




University Parish of Christ Sun of Justice

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18/19 September
2021

25th 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

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

NOTES

The **Reopening Committee** met and decided we could safely maintain our current procedures so long as parishioners continue to follow the recommendation to wear a mask and socially distance in church. The Committee will continue to monitor the situation.

Important reminder - If you are not fully vaccinated, including children aged 2 to 12, you **MUST** wear a mask at all times in the Chapel and it must fully cover 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.

Mass Envelopes - If you haven't requested church envelopes but want to use them, we have more available. Please contact Mary at (518) 439-5547 or cranglemary@gmail.com.

Enrollment Reminder – Please submit your parish membership form or scan the QR code.

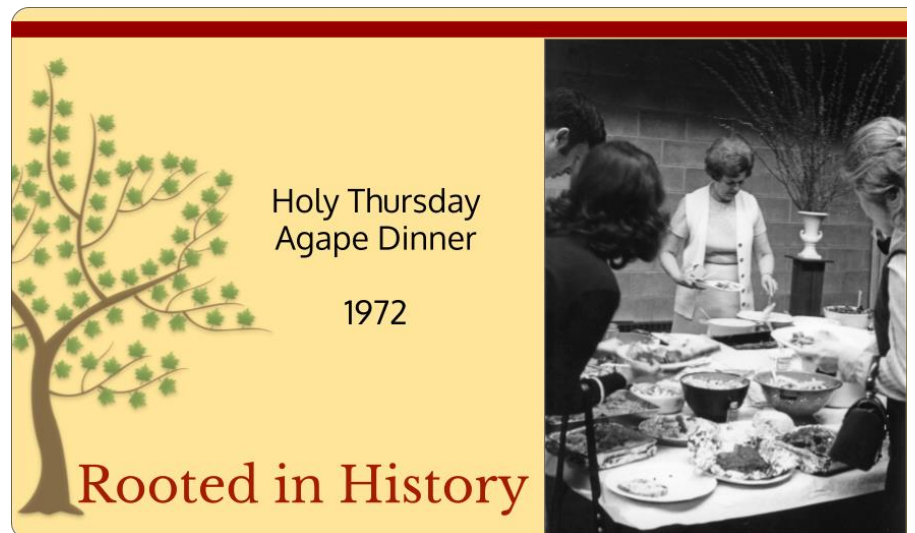


EVENTS OF INTEREST

SEPT 18/19 WEEKEND – All are welcome to attend Coffee Hour following all Masses this weekend!

WEDNESDAY, SEPT 22 7 PM [Zoom Pastoral Council Meeting](#)

SUNDAY, OCT 3 1:00 PM Blessing of the Animals



MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

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

Desserts bring smiles! - Our parish provides dessert 2x/month to Joseph's House. 2 volunteers provide 25 servings each. Sign up [here](#) or contact Christine for info/sign up: crelyea28@gmail.com, 724-316-6664.

Music Ministry - Singers and instrumentalists! All are invited to join the choir or serve as cantor, and for those who play an instrument, you are most welcome to play at any one of the Masses. Rehearsals began Tuesday, September 7, at 7:00 PM at the C+CC. Please see Barbara Musial after Mass or call (518) 366-6381 if you have any questions.

Wednesday, Sept 22 - [Catholic Charities Food Distribution](#) at Lansingburgh Boys & Girls Club, 501 4th Avenue, Troy. Email: volunteer@ccrcda.org. To view all Food distribution sites, click [here](#).

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.

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, Diocese Special Collection, "Catholic University of America". CUA educates clergy, religious and young lay men and women from every region in the United States. Please make your **check payable to Christ Sun of Justice, write "Catholic University of America" on the memo line of your check.**

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday: Wis 2:12, 17-20; Jas 3:16-4:3; Mk 9:30-37.
Monday: Ezr 1:1-6; Lk 8:16-18 see 713-718, esp. Wis 3:1-9 or Rom 8:31b-39; Lk 9:23-26.
Tuesday: Eph 4:1-7, 11-13; Mt 9:9-13.
Wednesday: Ezr 9:5-9; Lk 9:1-6.
Thursday: Hg 1:1-8; Lk 9:7-9.
Friday: Hg 2:1-9; Lk 9:18-22.
Saturday: Zec 2:5-9, 14-15a; Lk 9:43b-45.
Sunday: 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time Nm 11:25-29; Jas 5:1-6; Mk 9:38-43, 45, 47-48.



You might not know that:

"I love to travel especially to Naples, Florida where I hope to relocate to in a couple of years. I also enjoy attending major league baseball stadiums. I have been to 23 out of the 30 MLB ballparks."

Favorite CSJ memory:

"My first agape Holy Thursday Mass. This is when I knew CSJ was the spiritual community where I wanted to celebrate my Catholic faith."



Linda Crucetti

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.

Thank You! - A giant thank you and virtual hugs to all the volunteers and staff who helped make the Welcome Picnic such a successful and enjoyable event. The food, music, activities and involvement of so many brought joy back to our community. It was so nice to see students amongst us and old friends that we have missed. With the help and support of the Christ Sun of Justice Community we will continue to grow and welcome all to our fold. ~Traci Griffin

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 for more information.

A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE, By Bud Ozar

Disagreements are common in families. But what would you say if Jesus posed the same question "What are you arguing about?" Is it silly and petty? Is it an attempt to impose your will and control on another? Today Jesus tells us and his disciples to give it up. We are meant to serve each other, not control.

Annual White Mass – All Catholic Health Care professionals are invited to join the St. Luke's Guild of the Albany Diocese for the Annual White Mass for Health Care workers on Saturday, Oct 2 at 4:00 PM at Our Lady of Martyr's Shire in Auriesville. The White Mass will be celebrated by Bishop Scharfenberger and after mass, feel free to privately stroll the grounds.



~Campus Connection~

SPIRITUAL SEEDS

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



Small great things

"If everyone does something, then we can do a lot."
- a motto of Blessed Pino Puglisi.

I like this approach- especially with the issues and concerns that otherwise might feel so overwhelming.

Our climate crisis, for example: how can I, or you, make any positive difference with all that feels so HUGE and urgent?? But when we **reframe** our doubts into small action steps, then we CAN do a lot! We CAN make a

difference! For example, if we each commit to **reducing** our purchases of **single use plastics**, we will begin to make a difference for our one and only Mother Earth. Perhaps the action step you are considering is **refusing** to purchase items from businesses who are not ecologically minded. Or maybe you have been eating more plant-based foods so as to **reduce** your carbon footprint. Or perhaps something else. *Thank you for doing something.*

COLLEGE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL #13635

by Andy Bouffard bouffa@rpi.edu

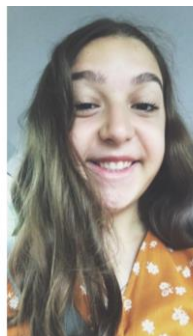


All RPI students are welcome to join the Knights and Newman Catholic Fellowship for online Rosary Knight every Wednesday at 8pm! (Email me for the Webex link).

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



Reflecting on scripture this week and the way in which one of its prevalent topics remains relevant throughout our lives, I have felt called to discuss the idea of humility. An idea that we have certainly been exposed to before, Christ Jesus is the epitome of humility; however, why is it important for us to be humble? In the book of

St. James, we are reminded, "Where jealousy and selfish ambition exist, there is disorder and every foul practice." These realities are apparent in the passages from St. Mark's Gospel, where the disciples are discussing which was the greatest amongst them. Overly focused on their individual reputations, the disciples were disregarding the purpose of their mission as followers of Christ and the selfless love and obedience that He taught. To me, the call to be humble in all circumstances can seem less daunting and plausible when we reflect on not only our heavenly role model, but also on the very facts to why we are Catholics. The greatest way that we can show others who we live for and follow is through how we treat others. As St. Mark rightfully articulates, "If anyone wishes to be first, he shall be the last of all and the servant of all." Our Newman club is now holding hybrid rosary calls on Wednesday nights at 8 PM. Stay tuned to our email memos and social media updates for an upcoming student retreat during the end of October. Have a great week all, God bless!

FR. LARRY RICE, CSP



From Fr. Larry

It seems hard to believe that the events of 9/11 were twenty years ago this weekend. Harder still to realize that a majority of our RPI students weren't alive on that fateful day. For those of us who felt our world shift in some irreversible ways, it's important to remember that for anyone younger than their mid-twenties, this is the only world they've ever known. For those of us with friends or family members who were lost in those terrorist attacks (in my case, my sister-in-law's aunt and uncle, David and Lynn Angell), the sense of loss is personal and everlasting. May God grant rest and peace to all those whose deaths we remember. But for all of us— young and older alike— we are still grieving the loss of peace, the diminished sense of security, the rise of wide-scale surveillance, and the emotional toll of constant vigilance and fear. Twenty years later, as we are facing multiple events that again shift our understanding of the world (principally the COVID pandemic and climate change), I hope that our experiences of these 20 years since 9/11/2001 will cause us to pause and reflect on what we want our society to be, and how we want to live. My God give us the grace to life courageously, intentionally, and with a commitment to the common good of all people. May we work through our fear and start to build structures that work for all the people of the Earth.

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