

THE UNIVERSITY PARISH OF CHRIST SUN OF JUSTICE

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3rd 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.





(mid 1980's) Ted and Judy Mirczak (left), Connie Murray (center), and Henry Scarton (right)

EVENTS OF INTEREST

SUNDAY, JAN 23

8 PM: You are invited to attend the **Zoom meeting** of Women of Christ Sun of Justice Church. The topic of our meeting will be "Faith and Worry." We hope you can join us!

THURSDAY, JAN 27

10:30-3:30 Red Cross Blood drive at the C+CC. Register here.

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

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 webinars on Jan. 25, Feb. 1, and Feb. 8.

DESSERTS FOR JOSEPHS HOUSE: Enjoy baking but want to keep your dieting New Year's resolution? Sign up here to make desserts for those at the Joseph's House shelter. Only 25 servings needed 2x/month. (contact *Christine* if the link doesn't work for you).

CATHOLIC CHARITIES Drive through food distribution: Jan. 25 at the Italian Community Center, 1450 Fifth Ave. Troy. Volunteer and food pick up info here. Students, parishioners want a ride together to volunteer? Meet at the C+CC at 8 AM.

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!

You might not know that:

"Girls can be Baby Jesus too!
That's right, our Teresa had the honor of doing that role at CSJ on Christmas Eve Mass of the year she was born, 2007. Mom and dad were not so compelling as Mary and Joseph...

Favorite CSJ memory:

"First attending Mass at CSJ together, on Easter Vigil of... 1994?! Fr. Tom and Fr. Ed co-presided, it was standing room only, and just the most wonderful and enlivening experience. Margarida was visiting Rogério, who was then a grad student at RPI (and earned huge brownie points on account of his suggestion). Years later, upon the family's move back to the area, CSJ was, of course, where we wanted to be.

Margarida Barroso & Rogério Rodrigues

WE are Church

NOTES

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.

A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE by Bud Ozar

In today's gospel Jesus was "praised by all" except at home in Nazareth where the "eyes of all were intently on him." Acceptance can be hard to find at home due to unreal EXPECTATIONS. Jesus challenges us to "proclaim liberty" to anyone "oppressed" or "captive' by our EXPECTATIONS.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday: Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10, Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15, 1 Cor 12:12-30, Lk 1:1-4; 4:14-21

Monday: 2 Sm 5:1-7, 10, 89:20, 21-22, 25-26, Mk 3:22-30

Tuesday: Acts 22:3-16, 117:1bc, 2, Mk 16:15-18

Wednesday: 2 Tm 1:1-8, 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 7-8a, 10, Mk 4:1-

Thursday: 2 Sm 7:18-19, 24-29, 132:1-2, 3-5, 11, 12, 13-14, Mk 4:21-25

Friday: 2 Sm 11:1-4a, 5-10a, 13-17, 51:3-4, 5-6a, 6bcd-7, 10-11, Mk 4:26-34

Saturday: 2 Sm 12:1-7a, 10-17, 51:12-13, 14-15, 16-17, Mk 4:35-41

Sunday: Jer 1:4-5, 17-19, Ps 71:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 15-17, 1 Cor 12:31—13:13 , Lk 4:21-30

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.)
- Annual Paulist Appeal: paulist.org/apa

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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~Campus Connection~



SPIRITUAL SEEDS
by Tracy Watson, RPI Associate Catholic Chaplain
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1/21/22

In the song "The Maker" by contemporary Christian musician Chris August, he attempts to capture the overwhelming grandeur of God. His profoundly lyrical phrase, "Hands of Creation on the Cross" most often stops me and causes me to contemplate this cosmic reality

more deeply.

It is this felt-sense that was magnified and amplified yet again as I pray and meditate with our reading from 1 Corinthians 12: 12-30 all about the Body of Christ, especially as I read a meditation from Father Richard Rohr, OFM this morning in which he wrote about the whole of Creation, the cosmos, as the Body of God.

Wow: when I consider these things all together, the Christian imperative to be love comes shining through! The Gospel call to love the dear neighbor as ourselves; to create a space that truly welcomes and nurtures the Divine in all human persons, and that cares for our one common home, our Dear Mother Earth is in effect timeless. And "Hands of Creation on the Cross" then might be a call to social as well as climate justice- after all my sisters and brothers, we are "Christ's body"!



NEWMAN CATHOLIC FELLOWSHIP by Megan Adam adamm2 @rpi.edu

Though a verse that is often repeated; I believe that the verse 20 of chapter 18 of St. Matthew's gospel couldn't be shared enough: "Where one or two are gathered together in my name, I am in their midst." This verse forms the motto of our Newman Club at RPI and those around the country, and also reminds us of the divine presence that is reinvigorated through fellowship. To me, one of the biggest blessings about coming together as

brothers and sisters in Christ is the support system, newfound knowledge, and appreciation for God that inevitably arise. For us students, fellowship with our peers can create chances for us to offer our own testimonies, become better listeners, and create solid friendships. In addition to possibly attending sessions of the national Catholic SEEK 22 conference in early February (definite details to follow), RPI students interested are able to attend the Emmaus retreat, an overnight retreat with local students from UAlbany, Russel Sage, and St. Rose, from February 25-27. As someone who has been blessed to experience both of these events and serve as an Emmaus team member, these opportunities have undoubtedly strengthened my faith and fellowship within this community. If you're looking to do some soul searching and exploring what it means to live a life in Christ, below are links to the SEEK 22 website, as well as highlights from past Emmaus retreatants. Don't hesitate to reach out with any questions!

SEEK: https://seek.focus.org/

Emmaus: "This weekend showed me that God's love for the world, for me, is alive in the people around you."; "What the Emmaus meant to me: friendship, love, and reflection about God. A chance to open up, be myself, see others as they really are, and through that experience, discover what religion means to me in everyday life."

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

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.





glory in heaven.

FR. LARRY RICE, CSP

This weekend we are observing the Feast of the Conversion of St. Paul. The actual date of the feast day is January 25, but the custom at parishes served by the Paulist Fathers is to move the feast day to the nearest Sunday.

Another important custom at Paulist parishes is to participate in the Annual Paulist Appeal. This one time each year we ask our parishioners and friends to make a gift to the Paulist community to

help support the community's mission and help sustain us.

The APA helps fund the administration of the community, our vocations office, and the formation of new Paulist priests. It also provides for the care of our senior fathers, and supports innovative ministries in areas of Evangelization, Reconciliation, and Ecumenical/Interfaith collaboration.

I'm hoping that through my nine months here, and through Fr. Frank Desiderio's occasional presence at our liturgies, you're getting a sense of what makes the Paulists unique, and wellsuited to the special mission of Christ Sun of Justice. I can tell you that this welcoming, mission-driven, collaborative parish is very much aligned with the charism and mission of the Paulist Fathers; that's why I felt instantly at home here.

I'll have more to say about the Paulists during this weekend's homily time. I hope that you'll give generously to the Paulist Fathers during this year's annual appeal. We don't ask often, but the need is real and the Paulists are very grateful for the welcome and support you've shown me. You can give to the APA at http://www.paulist.org/apa.

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