



# University Parish of Christ Sun of Justice

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27th Sunday in  
Ordinary Time

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## MASS/LITURGY SCHEDULE

### DAILY MASS

MONDAY – THURSDAY 5 PM

### WEEKEND MASS

SATURDAY VIGIL 5 PM  
SUNDAY 10 AM & 5 PM

### LIVESTREAM

SUNDAY 10 AM Mass  
[www.chapelandculturalcenter.net/mass](http://www.chapelandculturalcenter.net/mass)

To view other Diocese livestreams,  
visit: [www.rcda.org/livemass](http://www.rcda.org/livemass)

## NOTES

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**.

**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](mailto:chaplain@rpi.edu).

**Low gluten hosts** - We have low gluten hosts available for those who need them. They contain .01% gluten and are authorized for use in the Catholic Mass. If that amount of gluten still presents a problem, Fr. Larry will arrange for you to receive the consecrated wine at communion time. Please see the Mass coordinator or Fr. Larry **before** Mass to make arrangements.

## EVENTS OF INTEREST

### SUNDAY, OCT 3

- 1:00 PM Blessing of the Animals
- Memorial Mass – celebrated at all Weekend Masses

**OCT 16/17 WEEKEND** – All are welcome to attend Coffee Hour following all Masses!

### THURSDAY, OCT 21

American Red Cross Blood Drive at the C+CC  
10:30 AM–4:30 PM. [Click here to make an appointment](#)



**ID challenge:**  
Anyone know  
who's playing  
Santa?  
If so, let us  
know!

**Rooted in History**

## MEMORIAL MASS INTENTIONS

**Please keep in your prayers those enrolled in September:** Mary Bass Shpikula, Al Schongar, Patricia O'Brien and Barbara Grimmick.

## MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

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

**Border Companions Project for Sept** - Our Spiritual Advisor, Tracy Watson, 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 that are willing, to buy STICKERS &/or buy or make BOOKMARKS that will end up in the hands of immigrant children & families in Mexico seeking asylum in the US. Please click [here](#) for more information.

**Thursday, Oct 28** - Catholic Charities Food Distribution at the Italian Community Center, 1450 5<sup>th</sup> Ave Troy. Email: [volunteer@ccrcda.org](mailto:volunteer@ccrcda.org). To view all Food distribution sites, click [here](#).

## 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, Food for the Hungry Collection – monetary donations payable to Unity House or Bethany Center OR donate non-perishable food items for the OLS Food Pantry.

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday: Gn 2:18-24; Heb 2:9-11; Mk 10:2-16 or 10:2-12.

Monday: Jon 1:1-2:2, 11; Lk 10:25-37 see 651: Gal 6:14-18; Mt 11:25-30.

Tuesday: Jon 3:1-10; Lk 10:38-42.

Wednesday: Jon 4:1-11; Lk 11:1-4.

Thursday: Mal 3:13-20b; Lk 11:5-13 see 653: Acts 1:12-14; Lk 1:26-38.

Friday: Jl 1:13-15; 2:1-2; Lk 11:15-26.

Saturday: Jl 4:12-21; Lk 11:27-28.

Sunday: 28<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time Wis 7:7-11; Heb 4:12-13; Mk 10:17-30 or 10:17-27.



### You might not know that:

"I love the community of CSJ! Little known fact: I earned a silver medal in diving at the Michigan State Olympics. That was some time ago. . ."

### Favorite CSJ memory:

"When I learned that my RPI predecessor, Dean Thomas W. Phelan, was also Pastor of CSJ and involved in the design and building of the C+CC."



Mary Simoni

## WE are Church

## 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.

### CSJ Enrollment Reminder –

Membership forms are available in the hallway, or email Diane 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!



## C+CC NEWS

Coming soon to the Gallery: An exhibit of photos of past programs and performances at the C+CC.

The C+CC is seeking local artists to exhibit their works in the gallery, contact Kevin at [krolik2@rpi.edu](mailto:krolik2@rpi.edu) for more information.

## A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE

By Bud Ozar

In today's gospel Jesus encourages married couples to throw away the marriage rule book. Rules are for those with "hardened hearts." Married couples are called to be a sacramental reflection of God's faithful and selfless love...a place where people live and love beyond rules and formulas.



# ~Campus Connection~



## SPIRITUAL SEEDS

by Tracy Watson, RPI Associate Catholic Chaplain [spiritual.advisorCCC@gmail.com](mailto:spiritual.advisorCCC@gmail.com)



### The Message

October 4th we celebrate the **Feast of St Francis of Assisi**, patron saint of animals and Italy, metal workers and ecology- and of **messengers**. How fitting it is that he provides intercession for people who deliver messages! After all, St. Francis himself brought us the clear Gospel message of living a profound Christ-like humility, a poverty of spirit, that relied solely on the Providence of God.

*Saint Francis, pray for us that we may become an instrument of God's peace, mercy and love. Amen*

## COLLEGE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL #13635

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

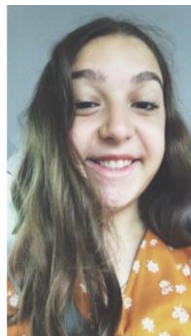


All RPI students are welcome to join the Knights and Newman Catholic Fellowship for online Rosary Knight every Wednesday at 8pm! (Email me for the Webex link).

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 [adamm2@rpi.edu](mailto:adamm2@rpi.edu)



Throughout our lives, and especially for us RPI students, the question of how we will make our mark on the world is often contemplated. The answer to this question is certainly multifaceted and differs in the life of each person, as physical, spiritual,

intellectual contributions play a factor. Sometimes it's easy to get caught up in the pressure to have everything planned out, to know exactly how we will make the world a better place. While being organized is certainly important and beneficial, we need not be so focused on things going according to plan that we miss spontaneous opportunities that allow us to make these differences. I feel that this spontaneity relates to our ability to trust in God and His plan for our lives. Our personal journeys and definitions of success might differ in the ways we impact our church, family, profession, etc. but one truth remains: placing God and His values at the core of all we do will create a rippling effect for ages to come. On an additional note, we have a new ongoing event for students! Weekly Bible study will take place in the C+CC Lounge, on Tuesday nights from 7-8 pm; all are welcome and feel free to bring a friend along! Get to know our dedicated Chaplain and Spiritual Advisor and embrace the spirit of fall with a day of apple picking and baking on Saturday, October 9 (9 AM-3 PM)! For any questions about how you can partake in parish ministry, feel free to reach out to either myself, Tracy, or Fr. Larry. Enjoy this week as we transition into October!



From Fr. Larry

This week I have been observing the large red maple in my front yard shedding its leaves. Around the campus neighborhood, there are yellow tints to many of the trees, and as the temperatures drop, it's clear that autumn is here. After five years in Austin, Texas, where there's really no winter to speak of, it's refreshing to return to a place with actual seasons. In central Texas, the foliage shifts from dull green to dull brown, with very little display of color. Temperatures almost never dropped below 50°, but when the mercury hit the 60's, folks would break out their furs and puffy coats. Paradoxically these "winter" adaptations were often not accompanied with the resort to long pants, at least among many undergraduates. All of this has me thinking about seasons, and the circular yet progressive flow of time and events. Many of my evangelical friends talk about the "seasons" of life that they're in, which helpfully frames the current moments— good, bad, easy, difficult, whatever— as temporary. They speak of seasons of celebration, seasons of grief, seasons of mellowing out and hunkering down. And of course, seasons of pandemic. For me, this is a season of building: building new relationships, building community, building a renewed campus ministry program, rebuilding the Chaplains' Office. Framing these projects as a season of building helps me remember that everything doesn't— can't— happen at once, and the things that are challenging or frustrating will, in God's times and seasons, be easier next season. In the meantime, it's important to also enjoy the blessings of this moment, this season.

There is an appointed time for everything,  
and a time for every affair under the heavens.  
a time to give birth, and a time to die;  
a time to plant, and a time to uproot the plant.  
A time to kill, and a time to heal;  
a time to tear down, and a time to build.  
A time to weep, and a time to laugh;  
a time to mourn, and a time to dance.  
A time to scatter stones, and a time to gather them;  
a time to embrace, and a time to be far from embraces.  
A time to seek, and a time to lose;  
a time to keep, and a time to cast away.  
A time to rend, and a time to sew;  
a time to be silent, and a time to speak.  
A time to love, and a time to hate;  
a time of war, and a time of peace.  
Ecclesiastes 3

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