



THE UNIVERSITY PARISH OF CHRIST SUN OF JUSTICE

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2021

Fourth Sunday of
Advent

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MASS/LITURGY SCHEDULE

DAILY MASS

MONDAY – THURSDAY 5 PM

Daily Mass will be suspended from Dec 27 through Jan 6 due to RPI break.

WEEKEND MASS

Friday, Dec 24: 10 PM
Saturday, Dec 25: 10 AM
Sunday, Dec 26: 10 AM
Sunday, Jan 2: 10 AM

LIVESTREAM

Each Mass livestream at:
<https://www.facebook.com/ChristSunofJustice/live/>

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

Confession - The Sacrament of Reconciliation is available on Saturdays, from 3:30 – 4:30 PM or by arrangement with Fr. Larry at chaplain@rpi.edu.

MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

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

WEDNESDAY, DEC 22

All are welcome to help decorate the Chapel for the Christmas season after the 5 PM daily Mass.

CSJ Enrollment –Membership forms are available in the hallway, or email Christine and she can mail one to you. You can also scan the QR code to submit your parish membership form. Either way of enrolling is welcome!



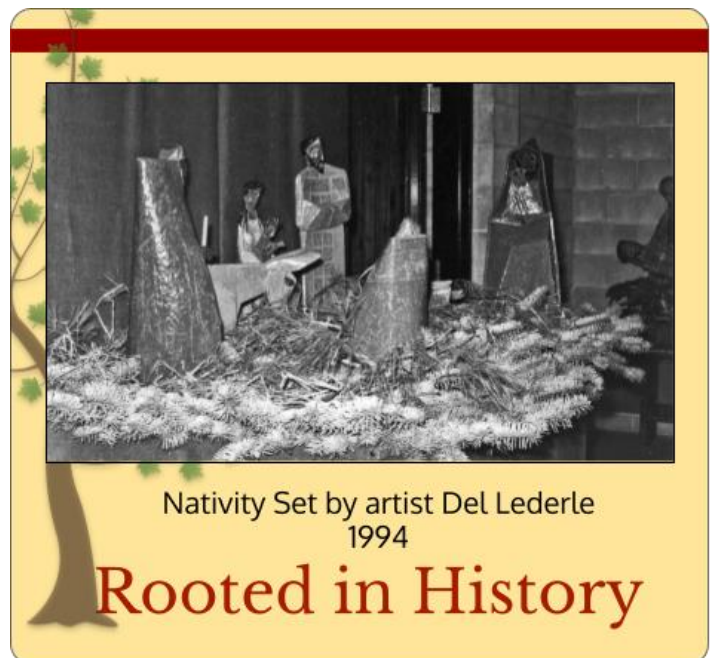
EVENTS OF INTEREST

DEC 18 & 19

All are welcome to attend Coffee Hour (hosted by the Pastoral Council) after all Masses.

SUNDAY, DEC 19

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!



NOTES

HYMNALS are available. Please listen to the cantor who will announce the hymn numbers.

Please continue to wear a mask that fully covers your mouth and nose at all times in the C+CC and maintain social distancing. If you are not fully vaccinated you must also fill out a Health Survey.

LECTOR BOOKS are still available. If you are a lector, these are most helpful to practice your reading with. Please see the Mass coordinator to get a copy. If you are able, we are asking for a donation of \$15 to cover the cost.

FAREWELL DIANE Waters! We wish Diane all the best as she departs from the CSJ, RNF, and Chaplains office Administrative Assistant position. We thank her immensely for her many years of service and we wish her well at her new venture.

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.)

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday: Mi 5:1-4a; Ps 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19.; Heb 10:5-10; Lk 1:39-45

Monday: Is 7:10-14, 24:1-2, 3-4ab, 5-6, Lk 1:26-38

Tuesday: Sg 2:8-14, 33:2-3, 11-12, 20-21, Lk 1:39-45

Wednesday: 1 Sm 1:24-28, 1 Samuel 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd, Lk 1:46-56

Thursday: Mal 3:1-4, 23-24, 25:4-5ab, 8-9, 10 and 14, Lk 1:57-66

Friday: 2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16, 89:2-3, 4-5, 27 and 29, Lk 1:67-79

Saturday: Is 9:1-6, Ps 96: 1-2, 2-3, 11-12, 13., Ti 2:11-14, Lk 2:1-14

Sunday: Sir 3:2-6, 12-14, Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5., Col 3:12-21 or 3:12-17, Lk 2:41-52



You might not know that:

"My eyes change color! Most of the time they're a grayish color, but they alternate between that, blue, and sometimes a dark green."

My Favorite CSJ activity:

"I absolutely love cantoring at Mass! I really love singing hymns, so getting to lead the congregation in worship every week is such a gift for me."



Natalie Young '24

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CHRISTMAS GIVING THROUGH THE PARISH

Each year, during this season of giving, our community supports Unity House through the gifts of Price Chopper Gift Cards. To donate to this collection, please place the Price Chopper Gift Card in an envelope, with your name, address and "Christmas Giving" on the outside of the envelope. Cards can be placed in the collection basket on Sunday or mailed in. Gift cards submitted with no identifying information will be considered anonymous.

A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE by Bud Ozar

Mary was excited about her first pregnancy and rushed to tell her cousin. Sadly, children are often seen as a liability, "another mouth to feed" or an "obstacle to my career." It is said "Christmas is for children." It is more accurate to say, "Christmas is for adults to appreciate the gift of children!"

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

Upcoming student performances at the C+CC:

Sunday, Dec 19, 2:00 PM – Student Recital



~Campus Connection~

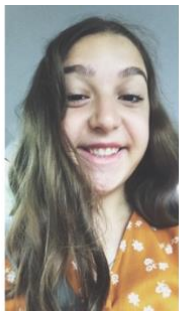


SPIRITUAL SEEDS

by **Tracy Watson, RPI Associate Catholic Chaplain**
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Advent: Stepping Beyond and the Light of Christ

This week I will take the opportunity here and now to thank our University parish cookie bakers, note writers, and care package assemblers: because of your dedication and willingness to step beyond yourselves, we were able to put together 50 end of semester care packages for our students! Each contained homemade cookies, microwave popcorn, chocolate bars, a RPI ornament, a small orange, and a note of encouragement. Thank you for shining the Light of Christ wherever you go- and especially for our students! Know I am praying for you all blessings and graces this fourth and final week of Advent.
~Tracy



NEWMAN CATHOLIC FELLOWSHIP by **Megan Adam** adamm2@rpi.edu

For each of us, there is a certain setting where we feel most apt to listen. During this past year, this place in which I've grown to love listening is on car rides. Being away from RPI's campus this semester, I've been taking a design studio course at NJIT and also working a part-time internship at a local architecture firm. Averaging around 4.5 hours each week in the car driving to school and work, I've had the opportunity to listen in depth to a podcast that takes listeners throughout the entire Bible in a Year. Getting into this routine of beginning my podcast once I began my drive always gave me something to look forward to, giving me the mentality that this is my time to listen to what God has to say. One of my favorite reflections and corresponding readings to date this year came from this past week, as Fr. Mike Schmitz guides listeners through St. Paul's letter to the Philippians. The manner of St. Paul's writing is truly remarkable; I'd highly recommend reading through some of his letters. His zeal for the Gospel and self-denial is close to unmatched. It was the words of Paul's letter to the Philippians Chapter 1 and Fr. Mike's reflection on one episode, entitled "Holy Indifference", which captivated my attention and drew me to listen twice. This virtue of indifference, coined "Apatheia" by Fr. Mike, equivalates to both saying and living out, "I'm indifferent to whatever the Lord wants," no matter the circumstance. We're given the perfect example of Holy Indifference in St. Paul himself: "I eagerly expect and hope that I will in no way be ashamed, but will have sufficient courage so that now as always Christ will be exalted in my body, whether by life or by death. For to me, to live is Christ and to die is gain" (1:20-21).



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 contact me!



FR. LARRY RICE, CSP

To the right is a link for the Paulist Fathers' online "Christmas Card" happening next week. It's a chance for you to get to know the Paulist Fathers a little better. Should be a lot of fun, too!

Father Larry Rice may be contacted at chaplain@rpi.edu.

2nd Annual
A PAULIST FAMILY CHRISTMAS CARD
Wednesday, December 22
8:30 p.m. Eastern
7:30 p.m. Central
6:30 p.m. Mountain
5:30 p.m. Pacific

An online program with Christmas greetings, music, prayer and more!

Watch at our Facebook page, YouTube channel or at: paulist.org/Christmas

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