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December 8,
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Second Sunday of Advent

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MASS/LITURGY SCHEDULE

DAILY MASS

M,T,W 5pm, and Thursday 9am

WEEKEND MASS

SATURDAY VIGIL 5 PM

SUNDAY 10 AM ([livestream on YouTube](#))

SUNDAY 5 PM

FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE

CONCEPTION is a Holy Day of Obligation.

Monday Dec. 9 (moved from Sunday Dec. 8) Masses are at 12:15 ([livestream on YouTube](#)) and 5pm.

CONFESSION – The Sacrament of Reconciliation is available Saturdays at 4:15 PM.

CHRISTMAS/NEW YEAR MASSES

- Tuesday Dec. 24 at 8pm
- Wednesday Dec. 25 at 10am
- Wednesday Jan. 1 at 10am Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God (Holy Day of Obligation)

No Daily Mass Dec. 20- Jan 17 (except for Jan 1)
No Sunday 5pm Masses Dec. 22 and 29

MASS INTENTIONS

December 8 10am Mass: Joseph Rooney requested by Margaret 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. Forms are available in the C+CC hallway, online [here](#), or QR code below.

EVENTS OF INTEREST

ALL LEVEL GENTLE YOGA CLASS is Tuesday Dec. 10, 5:45-6:45pm at the C+CC.

WOMENS MORNING OF ADVENT

REFLECTION: Saturday, Dec. 14, we will gather from 9-11:30 in the C+CC for a time of prayer in this season of hope. All women are invited, coffee and tea will be provided. Please respond to Barb Musial musiab@sage.edu or 518-366-6381 or Sr. Chris Partisano at cpartisano@csjalbany.org by Thursday, Dec. 12.

NOTES

A HUGE THANKS to all who contributed to the RNF #GivingTuesday event that raised over \$5800! Your support for RPI students is appreciated. Forget to donate? That's ok -donate [here](#).

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](#), a hard copy form in the C+CC hallway, or QR code below.

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

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

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.)
- Donate through [PayPal here](#) or using the QR code below.
- **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 **Dec 7-8**. Thank you in advance for your generosity!

The greatest need for December is: tuna, canned chicken, beef stew, chunky soups, peanut butter, vegetable oil, coffee, tea, mac & cheese, laundry detergent, and dish soap.

MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

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

MUSIC MINISTRY: Singers and instrumentalists are invited to join the choir or serve as cantor at Masses. Choir rehearsals are held Mondays at 7PM in the C+CC. Please see Barb Musial after Mass, email musiab@sage.edu, or call 518-366-6381 for more information.

CHRISTMAS GIVING THROUGH THE PARISH: Each year, during this season of giving, our parish community supports Unity House with gifts of grocery store gift cards. To donate to this collection, please place Price Chopper or Hannaford Gift Cards in an envelope, with your name, address and "Christmas Giving" on the outside of the envelope. Cards can be placed in the collection basket, dropped off or mailed to the C+CC. Gift cards submitted with no identifying information will be considered anonymous.

FIGHT FAST FASHION: A group of RPI students are raising awareness of the unsustainable practices of fast fashion; from the harmful impacts on the environment and mental health, to efforts taken by many to fight against it. Please help them by donating no-longer needed clothes to the designated box in the C+CC main entrance between **Dec. 1-8**. Clothing will be donated to Unity House.

A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE by Bud Ozar

Today's gospel shows John the Baptist and parents have similar vocations. Like the Baptist, parents are asked to make "rough ways smooth" and to "prepare the way of the Lord" for their families. This Advent ask: "Does my life hinder or help my family to know Jesus?"

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday: Bar 5:1-9, Ps 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6., Phil 1:4-6, 8-11, Lk 3:1-6

Monday: Gn 3:9-15, 20, PS 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4, Eph 1:3-6, 11-12, Lk 1:26-38

Tuesday: Is 40:1-11, Ps 96:1-2, 3 and 10ac, 11-12, 13, Mt 18:12-14

Wednesday: Is 40:25-31, Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 8 and 10, Mt 11:28-30

Thursday: ZEC 2:14-17, JUDITH 13:18BCDE, 19, LK 1:26-38

Friday: Is 48:17-19, Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6, Mt 11:16-19

Saturday: Sir 48:1-4, 9-11, Ps 80:2ac and 3b, 15-16, 18-19, Mt 17:9a, 10-13

Sunday: Zep 3:14-18a, Is 12:2-3, 4, 5-6., Phil 4:4-7, Lk 3:10-18

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CELEBRATING 110 YEARS OF CATHOLIC ORGANIZATIONS AT RPI by Jim Hyde

The Troy Times.
MONDAY AFTERNOON, DEC. 14, 1914.

INSTITUTE NEWS.

Catholic Club Formed by Pupils—Its Officers—To Meet Four Times a Year—Section Club Meetings.

Yesterday afternoon an organization of the Catholic students of the Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute was formed under the name of the Catholic Club of the Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute. The membership consists of about seventy men, and an active campaign is to be waged for more members. Mgr. John Walsh, Rev. J. J. Dasey and Prof. Arthur de Pierpont were the principal speakers. Director Palmer C. Ricketts was unable to be present, but extended the newly-organized club his hearty indorsement through Professor de Pierpont as the faculty member. A constitution was adopted, and according to the plans made the club will hold four meetings a year. On Palm Sunday the members will approach holy communion in a body. The Institute has a great many Catholics among its student body, and the club promises to be one of the Institute's most active and worthy activities. The officers elected were as follows: President A. J. Oligschlager, '15, Louisville, Ky.; A. C. Gallagher, '15, Brooklyn, and J. McManua, '15, Brooklyn, Vice Presidents; W. L. Shahan, '16, Port Henry; Recording Secretary; C. J. Boland, '16, Troy; Corresponding Secretary; O. Lanterhahn, '17, New York city; Financial Secretary; Edward Wilhelm, '16, Defiance, Ohio, Treasurer; J. W. McIntyre, '18, Librarian; Prof. Arthur de Pierpont, Faculty Representative; Class Representatives, F. J. Flynn, Troy; J. McManua, Brooklyn, and P. J. Slattery, New York city; seniors, T. W. Hinchcliff, Waterbury, Conn; T. P. Ryan, New London, Conn., and R. J. Keays; Juniors, E. W. Koering, R. A. O'Hara and W. T. Mayer; sophomores, F. J. Carney, Utica; T. T. Coultry, Danmora, and O. P. Liebreich, New York, freshmen. The Membership Committee is composed of Professor Banks, T. J. Flynn, E. W. Koering, T. J. Carney, ex-Superintendent of Public Schools W. A. Dunne, Dr. M. Keenan, Dr. Z. Roussetau and William Hamil, '04. The committee on organization is composed of A. J. Oligschlager, P. J. Slattery, F. J. Flynn, Edward Wilhelm, E. W. Koering and A. C. Gallagher.

This December marks the 110th anniversary of the formal founding of an organization of Catholic students at Rensselaer.

According to some sources the Catholic community at RPI may be traced back to between 1906 and 1908. While the founding year is indefinite; all sources are consistent that Professor Arthur de Pierpont, who taught French at Rensselaer formed a group of Catholic students. No evidence of this early founding has been found in Troy newspapers, The Rensselaer Polytechnic or The Transit. The name of this organization is unknown.

What is known with certainty is that on December 13, 1914, The Catholic Club of the Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute was formally formed with about seventy members. Mgr. John J. Walsh and Rev. James J. Dasey were the religious founders. Msgr. Walsh was the Pastor of St. Peter's Church, (Fifth Ave. and Hutton St., now closed) and Fr. Dasey was the Assistant Pastor. The Catholic Club met at St. Peter's Lyceum (a young men's sodality [a Catholic fellowship]) at St. Peter's.

The Catholic Club was organized according to the constitution of the Rensselaer Union which at that time controlled "the athletic, religious, and social activities, The Polytechnic, and musical organizations of the student body." and was therefore a Union activity.

The Club had no physical space on campus and conducted its activities at church locations. There was a spiritual advisor (Dasey) and a faculty advisor (de Pierpont). In 1921 the Club was formally turned over to the St. Paul the Apostle parish (now closed). In 1926, the Catholic Club became The Rensselaer Newman Club when it joined the National Newman Club federation. In 1932, with the construction of the Union Club House (now the Lally Management Center), there was an on-campus office. The club was revitalized and completely reorganized by Fr. William Slavin who arrived in Fall 1936 and was the first to have the title Resident Catholic Chaplain.

Over the years there were several name changes until the current name of Newman Catholic Fellowship was adopted.