



THE UNIVERSITY PARISH OF CHRIST SUN OF JUSTICE

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9 January
2022:

The Baptism
of the Lord

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MASS/LITURGY SCHEDULE

DAILY MASS

MONDAY – THURSDAY 5 PM

WEEKEND MASS

Saturday, Jan 8: 5 PM
Sunday, Jan 9: 10 AM

Saturday, Jan 15: 5 PM
Sunday, Jan 16: 10 AM

LIVESTREAM

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 by appointment 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."*

DESSERTS FOR THE SOUP KITCHEN:

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](#).

**"ALEXA, TAKE DOWN THE CHRISTMAS
DECORATIONS"** didn't work so we need your
help at the chapel: Sunday Jan. 9 at 2:30.

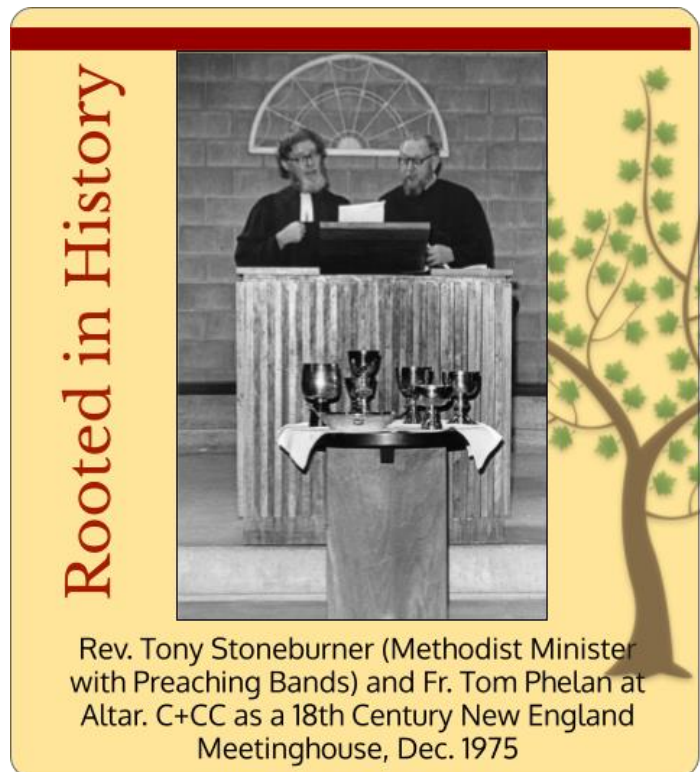
EVENTS OF INTEREST

SATURDAY & SUNDAY, JAN 8 & 9

Food for the Hungry Collection

THURSDAY, JAN 27

10:30-3:30 Red Cross Blood drive at the C+CC.
[Reaister here.](#)



Rev. Tony Stoneburner (Methodist Minister
with Preaching Bands) and Fr. Tom Phelan at
Altar. C+CC as a 18th Century New England
Meetinghouse, Dec. 1975

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**.

LECTOR BOOKS are 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.

MASS SCHEDULE has changed due to the schedule
change for RPI students. The Sunday 5pm Mass will
resume on Jan. 23.

A HEARTFELT LETTER OF THANKS was received
from Unity House for the donation of Price Chopper gift
cards and winter gear!

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.)
- THIS week, Food for the Hungry Collection – monetary donations payable to Unity House or Bethany Center OR donate non-perishable food items for the OLS Food Pantry.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday: Is 42:1-4, 6-7, Ps 29:1-2, 3-4, 3, 9-10, Acts 10:34-38, Lk 3:15-16, 21-22
Monday: 1 Sm 1:1-8, 116:12-13, 14-17, 18-19, Mk 1:14-20
Tuesday: 1 Sm 1:9-20, 1 Samuel 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd, Mk 1:21-28
Wednesday: 1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20, 40:2 and 5, 7-8a, 8b-9, 10, Mk 1:29-39
Thursday: 1 Sm 4:1-11, 44:10-11, 14-15, 24-25, Mk 1:40-45
Friday: 1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a, 89:16-17, 18-19, Mk 2:1-12
Saturday: 1 Sm 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1, 21:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, Mk 2:13-17
Sunday: Is 62:1-5, Ps 96:1-2, 2-3, 7-8, 9-10, 1 Cor 12:4-11, Jn 2:1-11

You might not know that:

"In my free time I love doing anything creative, including painting, sewing, and drawing. One of my favorite projects I have done is making a quilt for college."

My Favorite CSJ activity:

"I have enjoyed getting to meet people within the church community! I love seeing friends and meeting new people on Sundays, as well as getting brunch afterwards every week!"



Kaitlin Jennings '24

WE are Church

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.

A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE by Bud Ozar

In today's gospel Jesus was publicly **AFFIRMED** by his Father: "You are my beloved son, with you I am very pleased." As parents we can become so focused on misbehaviors, we overlook the good behaviors. Jesus needed **AFFIRMATION** and so do our children

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~Campus Connection~



SPIRITUAL SEEDS

by Tracy Watson, RPI Associate Catholic Chaplain

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“Making good trouble” might make a very good subtitle to the prayer below.

As challenging as this rendition of the well-known Peace Prayer of St. Francis (linked below) might be, I am so glad to have spotted it on a friend’s Facebook post! May we be disturbed!

Reverse St. Francis Prayer

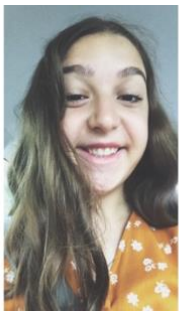
Lord make me a channel of your disturbance.
Where there is apathy, let me provoke,
Where there is silence, may I be a voice.
Where there is too much comfort, and too little action,
Grant disruption.
Where there are doors closed and hearts locked,
Grant me the willingness to listen.
When laws dictate and pain is overlooked,
Grant me the willingness to listen.
When tradition speaks louder than need,
Grant me the willingness to listen.
Disturb us, O Lord, Teach us to be radical.

Grant that I may seek rather to do justice than to talk about it;
To be *with* as well as *for* the poor;
To love the unlovable as well as the lovely;
To touch the passion of Jesus in the Pain of those we meet;
To accept responsibility to *be* church.
Lord, make me a channel of your disturbance.

~Author Unknown

Traditional Peace Prayer of St. Francis: <https://www.loyolapress.com/catholic-resources/prayer/traditional-catholic-prayers/saints-prayers/peace-prayer-of-saint-francis/>

NEWMAN CATHOLIC FELLOWSHIP



by Megan Adam adamm2@rpi.edu

“This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well-pleased”; “Here is my servant whom I uphold, my chosen one with whom I am pleased, upon whom I have put my spirit; he shall bring forth justice to the nations...”. These two passages we see in scripture from this weekend, from Luke’s Gospel and the book of Isaiah respectively, remind us of the significance of the Baptism of Jesus and offer insight into the relationship between the Father and Son. A question that always struck me when I was younger was

why did Jesus need to be baptized? The spotless Son of God, born of the Virgin Mary, committed no sins; why would He need to repent? While Luke’s gospel offers us this story of Jesus’ baptism and Father’s response, some words from Matthew’s gospel can offer us a bit more reasoning. In Matthew 3:14, John the Baptist asks Jesus, “I need to be baptized by you, but you are coming to me?”. Jesus replies: “Let it be so, for it is fitting in this way for us to fulfill all righteousness”

(Matt 3:15). The terms “fulfill” and “righteousness” frame the act of repentance in a different manner, one that relates back to this week’s first reading and gospel. Jesus fulfills His role as God’s beloved son and justice-bringing servant by practicing righteousness (i.e. submitting to God’s will to repent, choosing to live fully devoted to the Father). How blessed we are to call Him our Savior, the one who became incarnate for our salvation!

Stay tuned to the bulletin for Newman Club updates as we approach the spring semester!



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.



FR. LARRY RICE, CSP

Many of you have had the opportunity to meet Paulist Fr. Frank Desiderio. I'm pleased to let you know that Fr. Frank will be living with me part time at the Chaplain's Residence. He's a gifted writer, poet and preacher. I'm very grateful to have him living with me and helping out here as needed and as his schedule permits. When you see him at Mass, please introduce yourself!

From the Paulist.org web site:

Paulist Fr. Frank Desiderio is a native of the Washington, D.C.-area. He attended the University of Maryland at College Park.

Fr. Frank made his first promises to the Paulist community on August 12, 1978. He was ordained a priest on May 22, 1982.

Fr. Frank has served since May, 2014, as first consultor, or chief advisor, to the president of the Paulist Fathers.

He also serves as director of **St. Mary's at the Lake**, our summer retreat at Lake George, NY.

Fr. Frank previously served as director of the **Paulist Associates**; director of the Paulist Center in Boston; president of Paulist Productions; and our community's director of formation.

During **his tenure** at Paulist Productions, he was a producer of the 2004 television film "Judas" and the 2009 documentary "**The Big Question: A Film About Forgiveness.**"

He also conducts workshops, days of recollection and parish missions centered around forgiveness and the life and ministry of Pope Francis.

Fr. Frank is author of the Paulist Press book "**Can You Let Go of a Grudge?**"

In 2017, he composed "**A Prayer for Troubled Times**" and "**A Prayer for the Presidential Inauguration.**"

To learn more about Fr. Frank, you may follow him on **Facebook** or visit his **Pinterest board**.

Experience Fr. Frank's weekly poems on the scripture readings at **Facebook** and **YouTube**.



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