

**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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Director of C+CC: Kevin Kroluk, 274-7793, kroluk2@rpi.edu; **Scheduling of C+CC for any function:** 274-7793
Director of Music: Barbara Musial, musiab@sage.edu
Christ Sun of Justice Trustees: Mary Crangle Nagy cranglemary@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!

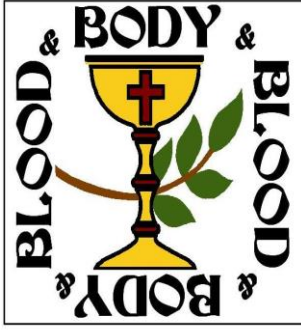
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 Joseph Romand, Deacon: romanj6@rpi.edu

Readings for the Week:

(Sunday, 14 June: THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST) Dt: 8:2-3, 14b-16a; 1 Cor 10:16-17; Jn 6:51-58.
 (Monday) 1 Kgs 21:1-16; Mt 5:38-42.
 (Tuesday) 1 Kgs 21:17-29; Mt 5:43-48.
 (Wednesday) 2 Kgs 2:1, 6-14; Mt 6:1-6, 16-18.
 (Thursday) Sir 48:1-14; Mt 6:7-15.
 (Friday: The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus) Dt 7:6-11; 1 Jn 4:7-16; Mt 11:25-30.
 (Saturday) 2 Chr 24:17-25; 573: Lk 2:41-51 see 573: Is 61:9-11.
 (Sunday: 21 June: TWELFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME) Jer 20:10-13; Rom 5:12-15; Mt 10:26-33.



A WARM AND HEARTFELT WELCOME TO FR. RANDY PATTERSON TO OUR FAITH COMMUNITY! Our parish has been blessed with the appointment of Fr. Patterson as Pastor of Christ Sun of Justice Parish. We thank the Lord for the gifts and talents that the Lord has bestowed on him to fulfill Christ’s work. May we grow evermore deeply spiritually, socially, and in service to all peoples and to Christ, our Lord, as we fulfill our parish mission. Please see Fr. Patterson’s introduction letter attached to this week’s bulletin, as well as a letter sent from our trustees to the parish dated 3 June 2020 and join us in welcoming Fr. Patterson to CSJ!



THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST: Known as Corpus Christi before the calendar reform of Vatican II, today's solemnity was first observed in several dioceses of Belgium before being extended to the universal church in 1264. It was originally kept on the Thursday after Trinity Sunday as a link to the Holy Thursday celebration, because, as it was said, the church's joy at the gift of the Eucharist was overshadowed on Holy Thursday by the sorrow of Good Friday. The 1969 calendar reform combined the old observances of Corpus Christi and the Precious Blood (formerly 1 July) into one solemnity that celebrates the mystery of the Lord's enduring presence in our midst through the gift of his body and blood given in the Eucharistic liturgy. The solemnity was moved to Sunday in places where it is not a holy day of obligation.

ALLELUIA! MASS IS OPEN ~ PLEASE REMEMBER TO REGISTER!! You can sign up by phone (no later than 3:00 pm on the Friday prior to the Sunday Mass), or you can sign up online at <https://chapelandculturalcenter.net/sunday-mass-sign-up/>. When signing up by phone, please identify which Mass you are planning to attend and how many will be attending with you. Don't forget to bring with you to Mass, your completed Health Survey, mask and hand sanitizer! To view the specific regulations in our re-opening procedures and guidelines, visit <https://chapelandculturalcenter.net/re-opening>. **WELCOME BACK!**



As you may be aware, through the direction of the Albany Diocese, we have established our Reopening Coordinating Committee and Dave Dziejewski has accepted the position of Pandemic Safety Officer. Thank you to all that have helped us create the plan we have in place that protects us in a way that is best for our worship space and our community. If you have any concerns or would like to provide input, feel free to contact Parish Trustees Mary Crangle Nagy, cranglemary@gmail.com and Paul Kraus csj@kraus-haus.org. If you're interested in serving our community as a Greeter, Usher or Sanitizer, please contact Mary Crangle Nagy. Spots are available if you would like to be on a list to lend a hand.

Of FEASTING and fasting

As we celebrate this feast of Corpus Christi today, I suspect we bring both mixed thoughts and feelings. For over 100 days, we have been in the midst of a pandemic that has been marked by social distancing and isolation practices. The natural tendencies to gather and be with others, to share a drink or a meal and to physically experience connection have been limited at best. The ability to gather as a faith community and share Eucharist, the bread of life, has been relegated to an internet or TV substitute. The virtual world of non-touch has limits!

Perhaps because of this context, this feast's meaning has the potential to carry deeper significance than we have known. Mixed with the social unrest and unity deprivations we face as a nation, the need for communion with others is even more pronounced.

"Take and eat, this is my body"

"Receive the body of Christ"

"We are the body of Christ" are so needed for today!

Eating is essential for life. The catch phrase: "You become what you eat" is often stated in dieting circles as we try to change our attitudes toward what we eat! In the religious/faith context "You become what you eat" is even more profound.

We believe that Eucharist is the body and blood of Christ. When we partake of this sacred meal, we believe that we receive Christ's body and blood -- our discipleship becomes communion—being one with/in union with Christ. Our life and life call is united with that of Christ! Eucharist is the nourishment that allows us to keep living! I find that language limps when we try to speak of the sacred. The mystery of this gift of Jesus --"take and eat... do this in remembrance of me" -- spans the ages of God's desire for oneness with humankind. The mysteries of incarnation, redemption and call to be Christ in the world are all in there!!! Daily bread for us is this feast of heaven given at the Last Supper.

For some of us, this week will find us again at the C+CC and with our parish community. Those present will actually be able to receive Eucharist. Relish the gift; savor the sacramental presence of Jesus.

For those of us who may not be able to be present in the C+CC space, may we celebrate this feast with JOY and Gratitude!!! Like God's gift of manna in the desert to the exiled Israelites, may we KNOW that the gift is given and in time we will again be united in Christ at this wondrous meal. In any case, may we continue to be the Body of Christ to this world in which we live! May it be so...AMEN!!!

-- Chris Partisano CSJ

ATTENTION CRAFTERS!!

Looking for a crafting purpose? Looking to learn a new craft? Now is a good time to consider things you can do for the parish and our future endeavors and keep your hands and minds busy! If you need supplies or a lesson, email either Jean (j-francois@nycap.rr.com) or Christine (crelyea28@gmail.com) and they can come to the rescue. They can provide supplies for ornaments, hoards of yarn, ornament kits for all skill levels or feel free to check out Pinterest to create your own crafts for our Christmas Craft Sale to benefit St. James School. We also need scarves, hats, and mittens for the soup kitchen Christmas gifts.



Would you or someone you know, like a friendly phone call from someone from CSJ Parish? Just contact Kathy Spain at sausse@verizon.net or Diane Waters at waterd3@rpi.edu and we can arrange a phone visit!

SACRED HEART SCHOOL IN TROY is holding an online Auction, from 22 June – 26 June. You can begin browsing now, and start bidding on 22 June. Pick up for items will be on 28-29 June. Complete directions are available on the auction site: biddingowl.com/SacredHeartSchool21678.

THANK YOU, THANK YOU!! We cannot say it enough! Thank you to everyone who has been so generous and thoughtful through the shutdown of Church. Your commitment has allowed us to maintain our essential needs and expenses. We humbly ask that if you are able, to continue to use your weekly Sunday 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:



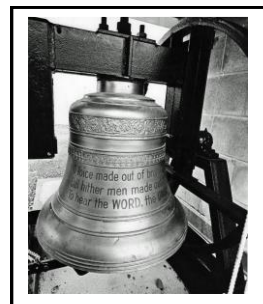
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The collection basket will be available by the doors into the church when you enter, and again when you leave the church at the end of Mass. You can also make an online donation by visiting our website at <https://chapelandculturalcenter.net/give-back>,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

Church bells throughout Troy will ring as a collaborative expression of solidarity and hope on Thursdays at 7:00 pm. The University Parish of Christ Sun of Justice will join in this symbolic event. The time, which on the 24 hour clock is 1900 hours, is chosen to remind us of the COVID 19. chavirus.



The Diocese of Albany has compiled an abundance of information for people who want faith at home resources: Please visit:

<https://www.rcda.org/coronavirus/resources>

This webpage has access to:

Online and TV listings for live Masses, Daily Scripture Readings, Saint of the Day, Daily Mass with Pope Francis, and Simple Suggestions for Prayer During Time of Anxiety



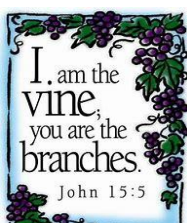
Sunday Live Online Mass is now available at [Christ Sun of Justice Parish](http://ChristSunofJusticeParish), every Sunday at 11:00 am. Visit <https://chapelandculturalcenter.net/live-mass-from-the-university-parish-of-christ-sun-of-justice/>. Our Lady of Victory in Troy is also offering Online daily Mass, Monday - Friday, at 8:30 am, (except Wednesday) and Sunday at 9:45 am. To view, please visit rcda.org/livemass.



Connect with us on Facebook to stay up to date with all the latest news!

<https://www.facebook.com/ChristSunofJustice/>

<https://www.facebook.com/ChapelAndCulturalCenter/>



Women of Christ Sun of Justice will be holding virtual meetings via video-conference (Zoom) during this time of social isolation in an effort to preserve our community during these unprecedented times. Keep an eye on the bulletin to see when the next meeting will take place. Anyone interested in participating should contact Kate Tozzi (kate.e.tozzi@gmail.com). We hope you can join with us!

NEWMAN CATHOLIC FELLOWSHIP: (Contact: Andy Bouffard, bouffa@rpi.edu)

--The NCF is one of the groups for Catholic Students here at RPI. Meeting weekly while school is in session, we grow together in our faith and form relationships with each other through strengthening our relationship with the Lord. Like our Newman Catholic Fellowship Facebook page for updates and contact information.

COLLEGE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL #13635: (CONTACT: JOEL LEMUS, lemusj@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. Join us for "Skypesary" online every week to pray, learn more of who we are and what we're about, and keep up with each other during these times. If you're interested in becoming a Knight or learning more about us, shoot GK Joel and email, join our facebook page, or shoot the club an email at rpi.knights@gmail.com.

June 3, 2020 Letter from our Trustees:

Dear Members of the University Parish of Christ Sun of Justice,

We are happy to tell you that Fr. Randall Patterson, who is the pastor of Our Lady of Victory parish in Troy and of Our Lady of the Snow in Grafton, has been named as pastor of our parish as well. Enclosed you will find a letter to you from Father Patterson expressing his happiness in his new role in our parish.

Welcome Father Patterson and congratulations on your 50 years of priesthood!

When in person liturgies resume, Mass will be celebrated at Christ Sun of Justice each Sunday at 11:00 am and 5:00 pm. Given the pandemic, new regulations will be in effect at the direction of the Diocese. Seating will be limited in order to adhere to social distancing and other limitations. Everyone will need to wear a mask if they are over the age of 2 and fill out a health survey as well as provide contact information in advance to be turned in at the door. You will need to plan on arriving at least 15 minutes before Mass. We will be sending out additional information once a date for resumption becomes clearer.

Please know that the obligation to attend Mass on Sundays and Holy Days remains suspended until otherwise indicated.

We look forward to the day when our vibrant parish can once again gather together!

Mary Crangle Nagy Paul Kraus Parish Trustees

The Roman Catholic Community of

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June 2, 2020

A Warm Welcome,

It is with great pleasure that I write to you today to formally introduce myself as the new Pastor of Christ Sun of Justice. I am honored for the opportunity to serve your community as well as share Eucharist with the RPI students when they return.

For the past twenty-four years I have served as the Pastor for Our Lady of Victory Parish and welcomed the addition of our Mission Parish, Our Lady of the Snow in 2014. Fr. Samuel Bellafiore is our Associate Pastor and will be sharing Mass coverage with me.

Even though we have been unable to gather these past few months be assured that we are ready and excited about this relationship. Fr. Bellafiore and I will do all that we can to make you feel that this truly is a homecoming. It appears the target date of our reopening may be as early as Mid-June (of course the exact date will be determined by the state and Albany Diocese).

We expect when we reopen that the size of our assembly will be limited. We are working on plans to ensure we can socially distance in church and comply with the guidelines given to us for our safety and well-being. We are also exploring ways to facilitate attendance and ensure that no one is turned away.

After consultation with the diocese, several committee members, and taking into consideration the needs of all communities we serve and given the CDC guidelines due to Covid-19, we have determined that our schedules must be as follows:

Our Lady of Victory:

Morning mass 8:30 am Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday (Note NO Wed. morning mass)
Saturday, 4:00 pm
Sunday, 7:30 and 9:45 am

Our Lady of the Snow: Sunday, 9:15 am

Christ Sun of Justice: Wednesday 7:00 pm
Sunday 11:00 am & 5:00 pm

I understand that these changes may not be ideal for some, but I ask that you keep in mind we are all being asked to be flexible, sacrifice and face the challenges of a limited number of ordained priests. I humbly ask for your prayers and understanding. May we move from fear to joyful celebration as we come together in the name of Jesus Christ.

I am sincerely,



Fr. Randall P. Patterson
Pastor