



THE UNIVERSITY PARISH OF CHRIST SUN OF JUSTICE

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19 JUNE 2022:

Sunday
Corpus Christi- Body
and Blood of Christ

Find us on 

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MASS/LITURGY SCHEDULE

DAILY MASS

MON. - THUR. 5 PM

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.

MASS INTENTIONS

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

C+CC NEWS

PIANO RECITALS

June 17 at 6:30 pm - MaryAlice McCullen- Senecal
June 18 at 7 pm- Kirstie Chen
June 23 at 7 pm- Alan Thomson

C+CC CLOSURES

The C+CC will be closed on: Monday, June 20, 2022, Daily Mass at 5 pm only

EVENTS OF INTEREST

THURSDAY, JULY 21

11:30-5:30 Red Cross Blood drive at the C+CC.
[Register here.](#)

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.

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>.

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

THANK YOU! A huge Thank You to all who contributed to the Catholic Charities personal care closet drive during May. They were overwhelmed by the Parish's generosity and most grateful.

WELCOME PICNIC SEPT 4 – Mark your calendar.

BULLETIN You can sign up for the bulletin online or by QR code: <https://chapelandculturalcenter.net/bulletin-by-email/>





The Troy Youth Association, Inc. (CYO Center) recognized the ICC Soup Kitchen on June 9, 2022, for their many hours of volunteer service to the community and giving during the holiday season to families in need. The Parish of Christ Sun of Justice was listed among the Soup Kitchen volunteers. (Photo courtesy of Jim Hyde)

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.

A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE by Bud Ozar

In today's gospel Jesus teaches we will find abundance by sharing the little we have. No matter how little time, money, or food we have, it is enough to share.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday Gn 14:18-20, Ps 110:1, 2, 3, 4, 1 Cor 11:23-26, Lauda Sion, Lk 9:11b-17
 Monday 2 Kgs 17:5-8, 13-15a, 18, 60:3, 4-5, 12-13, Mt 7:1-5
 Tuesday 2 Kgs 19:9b-11, 14-21, 31-35a, 36, Ps 48:2-3ab, 3cd-4, 10-11, Mt 7:6, 12-14
 Wednesday 2 Kgs 22:8-13; 23:1-3, Ps 119:33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 40, Mt 7:15-20
 Thursday Jer 1:4-10, Ps 71:1-2, 3-4a, 5-6ab, 15ab and 17, 1 Pt 1:8-12, Lk 1:5-17
 Friday Ez 34:11-16, Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6, Rom 5:5b-11, Lk 15:3-7
 Saturday Lam 2:2, 10-14, 18-19, Ps 74:1b-2, 3-5, 6-7, 20-21, Lk 2:41-51
 Sunday 1 Kgs 19:16b, 19-21, Ps 16:1-2, 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11, Gal 5:1, 13-18, Lk 9:51-62



~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!

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

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

J: The book "EDUCATED" by Tara Westover is a memoir and a raw glimpse into a life where hope and promise seem impossible as the author encounters one setback after another. She suffers despair and yet continues. It leaves the reader wondering how she maintains the courage to continue moving forward. More than once, there is strong evidence of the presence of the Holy Spirit interceding on her behalf. It also sends the message that many people who seem to be functioning [well] on the outside can often be hiding personal issues on the inside. We are called upon in our faith to be open to others, to empathize and be sensitive to the human condition. Sometimes the smallest deeds can make the biggest impact in the life of another, and you never know where the breadth of your influence lies.

T: I stumbled upon the podcast "Happier" with Gretchen Rubin as a way to make my 40-minute commute less stressful. My commute was affecting my home life because I was so frustrated and focused on others' behavior. The "happiness hacks" she talks about on her podcast have helped me stay more organized and productive. This podcast and another one of Gretchen Rubin's books changed how I dealt with people. How have these impacted my faith life? They made me a calmer and more understanding person and helped me realize that I do have time to help others including my church.

C: Book ... classic of a Jewish rabbi, Abraham Herschel's Man's Quest for God ... Sensitive and real work that names and speaks about us as everyday human persons encountering God with reverence, awe, and wonder.

T: Sometimes it is a song or a phrase from a song that will speak so deeply to me, encouraging my faith walk. For example, the refrain to the song "I Want to Live Like That" by Sidewalk Prophets gets me every time, humbling me and inspiring me: "I want to live like that/ And give it all I have/ So that everything I say and do points to You/ If love is who I am/ Then this is where I'll stand/ Recklessly abandoned/ Never holding back" ...

X: The movie "God's Not Dead" has had a lasting impact on my faith. This movie reaffirmed my faith based on the lead character Josh's argument that "God is Not Dead". Josh is a freshman university student that takes a Philosophy class. The Professor of the course requires that all students sign a statement that says, "God is Dead" and never existed to pass his class. Josh is the only student that refuses to do so, and the professor challenges him to defend his belief. The story plays out while the two debate the topic and the class is the jury deciding which of the two defends and proves their position best.

L: Honestly, the book that's had the greatest influence on my faith life recently is the one-volume Paulist Biblical Commentary. It's a big, heavy, and expensive volume, but it has all the best biblical scholarship to help me really dig into the scriptures. I think every Catholic home should have a copy!

Here is Q#3: What have been the joys and obstacles in your journeying with the church?
Thank you in advance for your response! ~Tracy