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December 21, 2025:

FOURTH SUNDAY OF
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MASS/LITURGY SCHEDULE

DAILY MASS

MONDAY-TUESDAY 5:00 PM

WEDNESDAY 9:00 AM

**No Daily Mass from Dec. 23 – Jan. 19

WEEKEND MASS

SATURDAY VIGIL 5:00 PM

SUNDAY 10:00 AM ([livestream on YouTube](#))

SUNDAY 5:00 PM

**No Sunday 5:00 PM Masses Dec. 21, Dec. 28 and Jan. 4.

CONFESSION – The Sacrament of Reconciliation is available Saturdays at 4:30 PM and by appointment.

CHRISTMAS/NEW YEAR MASSES

- **Wednesday Dec. 24** at 8:00 PM Vigil (Reception after Mass) ***Incense will be used during Vigil, those who have sensitivity please be advised.*
- **Thursday Dec. 25** at 10:00 AM
- **Thursday Jan. 1** at 10:00 AM Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God (Holy Day of Obligation)

MASS INTENTIONS

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 28 – 10 AM

Mass of Thanksgiving for Nomessi Family

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 the QR code below.

QR CODE FOR BULLETIN LINKS



CSJ CANONICAL ESTABLISHMENT

“In order to provide more effectively for the welfare of the university community of Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, Troy, New York, and to better enable the Catholic Community at the Institute to make a contribution to the life of the university, it has become advisable to establish a university parish.”

– **September 22, 1970**

COLLECTIONS

Your continued generosity is appreciated!
Here are ways to give...

- St. James School, Kalk Bay, South Africa – ongoing collection can be placed in the treasure chest in the C+CC entryway.
- Mail your collection envelope and/or your check **made payable to Christ Sun of Justice** or place in the collection basket.
- Donate online at rensselaernewman.org/give/ or use the QR code below.
- Donate via [PayPal here](#).

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Daily Readings may be found [here](#) and links below.

Sun, 12-21 [Isaiah 7:10-14/ Psalm 24:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/ Romans 1:1-7/ Matthew 1:18-24](#)

Mon, 12-22 [1 Samuel 1:24-28/ 1 Samuel 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd/ Luke 1:46-56](#)

Tues, 12-23 [Malachi 3:1-4, 23-24/ Psalm 25:4-5ab, 8-9, 10 and 14/ Luke 1:57-66](#)

Wed, 12-24 [Isaiah 62:1-5/ Psalm 89:4-5, 16-17, 27, 29./ Acts 13:16-17, 22-25/ Matthew 1:1-25](#)

Thurs, 12-25 [Isaiah 52:7-10/ Psalm 98:1, 2-3, 3-4, 5-6./ Hebrews 1:1-6/ John 1:1-18](#)

Fri, 12-26 [Acts 6:8-10; 7:54-59/ Psalm 31:3cd-4, 6 and 8ab, 16bc and 17/ Matthew 10:17-22](#)

Sat, 12-27 [1 John 1:1-4/ Psalm 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12/ John 20:1a and 2-8](#)

Sun, 12-28 [Sirach 3:2-6, 12-14/ Psalm 128:1-2, 3, 4-5./ Colossians 3:12-21 or 3:12-17/ Mt 2:13-15, 19-23](#)

A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE by Bud Ozar

The child born to Jesus and Mary was named Emmanuel, which means “God is with us.” Every child is EMMANUEL, reminding us “God is with us.” Children are signs of God’s continuing presence in our lives.

EVENTS OF INTEREST

PIANO RECITAL

Join us on Saturday, December 20 from 1:30 to 3:00 PM and listen to the talented students of Akina Yura perform their most recent works.

PIANO RECITAL

Join us on Sunday, December 21 from 1:30 to 3:00 PM and listen to the talented students of Julia Omelko perform their most recent works.

CSJ CHILDREN'S CHOIR (DROP OFF 12/21 and 12/24)

Join us for the CSJ Children's Choir rehearsal in preparation for Christmas Eve. The CSJ Children's Choir will rehearse:

- Sunday, December 21 from 9:00 – 9:30 AM (this is a drop-off event - please plan to pick up children at 9:30am.)
- Wednesday, December 24 from 7-7:20 PM (parents are encouraged to remain as carols begin at 7:30pm, children's performance will begin at 7:50 PM following the final rehearsal).

Please bring a personal water bottle. Snacks will be provided after rehearsal for any children attending Mass with their families. All children above the age of 3 and under the age of 13 of any musical instrument or experience are welcome.

We are looking for 1-2 parent volunteers to help with shepherding singers on 12/21 and 12/24.

UPCOMING HYMNS

DECEMBER 21, 2025

O Come O Come Emmanuel 39 v. 4-7
Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silent 207
It Came Upon a Midnight Clear 91
Come Thou Long Expected Jesus 42

DECEMBER 24, 2025

O Come, All Ye Faithful 102
Angels We Have Heard on High 109
Silent Night 84; Away in the Manger 80, What Child is This 101
Joy to the World 90

DECEMBER 25, 2025

O Come, All Ye Faithful 102
Angels We Have Heard On High 109
Silent Night 84; Away in the Manger 80; What Child Is This 101
Joy to the World 90

NOTES

CHRISTMAS EVE VIGIL

We will have special music of carols from 7:30 PM until Vigil Mass begins at 8:00 PM. There will be incense used during this Vigil for those who may have any sensitivity please be advised.

THANK YOU to Deb Smith for her help throughout the season and for the wonderful baked goods she and Holly Steciuk provided for Lessons & Carols. Sincere thanks as well to Grace Reale for organizing the student care packages, and to all of our Ministry Bakers for their generous time, talent, and donations in support of the student care packages.

C+CC CLOSURES – C+CC will be closed on Friday, December 26. The Chaplain's Office will be closed from December 24 through January 2 and will return to normal business hours on January 5.

MEMORIAL GIVING - Did you know that memorial gifts can be made to our parish in response to an obituary? These gifts serve as a meaningful tribute in honor of a loved one, while also supporting the mission of our parish. The parish will report any such gifts to the family so they may thank donors as well.

BULLETIN: Interested in receiving an electronic copy of the bulletin? Sign up [here](#) or QR code below. Have something that should be in the bulletin? Let Monica know at rokjem@rpi.edu

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.

LOW GLUTEN HOSTS (0.001% gluten) are available and approved for use in the Catholic Mass. If this amount is still a concern, please speak with the Mass coordinator or celebrant before Mass to arrange to receive the consecrated wine.

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.

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