



THE UNIVERSITY PARISH OF CHRIST SUN OF JUSTICE

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26 JUNE 2022:

Thirteenth
Sunday in
Ordinary Time

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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

WEDNESDAY JUNE 29, 5 PM MASS
With thanks to God on Adelaide Nomessi's 70th birthday.

SATURDAY JULY 2, 5 PM MASS
in memory of: Brian Cassidy by Kathleen Cassidy and family

SATURDAY JULY 9, 5 PM MASS
in memory of: Thomas F. O'Brien by Frank & Michelle Kehn

EVENTS OF INTEREST

THURSDAY, JULY 21
11:30-5:30 Red Cross Blood drive at the C+CC.
[Register here.](#)

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

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](#)
Monday [Am 2:6-10, 13-16, Ps 50:16bc-17, 18-19, 20-21, 22-23, Mt 8:18-22](#)
Tuesday [Am 3:1-8; 4:11-12, Ps 5:4b-6a, 6b-7, 8, Mt 8:23-27](#)
Wednesday [Acts 12:1-11, Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9, 2 Tm 4:6-8, 17-18, Mt 16:13-19](#)
Thursday [Am 7:10-17, Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11, Mt 9:1-8](#)
Friday [Am 8:4-6, 9-12, Ps 119:2, 10, 20, 30, 40, 131, Mt 9:9-13](#)
Saturday [Am 9:11-15, PS 85:9AB AND 10, 11-12, 13-14, MT 9:14-17](#)
Sunday [Is 66:10-14c, Ps 66:1-3, 4-5, 6-7, 16, 20, Gal 6:14-18, Col 3:15a, 16a, Lk 10:1-12, 17-20 or Lk 10:1-9](#)

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/3hbaqDJ>.

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 shared in honoring Mary Holbritter on her retirement. She was overwhelmed by the Parish's generosity and most grateful for everything!

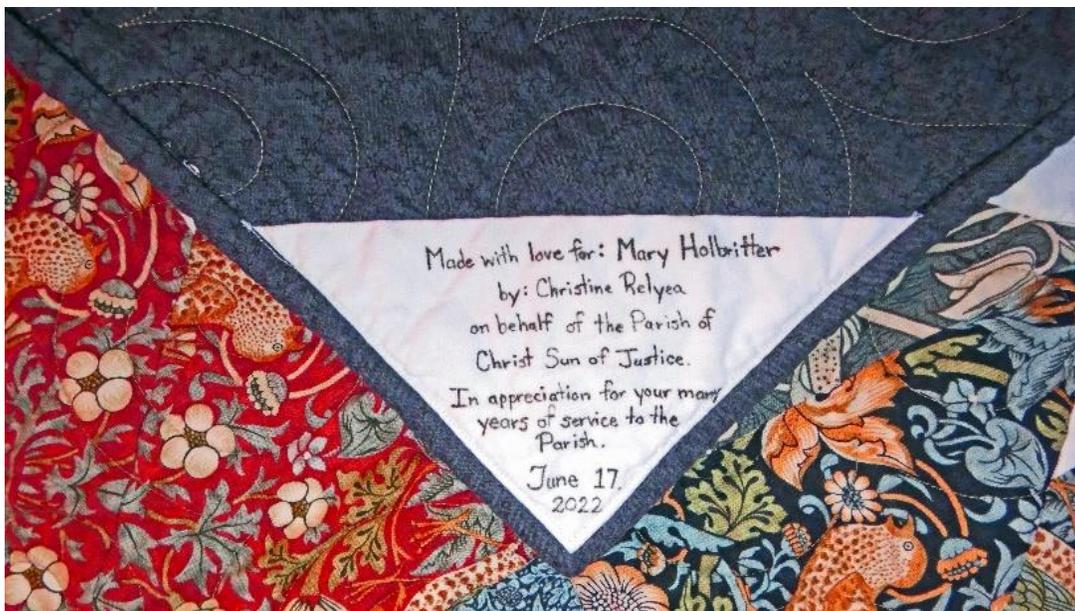
WELCOME PICNIC SEPT 4 – Mark your calendar.

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



A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE by Bud Ozar

Today's gospel reminds us once we set our "hand to the plow" of parenting and marriage, "we cannot look back." This is what commitment means: we have said YES to what was, what is and to what can be.



Pictured from left to right are Richard Holbriiter (Mary's husband), Christine Relyea, Fran Hyde, and the honoree Mary Holbriiter on the right. Christine Relyea delivered an eloquent presentation of the quilt she made on behalf of The Christ Sun of Justice Parish for Mary Holbriiter in honor of her retirement on June 17, 2022. (Photos courtesy of Jim Hyde)

MISSION STATEMENT

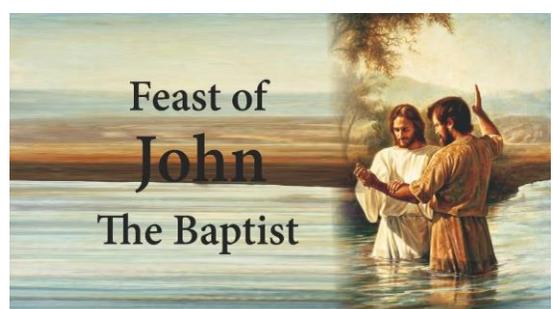
Empowered by the Holy Spirit, we proclaim we are God's people under the banner of The University Parish of Christ Sun of Justice. Through our words and actions, the Good News of Christ Jesus is announced here at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute: students, staff, faculty, alumni, and local community members. 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.

International St. John's Day, June 24th

International St. John's Day is celebrated every June 24 around the world. It is a celebration of the birth of St. John the Baptist.





~Campus Connection~



FR. LARRY RICE, CSP

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

Several years ago, I saw a news story about an unsuccessful attempt to auction off a tooth that was allegedly from Elvis Presley. While I am not a huge Elvis fan, and cannot imagine wanting such a thing, there is a clear human desire to want to collect souvenirs of celebrities. I myself have a collection of some four hundred autographs related to various Star Trek series. This desire to want a piece of someone famous is reflected in the Church's long-standing traditions surrounding relics.

A religious relic is an object—usually a bone or piece of bone—taken from the earthly remains of a saint. These objects are kept in a box or case called a reliquary. During the Middle Ages, these reliquaries were often elaborate jeweled boxes made from precious metals.

Relics are not worshiped, since worship is given to God alone, but are venerated and treated with respect as symbols of the holy people they once were a part of. For centuries, every Catholic altar had a relic beneath it, as a reminder of the Church's earliest days, when Eucharist was celebrated over the graves of the martyrs. In our own chapel, there is a relic on our altar, within a decorative cloth called an antimensium.

To our modern sensibilities, relics can seem more than a little strange, or even grisly. But they serve as a reminder that the saints who have gone before us were flesh-and-blood people. The presence of a relic in a church or home helps us remember that all of us face mortality—the end of our physical bodies—and that our highest values: integrity, courage, holiness, faithfulness—do not depend on the parts of ourselves that pass away, but that endure. A relic is much more than a souvenir; it is a physical connection to a much deeper spiritual reality.



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#3: What have been the joys and obstacles in your journeying with the church?

R: One of my greatest joys was studying the nature of God in Thomas Aquinas. Odd but true. One of my biggest obstacles is the difficulty in making sense of Christian truths. Not popular, but also true.

M: I find the biggest obstacle in my journeying with the church is my disappointment in so much of the church's leadership. I am so angered by the efforts of many to return the church to pre-Vatican II days and ignore Pope Francis's vision of what the church should be. I find joy, however, in being a part of a faith community that does embody my vision of the church.

J: The different multitude of people that comprise church make my journey on this planet joyful just for who they are. Sadly, our divisive culture separates us from the people who are different making it difficult for me to be church. How can we worship one God when we treat some people as less than?

M: As I have gotten older, I have realized the love I have for being Catholic comes from the sense of comfort and passion that radiate from a community of faith. The way that our faith is rooted upon treating and serving others with kindness and love is truly a joy that I have experienced and want to spread to others. It is this desire to be Christ for others that inspires me to always embrace my faith. Certain obstacles I would say radiate back to this very idea of loving and accepting all our neighbors. It is quite hard for me when I hear or encounter assumptions about being Catholic or Christian when people are certain that we disregard and do not love those of minority communities. What I have always been taught and will firmly live out is that everyone is worthy of love and is loved by God. It is our job as Catholics to love everyone; after all, the second greatest commandment doesn't have any subtexts.