



University Parish of Christ Sun of Justice

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8 August 2021

19th Sunday in
Ordinary Time

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PASTOR

Fr. Tom Morrette, Pastor
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WELCOME

We welcome Fr. Tom Morrette as our shared Pastor with Our Lady of Victory and Our Lady of the Snow. While Fr. Larry Rice will be saying our Masses, Fr. Morrette will oversee pastoral duties. We also welcome Fr. Nathaniel Resila as Parochial Vicar who will be assisting Fr. Morrette.

MASS/LITURGY SCHEDULE

SUNDAY 11 AM & 5 PM

Health Survey required for non-vaccinated

LIVESTREAM

Sunday 11 AM Mass
www.chapelandculturalcenter.net/mass

To view other Diocese livestreams, visit: www.rcda.org/livemass

CHANGE IN MASS TIMES

The **Mass schedule is changing effective August 21**. Masses will be at 5 PM on Saturday and at 10 AM and 5 PM on Sunday. Daily Mass will be at 5 PM, Monday through Thursday.

CONFESSION

The Sacrament of Reconciliation is available by arrangement with Fr. Larry at chaplain@rpi.edu.

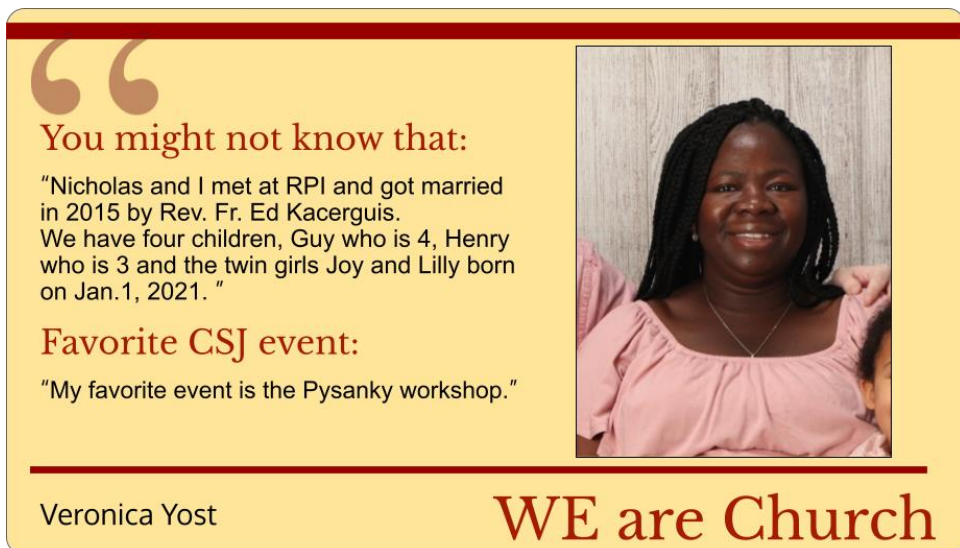
IMPORTANT REMINDER

If you are not fully vaccinated, including children aged 2 to 12, you must wear a mask, fill out and turn in a completed health survey form, and maintain social distancing at all times when attending Mass.

EVENTS OF INTEREST

SUNDAY, AUGUST 8

Coffee hour following the 11 AM & 5 PM Masses



You might not know that:

"Nicholas and I met at RPI and got married in 2015 by Rev. Fr. Ed Kacerguis. We have four children, Guy who is 4, Henry who is 3 and the twin girls Joy and Lilly born on Jan.1, 2021."

Favorite CSJ event:

"My favorite event is the Pysanky workshop."

Veronica Yost

WE are Church

MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

Matthew 10:8 "Freely you have received; freely give."

Coffee Hour – We are continuing to have coffee hour after both the 11 AM and 5 PM Masses each Sunday. Plan to stay and catch up with old friends and meet some new ones! These are simple affairs: coffee, tea and some goodies after the morning Mass. After the 5 PM Mass, lemonade, iced tea and snacks. We need help making this happen each week. Please volunteer by contacting Mary Crangle Nagy at (518) 439-5547 or cranglemary@gmail.com. Don't be intimidated. It's not difficult and assistance will be provided.

A SPECIAL THANK YOU to all who helped! It makes a difference!

Soup Kitchen Coordinator - Our Parish is searching for a coordinator to ensure that the above bakers have the info they need and that spots are filled. No baking necessary! Please call our temporary coordinator: Fran Hyde at (518) 271-7030 for details.

Welcome Picnic Volunteers/Planners Needed - We are looking for ideas and volunteers for the Welcome Picnic scheduled for September 5th at 6 PM. This is a great event to not only welcome new and returning students to CSJ but our first opportunity to welcome back the entire CSJ Community to gather together once again. Please contact Traci Griffin (tagriffi@gmail.com) if you are interested in joining in the planning or volunteering for this great event or perhaps have an idea for an ice breaker or game.

Monday, August 16 - Catholic Charities Food Distribution at Metropolitan Church, 105 2nd Street, Albany. Email: volunteer@ccrcda.org. To view all Food distribution sites, click [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.)
- This week, Food for the Hungry Collection – **monetary donations payable to Unity House or Bethany Center** OR donate non-perishable food items for the OLS Food Pantry.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday: 1 Kgs 19:4-8; Eph 4:30-5:2; Jn 6:41-51.
Monday: Dt 10:12-22; Mt 17:22-27.
Tuesday: Cor 9:6-10; Jn 12:24-26.
Wednesday: Dt 34:1-12; Mt 18:15-20 see 619: Phil 3:8-14; Mt 19:27-29.
Thursday: Jos 3:7-10a, 11, 13-17; Mt 18:21-19:1.
Friday: Jos 24:1-13; Mt 19:3-12.
Saturday: Jos 24:14-29; Mt 19:13-15 see 620A: Wis 3:1-9 or 1 Jn 3:14-18; Jn 15:12-16.
Sunday: The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab; Cor 15:20-27; Lk 1:39-56.



Rooted in History Group meeting in the Lounge

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.

C+CC NEWS

In the Gallery: Silk Horizons *by Arlene Baker*
Arlene creates her mixed media paintings using gouache paint, paper, glue, foam core board, archival tape, household pins and many layers of see-thru silk. She uses this assemblage to create "horizons" that many people view as landscapes.

A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE, By Bud Ozar

"Stop murmuring" Jesus told the disciples in today's gospel. Complaining is a dead-end and constant complaining is nagging. We might feel better, but others feel bitter. Silence or grumbling will not resolve the problem. Address differences honestly and respectfully. Don't make them personal attacks.

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, RPI Associate Catholic Chaplain spiritual.advisorCCC@gmail.com

How can I keep from Singing!

Thank you each for your inquiries about becoming involved in the life of our parish community!! Yes, yes, for those of us interested in music ministry, reach out to our Director of Music Barbara Musial, musiab@sage.edu.

What about event planning for the **Welcome Picnic**? Contact Traci Griffin tagriffi@gmail.com for more information on how you can become involved!

And Fran Hyde is the person to reach out to regarding the **Soup Kitchen** Coordinator ministry: you may reach her at [\(518\)271-7030](tel:(518)271-7030).

Thank you all for desiring to grow our parish faith community!

COLLEGE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL #13635

by Andy Bouffard bouffa@rpi.edu

All RPI students are welcome to join the Knights and Newman Catholic Fellowship for online Rosary Knight every Wednesday at 8pm! (Email me for the Webex link). If you are curious about the Knights of Columbus and

Newman Catholic Fellowship please feel free to join the Discord

at: <https://discord.gg/YxZNkDnTzV> where we chat and send announcements. Our council is currently looking for a new Financial Secretary (Financial Secretary cannot be a current RPI student). If you or anyone you know might be interested in becoming involved with the council in this role, please

NEWMAN CATHOLIC FELLOWSHIP

by Megan Adam adammm2@rpi.edu

Reflecting on this week's readings for mass and also my own life, the theme of nourishment has arisen, in multiple contexts. In the first reading this weekend, Elijah is physically and spiritually drained; he doubts his abilities to pursue God's mission for him and compares himself to his fathers before him (quite an easy thing to do, even in the times before Christ!). Nonetheless, an angel visits him with a meal to maintain his strength, as a sign of God's confidence in him. In St.

Paul's letter to the Ephesians, the prophet underscores virtues of compassion, kindness, and forgiveness as those which will sustain us in this life and the next. In John's gospel, Jesus presents the ultimate source of nourishment: himself. Both physical and spiritual nourishment are interdependent in Jesus; to eat this bread of God himself, we not only receive Eucharist at mass, but also honor the commandments and live our lives as selfless imitators of God. As we attend mass this weekend, I'd like to encourage us to reflect on the ways in which we receive spiritual nourishment and thank God for it. I have certainly noticed a difference in my heart and mind on the days I attend mass and am truly grateful for it. Updates for the Newman Club will be posted here and also throughout our social media platforms. Feel free to reach out with any questions!

FR. LARRY RICE, CSP



From Fr. Larry

As we slide into August, what we had all hoped would look like a return to a mostly-normal life is looking a lot more tenuous. We haven't managed to beat the COVID-19 virus, and the Delta variant is much more contagious than previous strains. There's talk about "breakthrough" infections among vaccinated people, and vaccine hesitancy keeps us from reaching the levels of immunization we need to emerge from this long crisis. At the same time, vaccination rates around the world are sufficiently low that more variants will certainly emerge. It's demoralizing. We're all so tired of this!

And yet, through all of this we may be rediscovering a traditional Catholic value that has seemed unpopular in recent years: the common good. This keystone of Catholic Social Teaching tells us that there are some goods, and some values, that only exist when they are shared. We are only protected from the on-going pandemic when we are all protected (or more accurately, most of us). We can only assist the poor and marginalized when we work through shared social structures—including a functioning government. We can only address the problems of racism and injustice when we are willing to look at systems as well as individual attitudes and behaviors.

To work toward the common good is part of our calling as a Christian community. As the Catechism says, "The common good is always oriented towards the progress of persons: 'The order of things must be subordinate to the order of persons, and not the other way around.' This order is founded on truth, built up in justice, and animated by love." (CCC 1912)

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