lent are observed through three disciplines: prayer, fasting, and almsgiving. Each of these is intended to strengthen, purify, and reconcile us as we prepare for the celebration of Easter. Over the next few 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.

Also, praying during Lent reminds us that the purpose of prayer isn't to change God, it's to change us. Like fasting and almsgiving, our prayer during Lent is a sign of repentance-- of turning away from sin,

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

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Greetings!

Thank you all who have contributed to our University parish-wide events! We are truly a parish who celebrates the intersections of "food, fellowship, faith, and fun"!

Upcoming Events

Tuesday Nite Newman: join us for another delicious time of Food, Fellowship, Faith-and lots of Fun! 6:30pm at the Hospitality House. See Discord for Sign Up!

Emmaus Student Retreat: Friday evening February 23- early Sunday Afternoon February 25th @ Dominican Retreat House.

Contact Joey Trosa (trosaj@rpi.edu) or Dennis Colucci (bscout2012@yahoo.com) to sign up

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 (scritr@rpi.edu) and Joey Trosa (trosaj@rpi.edu).