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Sunday
The Solemnity of the
Most Holy Trinity

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MASS/LITURGY SCHEDULE

DAILY MASS

Will resume June 20.

WEEKEND MASS

SATURDAY VIGIL 5 PM
SUNDAY 10 AM (livestream)
Sunday night Mass will resume on August 21.

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."

UKRAINE RELIEF: Bishop Scharfenberger urges us to support emergency relief for Ukraine as the humanitarian crisis grows. Catholic Relief Services is working with its partner, Caritas Ukraine, to respond. Here is how people can help: <https://bit.ly/3hbagDJ>.

FOOD PANTRY This week at Mass there will be a collection for the hungry and income-insecure of our community. Monetary donations may be made payable to Unity House or Bethany Center OR donate non-perishable food items for the OLS Food Pantry. Thank you in advance for being as generous as your means allow.

Items most needed are Ramen Noodles, Spam, Egg Noodles, Spaghetti Sauce, Diced Tomatoes, Canned Ravioli, SpaghettiOs, Stuffing, Cereal, Tuna Fish, Mac & Cheese, Peanut Butter, Canned Juice, Cake Mix, Brownies, and Vegetable Oil.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES Drive-through food distribution: June 30 at the Lansingburgh Boys and Girls Club, 504 Fourth Avenue, Troy. Volunteer and food pick-up info [here](#).

NOTES

WELCOME PICNIC SEPT 4 – Mark your calendar.

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 it 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.

A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE by Bud Ozar

The words of Jesus in today's gospel, "I have many things to say to you, but you cannot hear them now." could have been said by any parent. It can be frustrating because our desire to guide is often misinterpreted or poorly received. We cannot program our children. We can only teach, lead, and trust the Spirit of truth will guide them.

C+CC NEWS

PIANO RECITALS

June 11 at 1 pm -Magic of Music -Margarita Khaitov
June 12 at 2 pm- Laura Bulatao
June 17 at 6:30 pm - MaryAlice McCullen- Senecal
June 18 at 7 pm- Kirstie Chen
June 23 at 7 pm- Alan Thomson

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday Prv 8:22-31, Ps 8:4-5, 6-7, 8-9, Rom 5:1-5, Jn 16:12-15
Monday 1 Kgs 21:1-16, Ps 5:2-3ab, 4b-6a, 6b-7, Mt 5:38-42
Tuesday 1 Kgs 21:17-29, Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 11 and 16, Mt 5:43-48
Wednesday 2 Kgs 2:1, 6-14, Ps 31:20, 21, 24, Mt 6:1-6, 16-18
Thursday Sir 48:1-14, Ps 97:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7, Mt 6:7-15
Friday 2 Kgs 11:1-4, 9-18, 20, Ps 132:11, 12, 13-14, 17-18, Mt 6:19-23
Saturday 2 Chr 24:17-25, Ps 89:4-5, 29-30, 31-32, 33-34
Sunday Gn 14:18-20, Ps 110:1, 2, 3, 4, 1 Cor 11:23-26, Lauda Sion, Lk 9:11b-17

MASS INTENTIONS

SUNDAY JUNE 12, 10 AM MASS
in memory of: Carol Donovan by David and Jean Seaver

SATURDAY JUNE 18, 5 PM MASS
in memory of: Joan Flinn by David and Jean Seaver

SUNDAY JUNE 19, 10 AM MASS
in memory of: Bill Carey by MaryAnn Carey



~Campus Connection~



FR. LARRY RICE, CSP

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It has been called the central doctrine of Christianity, yet if you asked most Christians to explain the Trinity, most would respond with vague metaphors or would stumble over incomplete doctrinal statements. Some of my friends rolled their eyes at the suggestion that I would try to define the Trinity in two minutes. But here goes:

Christians believe in one God. God has one divine nature but is three persons. Now “persons” in this instance means something different than the usual definition of a person. In the Trinity, the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit are all instances of the same divine nature. Sometimes my Muslim friends struggle to believe that we Christians are monotheists, but truly, we are. Some theologians have said that the “what” of God is a single divinity, which the “who” of God is Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

The word Trinity doesn’t appear anywhere in the Bible. Nevertheless, there are many references in the Scriptures that help us define the Trinity. At the end of Matthew’s Gospel contains the command: “Go forth to all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.” In the Second letter to the Corinthians, Paul writes, “The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.” And the beginning of John’s Gospel illustrates the idea of the unity of God, saying both that Jesus “was” God, and “was with” God.

It’s never adequate to simply think of the persons of the Trinity with mere functional labels like Creator, Redeemer, and Sanctifier. While those labels are accurate enough, they lack any sense of relationality within the Trinity. The Trinity is primarily about the loving relationship at the heart of God’s essence. The passages of John’s Gospel that we read during the Easter season go to great lengths to describe this relational love. To separate the Trinity into functional roles is called Modalism, and it misses an important point: The idea of the Trinity is our attempt to describe God’s essence, and God is essentially relational. The Love within God is expressed in ways that mirror God’s trinitarian nature.

The challenge for theologians-- and all Christians-- is that we struggle to talk about God’s infinite, loving, relational essence with finite human language, and that language will always be imperfect. My Muslim dialogue partners struggle to express God’s nature with 100 names; we’re trying to do it with three. Ultimately that understanding of God is a mystery whose full revelation awaits us in God’s Kingdom.



SPIRITUAL SEEDS

By Tracy Watson, RPI Associate Catholic Chaplain

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Beyond Mass Summer Series

Thank you for answering the call to share your insights and experiences on the question below! Be on the lookout for more of our University Parish responses next week too.

Ready to share yours? Send it to Tracy at spiritual.advisorccc@gmail.com

Q#2: What book, podcast, series, or movie has made a lasting impact on your faith life? Why/in what way?

C: My grandmother was a devout Catholic. She didn't watch much tv but I remember that her favorite movie was Ben Hur starring Charlton Heston. Before the days of DVR, DVD, and even VCR she made sure to catch it on TV. It was one of the first movies I watched and one of my first memories of her. So when I hear about Ben Hur, I think of my grandmother and strive to be a more prayerful person.

J: The most impactful medium of art on my faith life would have to be [the series] The Chosen. It made me think hard about what the Apostles sacrificed to be with Jesus, and how He formed their faith. From seeing Peter interact with his wife, and Zebedee and Salome with their sons, it made me consider how my own family played a role in my faith-life. Now, I read the Scriptures with these things in mind, and I recommend it to anyone who does.

E: The 1973 Godspell film is something we watched fairly regularly when I was younger. Not only are the songs fun to sing, but it also makes me think about how the community that is brought together by Jesus's teachings is just as important as the teachings themselves.

D: My pick is the children's book -The Runaway Bunny by Margaret Wise Brown. For me, this is a simple but powerful story that reminds me of God's love for us. Even if we run away, God will not

give up on us and still be there. I used to read this to my children when they were young. I also read this to my religious ed class each year. Thanks for giving me an excuse to revisit the book again. It's still on our bookshelf.

J: Anne Lamott has become my favorite author recently. She writes on faith and hope using stories from her life and what she has learned in her journey. Anne's humor is wicked funny and hits a home run with her personal style of writing. The humor reminds me we all experience the good and negative in life but God is our constant anchor and we will make it thru.

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~ Tracy Watson
RPI Associate Catholic Chaplain

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.

VISION STATEMENT

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

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- 5pm

Christine Relyea and her family are spending the next year in Ireland and before she goes, we would like to say....

