




THE UNIVERSITY PARISH OF CHRIST SUN OF JUSTICE

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6 February
2022:

5th Sunday
Ordinary Time

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MASS/LITURGY SCHEDULE

DAILY MASS

MONDAY – THURSDAY 5 PM

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.

NOTES

MEMORIAL MASS INTENTIONS - Please keep in your prayers those enrolled in January: Steven Sohasky, Jean Supernault, and Tom Tilston. They will be remembered at all Masses this weekend.

*Please see Fr. Larry's Campus Connection section in *last weeks bulletin* for changes to the Memorial Mass process.*

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**.

If **INCLEMENT WEATHER** causes Mass to be cancelled, the C+CC phone voicemail message (518-274-7793) will announce the cancellation at least an hour and a half before Mass. Please also check your television for closing announcements. If OLV cancels Mass, we will also cancel Mass.

EVENTS OF INTEREST

SATURDAY/SUNDAY, FEB 5-6

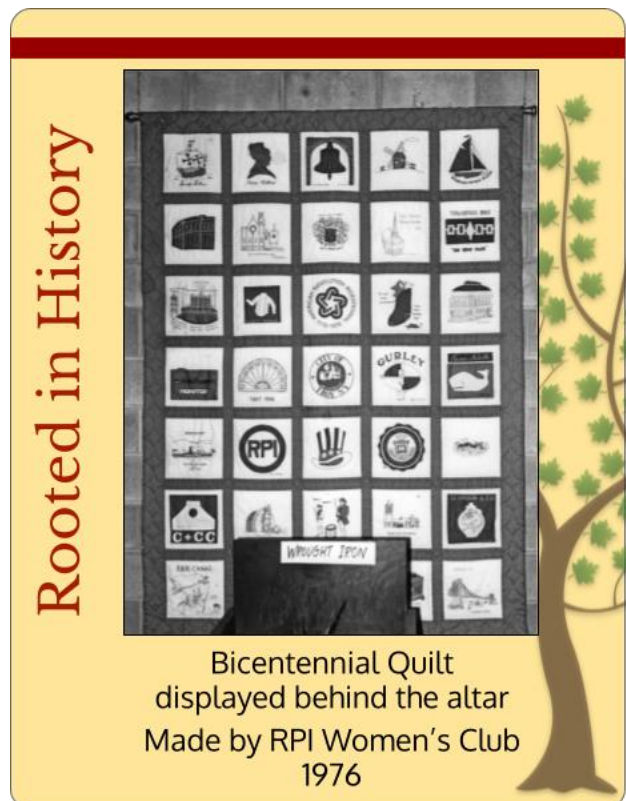
Memorial Fund Masses

WEDNESDAY, FEB 9

10:30-4:30 Red Cross Blood drive at the C+CC.
[Register here.](#)

SATURDAY/SUNDAY, FEB 12/13

Food Collection for the OLS Food Pantry or monetary donations.



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.)
- FEB 12 & 13 – Food collection for OLS Food Pantry or monetary donations payable to Unity House or Bethany Center. The greatest need at the Food Pantry are personal care items: toothpaste, tooth brushes (*adult and child*), band aids, antiseptic cream, bar soap, body wash, shampoo, conditioner, deodorant, razors, shaving cream, hand/body lotion, feminine hygiene products, baby wipes, tissues, paper towels, toilet paper, all-purpose cleaner, laundry detergent, dish detergent, fabric sheets



You might not know that:

I am a 2011 RPI graduate, and as an undergrad I did not know that my future wife, Veronica, was a grad student and TA for my math classes. She introduced me to the C+CC after I had graduated, and I was happy to return to campus every weekend!

Favorite C+CC moments:

My favorite moments would be receiving my First Communion, and baptizing all 4 of our children at the C+CC.



Nicholas Yost '11

WE are Church

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday: Is 6:1-2a, 3-8, Ps 138:1-5, 7-8, 1 Cor 15:1-11, Lk 5:1-11

Monday: 1 Kgs 8:1-7, 9-13, 132:6-10, Mk 6:53-56

Tuesday: 1 Kgs 8:22-23, 27-30, 84:3-5, 10-11, Mk 7:1-13

Wednesday: 1 Kgs 10:1-10, 37:5-6, 30-31, 39-40, Mk 7:14-23

Thursday: 1 Kgs 11:4-13, 106:3-4, 35-37, 40, Mk 7:24-30

Friday: 1 Kgs 11:29-32; 12:19, 81:10-11ab, 12-13, 14-15, Mk 7:31-37

Saturday: 1 Kgs 12:26-32; 13:33-34, 106:6-7ab, 19-22, Mk 8:1-10

Sunday: Jer 17:5-8, Ps 1:1-4, 6, 1 Cor 15:12, 16-20, Lk 6:17, 20-26

A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE

by Bud Ozar

In today's gospel Jesus asked Simon to start by "going a short distance." Later he asked Simon to "go into deeper water." The first step toward reconciliation is usually a "short distance" which gives us the courage to further "into deeper water." Reconciliation starts with the first short step!

C+CC NEWS

The C+CC is looking to hire a Facilities Maintenance Specialist to fill a part-time position involving Building and Grounds Maintenance and Event Support. We are looking for someone to assist with regular cleaning, seasonal work, and setting up for and cleaning after events. Please contact C+CC Director, Kevin – krolik2@rpi.edu if you're interested.

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MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

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

WHAT IS A SYNOD AND WHY SHOULD WE CARE:

In October, 2021, Pope Francis invited the universal church—all of us—to engage in a synodal process of listening to each other and the Spirit alive in us as People of God living in our contemporary world!

The Albany Diocese is offering a series of Zoom webinars to educate us on what a synod is, its purpose, and opportunities. The sessions are open to all! Register [here](#) for the webinar on Feb. 8.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES Drive through food distribution: Feb. 22 at the Watervliet High School, 1245 Hillside Dr. Watervliet. Volunteer and food pick up info [here](#). Want a ride to volunteer? Meet at the C+CC at 8am.

THE RPI STUDENT CHAPTER OF THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS is seeking a Financial Secretary. This person would be responsible for collecting payments, depositing and withdrawing from the Knights' on-campus bank account, and signing forms such as membership forms. No prior experience with the Knights is needed, however the Financial Secretary must join the council as a member. The time commitment will mostly include attending meetings (schedule TBD), communicating with officers of the council, and making transactions when necessary. If you are interested or know someone that might be, please contact Andy (bouffa@rpi.edu). Thank you!



~Campus Connection~



SPIRITUAL SEEDS

by Tracy Watson, RPI Associate Catholic Chaplain

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02/04/22

Building community

Greetings friends!

Building community, deepening relationships and strengthening our bonds of fellowship are integral to what our Newman Campus ministry is

all about. Be listening for those threads as you read student leader **Megan Adam's** piece this week.

In essence, these elements are constitutive of our newly incorporated **University Parish of Christ Sun of Justice**, paraphrasing our **Mission Statement**, as we announce the Good News of Christ Jesus through our words and actions at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute.

Be on the lookout for details for our **"Come for Mass~Stay for the first half of the BigGame" fellowship- building opportunity!

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]."

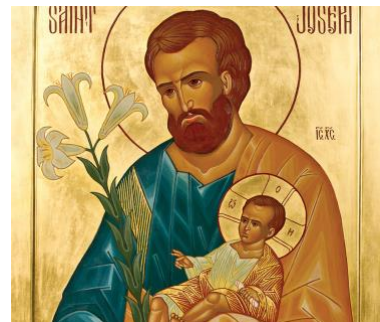


St. Joseph carried out his mission of raising, guarding and preparing Christ quietly, courageously and faithfully. For that faithful work, St. Joseph was rewarded — not with seeing the fruits of his labor in this life, but with the incomparable prize of glory in heaven.

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.





NEWMAN CATHOLIC FELLOWSHIP by Megan Adam adamm2@rpi.edu

I'm sure many of us can think back to an occasion when spending time with a specific person or group of people allowed us to simply be present in the moment, perhaps stirring a thought along the lines of, "This is exactly what I needed right now; Lord God, I see you working." This past Friday night, a group of us RPI students and our Associate Chaplain Tracy gathered at Fr. Larry's residence for a dinner and game night. This opportunity of coming together, praying, sharing a meal, and having wholesome conversation and laughs reminded me of the critical role that fellowship plays in our lives. Partaking in opportunities of fellowship offers us more instances to observe God working in our lives and in the lives of others; in turn, it motivates us to extend these welcoming, altruistic feelings to all those we encounter. A quote in which I came across the other day by Christian author Andrew Murray reads, "Our love to God is measured by our everyday fellowship with others and the love it displays." Amen to this!

This week, I'd like to encourage all of us to reflect on how fellowship has impacted our relationship with God and ways in which we can work to bring God to family, friends, and even strangers around us.



FR. LARRY RICE, CSP

As I announced at last week's Masses, the university parish of Christ Sun of Justice is now incorporated in the state of New York. Several people were somewhat surprised by this news and wondered what it might mean.

The backstory is that some time ago (long before I arrived on the scene), the Diocese of Albany asked us to separate the parish of Christ Sun of Justice from the Rensselaer Newman Foundation. Up until that time the two organizations operated more or less in tandem. The foundation supported the parish, and the parish provided the soil in which the campus ministry grew. Parish funds were accounted for in the foundation's books and were deposited in the foundation's accounts.

Although this arrangement was a bit unusual, it functioned this way for many years without any objection from the diocese. The Foundation's financial statements were annually sent to the diocese for their review.

The separation between the parish and the foundation was more than a little complicated. It appears that the parish's papers of incorporation were never filed years ago. Without the incorporation, we couldn't open a bank account. Without going too deeply into how the sausage is made (or in this case, was not made), suffice it to say that it took many, many months to get this resolved. During that time parish funds had to be deposited in the account of Our Lady of Victory parish since their pastor (first Fr. Patterson and now Fr. Morrette) is also our pastor. If you saw your offertory checks endorsed to OLV, this is why. However, all our parish funds were being accounted for separately by OLV in a special sub-account.

Now that the incorporation has been accomplished, we will be opening our own bank accounts, and handling our own accounting. This will save our staff many extra steps they have to go through to do the most basic business functions of the parish. And it will improve our transparency and accountability.

I'm so very grateful to everyone who has worked on this project. As we move forward, I'm sure there will be further clarifications we'll need to address; but I'm confident that this little bit of progress represents a big advancement in the stability and sustainability of the parish.

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