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February 25, 2024:

Second Sunday of
Lent

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MASS/LITURGY SCHEDULE

DAILY MASS

Mon., Tues. and Thurs. 5 PM

Wed. FEB. 28 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

SUNDAY, FEB. 25 10 AM Mass—Stephanie M. and Michael J. Dziejewski requested by Dee and Dave Dziejewski

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.

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.

EVENTS OF INTEREST

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

LENTEN ENRICHMENT WED., FEB. 28, MAR. 6 and 13 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](#).

STATIONS OF THE CROSS TUES., FEB. 27 at 7PM

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

LENTEN PENANCE SERVICE WED., MAR. 20 7-8 PM More info found [here](#).

NEW SYNOD SESSIONS Dioceses all across the U.S. are being asked to hold a new round of synod listening sessions, focusing on church structure, organization, leadership, and church life. The Roman Catholic Diocese of Albany has scheduled four sessions in the month of March. Three are in person, one is virtual. Registration is encouraged at www.rcda.org/synod and make your voice heard.

C+CC NEWS

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

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 it in the comments box.

NOTES

LENT began on Ash Wednesday. We still have the Catholic Relief Services Rice Bowls available. You can pick one up after Mass.

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.

OFFERTORY ENVELOPES We have offertory envelopes available for those who would like them. Please contact Mary Crangle Nagy at cranglemary@gmail.com or 518-439-5547 to arrange to get a box.

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.

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. 25 Sun: Gen 22: 1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18; Ps 116: 10, 15, 16-17, 18-19; Rom 8: 31b-34; Verse Before the Gospel: Matt 17: 5; Mk 9: 2-10

Feb. 26 Mon: Dan 9: 4b-10; Ps 79: 8, 9, 11 and 13; Verse Before the Gospel: Jn 6: 63c, 68c; Lk 6: 36-38

Feb. 27 Tue: Is 1: 10, 16-20; Ps 50: 8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23; Verse Before the Gospel: Ez 18: 31; Matt 23: 1-12

Feb. 28 Wed: Jer 18: 18-20; Ps 31: 5-6, 14, 15-16; Verse Before the Gospel: Jn 8: 12; Matt 20: 17-28

Feb. 29 Thurs: Jer 17: 5-10; Ps 1: 1-2, 3, 4 and 6; Verse Before the Gospel: Lk 8: 15; Lk 16: 19-31

Mar. 1 Fri: Gen 37: 3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28; Ps 105: 16-17, 18-19, 20-21; Verse Before the Gospel: Jn 3: 16; Matt 21: 33-43, 45-46

Mar. 2 Sat: Mic 7: 14-15, 18-20; Ps 103: 1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12; Verse Before the Gospel: Lk 15: 18;

A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE by Bud Ozar

Jesus "went up the mountain to pray" and he was "changed." Prayer has the power to change us. This Lent set aside a few minutes each day to pray for members of your family. Pray before each meal and if you are married, spend five minutes in prayer together.

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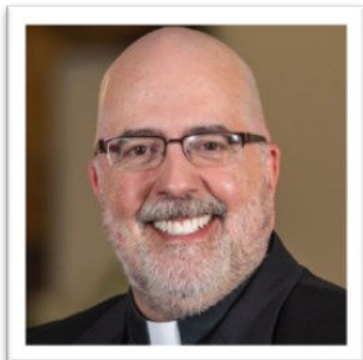
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Part of the Church's Lenten discipline is the practice of fasting and abstinence. Abstinence, in this case, is refraining from eating meat. We used to abstain from meat on every Friday, now it's only on the Fridays of Lent. Any Catholic above the age 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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A Newman Triptych

Shout out to CSJ parishioners and RNF staff for making mac & cheese for Tuesday Nite Newman! Thank you Paula, Fran, DJ, and Mary: delicious comfort food was precisely what our students needed!!

The Emmaus Retreat begins this afternoon, wrapping up Sunday afternoon: please keep student retreatants and the design team in your prayers. Thank you

From Living Lent Daily (Loyola Press): "Because God created me to be precisely me, God will speak to me in ways that I will understand. If I spend a lot of time in Scripture, then it's likely that God's voice within will resonate with something there and give me guidance. If I have a history of working with my dreams, then God may well speak to me through dreams. If I discern big decisions by talking with friends and counselors, then God will meet me in those relationships.

For prayer: God's voice is already within you. Do you dare listen?

~ Excerpted from "Spiritual Confidence" by Vinita Hampton Wright

Have a great week! ~Tracy

Got a suggestion? A question?

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