

## UNIVERSITY PARISH OF CHRIST SUN OF JUSTICE

MASS SCHEDULE

MONDAY thru THURSDAY: 5:15 PM; FRIDAY: 12:10 PM

SATURDAY: 5:15 PM VIGIL MASS

SUNDAY: 9:00 AM, 10:30 AM AND (WHILE SCHOOL IS IN SESSION) 5:00 PM

HOLY DAYS: AS ANNOUNCED IN THE BULLETIN

MEMORIAL MASSES: FIRST SUNDAY OF THE MONTH @ 10:30 AM

**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.

**Our Vision Statement:** The University Parish of Christ Sun of Justice - Responding to God's love through servant leadership, a diverse welcoming community.

**Parish Membership:** Renewal every September. Anyone wishing to join please ask for a membership form from the Chaplains' Office or Fr. Ed at anytime.

**Location of C+CC:** 2125 Burdett Ave. (across from BARH dorms) Open 8:30 am - 10:30 pm

**Mailing address:** RPI Chaplains' Office, Rensselaer Union - Rm. 3514, 110 Eighth Street, Troy, NY 12180

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**Web site:** (C+CC) <http://www.chapelandculturalcenter.org> (PARISH) <http://www.christsunofjustice.org>

**Director of C+CC:** Kevin Krolik, 274-7793, [krolik2@rpi.edu](mailto:krolik2@rpi.edu); **Scheduling of C+CC for any function:** 274-7793

**Director of Music:** Barbara Musial, [musiab@sage.edu](mailto:musiab@sage.edu)

When entering the C+CC, please turn off all devices that may interrupt a service or private prayer. Thanks!

Father Ed Kacerguis, Pastor: [fred@rpi.edu](mailto:fred@rpi.edu)

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK: (4 December: SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT) Is 11:1-10; Rom 15:4-9; Mt 3:1-12.

(Monday) Is 35:1-10; Lk 5:17-26. (Tuesday) Is 40:1-11; Mt 18:12-14. (Wednesday) Is 40:25-31; Mt 11:28-30 see 688:

Eph 3:8-12; Jn 10:11-16. (Thursday: THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY) Gn 3:9-15,20;

Eph 1:3-6,11-12; Lk 1:26-38. (Friday) Is 48:17-19; Mt 11:16-19. (Saturday) Sir 48:1-4, 9-11; Mt 17:9a, 10-13.

(11 December: THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT) Is 35:1-6a,10; Jas 5:7-10; Mt 11:2-11.

DURING THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER, ANASTASIA KACERGUI, AL SCHONGAR, FLORENCE WAGNER, ROBERT REIDY AND CHRISTOPHER BEATTIE WERE ENROLLED IN OUR MEMORIAL FUND. The 10:30 am liturgy has, as its principle remembrance, those enrolled this month, as well as all who have been enrolled.

THE END OF THE SEMESTER RACES ON - so we here at the Chaplain's Office, the C+CC and the Newman Foundation wish each of you a Happy Christmas and Healthy 2017!! Be well everyone.

THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION will be available this week on Wednesday, 7 December, at 4:30 pm. Confessions can also be arranged by email ([fred@rpi.edu](mailto:fred@rpi.edu)) phone (274-7793 ext.13) or 20 minutes before Mass.

ADVENT PENANCE SERVICE: Saturday, 10 December, at 11:00 am, we will have our communal Advent Penance Service. It is a time for "honesty", awareness, acceptance and forgiveness. Please take this time for preparing to celebrate the Feast of "the Word made Flesh."

THURSDAY, 8 DECEMBER, IS THE FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION. It is a holy day of obligation. Our Mass times will be 12:10 pm and 6:00 pm. Join us!

THERE WILL BE NO DAILY MASS AT THE C+CC ON FRIDAY, 9 DECEMBER.

CHRISTMAS GIVING THROUGH THE PARISH - Each year, during this season of giving, our community supports Unity House through the gifts of Price Chopper Gift Cards. (This has replaced the Christmas baskets that we prepared in the past.) To donate to this collection, please place the Price Chopper Gift Card in an envelope, with your name, address and "Christmas Giving" on the outside of the envelope. You can find envelopes on the cabinet. Gift cards submitted with no identifying information will be considered anonymous. Thank you for your support!

BLUE BOOKS - A page a day, to help us focus on The Seasons we are passing through. Please take one and allow yourself to re-focus, be renewed and celebrate well "The Word Made Flesh."

PASTORAL COUNCIL: The next Pastoral Council meeting will be held on Wednesday, 7 December, at 6:30 pm, in the Lounge. Look for the agenda on the bulletin board in the hall. All are welcome to attend. Anyone who is interested is welcome to attend. If you have any questions, agenda items or concerns, please contact Jean Francois, chair at [j-francois@nycap.rr.com](mailto:j-francois@nycap.rr.com).

**ADVENT HOLY HOUR** - On Monday, 12 December - the *Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe* - join the parish community for a Holy Hour, from 6:30 - 7:30 pm, including Evening Prayer, Adoration and Benediction. During this Advent Liturgy, we contemplate the words of another sojourner reflecting on the appearance at Guadalupe: "No matter how cold our heart, the roses of holiness bloom. The fragrance of sanctity will last for all eternity. Each moment we spend in [God's] presence we grow, we bloom; we blossom like the roses in the snow." For more information contact Deacon Joe Romand ([romanj6@rpi.edu](mailto:romanj6@rpi.edu)).

**CRAFT SALE** - A variety of fine Christmas ornaments handcrafted by members of our community, and other items will be offered for sale after all Masses next weekend, to benefit St. James School, in Kalk Bay.

**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 \$10 to cover the cost. This request should not keep anyone from obtaining a book. Cycle A begins with the 1st Sunday of Advent (27 November 2016). The books are in the sacristy

**COFFEE HOUR HOSTING SIGNUP** time is here again! We are in need of a minimum of three hosts per month for our Coffee Hour held after the 10:00 am Mass (Summer Schedule)/ 10:30 am Mass (Full Schedule), on the second Sunday of each month. If you haven't already, try this beautiful ministry of hospitality for the whole community. Please, sign up today! Next week, join us for COFFEE HOUR, following the 10:30 am liturgy, graciously hosted by CSJ Pastoral Council. Plan on attending to enjoy fellowship and refreshments.

**THIS WEEKEND, FOOD FOR THE HUNGRY OF TROY.** Please consider making a donation to assist our local food pantries. Checks may be made payable to Bethany Center or Unity House.

If you're interested in becoming Catholic or know someone who is, or if you haven't celebrated the sacraments of Eucharist or Confirmation, RCIA is for you! For more information, contact Fr. Ed, or Rosanne Rose at [rose.fr@verizon.net](mailto:rose.fr@verizon.net) or 785-6253.

**PRE-CANA (Marriage Preparation)** - 25 February 2017 - This program is intended to serve as basis for the celebration of the Sacrament of Marriage. It meets all basic requirements set by dioceses around the country. A certificate is issued and sent to those who are working with other priests. If you have any questions, please talk with Fr. Ed. To sign-up, please call the Chaplains' office at 276-6517. The time is 9 am through 9 pm. Everything is provided for the day - this includes food.

**GENERATIONS IN FAITH TOGETHER (GIFT):** (Contact: Deacon Joe Romand, [romanj6@rpi.edu](mailto:romanj6@rpi.edu))

Next Session: 11 December 2016, after the 10:30 am Mass. Come join us. All are welcome! Topic: Catholicism 101 - The Most Sacred Mystery of the Eucharist (The Mass) Guest Presenter: Fr. Ed Kacerguis, Pastor, CSJ.

**NEWMAN CATHOLIC FELLOWSHIP** (Contact: Michael Cuozzo, [cuozzm@rpi.edu](mailto:cuozzm@rpi.edu))

--The Newman Catholic Fellowship is RPI's Catholic student group, focusing on faith, fellowship, and service. While classes are in session, all are welcome to join Newman for weekly dinners on Sundays after the 5:00 pm Mass, and Thursday meetings at Hospitality House at 8:00 pm.

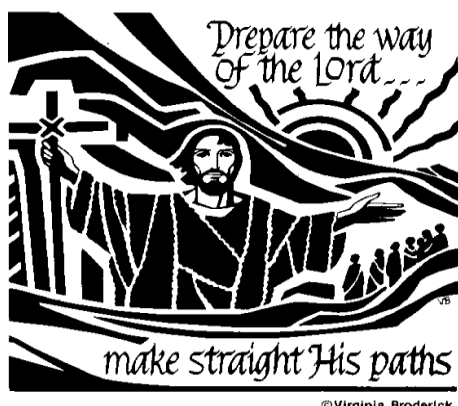
**COLLEGE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL #13635:** (Contact: Patrick Aselin, [aselip@rpi.edu](mailto:aselip@rpi.edu))

--Our mission is to promote the moral, intellectual, and spiritual development of young men as well as to contribute to Catholic life on campus through acts of charity, social events and opportunities for faith formation. If you're interested in becoming a College Knight or learning more about us, contact GK Patrick!

**CHAPEL + CULTURAL CENTER:** (Contact: Kevin Krolik, [krolik2@rpi.edu](mailto:krolik2@rpi.edu))

--In the Gallery: "SEASONED MEMORIES" This exhibit features the extraordinary work of adults living with chronic mental health issues and disabilities participating in the visual arts program at the Roarke Center in Troy. Please note that diverse media addresses broad concepts reflecting Migration of People, aboriginal symbolic design and communication, textures inspired by Van Gogh, quilt design plans, and beauties found in nature and ordinary objects.

--Rensselaer Music Association Winter Concert, Saturday, 10 December, at 7:00 pm. All are welcome to join us.



#### MUSIC FOR EUCHARIST

Gathering Song	#40 On Jordan's Bank
Lighting of the Wreath	#51 Advent Litany
Responsorial Psalm 72	#772 Justice Shall Flourish
Gospel Acclamation	#74 Alleluia
Preparation Hymn	#44 A Voice Cries Out
Opening Acclamation	#874 Holy
Memorial Acclamation	#875 When We Eat This Bread
Lamb of God	#877 Lamb of God
Communion	#519 Now is the Time
Recessional	#39 Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus