



THE UNIVERSITY PARISH OF CHRIST SUN OF JUSTICE

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3 April
2022:

5th Sunday
Of Lent

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MASS/LITURGY SCHEDULE

DAILY MASS

MON. TUE. & THUR. 5 PM
WED. 5:30 ([livestream](#))

WEEKEND MASS

SATURDAY VIGIL 5 PM
SUNDAY 10 AM ([livestream](#)) & 5 PM

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

SUN APR 9/10: Palm Sunday Masses
MON APR 11: Stations of the Cross 7PM
THUR APR 14: Holy Thursday Mass of the
Lord's Supper with the washing of feet 7PM
FRI APR 15: Good Friday Commemoration of
the Lord's Passion 7PM
SAT APR 16: Easter Vigil Mass 8PM (with
reception following)
SUN APR 17: Easter Sunday Masses 10 AM
(followed by Easter Egg Hunt) and 5PM

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

CONFESSION - The Sacrament of
Reconciliation is available by appointment
with Fr. Larry at chaplain@rpi.edu.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday [Is 43:16-21](#), [Ps 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6](#), [Phil 3:8-14](#), [Jn 8:1-11](#)
Monday [Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62](#) or [13:41c-62](#), [Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6](#), [Jn 8:12-20](#)
Tuesday [Nm 21:4-9](#) [Ps 102:2-3, 16-18, 19-21](#) [Jn 8:21-30](#)
Wednesday [Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95](#) [Daniel 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56](#)
[Jn 8:31-42](#)
Thursday [Gn 17:3-9](#) [Ps 105:4-5, 6-7, 8-9](#) [Jn 8:51-59](#)
Friday [Jer 20:10-13](#) [Ps 18:2-3a, 3bc-4, 5-6, 7](#) [Jn 10:31-42](#)
Saturday [Ez 37:21-28](#) [Ps Jeremiah 31:10, 11-12abcd, 13](#) [Jn 11:45-56](#)
Sunday [Lk 19:28-40](#) [Is 50:4-7](#) [Ps 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24](#)
[Phil 2:6-11](#) [Lk 22:14—23:56](#)

EVENTS OF INTEREST

THURSDAY, APR 21

9:30-3:30 Red Cross Blood drive at the C+CC.
[Register here.](#)

C+CC NEWS

LENTEN SPEAKER SERIES

5:30 PM Mass / Potluck Dinner / 7 PM Speaker
([livestream](#)). APR 6 Fr. Ron Franco, C.S.P.



Fr. Ron Franco, CSP - "The Making of an American Saint: Isaac Hecker and the Evangelization of America." Paulist Fr. Ron Franco, the Postulator for the Cause of Sainthood for Paulist founder Fr. Isaac Hecker, will share both the process of canonization for Catholic saints, and why Fr. Hecker's vision of the complementarity of American culture and Catholic faith is particularly important for today's Catholic community.

UPCOMING CONCERTS:

April 9, 8pm – Partial Credit
April 30, 8pm – Duly Noted

CALL FOR ARTISTS

The C+CC has an open call for artists to present their works on display at the C+CC Gallery. All forms of Art: Painting, Sculpture, Mixed Media, and Photography are considered. The booking process is arranged by contacting Kevin at the C+CC Office 518-274-7793 or by email: krolik2@rpi.edu. Exhibits are booked in two-month intervals and we are looking to fill the Fall 2022 and Spring 2023 schedule.

A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE by Bud Ozar

Stoning is not just an ancient act of violence. Each day in our homes, we throw stones of ridicule, criticism, name-calling and put-downs. All of it is deadly. Hear Jesus in today's gospel: "Whoever is without sin can throw the first stone." Rid your home of violence. Stop verbal stoning!



You might not know that:

"-In my free time I love traveling, skiing, attending live music events, Zumba, and spending time with my awesome pet beagle named Misty!
- After graduating, I traveled for 3 months, and recently started working full time as a Process Engineer for Amazon Robotics."

Favorite C+CC memory:

"At the first Mass of this school year, I was truly joyful to see so many familiar RPI brothers and sisters in person again and get to reconnect with them after Mass."



Alexandra Rachiele '21 **WE are Church**

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 at Mass (April 9/10) there will be a food collection for the OLS Food Pantry. Monetary donations are also accepted payable to Unity House or Bethany Center. The greatest need for the month of April is to renew the supply of the pantry items that have been depleted (see list below). Thank you in advance for being as generous as your means allow:

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| Vegetable Oil | Vinegar |
| Ketchup | Mayonnaise |
| Coffee, Tea | Flour |
| Sugar | Jelly |
| Baking Soda | Pork & Beans |
| Diced Tomato | Red Kidney Beans |
| Canned Fruit | Apple Sauce |
| Instant Potato | Peanut Butter |
| Tuna Fish | Beef Stew |
| Chunky Soup | Tomato Soup |
| Cereal | |

- Good Friday (April 15, 2022) Pope Francis has asked our parish to support the **Holy Land Collection**, which helps Christians in the Holy Land. Your support helps the church minister in parishes, provide Catholic schools and offer religious education. It also helps to preserve the sacred shrines. Please make **checks payable to Christ Sun of Justice with "Diocesan Collection" on the memo line** of your check.

MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

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

UKRAINE RELIEF: Bishop Scharfenberger urges us to support emergency relief for Ukraine as the humanitarian crisis grows. Catholic Relief Services is working with its partner, Caritas Ukraine, to respond. Here is how people can help: <https://bit.ly/3hbagDJ>.

SYNOD LISTENING SESSIONS are organized by vicariate. Our parish is in the Taconic Vicariate and that listening session will be held June 1 6:30-8:30 PM at St. Michael the Archangel in Troy.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES CATHOLIC CHARITIES
Drive through food distribution: Apr. 22 at Grafton Lakes State Park. Volunteer and food pick up [info here](#). Students, parishioners want a ride together to volunteer? Contact Christine: ([Christine](#) or text: 724-316-6664).

NOTES

MASKS must continue to be worn and social distance maintained at the C+CC given the current guidelines in place at RPI. If you are not fully vaccinated you must also fill out a **Health Survey**.

QUILT The choir of Christ Sun of Justice has made a quilt for the Linus Project, a nonprofit that donates handmade blankets to children in need. The quilt will be on display this weekend in the lobby of the C+CC.





~Campus Connection~



FR. LARRY RICE, CSP

Father Larry Rice may be contacted at *chaplain@rpi.edu*.

For most people, Church is a mostly local thing. People identify with their local parish, and their weekly experience of the faith happens there. Some people have a sense of being part of a larger local church: the diocese. I suspect that most Catholics relate to their diocese on a level that is more administrative than spiritual. For many, the only contact they will have with their bishop is when he

comes around for Confirmations.

Our sense of the larger, universal Church is even more tenuous. We may feel a connection to Pope Francis, as the spiritual leader and chief teacher, but the rest of the workings of the Church at that level are either opaque or just uninteresting.

Still, you may have heard that on March 19, Pope Francis instituted a significant reorganization of the Church's top-level administration, the Roman Curia. St. John Paul II last reorganized the Curia in 1988. Will this new reorg have some impact on your life? Probably not immediately, but eventually.

All the various departments of the Vatican— Congregations, Councils, Secretariats, etc. — are now all organized as Dicasteries, a word traced back to ancient Greece. While this change puts all these offices (for that is what they are) on a more or less equal footing, some will still have more influence than others. Tellingly, the new Dicastery for Evangelization will be chaired by the Holy Father himself.

A more important change is that these Dicasteries no longer have to be led by ordained men. Lay people, men and women, can now be named by the Pope to lead these departments. This is very much in keeping with Pope Francis' desire to move the Church to a culture and structure that is not as clerically dominated. This is good news, and should open the administration of the Church to draw on the gifts of all God's people.

Much of this may seem like so much inside baseball. And it is. But for an organization that moves very slowly and changes very reluctantly, these are significant shifts. Eventually these changes will be reflected in the structures and configuration of our dioceses and parishes.

Through it all, we trust that the Holy Spirit continues to guard and guide the Church into the future.



SPIRITUAL SEEDS

By Tracy Watson, RPI Associate Catholic Chaplain

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"Our life helps to paint our neighbors' picture of God".

Read that provocative statement that I stumbled across again, allowing the implications of each word to make their way into your heart as they have mine...

Wow: what do the day to day choices I make say to my neighbors, friends and family about my God? Is my God full of love and mercy? Compassion? Forgiveness? Or does God appear to be something else?

Do our words and actions point to Jesus' Gospel message of Love for all- or have we whittled it down to a select few? How might we become more expansive and inclusive in our love?

Moreover, what about how we care for our Mother Earth? What do our lifestyle choices say to our neighbors? What one or two small changes could you and I make today that might lessen the cries of our common home and of our struggling sisters and brothers here and abroad?

After all, "Our life helps to paint our neighbors' picture of God".



NEWMAN CATHOLIC FELLOWSHIP

By Megan Adam *adamm2@rpi.edu*

As we look ahead into the fifth week of Lent, we are presented with some motivational and helpful reminders in this Sunday's readings. The words from the book of Isaiah recount the very words that God spoke to this diligent prophet of his: "Remember not the events of the past, the things of long ago consider not; see, I am doing something new!

(43:18-19). I view these words in a new light during this liturgical season, as they speak to God's selfless love and character. No matter our past, even as with the story of the adulteress from John's gospel, God is not here to condemn us, but rather work within us for the good.

Our Lenten initiatives of fasting, praying, reconciliation, and almsgiving allow us to become more in-tune with this reality. I have always admired words and zeal of St. Paul; his reminder for us this week speaks volumes to how when we love God and work each day to honor him, our losses will not compare to our eternal gains. This week, I would like to encourage all of us to contemplate our goals in life and how they relate back to the words of St. Paul himself: "Brothers and sisters, I for my part do not consider myself to have taken possession. Just one thing:

forgetting what lies behind but straining forward to what lies ahead, I continue my pursuit toward the goal, the prize of God's upward calling, in Christ Jesus" (Philippians 3:13-14)." Stay tuned to the bulletin and further announcements for upcoming events!



COLLEGE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL #13635

By Andy Bouffard *bouffa@rpi.edu*

The Knights of Columbus published the first installment of their 'Let's Build a Better Lent' series on Ash Wednesday. Emphasizing the importance of renewing and reforming your heart during this season rather than making a sacrifice for show or because you feel you have to, the article reminds us that

one way we are called to reform our own lives is to become involved in the lives of those less fortunate than ourselves: "In the Gospel, Christ echoes the prophet: fast and give alms, but with sincerity and not for show (Mt 6:1-6, 16-18). To give alms to the poor is a **Spiritual Work of Mercy** as well as a precept of the Church, so be mindful of parish appeals, special collections and other worthy charities. Just writing checks or dropping cash in a basket can still keep us at arm's length from the poor, so consider taking things a step further by seeking opportunities to offer direct service to those who need it most. Volunteer to assist personally the "least among us" in your community – the homeless, the incarcerated, nursing home residents, or that lonely neighbor on a fixed income. In this way, you'll put your heart *and* your body into renewing your spirit!"

On that note, the RPI Knights would like to highlight this opportunity for parishioners and students to volunteer in community service this Lent:

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