



University Parish of Christ Sun of Justice

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Fifth Sunday
of Lent

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MASS/LITURGY SCHEDULE

SUNDAY 11 AM & 5 PM

Registration and Health Survey required

WEDNESDAY 7 PM – Adoration 6-7 PM and again following Mass.

LIVESTREAM

Lenten Wednesday 7 PM and Sunday 11 AM Mass:
www.chapelandculturalcenter.net/mass
for Our Lady of Victory livestream (M-F 8:30 AM & Sunday 9:45 AM) and other Diocese livestreams:
www.rcda.org/livemass

MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

Matthew 10:8 "Freely you have received; freely give."

WEDNESDAY, MAR 24:

Catholic Charities Food Distribution at Lansingburgh Boys and Girls Club Email: volunteer@ccrcda.org. To view all Food distribution sites, click [here](#).

SANITIZERS ARE NEEDED ~ The role of a Sanitizer is to clean chairs and other surfaces after the 11:00 am Mass and clean other areas as needed. If this is something that may interest you, please contact Rogerio Rodrigues at csj.ministry.scheduler@gmail.com

EASTER TRADITION AT CSJ: In the past at Easter time, our community has given an Easter plant (during a visit) to those who are housebound/hospitalized, or who have lost a relative during the past year. Due to COVID-19, visiting cannot take place this year; however, we can make phone calls or send supportive messages. PLEASE SIGN-UP with Dee Dziejewski at (518) 334-6825 or dmdeezee@nycap.rr.com to receive a name, address, and phone number so that you can be in touch during Easter Week.

DECORATE! If you can lend a hand, stop by the C+CC on Saturday, March 27, at 12:30 PM to decorate for Palm Sunday, and/or on Saturday, April 3, (Holy Saturday) around 10 AM to decorate for Easter.

EVENTS OF INTEREST

WEDNESDAY, MAR 24

8 PM Lenten Wednesday Speaker Series
Sr. Eileen McCann, CSJ Register [here](#)

SUNDAY, MAR 28

8 PM Women of Christ Sun of Justice Zoom Meeting

TUESDAY, MAR 30

7 PM Chrism Mass will be livestreamed from the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception



You might not know that:

"I'm into spending time with family, photography, travel, local history, collecting and walking. I'm also the historian/ archivist/ photographer for the C+CC."

Favorite C+CC memories:

"The major family liturgical activities: baptisms, first communions, confirmations and weddings. The community events such as Christmas and Easter liturgies, Holy Thursday Agapes, parties(who remembers the Big Band Parties?)"



Jim Hyde '72G

WE are Church

NOTES

CONFESSION during Lent can be made by arrangement.

HOLY WEEK/EASTER SCHEDULE

Sign up for Holy Week/Easter Masses [here](#)
Penance service Sat. Mar. 27: 11 AM
Palm Sunday Mar. 28: 11 AM & 5 PM
Holy Thursday Apr 1: 6 PM Mass
Good Friday Apr 2: 7:30 Liturgy
Easter Sunday Apr. 4: 11AM and 5 PM

A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE by Bud Ozar

Relationships come with a price tag. We must be willing to entrust ourselves to another, to let go of our autonomy and die to our independence. It is in dying to our independence that we find interdependence with others.

ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

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.
- Place in the collection basket by the church doors at Mass.
- Make an online donation ("Mass donation" in the comments section.)

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday: (Fifth Sunday of Lent) Jer 31:31-34; Heb 5:7-9; Jn 12:20-33.

Monday: Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 or 13:14c-62; Jn 8:1-11.

Tuesday: Nm 21:4-9; Jn 8:21-30.

Wednesday: Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95; Jn 8:31-42.

Thursday: The Annunciation of the Lord: Is 7:10-14; 8-10; Heb 10:4-10; Lk 1:26-38.

Friday: Jer 20:10-13; Jn 10:31-42.

Saturday: Ez 37:21-28; Jn 11:45-56.

Sunday: (Palm Sunday) Mk 11:1-10 or Jn 12:12-16; Is 50:4-7; I 2:6-11; Mk 14:1-15:1-39.



Rooted in History Reading of the Passion with Masks

C+CC NEWS

The C+CC is presenting our Virtual Lenten Wednesday Speaker Series that will include live-streamed Mass at 7 PM, followed by the guest speaker at 8 PM. Our theme this year is WHAT IS IT TO BE CHURCH. Click [here](#) to register and learn more about each of our speakers. Join us on Wednesday, March 24, as we welcome Sr. Eileen McCann, CSJ.

Behold the wood of the cross



Tree transformed...are we?

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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~Campus Connection~



SPIRITUAL SEEDS

by Tracy Watson, Student Spiritual Advisor

Seeds of Contemplation

Looks like we made it: Spring is in the air!

More daylight, warmer temperatures, homecomings of our bird friends, and even a few eager tulips and crocus have taken a peek above ground. And so seeds are on my mind. And pumpkins: last November as the Christ Sun of Justice parish liturgical committee was transitioning our worship space from Fall to Advent, parishioner Steve Partisano harvested the pumpkin seeds, and has cared for them all winter. Soon it will become our turn to care for them, planting them, watering them, and weeding around them when necessary.

The season of Lent offers us time and space to consider the gardens of our hearts and souls.

I encourage us to spend some time this week praying with the passage below; and as you do, to be open to what you notice emerging in your heart:

“Every moment and every event of every [human’s] life on earth plants something in [their] soul. For just as the wind carries thousands of winged seeds, so each moment brings with it gems of spiritual vitality that come to rest imperceptibly in the minds and wills of [mankind].”

~Thomas Merton, New Seeds of Contemplation

NEWMAN CATHOLIC FELLOWSHIP

by Megan Adam

God’s promise to draw all people near to Him is evident in both the Old and New Testament; this in a sense epitomizes His identity as a loving Father. Jeremiah prophesizes that in the new covenant, offered to a people succeeding those of the Exodus and desert wanderings, all will know God: “I will place my law within them and write it upon their hearts; I will be their God, and they shall be my people” (Jer. 31:33).

What does this beautiful promise mean for us Catholics today, particularly during Lent? God is always in our presence; beyond this, His lives within us. God can cleanse our hearts and sustain a willing spirit in us, but we must first take the initiative and approach our Father. The C+CC continues to offer its Lenten Speaker Series virtually on Wednesday nights and the Newman club holds events on Mondays and Fridays as well. Feel free to reach out to me (adamm2@rpi.edu) with any questions!

COLLEGE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL #13635

by Andy Bouffard

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. Recently, two of our Brother Knights advanced to the Third Degree and more advancement opportunities are coming up. Join us and Newman Catholic Fellowship for online Rosary Knight every Monday at 8pm! (Reach out for the Webex link). If you are curious about the Knights of Columbus and what we do, or if you think you might be interested in becoming a College Knight please contact Andy at bouffa@rpi.edu