

University Parish of **Christ Sun of Justice**

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18 April 2021 Third Sunday of Easter

PASTOR

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MASS/LITURGY SCHEDULE

SUNDAY 11 AM & 5 PM

Registration and Health Survey required

WEDNESDAY

Adoration and Confession 6-7 PM and again following 7 PM Mass.

LIVESTREAM

Sunday 11 AM Mass: www.chapelandculturalcenter.net/mass for Our Lady of Victory livestream (M-F 8:30 AM & Sunday 9:45 AM) and other Diocese livestreams: www.rcda.org/livemass

MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

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

SANITIZERS ARE NEEDED: The role of a Sanitizer is to clean chairs and other surfaces after the 11:00 AM Mass and clean other areas as needed. If this is something that may interest you, please contact Rogerio Rodrigues at csi.ministry.scheduler@gmail.com

MISSION STATEMENT

Empowered by the Holy Spirit, we proclaim we are God's people under the banner of The University Parish of Christ Sun of Justice. Through our words and actions, the Good News of Christ Jesus is announced here at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute: students, staff, faculty, alumni, and local community members. As God's people on a spiritual journey, we are committed to lifelong learning, integrating faith with arts, science and technology. In addition, we endeavor to manifest justice and charity called for by our faith to make real the presence of a loving Christ, here and wherever we find ourselves.

VISION STATEMENT

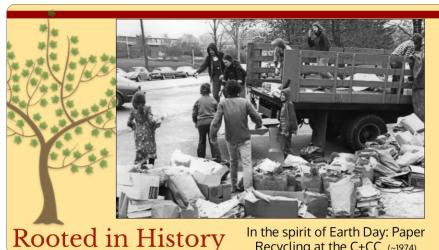
The University Parish of Christ Sun of Justice Responding to God's love through servant leadership, a diverse welcoming community.

EVENTS OF INTEREST

TUESDAY, APR 20 7 PM Zoom Pastoral Council Meeting

SUNDAY, APR 25

You are invited to attend the next Zoom meeting of Women of Christ Sun of Justice at 8 PM. For questions or further information, contact *Kate Tozzi*. We hope you can join us!



numerous to count.

Recycling at the C+CC (~1974)

A MESSAGE FROM FR. PATTERSON

THERE IS AN APPOINTED TIME FOR EVERYTHING.... we read in the Book of Ecclesiastes, and that means for me there is a time for retirement. The short time I have spent with you as your pastor have been filled with joy and growth for me. I am grateful for the opportunity to assist you in the challenges of this past year. I never felt as though I were ministering alone. Christ Sun of Justice is blessed with faith-filled, responsible and cooperative ministers at every turn and so many of you who are extraordinarily generous with your time, talent and treasure. I am deeply grateful for your strong witness that has kept us moving forward during this difficult year. My last Mass will be at Our Lady of Victory on May 30th, the 51st anniversary of my ordination. This move will happen because the Church expects that we will retire at age 75. I must admit that I have pushed the envelope in this regard. I will turn 76 this year. I am looking forward to a new venture at St. Clement's Parish in Saratoga with a friend and pastor there, Fr. James Ebert and hopefully an associate yet to be appointed. It is one of the largest parishes in our diocese. I hope to be helpful with the celebration of masses and the sacraments as well as pastoral care in the local hospital and nursing homes. Until May 30th, I remain here, active as in the past and available for whatever your pastoral needs are. Bishop Scharfenberger will be appointing an interim team at OLV, consisting of an administrator and a priest to assist with masses and sacraments and the overall administration of the parish. A new pastor will be appointed after the interim team finishes the review of our parish needs. I am mindful that you have recently gone through planning and review of your needs a little over a year ago. Much of this information will be available to the interim team. Thank you for your many kindnesses, too

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.
- Place in the collection basket by the church doors at Mass.
- Make an <u>online donation</u> ("Mass donation" in the comments section.)

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday: Third Sunday of Easter:

Acts 3:13-15, 17-19; Jn 2:1-5a; Lk 24:35-48.

Monday: Acts 6:8-15; Jn 6:22-29. Tuesday: Acts 7:51-8:1a; Jn 6:30-35. Wednesday: Acts 8:1b-8; Jn 6:35-40. Thursday: Acts 8:26-40; Jn 6:44-51. Friday: Acts 9:1-20; Jn 6:52-59. Saturday: Acts 9:31-42; Jn 6:60-69.

Sunday: Acts 4:8-12; Jn 3:1-2; Jn 1:11-18.



"I'm a 2004 RPI graduate, 3rd generation in my family to attend. And I am honored to be recently appointed as a CSJ Trustee."

Favorite C+CC experiences:

"Seeing my daughters, Mackenzie and Fiammetta, baptized."



Tom Reale '04

WE are Church

NOTES

TRUSTEE NEWS

Paul Kraus has stepped down as a CSJ trustee and Tom Reale has agreed to take on that position. Fr. Patterson and the diocese have approved this transition. We both welcome Tom, and thank Paul for his service. Paul has served faithfully during a difficult time for our parish and his insight and expertise has been invaluable. We are most grateful that he will continue to assist our parish, as needed.

FROM THE PARISH TRUSTEES:

The parish has been advised by the diocese that Father Sam Bellafiore will remain at OLV/OLS/CSJ at least for the foreseeable future and that, in all probability, a retired priest will be available on the weekends so we do not expect any change in our Mass schedule at this time.

WINE TASTING

Remember our friends from O-neh-da/Eagle Crest Vineyards from past years wine tasting events? They are traveling in our direction from the Finger Lakes in mid-May and we are currently setting up details for delivery and a possible virtual wine tasting. So get out your favorites list from years past and look for more details in the coming weeks!

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A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE by Bud Ozar

The apostles were afraid of Jesus until he ate with them and they touched him. In your family the ordinary acts of eating together, touching, embracing not only confirm our love for each other, but also celebrate God's presence in your family. These "ordinary" moments contain the "Extraordinary."

ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.



~Campus Connection~



SPIRITUAL SEEDS

by Tracy Watson, Student Spiritual Advisor

View Tracy's 1-minute Spiritual Seeds video clips here

First to be removed was the roof structures followed by the walls. Then the concrete foundations were jack-hammered, and the pieces carted away. Eventually even the road itself was torn up so that the underground stanchions, the roots if you will, could be removed. Then after some smoothing over of the area, patches of new asphalt were laid and allowed to cure.

It has been fascinating to witness the dismantling of Thruway toll booths on my way to work this week, and I have increasingly wondered if it might provide us with an apt analogy for getting to the roots of our systemic prejudices and the like...And what it would take for each of us to undergo our own "dismantling process". Might the end result be seeing with "Easter eyes" as Jesus does?

Oh Jesus, "soften my gaze so that I view others with the kind of tenderness and compassion you showed to so many."* Amen

[*excerpt from "A Prayer for Easter Eyes" by William Sadlier] Have a good week. ~Tracy (spiritual.advisorccc@gmail.com)

NEWMAN CATHOLIC FELLOWSHIP

by Megan Adam

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As the Easter season continues, we reflect on scripture that describes the acts and teachings of Jesus' disciples later in their lives.

Enlivened by the Holy Spirit, they became the forerunners of our faith, teaching the story of Jesus, his destiny for the Cross, and also how His promises apply to all believers. What a powerful realization this can be, that anyone who believes and lives to follow God and His teachings can come to know the Father's love! As St. John reminds us: "The way we may be sure that we know him is to keep his commandments. Those who say, "I know him," but do not keep his commandments are liars, and the truth is not in them. But whoever keeps his word, the love of God is truly perfected in him." (1 Jn 2:3-5). This week, let us be mindful of God's goodness and faithfulness to us and the whole world. May we strive to follow the advice of St. John to live as disciples of the one true God.

The Newman Club continues to hold our virtual rosary nights, as well as small group discussions on biblical characters, themes, and scripture. Please reach out with any questions!

COLLEGE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL #13635

by Andy Bouffard

Our mission: Grow in our love for Jesus and have fun doing it. Being a Knight is a great honor and a great way to spread your faith. Recently, two of our Brother Knights advanced to the Third Degree and more advancement opportunities are coming up. Join us and Newman Catholic Fellowship for online Rosary Knight every Monday at 8pm! (Reach out for the Webex link). If you are curious about the Knights of Columbus and what we do, or if you think you might be interested in becoming a College Knight please contact Andy at bouffa @rpi.edu