

## THE UNIVERSITY PARISH OF CHRIST SUN OF JUSTICE

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20 March 2022:

3rd Sunday of Lent

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### MASS/LITURGY SCHEDULE

### **DAILY MASS**

MON. TUE. & THUR. 5 PM WED. 5:30 (livestream)

### **WEEKEND MASS**

SATURDAY VIGIL 5 PM SUNDAY 10 AM (livestream) & 5 PM

To view other Diocese livestreams, visit: www.rcda.org/livemass

**CONFESSION** - The Sacrament of Reconciliation is available by appointment with Fr. Larry at chaplain @rpi.edu.

### **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.)
- Next week (Mar. 26/27) is the Catholic Relief Services Annual Appeal. Funds from this collection provide food to the hungry, support displaced refugees, and bring Christ's love and mercy to vulnerable people here and abroad. Currently there are special relief efforts underway within CRS that are helping Ukrainian families. Please make checks payable to Christ Sun of Justice with "Diocesan Collection" on the memo line of your check.

### **EVENTS OF INTEREST**

### **WEDNESDAY MARCH 23**

Lenten Speaker at 7:00 – 8:15pm: Ms. Nora Bradbury-Haehl Link "Return to Me With Your Whole Heart: Navigating Life's Big Transitions."

### **THURSDAY MARCH 24**

Pastoral Council Zoom meeting at 7pm Zoom Link

### **FRIDAY MARCH 25**

Movie Night! Jesus Christ Superstar, 8pm (2018 musical version) at the C+CC

### **SUNDAY MARCH 27**

You are invited to attend the next Zoom meeting of Women of Christ Sun of Justice Church at 8 pm. The topic of our meeting will be "Lent." We hope you can join us! Zoom Link

### C+CC NEWS

### **LENTEN SPEAKER SERIES**

5:30 PM Mass / Potluck Dinner / 7 PM Speaker (livestream).

Please pick up a brochure in the C+CC hallway for more details.

MAR 23 Nora Bradbury-Haehl

**MAR 30** Communal Penance Service

APR 6 Fr. Ron Franco, C.S.P.

### **CALL FOR ARTISTS**

The C+CC has an open call for artists to present their works on display at the C+CC Gallery. All forms of Art: Painting, Sculpture, Mixed Media, and Photography are considered. The booking process is arranged by contacting Kevin at the C+CC Office 518-274-7793 or by email: krolik2@rpi.edu. Exhibits are booked in two-month intervals and we are looking to fill the Fall 2022 and Spring 2023 schedule.

### MASS INTENTIONS

SUNDAY MARCH 20 10AM MASS - in memory of Patrick Sheridan, Requested by Mary Ann Sheridan

# Mrs. Mary Lourdes (Kane) Zak at the lectern Mr. & Mrs. Zak were longtime members of the CSJ Parish and supporters of the Rensselaer Newman Foundation. Mrs. Zak was a RNF trustee from 1979 to 1994. (Donald Hyde as server in the background) (late 1970's)

# A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE by Bud Ozar

The owner of the fig tree was impatient because the tree did not live up to his expectations. In families, there are those who do not live up to our expectations. Imitate the gardener and give them more time and help. Do not cut them out of your life. Love asks us to be connected, not productive.

### **NOTES**

**THANK YOU** from Mr. Andrew Barnes, Development Assistant of Joseph's House & Shelter. Mr. Barnes wishes to thank those of you that were kind enough to send a dessert for the ziti dinner provided to the Ferry Street Shelter. They all gave rave reviews. Your donations help to provide a sweet treat to over 50 family members. Again, thank you for your gift. You are making a difference!

**MASKS** must continue to be worn and social distance maintained at the C+CC given the current guidelines in place at RPI. If you are not fully vaccinated you must also fill out a *Health Survey*.

### 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: <a href="https://bit.ly/3hbagDJ">https://bit.ly/3hbagDJ</a>.

**SYNOD LISTENING SESSIONS** are organized by vicariate. Our parish is in the Taconic Vicariate and that listening session will be held June 1 6:30-8:30 PM at St. Michael the Archangel in Troy.

**CATHOLIC CHARITIES** Drive through food distribution: Mar. 23 at Lansingburgh Boys & Girls Club, 504 4<sup>th</sup> Ave, Troy. Volunteer and food pick up info *here*. Want a ride to volunteer? Meet at the C+CC at 8am.

EASTER TRADITION: At Eastertime, our community gives a Lily plant to those who are housebound or who have lost a relative during the past year. PLEASE SIGN-UP and share the joy of Easter. We'll give you a name, address, and phone number so you can be in touch and visit at a mutually convenient time during Easter Week. \$12 donation; cash or check made payable to Christ Sun of Justice with notation "EASTER PLANT". Contact Dee Dziewulski to sign up at 518-334-6825 or dmdeezee@nycap.rr.com

STUDENTS: We have funding available and will cover the cost of the plant and we can arrange transportation. This is a beautiful ministry and your participation is a blessing.

### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

**Sunday** Ex 3:1-8a, 13-15, Ps 103: 1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8, 11, 1 Cor 10:1-6, 10-12, Lk 13:1-9

Monday 2 Kgs 5:1-15ab, Ps 42:2, 3; 43:3, 4, Lk 4:24-30 Tuesday Dn 3:25, 34-43, Ps 25:4-5ab, 6 and 7bc, 8-9, Mt 18:21-35

Wednesday Dt 4:1, 5-9, Ps 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20, Mt 5:17-

Thursday Jer 7:23-28, Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9, Lk 11:14-23 Friday Is 7:10-14; 8:10, Ps 40:7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 11, Heb 10:4-10,

Saturday Hos 6:1-6, Ps 51:3-4, 18-19, 20-21ab, Lk 18:9-14 Sunday Jos 5:9a, 10-12, Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 2 Cor 5:17-21, Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

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# ~Campus Connection~





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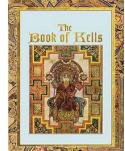
Father Larry Rice may be contacted at chaplain @rpi.edu.

St. Patrick's Day was celebrated this past week, that's has had us re-reflecting on the deep roots of Christianity in Ireland, brought there (mostly) by St. Patrick. For centuries, the Christian faith has permeated Irish culture, and some of Ireland's most treasured artifacts are connected with the Scriptures and with worship. In most Catholic Churches, on most Sundays, you will see a large book being carried in the entrance procession. That is the Book of

the Gospels. If you look at one up close, you will see that it is a large, somewhat ornate book, containing the Gospel reading for each Sunday. Although the Book of the Gospels has only recently started appearing in most Catholic parishes, the truth is, it is a very old tradition. One of the most famous books of the Gospels is the Book of Kells. Although its precise origin is uncertain, the Book of Kells was probably created in the ninth century. By the twelfth century, it was at the Abbey of Kells in county Meath Ireland. It is thought to have once had a jeweled gold cover, although the real treasures lie inside.

The book itself may be the finest illuminated manuscript in the world. Although some sections have been lost or destroyed, today the book consists of 340 vellum leaves. The text itself is in Latin, and is based on, but not identical to, St. Jerome's Vulgate text. The text is augmented and illustrated with incredibly detailed figures: animals, human and fanciful creatures, and complicated geometric figures of interwoven knots and ribbons.

Today this priceless treasure of Western art is in the custody of the Trinity College library in Dublin. A digital copy of the full text is available, and you can find examples of the art of the Book of Kells on the internet. The Book of Kells is a perfect illustration, not just of the art of the illuminated manuscript, but also of the way that faith motivates human creativity, connecting our spirits with the Divine through works of amazing beauty and human achievement.





### SPIRITUAL SEEDS

By Tracy Watson, RPI Associate Catholic Chaplain spiritual.advisorCCC@gmail.com

St. Joseph

On March 19th, this Saturday, the Church celebrates the Feast of St. Joseph.

You may recall that last year we celebrated an entire year dedicated to Saint Joseph. But who is St. Joseph, and what does he have to do with us today?

Joseph is the patron saint, the "go-to guy" so to say, of the Universal Church, families, fathers, expectant mothers, travelers, immigrants, house sellers and buyers, craftsmen, engineers and working people, among others...

Did you catch that: Patron Saint of Engineers!!

What might St. Joseph lend to Engineers and Engineering students like you - you might be wondering?

Perhaps it is his integrity. Perhaps his well-known carpenter's square embodies his unwavering life lived justly, lived righteously- lived with an interior foundational integrity rooted and grounded in faith and love of God.

And so we call on St Joseph to pray for us that we will build our courage, our faith, so we too can live a life FULL of Integrity and Love.



# NEWMAN CATHOLIC FELLOWSHIP by Megan Adam adamm2 @rpi.edu

"The whole idea of compassion is based on a keen awareness of the interdependence of all these living beings, which are all part of one another, and all involved in one another." In this quote, the wise Thomas Merton discusses the relations between God's creation and how empathy is built upon our willingness to be open to these relationships outside of ourselves. Considering his words, an important concept comes to mind for me:

interfaith dialogue and discussion. Something I've really only considered the significance of in college, the ability to speak with and listen to other viewpoints of others can open our minds to realizations about our own faith and the multifaceted nature of creation as a whole. I've recently been meeting with other student leaders from our Christian, Jewish, and Muslim associations on campus at RPI to plan an interfaith panel/Q&A session, which will take place at 8 pm at the C+CC on Saturday, March 26! Having these planning conversations with the other students has been quite insightful for me.

Coming together to formulate questions to ask student panelists and scholars has introduced me to other views around scripture, tradition, and why others believe and pursue their religions. I'm grateful to have this experience and excited to hold this event for students and interested parishioners because it offers all of us the chance to learn more about the workings of our God and the overlaps we share with colleagues and friends within this Capital Region community. We are looking to hold a barbeque that same Saturday evening before the panel event, stay tuned for more information!



# COLLEGE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL #13635 by Andy Bouffard bouffa@rpi.edu

The Knights of Columbus published the first installment of their 'Let's Build a Better Lent' series on Ash Wednesday. Emphasizing the importance of renewing and reforming your heart during this season rather than making a sacrifice for show or because you feel you have to, the article reminds us that

one way we are called to reform our own lives is to become involved in the lives of those less fortunate than ourselves: "In the Gospel, Christ echoes the prophet: fast and give alms, but with sincerity and not for show (Mt 6:1-6, 16-18). To give alms to the poor is a **Spiritual Work of Mercy** as well as a precept of the Church, so be mindful of parish appeals, special collections and other worthy charities. Just writing checks or dropping cash in a basket can still keep us at arm's length from the poor, so consider taking things a step further by seeking opportunities to offer direct service to those who need it most. Volunteer to assist personally the "least among us" in your community – the homeless, the incarcerated, nursing-home residents, or that lonely neighbor on a fixed income. In this way, you'll put your heart *and* your body into renewing your spirit!"

On that note, the RPI Knights would like to highlight these two opportunities for parishioners and students to volunteer in community service this Lent:

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