



The Season of ORDINARY TIME

UNIVERSITY PARISH OF CHRIST SUN OF JUSTICE MASS SCHEDULE: WEDNESDAY AT 7:00 PM SUNDAY AT 11:00 AM AND 5:00 PM

Our 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.

Our Vision Statement: The University Parish of Christ Sun of Justice – Responding to God's love through servant leadership, a diverse welcoming community.

Parish Membership: Anyone wishing to join please ask for a membership form from the Chaplains' Office.

Location and mailing address of the C+CC and CSJ Parish: 2125 Burdett Avenue, Troy, NY 12180. (across from BARH dorms)

Office Hours of the C+CC: 9:00 am – 5:00 pm

RPI Chaplains' Office: Rensselaer Union - Rm. 3514, 110 Eighth Street, Troy, NY 12180

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Web site: (C+CC) <http://www.chapelandculturalcenter.net> (PARISH) <http://www.christsunofjustice.org>

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Student Spiritual Advisor: Tracy Watson, spiritual.advisorCCC@gmail.com; (518) 274-7793 ext. 11; (518) 233-4514

Christ Sun of Justice Trustees: Mary Crangle Nagy cranlemary@gmail.com and Paul Kraus csj@kraus-haus.org.

When entering the C+CC, please turn off all devices that may interrupt a service or private prayer. Thanks!

Fr. Randall Patterson, Pastor / Fr. Samuel Bellafiore, Associate Pastor
(518) 273-7602 ParishOffice@olvols.org

Readings for the Week:

(Sunday: 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time) Jon 3:1-5, 10; Cor 7:29-31;

Mk 1:14-20.

(Monday: The Conversion of St. Paul, the Apostle) Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1-22;

Mk 16:15-18.

(Tuesday) Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5; Mk 3:31-35 see 520: Lk 10:1-9.

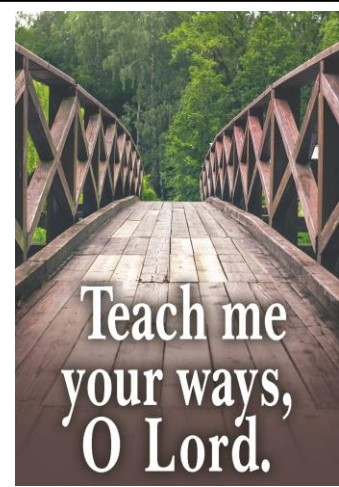
(Wednesday) Heb 10:11-18; Mk 4:1-20.

(Thursday) Heb 10:19-25; Mk 4:21-25 see 522: Wis 7:7-10, 15-16; Mt 23:8-12.

(Friday) Heb 10:32-39; Mk 4:26-34.

(Saturday) Heb 11:1-2, 8-19; Mk 4:35-41.

(Sunday: 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time) Dt 18:15-20; Cor 7:32-35; Mk 1:21-28.



Help Needed – Catholic Charities is continuing Food Distributions through the winter and is seeking assistance on Wednesday, 27 January at the ICC, 1450 5th Avenue, from 8:15 am until about 11:45 am (or for as long as you are able). Food will be packed and placed in the trunks of people's cars when they drive through. Perhaps your organization could send a group. Please wear a mask, gloves will be provided. For further details or to volunteer, contact volunteer@ccrcda.org. Many thanks!

TAX STATEMENTS: If you wish to have a statement of contributions for tax purposes, please email Diane Waters at waterd3@rpi.edu with your request and we will send out the letter as soon as possible.

If weather concerns cause either the Wednesday or Sunday Masses to be cancelled, a notice to that effect will be placed on the Chapel + Cultural Center telephone by at least an hour and a half before Mass times. Please call 518-274-7793 to access the message.



IMPORTANT REMINDERS: We would like to keep everyone informed of some of the requirements for attending Mass here at the Chapel + Cultural Center so we all stay safe and healthy.



- PLEASE register for Mass each week and also fill out the Health Survey form in advance. If you need any information on how to do this, please see one of the greeters or ushers.
- PLEASE arrive 15 minutes before Mass.
- PLEASE wear a mask that covers both your mouth and nose and keep it on throughout the Mass. The only exception is when receiving communion. You may momentarily lift or lower your mask at that time.
- PLEASE use hand sanitizer before entering the Chapel.
- PLEASE follow the usher's directions on seating, going to communion, and departing the Chapel. Receiving communion in the hand is encouraged for safety reasons. However, if you wish to receive communion on the tongue rather than in the hand, please be the last in line.
- WE WILL NOW BOTH ENTER AND EXIT BY THE FRONT DOOR TO ENSURE SAFETY UNDERFOOT FOR ALL.
- PLEASE do not congregate in the hallway, sacristy, or other areas inside the C+CC. If you need to speak with the priest, try to make arrangements in advance. Alternatively, make your need for a private meeting known to the priest after Mass and wait until he is available. We must maintain social distancing.

In the light of ongoing health risks to the most vulnerable among us, the temporary suspension of the obligation to attend Mass on Sundays and Holy Days during the pandemic remains in force for the moment (cf. CIC, canon 1247) although this provision is under constant review. That being stated, keeping holy the Lord's Day is of fundamental importance for every Christian and indeed, it is constitutive of what it means to be a disciple of the Lord. Therefore, Catholics should use their prudential judgment based upon religious and medical considerations as to whether or not to attend Mass. Furthermore parishioners are reminded that:

- if they are sick, for example, if they are experiencing cold or flu like symptoms,
- if they are experiencing symptoms of a serious illness,
- or if they are in a "vulnerable" category (the elderly, people with weakened immune systems, people with long term conditions such as cancer, diabetes, heart conditions, respiratory conditions, etc.) they are NOT obliged to attend Sunday Mass, and, out of concern for others, ought not to attend. It would be good, therefore, for them to avail themselves of live-stream/recorded Masses.



LIVESTREAMED MASS: To view Livestreamed & Archived Masses:

Christ Sun of Justice: Sunday Mass at 11:00 am. <https://chapelandculturalcenter.net/mass/>

Our Lady of Victory Parish: Monday - Friday, at 8:30 am, Sunday at 9:45 am rcda.org/livemass.

We are in need of additional help with live streaming. Training will be provided. Thank you for considering volunteering for this important ministry!



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

THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION is available every Wednesday, following the 7:00 pm Mass, celebrated by Fr. Patterson and/or Fr. Sam.



DIOCESAN MASS & HOLY HOUR FOR LIFE with Bishop Scharfenberger at the Cathedral & Virtual/Live-streamed. Join Bishop Edward B. Scharfenberger for a daily Mass and Holy Hour for Life virtually on Wednesday, 27 January, starting at 12:15 pm. The Mass and Holy Hour for Life will take place at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, 125 Eagle St., Albany, NY, and, will be live-streamed from the historic Cathedral for people to have the option to attend virtually: www.rcda.org/livestream.

PLEASE NOTE: There will be NO Adoration before or after the Wednesday night Mass until after the students return to Campus.



THANK YOU! Your continued generosity to our Parish Weekly Mass collection is appreciated! Your support allows us to maintain our essential needs and expenses during these difficult times. We humbly ask that if you are able, to continue to use your offering envelopes. Your gift of treasure is very important and vital to the parish. You can mail your collection envelope and/or your check made payable to

Christ Sun of Justice to: Christ Sun of Justice Parish, 2125 Burdett Ave, Troy, NY 12180.

The collection basket is located by the doors into the church when you enter, and again when you leave the church at the end of Mass. You can also make an online donation by visiting our website at <https://chapelandculturalcenter.net/give-back>, please mention "Mass donation" in the Additional Comments section.



LECTOR BOOKS: The Lector books used to help in preparation for proclaiming "The Word" are still available. If you can, we ask for a donation of \$15 to cover the cost. This request should not keep anyone from obtaining a book. Year B began with the 1st Sunday of Advent (29 November 2020). Please see the Mass coordinator to obtain your book.

Chapel + Cultural Center, Director: Kevin Krolik, krolik2@rpi.edu

The C+CC welcomes Virginia Bryant back for her second exhibition here entitled, "Practice & Composition". This exhibit is made up of two bodies of work, drawings from the first decade of the century and diminutive paintings serving as color and compositional experiments. The drawings are preparatory, similar to a ballet bar before class or performance. They are utilized to prepare the hands and explore compositional possibilities.



MCA Christmas Artwork Contest - The Missionary Childhood Association is seeking submissions for its annual Christmas artwork contest! All children in kindergarten through 8th grade are encouraged to participate. All they have to do is use their creativity to draw or paint a beautiful Christmas scene. Possible subjects include the Nativity, wise men and Angel Gabriel. Then, this December, MCA will select 22 winners from across the United States. Two grand-prize winners will also be chosen, having their artwork featured on the national Christmas card of the Pontifical Mission Societies. All winners will receive a commemorative plaque and be invited to a special celebration in December 2021. Entries must be postmarked or received by your local mission office or via our online webform at: <http://MCAArtContest.missio.org> no later than 31 January 2021.

A Family Perspective, by Bud Ozar

It must have been difficult for Zebedee to watch his sons walk away and follow Jesus. It was the end of "Zebedee and Sons Fishing, Inc." Our children were never ours. They are only on loan to us. We raise them to let them go.

Albany Diocesan Cemeteries 2021 Memorial Masses

Quarterly Memorial Masses are usually offered in honor of those who were recently interred in our Cemeteries. Due to the pandemic, we have been unable to offer our quarterly scheduled Masses. Albany Diocesan Cemeteries has partnered with the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception to offer a Mass each month during the first 6 months of 2021 for the beloved dead recently interred in Albany Diocesan Cemeteries. Families who have lost loved ones are welcome to attend.

Masses for those interred in:

- St. Agnes Cemetery, Menands
- St. Mary's, St. John's, and St. Jean de Baptiste Cemeteries, Troy
- Calvary and Our Lady Help of Christians Cemeteries, Glenmont
- St. Joseph's Cemetery, Waterford
- St. Patrick's and Immaculate Conception Cemeteries, Watervliet
- St. Patrick's Cemetery, Coeymans
- St. Mary's Cemetery, Coxsackie
- St. Agnes Cemetery, Cohoes



Mass will be offered at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, 125 Eagle Street, Albany, on the first Wednesday of the month, at 12:15 pm. The next Mass will be on 3 February.



~CAMPUS CONNECTION~



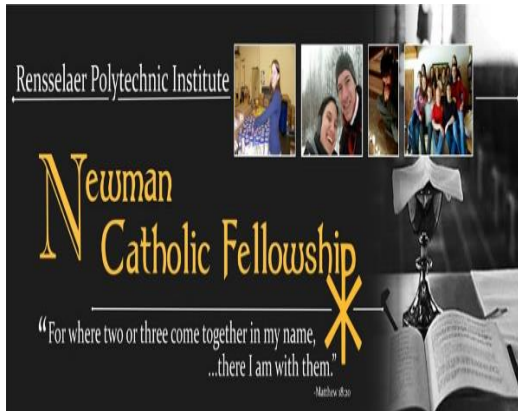
from Tracy Watson, MDiv, Student Spiritual Advisor, spiritual.advisorCCC@gmail.com

Journeying with Mark

I know, I know: this reflection connects with a Gospel reading from last week- yet it is the one that has reached out and grabbed me...

I can't seem to shake the man with the withered hand that we read about in Mark 3:1-6. Who is it that I see attached to that outstretched hand? Does it matter to me whose hand is sharing or receiving? Can I become as open-handed as you who simply see Christ within each hand and heart? O Jesus, flip the tables of my heart over again, and help me to "see you more clearly, love you more dearly, and follow you more nearly". Amen.

NEWMAN CATHOLIC FELLOWSHIP (Contact: Megan Adam, adamm2@rpi.edu)



During Ordinary time, as we journey into a new semester, we are called to listen for God and seek him in our daily routines. Always present and at work, God uses this time in the liturgical year to remind us of His omnipresence and calls us to serve in everyday manners. We are reminded in this week's gospel that spreading the love of God, both in word and deed, allows us to be "fishers of men." The Newman Club continues to hold our bi-weekly small group discussions via Webex, on Friday nights, at 8 pm Eastern time. Our next meeting will be this Friday, January 29!

As a group, we are looking to attend various events of this year's virtual SEEK21 conference, part of the Fellowship of Catholic University Students (FOCUS)...stay tuned for more information! A fellowship

united each time we come together, we welcome all students to our virtual events and to attend mass at the CSJ parish. Please feel free to reach out with any questions by emailing me adamm2@rpi.edu!

COLLEGE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL #13635 (Contact: Andy Bouffard bouffa@rpi.edu)



Our mission: Grow in our love for Jesus and have fun doing it. Being a Knight is a great honor and a great way to spread your faith. Recently, two of our Brother Knights advanced to the Third Degree and more advancement opportunities are coming up. Join us and Newman Catholic Fellowship for online Rosary Knight every Monday at 8pm! (Reach out for the Webex link). If you are curious about the Knights of Columbus and what we do, or if you think you might be interested in becoming a College Knight please contact Andy at bouffa@rpi.edu!

CONTACT INFORMATION AND HEALTH SURVEY FORM

(A separate form must be completed for each attendee)

Name: _____ (PLEASE PRINT ALL INFORMATION)

Address: _____

Telephone number: _____

Email address: _____

HEALTH SURVEY

Have you had ANY symptoms of COVID-19 in the last 14 Days? Symptoms include: FEVER, CHILLS, LOSS OF TASTE OR SMELL, COUGH, SHORTNESS OF BREATH, TROUBLE BREATHING, MUSCLE PAIN, HEADACHES, SORE THROAT.

_____ Yes _____ No

Have you had ANY close contact with persons suspected of OR having COVID-19 in the last 14 days?

_____ Yes _____ No

IF YOU ANSWER YES TO ANY OF THE QUESTIONS ON THE HEALTH SURVEY WE CANNOT ALLOW YOU TO REMAIN ON THE PREMISES