

University Parish of Christ Sun of Justice

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MASS/LITURGY SCHEDULE

DAILY MASSMONDAY – THURSDAY 5 PM

WEEKEND MASS SATURDAY VIGIL 5 PM SUNDAY 10 AM & 5 PM

LIVESTREAM SUNDAY 10 AM Mass

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

Confession - The Sacrament of Reconciliation is available on Saturdays, from 3:30 – 4:30 PM or by arrangement with Fr. Larry at *chaplain@rpi.edu*.

MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

Romans 12:6 "In his grace, God has given us different gifts for doing certain things well."

Soup Kitchen Bakers - In collaboration with the ICC and other church groups, CSJ provides desserts on the 2nd and last Thursdays of the month. There are spots for 2 people to make 25 servings each and these will be delivered to Joseph's House (74 Ferry St. Troy) before 2:30 PM on the dates provided. Click <u>here</u> for the sign up sheet or call Christine (724-316-6664) to make arrangements to bake and/or deliver. Store-purchased desserts are welcome too!

CSJ Enrollment –Membership forms are available in the hallway, or email <u>Diane</u> and she can mail one to you. You can also scan the QR code to submit your parish membership form. Either way of enrolling is welcome!



EVENTS OF INTEREST

SATURDAY, NOV 20 8 PM <u>Rensselyrics 30th</u> <u>Anniversary Performance</u>

COFFEE HOUR after Masses this weekend. Come and connect with old friends and make some new ones!



NOTES

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 intention for those whose names are inscribed in our **Book of Remembrance**. 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 that will be located immediately to the side of the altar. If anyone attending virtually would like the name/s of their loved ones added, please email *Mary Crangle Nagy*.

Thanksgiving Eve Soup & Salad – Join us for this meal following the 5 PM Mass on Wed, Nov. 24. If you can, please consider bringing a dessert to share and a donation for the food pantry. Sign up on the board if you wish to attend. Since we will not be wearing masks while eating, we ask that only those who are fully vaccinated attend the meal. Thank you for understanding.

Thank you to all who contributed to the OLV-OLS food pantry this past weekend. It was much appreciated!

Please continue to wear a mask and maintain social distance. If you are not fully vaccinated, including children aged 2 to 12, you must wear a mask at all times in the Chapel that fully covers your mouth and nose. You must also fill out a *Health Survey*.

Lector Books are available for the upcoming liturgical year. If you are a lector, these are most helpful to practice your reading with. Please see the Mass coordinator to get a copy. If you are able, we are asking for a donation of \$15 to cover the cost.

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.)
- This week, Special Diocesan collection "Catholic Campaign for Human Development" to support those living in poverty. Please make your **check** payable to Christ Sun of Justice, write "CC Human Development" on the memo line of your check.
- Next week, Special Diocesan collection "Catholic Charities" for those less fortunate in our diocese. Please make your check payable to Christ Sun of Justice, write "Catholic Charities" on the memo line of your check.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday: Dn 7:13-14; Rv 1:5-8; Jn 18:33b-37. Monday: Dn 1:1-6, 8-20; Lk 21:1-4 see 681:

Hos 2:16b, 17b, 21-22; Mt 25:1-13. Tuesday: Dn 2:31-45; Lk 21:5-11.

Wednesday: Dn 5:1-6, 13-14, 16-17, 23-28; Lk 21:12-19; 683B: Wis 3:1-9; Mt 10:17-22.

Thursday: Dn 6:12-28; Lk 21:20-28. Friday: Dn 7:2-14; Lk 21:29-33. Saturday: Dn 7:15-27; Lk 21:34-36. Sunday: 1st Sunday of Advent Jer 33:14-16;

1 Thes 3:12-4:2; Lk 21:25-28, 34-36.

You might not know that:

- "- I speak 4 languages: English, French, Creole, and Spanish (fluent),
- I am an Aeronautical / Mechanical Engineering major,
- I play the drums,
- I am also in The Air Force Reserve Officer Training Corp.

My CSJ connection:

"I am happy to join the facilities staff at the C+CC and I look forward to meeting the parishioners of



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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.

C+CC NEWS

Upcoming student performances at the C+CC:

Saturday, Nov 20, 8 PM – Rensselyrics Invitational Saturday, Dec 4, 230 PM - Student Recital Saturday, Dec 14, 2:00 PM - Music Ensembles Sunday, Dec 19, 2:00 PM - Student Recital

The Diocesan Appeal year has begun. As you contemplate your investment, please consider the role of the Catholic Church in your life and that of your family. Your support of both your parish offertory and the Diocesan Appeal are the most fundamental ways to ensure the health and vitality of our entire Catholic community of 126 parishes in 14 counties, serving you in the day-to-day and milestone moments of your life. You can make a gift or pledge through the mailing you may have received. If your return includes credit card information or other personal information, please make sure your mailing is secure. You can also contribute online at www.thediocesanappeal.org or you can set-up bill

pay through your bank for recurring gifts (easier on your budget), asking the bank to make checks payable to Diocesan Appeal, 40 N. Main Ave., Albany, NY 12203. Be sure to include your name and the name & location of our parish. Remember "something is better than nothing!" Thank you!

A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE By Bud Ozar

When we are young, our parents "tell us about Jesus" and we believe what our parents believe. At some point we must leave our parents faith and ask Pilate's question: "Are you the King?' Pilate is just asking these questions on our behalf.



~Campus Connection~



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



Greetings to you!

As you are aware Newman Club has had a busy Fall semester, thank God!

That trend has continued in November, and looks to continue in the first few weeks of December.

Newman Club Upcoming Events

<u>Tuesday Evening Bible Study</u> will continue after Thanksgiving. We will meet at 7 PM on November 30th, December 7th and 14th in the C+CC Lounge.

<u>Sunday, December 12th 6 PM</u> (after Mass) will find us **Christmas Caroling** around campus with hot cocoa and cookies to follow!

Wednesday, December 15th Join us for a **Movie (Elf) with Theological Reflection** @ C+CC with a 6 PM start. Of course, snacks will be provided.

<u>Students</u>: Once again your University Parish Christ Sun of Justice faith community will be putting together **Final Exam Care Packages** for you: stay tuned for details...

Have a great week, and if you will be around on Wednesday, November 24th, hope to see you at Mass and our simple Thanksgiving Eve meal!

COLLEGE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL #13635 by Andy Bouffard <u>bouffa@rpi.edu</u>



All RPI students are welcome to join the Knights and Newman Catholic Fellowship for online Rosary Knight every Wednesday 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 <u>adamm2 @rpi.edu</u>



It's hard to believe that we're approaching Thanksgiving week! As followers of Jesus, thankfulness is a trait that we're called to grow in; two of my favorite verses which encourage this development come from Colossians,

and one I've come by recently in a podcast from the book of Psalms. The Colossians verses come from chapter 2, reading, "As you therefore have received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk in Him, rooted and built up in Him and established in the faith, as you have been taught, abounding in it with thanksgiving" (6-7, NKJV). The verse from chapter 28 of Psalms speaks to gratitude and trust in God, two qualities which are essential in learning to love this life we've been given; "The Lord is my strength and my shield; in him my heart trusts, and I am helped; my heart exults, and with my song I give thanks to him" (7).

These verses provide much wisdom and guidance; from them, we're reminded of the interdependence of faith and thanksgiving. To come to know God and learn to trust in Him involves appreciating His creation and the Word He's given us. Responding to this goodness and grace with gratitude is our way to show what God means to us, especially around this time of year. Enjoy the upcoming week everyone, and safe travels to all RPI students and parishioners!

FR. LARRY RICE, CSP



"Where do you see yourself in five years?"

That's the somewhat clichéd question often asked in job interviews and performance evaluations. I suppose it's intended to solicit what a person's hopes, dreams, and ambitions are. These are important ideas, because they can shape a plan toward a desired future. It's a good question not just for individuals, but also for communities.

It's a question I'd like to ask at Christ Sun of Justice parish. Where do we see ourselves in five years? After some years of uncertainty about the future, the challenges of continuing without a resident chaplain, and what might be called mixed signals from the diocese, it's understandable that most people have been focused on-- and worried about-- the survival of the parish. The separation of the parish from the Rensselaer Newman Foundation has added some instability to the mix as well. I have a sense that we're moving past that uncertainty and instability. As we continue to work toward regularizing our legal and fiscal structures, we'll be able to take a collective breath, and begin to focus more clearly on our mission as a campus parish. We'll be able to start thinking about our future in some organized ways.

As you may start to experience, I'm by nature a planner. I like to think ahead, to anticipate growth, and to figure out the tasks, projects, and milestones that will take us to our shared goal. I like plans that are flexible and adaptable, and goals that are ambitious and attainable. So I think it's time to start asking ourselves, "where do we see ourselves in five years?" I'm interested to hear your thoughts and desires as we start making plans and setting goals.

Peace. - Fr. Larry

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