




THE UNIVERSITY PARISH OF CHRIST SUN OF JUSTICE

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20 February
2022:

7th Sunday
Ordinary Time

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MASS/LITURGY SCHEDULE

DAILY MASS

MONDAY – THURSDAY 5 PM
No Mass on Monday Feb. 21

WEEKEND MASS

SATURDAY VIGIL 5 PM
SUNDAY 10 AM & 5 PM

LIVESTREAM

SUNDAY 10 AM Mass livestream at:
<https://www.facebook.com/ChristSunofJustice/live/>

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

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

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.)
- St. James School, Kalk Bay, South Africa – ongoing collection can be placed in the treasure chest in the C+CC entryway.
- Thank you to all that contributed to the food pantry collection last weekend – it was a huge success!

EVENTS OF INTEREST

THURSDAY FEB 24

Pastoral Council zoom meeting 7PM. [Zoom link](#)

SUNDAY FEB 27

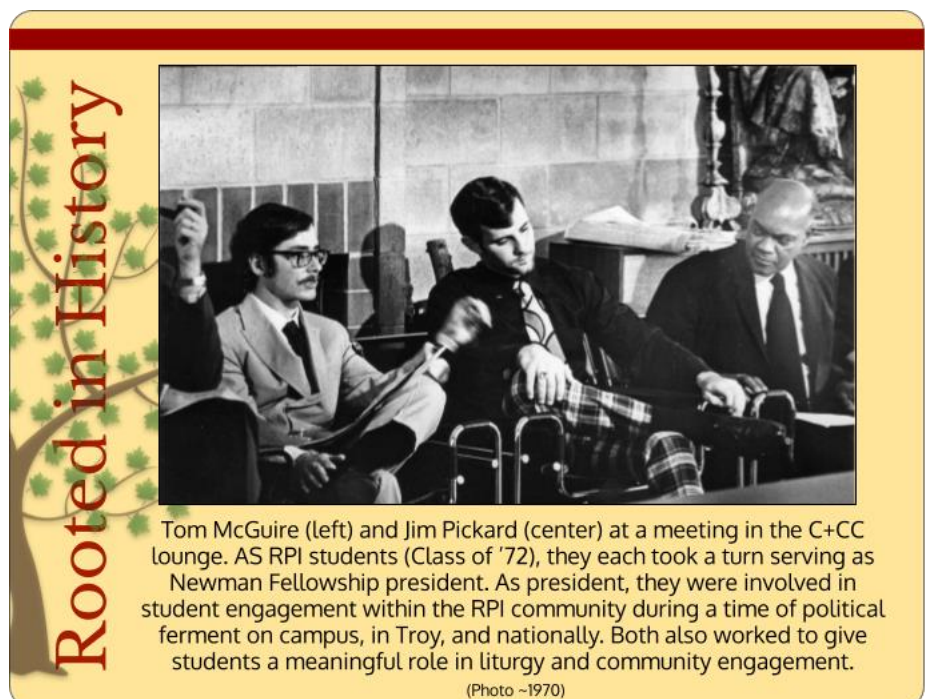
You are invited to attend the next Zoom meeting of Women of Christ Sun of Justice Church at 8 pm. The topic of our meeting will be "Inclusivity." We hope you can join us! [Zoom link](#)

WEDNESDAY MARCH 2

Ash Wednesday Masses at 12:10, 5 and 7PM

THURSDAY MARCH 3

9:30-3:30 Red Cross Blood drive at the C+CC. [Register here.](#)



Tom McGuire (left) and Jim Pickard (center) at a meeting in the C+CC lounge. AS RPI students (Class of '72), they each took a turn serving as Newman Fellowship president. As president, they were involved in student engagement within the RPI community during a time of political ferment on campus, in Troy, and nationally. Both also worked to give students a meaningful role in liturgy and community engagement.

(Photo ~1970)

MASS INTENTIONS

SUNDAY FEB 20 10AM MASS – in memory of:
Lawrence Sohasky by Dee & Dave Dziejulski

WEDNESDAY FEB 23 5PM MASS – in memory of:
Stephanie M. Dziejulski by Dee & Dave Dziejulski

SUNDAY FEB 27 10AM MASS – in memory of:
Michael J. Dziejulski by Dee & Dave Dziejulski

MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

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

CATHOLIC CHARITIES Drive through food distribution:
Feb. 22 at the Watervliet High School, 1245 Hillside Dr.
Watervliet. Volunteer and food pick up info [here.](#)



You might not know that:

Bob was a research chemist at NYS Wadsworth labs. A Union College graduate, he did postdoctoral research in the RPI chemistry department.

Terry is a physician and practiced hospital consulting, Infectious Diseases, and communicable disease control for the government for a long time. She is a '68 graduate of RPI.

The C+CC has been an intermittent part of their lives since 1968.



Terry and Bob Briggs

WE are Church

NOTES

GIRL SCOUT COOKIE BOOTH – Troop 1303 of Troy will be selling Girl Scout cookies after the 10AM Mass on Sunday Feb 20. \$5-6/box. There will also be a basket to donate cookies to the OLS Food Pantry.

PRESIDENTS DAY is Monday Feb. 21. The C+CC will be closed and no daily Mass.

THANK YOU– Diane Waters sent a note of thanks to the Parish for the gifts and the words of support and encouragement. She looks forward to crossing paths again with all the friends that she made here.

MASKS must continue to be worn and social distance maintained at the C+CC given the current guidelines in place at RPI and by the CDC. If you are not fully vaccinated you must also fill out a **Health Survey**.

UKRAINIAN EASTER EGG WORKSHOP (i.e. *Pysanky*) – As part of your Lenten preparation, learn about and how to make these special ancient symbols of Easter. Christine Relyea will lead the workshop on Saturday, March 12 from 9- 2:00 at the C+CC. You need only bring yourselves to the program. Lunch will be available along with beverages throughout the day. To cover expenses, we request a \$20 donation (free for RPI students). Enrollment is limited so please register asap: email Christine at crelyea28@gmail.com or call or text: 724-316-6664.

A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE by Bud Ozar

In studying the effects of religion upon family relationships, researchers inform us hostility and prayer can't coexist. You cannot be hostile toward someone for whom you are praying. Today's gospel encourages us: "Bless those who curse you. Pray for those who treat you badly."

C+CC NEWS

LENTEN SPEAKER SERIES

5:30 PM Mass / Potluck Dinner / 7 PM Speaker

MAR 9 *Fr. Ricky Manalo, CSP*

MAR 16 *Br. Mickey McGrath, OSFS*

MAR 23 *Nora Bradbury-Haehl*

MAR 30 Communal Penance Service

APR 6 *Fr. Ron Franco, C.S.P.*

CALL FOR ARTISTS

The C+CC has an open call for artists to present their works on display at the C+CC Gallery. All forms of Art: Painting, Sculpture, Mixed Media, and Photography are considered. The booking process is arranged by contacting Kevin at the C+CC Office 518-274-7793 or by email: krolik2@rpi.edu. Exhibits are booked in two-month intervals and we are looking to fill the Fall 2022 and Spring 2023 schedule.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday: 1 Sm 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23, Ps 103:1-4, 8, 10, 12-13, 1 Cor 15:45-49, Lk 6:27-38

Monday: Jas 3:13-18, 19:8, 9, 10, 15, Mk 9:14-29

Tuesday: 1 Pt 5:1-4, 23:1-3a, 4-6, Mt 16:13-19

Wednesday: Jas 4:13-17, 49:2-3, 6-11, Mk 9:38-40

Thursday: Jas 5:1-6, 49:14-15a-d, 16-20, Mk 9:41-50

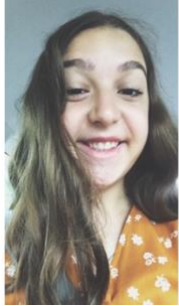
Friday: Jas 5:9-12, 103:1-4, 8-9, 11-12, Mk 10:1-12

Saturday: Jas 5:13-20, 141:1-2, 3 and 8, Mk 10:13-16

Sunday: Sir 27:4-7, Ps 92:2-3, 13-16, 1 Cor 15:54-58, Lk 6:39-45



~Campus Connection~



NEWMAN CATHOLIC FELLOWSHIP

by **Megan Adam** adamm2@rpi.edu

This week's Gospel presents us with some of the most essential advice we can be given as Catholics; sometimes deemed as "Jesus' hardest teaching," Luke 6:27-38 humbles us in a way few words can. A commandment of love, our Savior does not say that we must become best friends with those who we struggle with; rather, the decree "to love our enemies" encompasses growing in concern and forgiveness toward them. The next piece of advice offered by Jesus, "to pray for those who mistreat you," can help us begin this journey and development of forgiveness. Building upon this idea of humility, we've been taught to give and not always expect something in return. Why does Jesus call us to live in this way? Because in Him, as Catholics, we're meant to stand out. To be imitators of Christ is one of the greatest goals we can set for ourselves. As we're reminded in the reading, when we have this mindset, "[we] will be children of the Most High, for he himself is kind to the ungrateful and wicked." When we might feel downtrodden or frustrated by the manners of others, let us remember the reason that we should be merciful is because God himself is merciful.

Stay tuned to the bulletin and announcements at Mass for upcoming events and gatherings. Have a great week everyone!



COLLEGE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL #13635

by **Andy Bouffard** bouffa@rpi.edu

By Patrick E. Kelly, Supreme Knight

"Flowing from the Year of St. Joseph declared by Pope Francis, and inspired by his apostolic letter *Patris Corde*, comes our Pilgrim Icon Program in honor of St. Joseph [2021-2023]."

St. Joseph carried out his mission of raising, guarding and preparing Christ quietly, courageously and faithfully. For that faithful work, St. Joseph was rewarded — not with seeing the fruits of his labor in this life, but with the incomparable prize of glory in heaven.

This beautiful icon is housed at St. Joseph's Oratory in Montréal, Canada's preeminent Shrine to St. Joseph, founded by St. André Bessette. The original is written (prayerfully painted) by Elizabeth Bergeron [SJSH] from a drawing by famed iconographer Alexandre Sobolev. In the image, St. Joseph stands with his eyes cast humbly down, but with a determined strength in his face. In his covered arm he bears the Child Jesus, whose own hand is raised, blessing the world. In his right arm, St. Joseph holds a flowering staff, a sign that he was chosen by God. The white lilies of the staff signify his purity and chastity.

Taken together, the icon provides a window into the life and mission of this courageous father, a man who was one of us and yet called to a mission of incomparable significance. Our world desperately needs men and women of courage. But in a particular way, it needs courageous fathers — men willing to stand up and to carry out their own mission of protecting, defending and raising future generations. It needs men willing to risk it all, in order to offer the world Jesus. In short, our world needs men in the model of St. Joseph." St. Joseph, pray for us.



SPIRITUAL SEEDS

by Tracy Watson, RPI Associate Catholic Chaplain

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02/18/22

Essential Question: Where/when during our faith community's liturgy, our Mass, do you hear God speaking to you?

During the Scripture readings? The homily? Or maybe during the Prayers of the Faithful? Perhaps during the announcements? Possibly its a lyric of one of our worship songs that grabs you.

As we round the corner of Ordinary Time and head towards the season of Lent, be on the lookout for where and how you experience God speaking directly to you. Have a good week.

~Tracy

Upcoming Events

Tuesday, Feb 15th: Bible Study @7pm

Tuesday, March 1st: Shrove Tuesday Pancakes after Mass

FR. LARRY RICE, CSP



As I walk through the Chapel + Cultural Center gallery space, I see lots of small framed "We Are Church" blocks, in which parishioners introduce themselves, and share what they most love about Christ Sun of Justice parish. But I've also noticed that many of these photos are of people I haven't met in the ten months I've been here.

I wonder where these folks are. Are they staying away because of on-going pandemic fears of contagion? Do they have unvaccinated kids and don't want them exposed? Are they tired-- or angry-- about our continuing request to remain masked? Are they joining our Sunday live-stream? Have they given up? And how many more people, whose pictures aren't in the gallery, are also not returning to Mass? It's hard to have this conversation with people who aren't here.

We maintain a count of Mass attendance every Sunday, and the numbers are trending upwards, slowly. We still see lots of empty seats, and I wonder if we're doing enough to invite people to come back. It's a great thing to see so many RPI students at Mass and participating in our liturgical ministries! But there's still a feeling of diminishment: we don't have enough children to sustain a religious ed. program or children's Liturgy of the Word; no catechumens will be baptized at Easter this year.

As we start to come out of the pandemic, I think we need to be intentional about inviting people back. If you have friends and neighbors who haven't been to Mass in a long time, perhaps you could invite them to return. And if you're reading this and you've been away for a while, please know how much you're missed. I'd love to meet you!

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