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March 17, 2024:

Fifth Sunday of
Lent

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MASS/LITURGY SCHEDULE

DAILY MASS

Mon., Tue, Thurs. 5 PM

Wed. 5:30 PM

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, MAR 16 5 PM Mass — Stephen Wiberley requested by the Rensselaer Newman Foundation

SUNDAY, MAR. 17 10 AM Mass— Paul Nomessi requested by Adelaide Nomessi

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

THIS WEEKEND, March 16-17, we will celebrate the Anointing of the Sick after Masses. For anyone living with either acute or chronic illness, this is an opportunity to receive God's healing and forgiving grace.

LENTEN PENANCE SERVICE WED., MAR. 20 7-8 PM. Join us for Mass at 5:30 PM, followed by meatless pot luck dinner preceding the service at 7 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.

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

Mar. 17 Sun: Jer 31: 31-34; Ps 51: 3-4, 12-13, 14-15; Heb 5: 7-9; Verse Before the Gospel: Jn 12: 26; Jn 12: 20-33

Mar. 18 Mon: Dan 13: 1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 or Dan 13: 41c-62; Ps 23: 1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6; Verse Before the Gospel: Eze 33: 11; Jn 8: 1-11

Mar. 19 Tue: 2 Sam 7: 4-5a, 12-14a, 16; Ps 89: 2-3, 4-5, 27 and 29; Rom 4: 13, 16-18, 22; Verse Before the Gospel: Ps 84: 5; Matt 1: 16, 18-21, 24 or Lk 2: 41-51a

Mar. 20 Wed: Dan 3: 14-20, 91-92, 95; Dan 3: 52, 53, 54, 55, 56; Verse Before the Gospel: Lk 8: 15; Jn 8: 31-42

Mar. 21 Thurs: Gen 17: 3-9; Ps 105: 4-5, 6-7, 8-9; Verse Before the Gospel: Ps 95: 8; Jn 8: 51-59

Mar. 22 Fri: Jer 20: 10-13; Ps 18: 2-3a, 3bc-4, 5-6, 7; Verse Before the Gospel: Jn 6: 63c, 68c; Jn 10: 31-42

Mar. 23 Sat: Eze 37: 21-28; Jer 31: 10, 11-12, 13; Verse Before the Gospel: Eze 18: 31; Jn 11: 45-56

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.

EASTER TRADITION At Eastertime, our community gives a lily plant to those who are home-bound or who have lost a relative during the past year. PLEASE SIGN-UP and share the joy of Easter. We'll give you a name, address, and phone number so you can be in touch and visit at a mutually convenient time during Easter Week. \$12 donation; cash or check made payable to Christ Sun of Justice with the notation "EASTER PLANT". Sign-up on the C+CC hallway bulletin board or contact Dee Dziejewski at 518-331-6825 or dmdeezee@nycap.rr.com Not able to deliver an Easter lily but wish to donate to the cost of the flowers? Please look for a basket in the C+CC hallway to help.

***STUDENTS:** We have funding available and will cover the cost of the plant and can arrange transportation. This is a beautiful ministry and your participation is a blessing.

A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE by Bud Ozar

Relationships come with a price tag. We must be willing to entrust ourselves to another, to let go of our autonomy and die to our independence. It is in dying to our independence that we find interdependence with others.

- 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 "csj parish". If it is for a special collection, just note it in the comments box.
 - St. James Roman Catholic Primary school in Kalk Bay, South Africa. There is a box in the hallway of the C+CC to collect donations or gifts can be placed in the offertory marked for "St. James". Info on the school can be found [here](#).

NOTES

THANK YOU The office received a thank you note this week from Pat F. "Can't thank you enough for coming to Beechwood and serving communion."

Holy Week Schedule			
Holy Thursday: MAR. 28: 6 PM	Good Friday: MAR. 29: 7 PM	Easter Vigil: MAR. 30: 8 PM	Easter Sunday: MAR. 31 10 AM and 5 PM

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I know the community here has been painfully aware of the coming consolidations of the Paulist Fathers' ministries. Here is the official announcement from Paulist President Fr. Rene Constanza CSP:

NEW YORK _ The Paulist Fathers, a missionary society of Catholic priests, today announces the society's intent to return pastoral care of Newman Hall – Holy Spirit Parish in Berkeley, CA, to the Diocese of Oak-

land at the end of the current academic year, as well as other upcoming ministerial changes.

Paulist Fathers have served the Catholic campus ministry at the University of California at Berkeley since 1907.

"It is with sadness that we will complete our ministry with the wonderful students, faculty, administrators, staff members, and permanent community members in Berkeley after 117 years," said Paulist Fr. René Constanza, Paulist Fathers president. "We pray in thanksgiving to God for our long and fruitful ministry with these faithful People of God."

"We are responding to where we believe the Holy Spirit is calling us to serve, considering the changing landscape of the Catholic Church in the United States and the shifting demographics of our own members," said Fr. Constanza, noting that the Paulist leadership has engaged in a comprehensive discernment process that included seeking the advice of external lay professionals.

"The Paulists will miss the Berkeley community deeply," said Paulist Fr. Ivan Tou, pastor of Newman Hall – Holy Spirit Parish. "We have been so blessed by their faithfulness, friendship, and participation. Their ownership and leadership of the faith, resulting in many vibrant lay-led ministries, has given us great hope for the future of the Church. They will always be in our hearts and prayers.

"The Paulist presence at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute in Troy, NY, also will conclude in the coming months. Paulist Fr. Larry Rice has served since 2021 as campus chaplain at RPI, where he also led Christ, Sun of Justice Parish. At the end of the academic year, Fr. Rice will move to a new assignment.

"I have loved serving for the past three years at RPI," said Fr. Rice. "It has been a unique opportunity to serve as part of Rensselaer's Division of Student Life, serving the entire university community, and supported by the Rensselaer Newman Foundation. I am very grateful for the RPI students, faculty, administrators, staff members, and community members who have contributed so much to growing the ministry here.

"The Paulist Fathers also today announce that three of the worshipping communities served by the society will transition from a model of being staffed by two full-time, active Paulist priests to being served by one full-time priest, assisted by local Paulists in senior ministry. These communities are Immaculate Conception Church in Knoxville, TN, Old St. Mary's Cathedral in San Francisco, CA, and the Paulist Center in Boston, MA.

Additionally, the Paulist Fathers announce the upcoming completion of the work for three of the society's longtime national offices: Paulist Evangelization Ministries; Landings International, a reconciliation ministry with Catholics returning to the Church after a time away; and the Paulist Office for Ecumenical and Interfaith Relations. By the end of 2024, these ministries will cease operations as distinct apostolic endeavors of the Paulist Fathers.

“These three ministries began as a response to the signs of the times in 1970s and 1980s with the establishment of national offices that served the Church well for decades,” said Fr. Constanza. “We underscore that these three key parts of our mission will continue, and many of the particular programs and offerings created by these national offices will remain available through other means.

”Fr. Constanza added, “Our three flagship media ministries, Paulist Press, Paulist Productions, and Busted Halo, will continue to be key expressions of our mission to the United States and around the world.”

“At Paulist Productions and Busted Halo, Paulist priests will remain in leadership roles. At Paulist Press, we will conduct a national search for a new leader to serve as President / Publisher to carry forward the vision and legacy of our founder, Servant of God Isaac Hecker, who began our publishing arm in 1865,” he said.

“The Paulist Fathers remain committed to sharing the Good News of Jesus Christ with missionary zeal, especially with people beyond the Church walls and with Catholics who feel apart from the Church,” said Fr. Constanza. “Rooted in hopefulness, we trust that the Holy Spirit is actively breathing life into all things.”



SPIRITUAL SEEDS

by Tracy Watson, RPI Associate Catholic Chaplain
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Lenten Refrains- continued

A second refrain during these forty days we often sing is “Turn to me, O turn, and be saved, says the Lord, for I am God; there is no other, none beside me. I call your name.” (John Foley, SJ)

May we have the graces we need to be open to this invitation from our God.

Upcoming Newman Events

Tuesday, March 19th: 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

Tuesday, March 26th: Holy Week Stations Adoration Stay tuned for time

Have a good week! ~Tracy

Got a suggestion? A question?

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