

UNIVERSITY PARISH OF CHRIST SUN OF JUSTICE

MASS SCHEDULE

MONDAY thru THURSDAY: 5:15 PM; FRIDAY: 12:10 PM
(5:30 PM every Wednesday during Lent)

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; **Scheduling of C+CC for any function:** 274-7793

Director of Music: Barbara Musial, musiab@sage.edu

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

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK: (18 February: FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT) Gn 9:8-15; Pt 3:18-22; Mk 1:12-15. (Monday) Lv 19:1-2, 11-18; Mt 25:31-46. (Tuesday) Is 55:10-11; Mt 6:7-15. (Wednesday) Jon 3:1-10; Lk 11:29-32. (Thursday: THE CHAIR OF SAINT PETER THE APOSTLE) Pt 5:1-4; Mt 16:13-19. (Friday) Ez 18:21-28; Mt 5:20-26. (Saturday) Dt 26:16-19; Mt 5:43-48. (25 February: SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT) Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18; Rom 8:31b-34; Mk 9:2-10.

DURING THE FIRST MASS OF ASH WEDNESDAY, we turned off the font pump and drained the font of water. It symbolizes the "closing of the font of Baptism" which will be "re-opened" at the Great Vigil on Holy Saturday. The ashes we requested on Ash Wednesday originally were worn for the season of Lent by those Baptized. It was a visible sign of each person in their willingness to renew themselves for the "great washing" at the Easter Vigil. This along with those who would be washed in the waters of Baptism as they entered the community of faith through their ancient rite of initiation. The holy water fonts, which are the baptismal renewal each time we enter a Christian house of worship, are removed. This is a challenge to us. We are so truly accustomed to the availability. "The loss" during these days is striking. Through Baptism, we become a priest (all of God's creation is revered through us), prophet (by our words and deeds we announce the good news of God) and Monarch - King or Queen (we are called to serve, thus the sacredness is revered and God's presence is proclaimed). We need to be renewed.

MONDAY, 19 FEBRUARY, IS PRESIDENTS' DAY. Classes are suspended and it is a staff holiday.

Our daily Mass will be celebrated at 9:00 am.

Please Note: THERE WILL BE NO DAILY MASS AT THE C+CC ON FRIDAY, 23 FEBRUARY.

21 FEBRUARY: The first of our LENTEN WEDNESDAY PROGRAMS. Brother Mickey McGrath, OSFS, will be our first spokesperson. His topic is, "OUR CHURCHES". This will be a great introduction to our Lenten series, but also our preparation. Please sign up on the sheets available for what you are bringing for the meatless dinner. This helps our planning, thanks! Our evening will begin with Mass at 5:30 pm.

A SPECIAL THANK YOU TO RICK GALLO AND LINDA & GLEN KING FOR HOSTING LAST WEEK'S COFFEE HOUR. The next Coffee Hour will be held on 11 March, graciously hosted by Jean Francois and Bill & Elaine Webster. Mark your calendars and plan on attending.

DAILY MASS - During Lent why not try to attend Daily Mass. This is a great opportunity to spend some time with the Lord in prayer and be nurtured through Word and Sacrament.

THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION will be available this week on Tuesday, 20 February, at 4:30 pm. Confessions can also be arranged through email fred@rpi.edu, phone 274-7793 or 20 minutes before liturgy.

BISHOP'S APPEAL 2017: The Office of Development & Stewardship would like to remind all parishioners that the final pledge statements for the 2017 Bishop's Appeal will be mailed in February. The deadline to pay pledge balances is 15 March 2018. Thank you for your continued generosity and support.

THIS WEEK, FOOD FOR THE HUNGRY OF TROY. Please consider a donation to our local neighbors in need. Checks may be made payable to Unity House or Bethany Center.

PRE-CANA (Marriage Preparation) - 3 March 2018 - 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 (518) 276-6517. The time is 9am - 9pm. Everything is provided for the day - this includes food.

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 or (518) 785-6253.

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!

Do you have **NEWS FOR THE BULLETIN**? Just contact the Chaplain's Office at (518) 276-6517 or send information to both Mary and Diane at holbrm@rpi.edu and waterd3@rpi.edu.

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

--Come join us Sunday, 18 March, at 11:45 am for our next session of GIFT. All are welcome! We continue our facilitated DVD series using materials published by Little Rock Scripture Study (Little Rock, Arkansas) in connection with Liturgical Press (Collegeville, Minnesota). Topics for this session: Mark 6-9:32. Please read these chapters of Mark's Gospel.

COLLEGE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL #13635: (Contact: Eric Lowden, lowdee@rpi.edu)

--The Knights of Columbus are a Catholic fraternal service organization focused on building faith and brotherhood within our council and community. Please join us at some of our events:
Tuesdays (except first Tuesday of the month) Rosary in the C+CC Lounge at 7:30 pm.
Fridays: Theology Club at the Off-Campus Commons (next door to Moe's) at 8:30 pm.
For additional information, contact GK Eric with any questions.

NEWMAN CATHOLIC FELLOWSHIP (Contact: Edwin Cruz Aguirre, cruzae@rpi.edu)

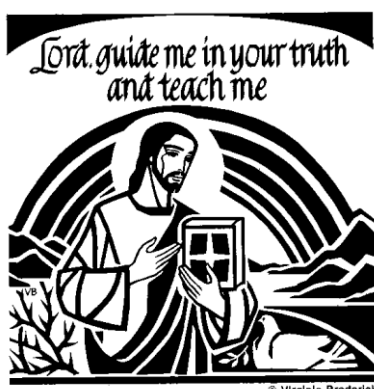
--The Newman Catholic Fellowship is RPI's Catholic student group, focusing on faith, fellowship, and service. While classes are in session, all are welcome to join Newman for weekly dinners on Sundays after the 5:00 pm Mass, and Thursday meetings at Hospitality House at 8:00 pm. For more information,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

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

SAVE THE DATE - SATURDAY, 21 APRIL, AT 8:00 pm: Albany Pro Musica is coming to the C+CC! In celebration of the 50th Anniversary of the C+CC, the Albany Pro Musica will present: "Let's Talk About Love" Choral Music that touches the heart... A stunning show where the fine voices of Albany Pro Musica bring beloved show tunes to a new level of artistry. A reception will follow the performance. Tickets will be on sale next month.

A Family Perspective, by Bud Ozar

Jesus went into the desert to put his life in perspective. This Lent, take a fresh look at a difficult relationship in your life. Concentrate on the positive things that person does, not just the negatives. Try to understand why their behaviors "bug" you. Can you honestly share your feelings with them without attacking them? Make Lent a time to MEND and FORGIVE!



MUSIC FOR EUCHARIST	
Gathering Song	#136 Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days
Responsorial Psalm 25	Remember Your Mercies, O Lord
Gospel Acclamation	#930 Lenten Gospel Acclamation
Preparation Hymn	#647 Flow River Flow
Opening Acclamation	#921 Holy
Memorial Acclamation	#923 When We Eat This Bread
Communion	#457 You Are Mine
Recessional	#634 A Rightful Place