



# University Parish of Christ Sun of Justice

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23 May 2021

Pentecost  
Sunday

## PASTOR

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## MASS/LITURGY SCHEDULE

**SUNDAY** 11 AM & 5 PM

Registration and Health Survey required

Wed 7 PM Masses have been postponed until further notice

## LIVESTREAM

Sunday 11 AM Mass  
[www.chapelandculturalcenter.net/mass](http://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](http://www.rcda.org/livemass)

## 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.

## MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

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

## BORDER COMPANIONS PROJECT

Last year, through the support of the Sisters of Saint Joseph, our Spiritual Advisor, Tracy Watson, witnessed firsthand the tragedies and heartbreak that occur daily on our Mexican border in the Rio Grande Valley. Since Tracy's return, she has been involved in projects that show immigrant children and families at the border that they are welcome and loved. With Tracy's help, CSJ is asking all those willing in this month of May to WRITE A NOTE OF WELCOME (a Spanish script is provided) that will end up in the hands of a family in the Rio Grande Valley. Notes can be dropped off or mailed to the C+CC. Click [here](#) for more details.

Learn the behind-the-scenes at the C+CC with FREE training to conduct livestreaming. Contact [Kevin](#).

## EVENTS OF INTEREST

### SUNDAY, MAY 23

You are invited to attend the next Zoom meeting of Women of Christ Sun of Justice at 8 PM. For questions or further information, contact Kate Tozzi. Join us!

### TUESDAY, MAY 25

8 PM Zoom Wine Tasting Event

### TUESDAY, JUNE 1

Fr. Lawrence Rice  
official appointment date as Catholic Chaplain

**You might not know that:**

- I was born and raised in Los Angeles and I'm a die-hard Lakers fan!
- I have learned how to play 5 different instruments throughout my life (including the recorder in 4th grade). Now I play bass, guitar, and occasionally piano.
- I wanted to attend college on the East Coast ever since visiting on a trip with my 8th grade class.

**Favorite C+CC memory:**  
Attending Mass with friends every week and hanging out with Newman and the Knights of Columbus in the Hospitality House!



Andy Bouffard '22 (and his dog, Brandi)

**WE are Church**

## NOTES

### MASK REQUIREMENT

The Reopening Committee has decided to continue to require everyone over the age of 2 to wear a mask when attending Mass until State and Diocesan guidance can be fully evaluated. Please know that the Committee is constantly reevaluating the situation and is also actively exploring a return to singing at Mass. Stay tuned!

### REMINDER

We are reaching capacity for Mass, so please remember to register [here](#) or you can call the C+CC at 518-274-7793 and leave a message on ext. 13 with the Mass time and number attending. Telephone sign up must be done no later than 3:00 PM on the Friday prior to the Mass.

### WINE TASTING

Let's get together to toast the feast day of St. Morand of Cluny! Zoom link [here](#) on May 25 at 8:00 PM. All are welcome, contact [Teresa Brennan](mailto:Teresa.Brennan@nycap.rr.com) with questions: 518-469-2261 or [tbrennan@nycap.rr.com](mailto:tbrennan@nycap.rr.com).

### CONFESSION

The Sacrament of Reconciliation is available before or after Masses or by arrangement.

## A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE, BY BUD OZAR

Today, on Pentecost, we remember Christ has given us the Holy Spirit to assist us in raising our family and he expects us to use this personal gift. Let's turn-off the noise, apps and distractions in our lives and let the Holy Spirit "guide us to the truth."

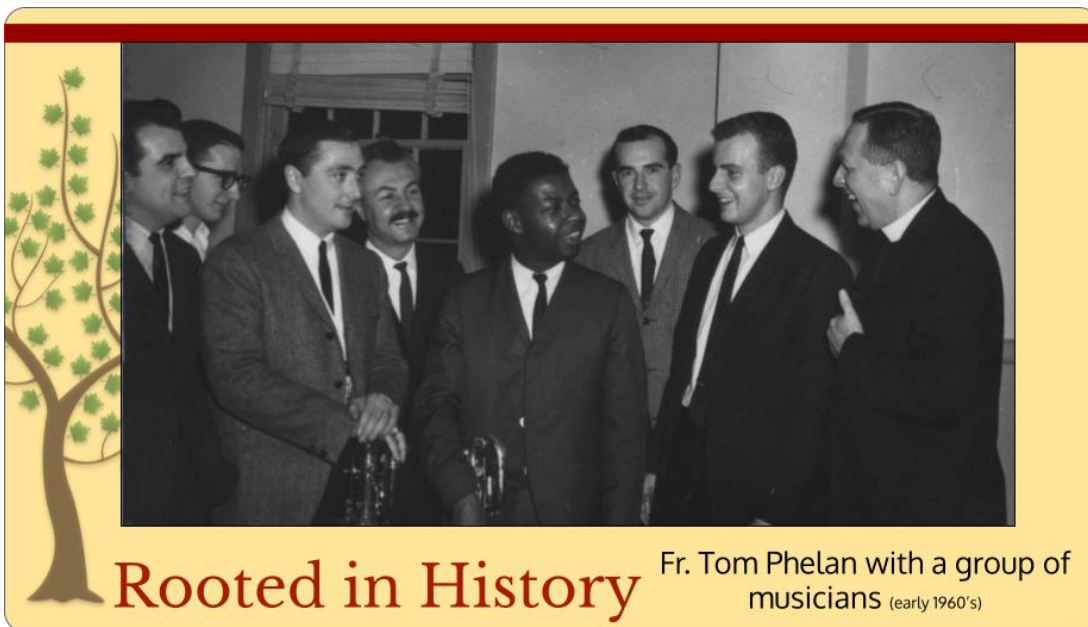
## COLLECTIONS

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.)
- This Sunday, Diocese Special Collection – 2021 Central and Eastern European Collection

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday: Pentecost Sunday: Acts 2:1-11; Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13 or Gal 5:16-25; Jn 20:19-23 or Jn 15:26-27; 16:12-15.  
Monday: Gn 3:9-15, 20 or Acts 1:12-14; Jn 19:25-34.  
Tuesday: Sir 35:1-12; Mk 10:28-31.  
Wednesday: Sir 36:1, 4-5a, 10-17; Mk 10:32-45 see 570: Phil 4:4-9; Jn 17:20-26.  
Thursday: Sir 42:15-25; Mk 10:46-52.  
Friday: Sir 44:1, 9-13; Mk 11:11-26.  
Saturday: Sir 51:12cd-20; Mk 11:27-33.  
Sunday: The Most Holy Trinity: Dt 4:32-34, 39-40; Rom 8:14-17; Mt 28:16-20.



## 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.

## CONGRATULATIONS TO THE RPI CLASS OF 2021!

- Prayers and blessings on achieving your well-deserved success. We are grateful in words beyond belief for your presence among us these past years. Wherever you go, we are there with you in spirit and prayer. Please be with us!
- A huge THANK YOU to Tracy Watson for giving the invocation and benediction at the commencement ceremony!
- Read about our Molly Monge: Force of Nature: <https://everydaymatters.rpi.edu/a-force-of-nature-molly-monge/>.

## LETTER FROM BISHOP SCHARFENBERGER "A RETURN TO MASS"

Given the most recent changes in regulations and after considerable consultation; from the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (Sunday, June 6<sup>th</sup> 2021) I will remove the *general* dispensation from the obligation to go to Mass on Sundays and Holy Days given back in March 2020. However, there would still be a *particular* dispensation from this obligation for those in certain circumstances; such as, those who are sick or who are at risk, or who care for those who are sick or at risk, or those who experience significant anxiety or fear of getting sick from being in a public setting. View Bishop Scharfenberger's full letter [here](#)

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## ~Campus Connection~



### SPIRITUAL SEEDS

by Tracy Watson, Student Spiritual Advisor [spiritual.advisorCCC@gmail.com](mailto:spiritual.advisorCCC@gmail.com)  
View Tracy's 1-minute Spiritual Seeds video clips [here](#)

Spirit of truth

Did you know that we are in the midst of "**Laudato Si Week**"?

May 16-25, 2021 has been set aside by the Church to commemorate Pope Francis' encyclical. It is also a time to reread **Laudato Si**, linked below, praying for **Holy Spirit** to come and renew our hearts in such a way that we are impelled to make changes for the Care of our Common Home and Dear Neighbor.

Excerpts from *Laudato Si* to pray with this week:

*[T]he ecological crisis is also a summons to profound interior conversion...Living our vocation to be protectors of God's handiwork is essential to a life of virtue; it is not an optional or a secondary aspect of our Christian experience. (#217)*

*[Great importance of the family,] political institutions and various social groups are also entrusted with helping to raise people's awareness. So too is the Church. All Christian communities have an important role to play in ecological education. (#214)*

*We have to realize that a true ecological approach always becomes a social approach; it must integrate questions of justice in debates on the environment, so as to hear both the cry of the earth and the cry of the poor. (#49)*

[https://www.vatican.va/content/dam/francesco/pdf/encyclicals/documents/papa-francesco\\_20150524\\_enciclica-laudato-si\\_en.pdf](https://www.vatican.va/content/dam/francesco/pdf/encyclicals/documents/papa-francesco_20150524_enciclica-laudato-si_en.pdf)

**Congratulations to our RPI Graduates!** Know that your Church family continues to hold you close in prayer as you walk into this next chapter of your lives. Peace be with you.



**Thank you** for dropping off your *Border Companions Project* notes of Welcome: your time and generosity is greatly appreciated! Yes, there is still time to drop off your notes through May 31st. Follow the link for details: <https://chapelandculturalcenter.net/border-companions-project/>

### COLLEGE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL #13635

by Andy Bouffard [bouffa@rpi.edu](mailto:bouffa@rpi.edu)

All RPI students are welcome to join the Knights and Newman Catholic Fellowship for online Rosary Knight every Monday at 8pm! (Email me for the Webex link). If you are curious about the Knights of Columbus and Newman Catholic Fellowship please feel free to join the Discord at: <https://discord.gg/YxZNkDnTzV> where we chat and send announcements. Our council is currently looking for a new Financial Secretary (Financial Secretary cannot be a current RPI student). If you or anyone you know might be interested in becoming involved with the council in this role, please contact me!

### NEWMAN CATHOLIC FELLOWSHIP by Megan Adam [adamm2@rpi.edu](mailto:adamm2@rpi.edu)

As this spring semester has drawn to a close, our Newman club has and will continue to gather for our Virtual Rosary nights and small group discussions. This past Friday, we touched on living in a gray world, one that does not trust in God; we began to unveil how God would rather us be hot or cold than lukewarm (Revelation 3: 15-16). Often when trying to protect ourselves from the tribulations of life or "living on the average," we can miss out, not only on joys and blessings, but also opportunities for growth. When we choose to pursue the zeal of the Holy Spirit within us, we can fulfill our God-given mission. This all roots in trusting that God has plans for us and that His love, faithfulness, and goodness have and always will remain. We highlighted some very powerful verses from Ecclesiastes that I will leave you with: "What do workers gain from their toil?...He has made everything beautiful in its time... that each of them may eat and drink, and find satisfaction in all their toil—this is the gift of God. I know that everything God does will endure forever; nothing can be added to it and nothing taken from it." (Ecclesiastes 3: 9, 11, 13-14). Follow us on our NEW instagram page @rpi\_newman for more updates and posts!

## WELCOME FR. LARRY!



The Rensselaer Newman Foundation is pleased to announce the appointment of Father Lawrence Rice, CSP, as Resident Catholic Chaplain at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute as of June 1, 2021.

Father Larry comes to us with 30 years of experience in Campus Ministry. Most recently, he served as Director of the University Catholic Center at the University of Texas at Austin. He has also served as Director of St. Mary's of the Lake, which is the Paulist summer retreat home on Lake George. Prior to his assignment at Lake George, Father was the Director of the St. Thomas More Newman Center, at The Ohio State University in Columbus, Ohio.

Father Larry earned his Bachelor of Arts degree in General Arts and Sciences from Pennsylvania State University (1983) and a Master of Divinity from the Catholic University of America (1989). In 1984, Fr. Larry entered the Missionary Society of St. Paul (Paulist Fathers) and was ordained in 1989.

Father Larry is excited to join the Campus Ministry at RPI, stating "The ministry here at Rensselaer presents great opportunities and challenges." This new assignment also gives Father an opportunity to be closer to his family in Niskayuna, Syracuse and Rochester as well as his friends at St. Mary's of the Lake.

Welcome Father Larry to the Rensselaer Newman Foundation, the Chapel and Cultural Center, the University Parish of Christ Sun of Justice, and the RPI and Troy Communities!

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