

August 21, 2016

**21th Sunday of
Ordinary Time**



Mass Schedule:

Sunday 10:00 a.m.
(interpreted)
5 p.m. Mass

At Masses today

we remember:

10 am: Alice Battaglia

5 pm: Celi Klueber

August 14 collection:

\$397.73

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- *Next weekend is our annual **welcome back brunch** after the 10 am Mass in the Skalny Room. We will serve breakfast pizzas and many sides. We welcome any additional food that anyone might be able to share for our table. This will also be the day we honor Deacon Phil for his service to our community.*
- *Save the date: Saturday, September 10th **September Kick Back** from 6 pm—midnight in the Skalny Room. Tacos, low ropes teambuilding games by Camp Stella Maris staff, movies, board games and snacks. Sign up after Mass or email amncpm@rit.edu*

RIT Nation

Welcome to RIT and welcome home! It is great to have you here at Newman @ RIT. Each August, I find myself ready to welcome back students. You are the reason we are here at RIT. You offer energy and passion to life. Your presence gives me purpose. For you I am thankful!

During these first few weeks, it is easy to feel lost...whether you are a first year or fifth. This is normal. I remember coming back to college after spending my summers as a sailing instructor at a summer camp for kids. Coming back to campus was always difficult. As much as I wanted to be back at school, I missed camp and the community I had been immersed in for the summer. I invite you to walk gently with yourself and others as you allow yourself to transition from where you were to where you are!

I have been handing out prayer cards this past week. On the back of the card is one of my favorite "go to" prayers. It is often called "The Merton Prayer," written by Thomas Merton, the Trappist Monk. It begins, **"My Lord God, I have no idea where I am going. I do not see the road ahead of me..."** I am sure that many of us might feel this several times in the next few weeks. Again, this is normal. Go lightly with yourself! :) It's ok. You can find a stack of these prayer cards on the Newman table outside the chapels.

As always, we are always here for you. If you are feeling lost or don't know where to turn with a question, stop by. I can not promise we will always know the answer, but we sure can find a place to point you to offer direction!

You will find many ways to get involved in Newman in the coming weeks. This is a good place to get to know people, it is a great place to find good food and a place where all are welcome!

Peace friends. Alice MN