ALL SAINTS DAY 1 NOVEMBER 2020



UNIVERSITY PARISH OF CHRIST SUN OF JUSTICE MASS SCHEDULE: WEDNESDAY AT 7:00 PM SUNDAY AT 11:00 AM AND 5:00 PM

Our 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.

<u>Our Vision Statement:</u> The University Parish of Christ Sun of Justice – Responding to God's love through servant leadership, a diverse welcoming community.

Parish Membership: Anyone wishing to join please ask for a membership form from the Chaplains' Office.

Location and mailing address of the C+CC and CSJ Parish: 2125 Burdett Avenue, Troy, NY 12180. (across from BARH dorms)

Office Hours of the C+CC: 9:00 am - 5:00 pm

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<u>Student Spiritual Advisor</u>: Tracy Watson, <u>spiritual.advisorCCC@gmail.com</u>; (518) 274-7793 ext. 11; (518) 233-4514 <u>Christ Sun of Justice Trustees</u>: Mary Crangle Nagy <u>cranglemary@gmail.com</u> and Paul Kraus <u>csj@kraus-haus.org</u>. When entering the C+CC, please turn off all devices that may interrupt a service or private prayer. Thanks!

Fr. Randall Patterson, Pastor: (518) 273-7602 ParishOffice@olvols.org
Fr. Samuel Bellafiore, Associate Pastor: (518) 273-7602 ParishOffice@olvols.org

Readings for the Week:

(Sunday: All Saints Day) Rv 7:2-4, 9-14; Jn 3:1-3; Mt 5:1-12a)

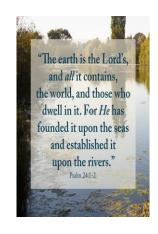
(Monday: All Souls Day) Wis 3:1-9; Rom 5:5-11; Jn 6:37-40, or 1011-1016.

(Tuesday) Phil 2:5-11; Lk 14:15-24.

(Wednesday) Phil 2:12-18; Lk 14:25-33 see 670: Rom 12:3-13; Jn 10:11-16.

(Thursday) Phil 3:3-8a; Lk 15:1-10. (Friday) Phil 3:17-4:1; Lk 16:1-8. (Saturday) Phil 4:10-19; Li 16:9-15.

(Sunday: 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time) Wis 6:12-16; Thes 4:13-18 or 4:13-14; Mt 25:1-13.





DURING THE MONTH OF OCTOBER, JOAN COUGHLIN, JOHN T. McELLIGOTT, HENRY TOMIAK, AND JOHN J. "JAKE" KELLIHER WERE ENROLLED IN OUR MEMORIAL FUND. This Sunday, 1 November, we have them as the principal intention. Please keep them in your prayers.



John J. "Jake" Kelliher, RPI's first Assistant Resident Catholic Chaplain has died. He was ordained in December 1964 and served at RPI for the 1966-67 academic year after serving as Principal at Cathedral Academy in Albany. During his tenure at RPI, the C+CC was designed and construction begun. After leaving RPI, he was a college chaplain for four more years. He later earned a law degree and worked for New York State. Jake was the brother of parishioner Mary Ellen Halloran and the brother-in-law of RPI Professor Michael Halloran.

NOVEMBER, in our Roman Catholic Tradition, is the month we remember in an intense manner those who have died. All the liturgies celebrated here at the C+CC will have a special remembrance for those whose names are inscribed in our Book of the Dead. Please, use your own pen to write the names of your family and friends that you wish to be remembered this year in our book located at the left side of the altar.



A message from Father Patterson:



FAITHFUL CITIZENSHIP can be a challenge for us in this election year. Several people have approached me over the course of the last few weeks inquiring about the Church's teaching relative to voting. <u>Faithful Citizenship</u> is a document published by the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops that is intended to help us in our decisions relative to voting especially in national elections such as we have this year. The current issue of <u>The Evangelist</u> (pp.3, 6, 8") provides us with 3 informative articles on this subject. Preliminarily,

it's important for us to remember that the Church cannot tell us who to vote for. The Church is a tax exempt organization and we would lose this status, were the Church to do so. Second, we must keep in mind that no political party aligns with all of the principles of our faith. So we have to do our homework, which includes knowing the candidates and what they stand for, knowing what our Church teaches, do the best that we can at making a prudent judgment, under the guidance of the Holy Spirit. M. Cathleen Kaveny, a law and theology professor at Boston College, also points out that our bishops remind us that character and integrity of candidates counts. And this should be part of our decision making as well, not just their positions on the issues. "The introductory letter (to Faithful Citizenship reminds Catholics that 'we bring the richness of our faith to the public square' and that 'faith and reason inform our efforts to affirm both the dignity of the human person and the common good of all.' "The letter also says, 'The threat of abortion remains our preeminent priority because it directly attacks life itself.... (but) we cannot dismiss or ignore other serious threats to human life and dignity, such as racism, the environmental crisis, poverty and the death penalty." (The Evangelist, Sept 24, p. 8, Faithful Citizenship). Faithful Citizenship can be downloaded as a free PDF from USCCB.org. Other resources at the same address explore Catholic social teaching and include reflective teachings of Pope Francis. The Evangelist has given us an excellent direction as we make our voting decisions this year. Please remember to vote and to do so faithfully, it's our duty.



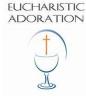
IMPORTANT REMINDERS: We would like to again remind you of some of the requirements for attending Mass here at the Chapel + Cultural Center so we all stay safe and healthy.

•PLEASE register for Mass each week and also fill out the Health Survey form in advance. If you need any information on how to do this, please see one of the greeters or ushers.

- PLEASE arrive 15 minutes before Mass.
- PLEASE wear a mask that covers both your mouth and nose and keep it on throughout the Mass. The
 only exception is when receiving communion. You may momentarily lift or lower your mask at that
 time.
- PLEASE use hand sanitizer before entering the Chapel.
- PLEASE follow the usher's directions on seating, going to communion, and departing the Chapel. Receiving communion in the hand is encouraged for safety reasons. However, if you wish to receive communion on the tongue rather than in the hand, please be the last in line.
- PLEASE remember to enter by the front door and leave by the side door near the font.
- PLEASE do not congregate in the hallway, sacristy, or other areas inside the C+CC. If you need to speak
 with the priest, try to make arrangements in advance. Alternatively, make your need for a private
 meeting known to the priest after Mass and wait until he is available. We must maintain social
 distancing.

In the light of ongoing health risks to the most vulnerable among us, the temporary suspension of the obligation to attend Mass on Sundays and Holy Days during the pandemic remains in force for the moment (cf. CIC, canon 1247) although this provision is under constant review. That being stated, keeping holy the Lord's Day is of fundamental importance for every Christian and indeed, it is constitutive of what it means to be a disciple of the Lord. Therefore, Catholics should use their prudential judgment based upon religious and medical considerations as to whether or not to attend Mass. Furthermore parishioners are reminded that:

- if they are sick, for example, if they are experiencing cold or flu like symptoms,
- -if they are experiencing symptoms of a serious illness,
- -or if they are in a "vulnerable" category (the elderly, people with weakened immune systems, people with long term conditions such as cancer, diabetes, heart conditions, respiratory conditions, etc.) they are NOT obliged to attend Sunday Mass, and, out of concern for others, ought not to attend. It would be good, therefore, for them to avail themselves of live-stream/recorded Masses.



ADORATION: You are invited to come spend time with the Lord in Eucharistic Adoration. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will be available on Wednesday's from 6:15 pm - 6:50 pm and again for a half hour following the 7:00 pm Mass. Please consider setting aside some time Wednesday evenings to reconnect with the Lord and our faith community.

** All COVID-19 protocols will be in place.**

During this Harvest time of year, we give thanks for our many blessings of abundance. With this in mind, we are collecting winter items of gloves and warm socks for men, women & children for Unity House to give to those who often do not have these items on a regular basis. We will have a collection box in the C+CC hallway.





DRIVE-UP PICK-UP TAKE OUT ICC SPAGHETTI DINNER: The Election Eve dinner to benefit the Soup Kitchen will be held on Monday, 2 November, From 4-7pm, for take out only. Cost is \$10. Adults/\$3. children. Drive-ups are welcome – no pre-ordering necessary. A big "Thank You" to all who have reached out to help with desserts as we have fulfilled our request for donations! Please consider supporting this fundraiser by picking up a delicious Spaghetti & Meatball Dinner that includes bread and dessert at the Italian Community Center, 1450 Fifth Avenue, Troy. COVID-19 guidelines for masks and social distancing will be in effect.

LECTOR BOOKS: The Lector books used to help in preparation for proclaiming "The Word" are now available. If you can, we ask for a donation of \$15 to cover the cost. This request should not keep anyone from obtaining a book. Year B begins with the 1st Sunday of Advent (29 November 2020). Please see the Mass coordinator to obtain your book.

Next week, FOOD FOR THE HUNGRY OF TROY – Please remember to donate to our local area food banks. There will be a basket in the hallway for food items that will benefit Our Lady of Victory Food Pantry, and for monetary donations for Bethany Center and Unity House. Please make your checks payable to Unity House or Bethany Center. Thank you for your generosity!





<u>LIVESTREAMED MASS</u>: <u>Christ Sun of Justice</u> is offering Livestreamed Sunday Mass at 11:00 am on the following link: <u>rcda.org/livemass</u>. Scroll down to Christ Sun of Justice Church, and click on "Watch livestream Mass & Archived Mass Online." You are also able to access and view Masses at a later time after the livestreaming.

Our Lady of Victory Parish is offering Online daily Mass, Monday - Friday, at 8:30 am, (except Wednesday) and Sunday at 9:45 am. To view, please visit 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



THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION is be available every Wednesday, following the 7:00 pm Mass, celebrated by Fr. Patterson and/or Fr. Sam.

THANK YOU, THANK YOU!! We cannot say it enough! Thank you to everyone who has been so generous and thoughtful through the shutdown of Church. Your commitment has allowed us to maintain our essential needs and expenses. We humbly ask that if you are able, to continue to use your weekly Sunday offering envelopes. Your gift of treasure is very important and vital to the parish. You can mail your collection envelope and/or your check made payable to Christ Sun of Justice to:



Christ Sun of Justice Parish 2125 Burdett Avenue Troy, NY 12180 (Please note change of address)

The collection basket will be available by the doors into

the church when you enter, and again when you leave the church at the end of Mass. You can also make an online donation by visiting our website at https://chapelandculturalcenter.net/give-back, mention "Mass donation" in the additional comments section.



The Diocese of Albany has compiled an abundance of information for people who want faith at home resources: Please visit:

https://www.rcda.org/coronavirus/resources

This webpage has access to:

Online and TV listings for live Masses, Daily Scripture Readings, Saint of the Day, Daily Mass with Pope Francis, and Simple Suggestions for Prayer During Time of Anxiety



Connect with us on Facebook to stay up to date with all the latest news! https://www.facebook.com/ChapelandCulturalCenter/; https://www.facebook.com/ChristSunofJustice/





~CAMPUS CONNECTION~



spiritual Seeds from Tracy Watson, MDiv, Student Spiritual Advisor, spiritual.advisorCCC@gmail.com

"Tough Scrambles" Quite often I notice that God will use interesting ways to grab my attention, including on runs, walks and hikes- all things that I love to engage in. I particularly enjoy making the trek to the Adirondacks for all-day hikes and climbs, and it is there that I have been learning to face "tough scrambles"- open rock faces that appear more intimidating than they turn out to be.

Have you encountered moments like that- where something that feels so difficult is staring you in the face, and you feel that you are not prepared for it? Please always know that you are not alone. That you are precious and loved. Reach out to a few of your friends. Reach out to your parish community here. And please consider reaching out to me as well. I am available and ready to listen. Email works best for our initial contact. spiritual.advisorCCC@gmail.com

~Praying with you. Tracy

"Take the Plunge" Challenge: Newman Catholic Fellowship and Knights of Columbus ask each student to "take the plunge" and sign up to usher, greet, lector, or prep the chapel for the next Mass at least once this Fall semester. Please contact Rogerio Rodriguez at csi.ministry.scheduler@gmail.com to secure a spot. Thank you in advance!





NEWMAN CATHOLIC FELLOWSHIP

(Contact: Megan Adam, adamm2@rpi.edu)

This past weekend the C+CC and Newman Club hosted our first Virtual Coffee and Tea Hour during RPI's Virtual Parents Weekend. The circumstances of COVID-19 offered a unique opportunity for families all over the country, in particular, those who might not normally have

been able to attend a family weekend event, to log on to the call. Centered upon uniting our community from afar, the Virtual Coffee and Tea Hour allowed the families of our students to meet others in the parish family and offer faith testimonies as well. The night concluded with an exciting game of jeopardy, with categories including RPI, Catholicism, Superheroes, Sports Legends, and more! In the works... the Newman Club is planning a Pizza/Movie night at the C+CC either the first or second weekend in November, as well as starting an in-person/online hybrid small group discussion at the end of each week. Be on the lookout in our GroupMe chat or feel free to email me at adamm2@rpi.edu with any questions!



COLLEGE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL #13635 (CONTACT: Andy Bouffard bouffa@rpi.edu)

--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. Join us for "Skypesary" online every week to pray, learn more of who we are and what we're about, and keep up with each other during these times. If you're interested in becoming a Knight or learning more about us, join our facebook page or shoot the club an email at rpi.knights@gmail.com.

CONTACT INFORMATION AND HEALTH SURVEY FORM

(A separate form must be completed for each	h attendee)	
Name:	_ (PLEASE PRINT ALI	L INFORMATION)
Address:	_	
Telephone number:		
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	HEALTH SURVEY	
Have you had ANY symptoms of COVID-19 in TASTE OR SMELL, COUGH, SHORTNESS OF ISORE THROAT.		
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IF YOU ANSWER YES TO ANY OF THE QUESTIONS ON THE HEALTH SURVEY WE CANNOT ALLOW YOU TO REMAIN ON THE PREMISES