



A Message from Kim Winden
· Stewardship Report 2018-2019 ·

As I reflect on my first year in this position, I am filled with joy for the ministry that God is blessing and allowing to flourish at RIT. It has been an exciting journey during year one, and I eagerly look forward to another year with this wonderful community. I am in awe of the faith and commitment of the students and leaders.

I am pleased to say that programs are continuing to grow such as Alpha, Agape Latte, Tiger Stripes Service and Outreach, Retreats, and more. I am also so impressed with the commitment and dedication of our growing numbers of student leaders.

In Paul's letter to the Colossians, he says, *"whatever you do, work heartily, as for the Lord and not for men, knowing that from the Lord you will receive the inheritance as your rewards. You are serving the Lord Christ"* (Colossians 3:23-24). God's love has been hard at work in you and in your willingness to help build the Body of Christ at RIT Newman.

The growth in programming and liturgy can only happen when people like you step forward and help grow our community by sharing your time, talent, and treasure. From the bottom of my heart, I thank you! May God continue to bless you for your generosity and love.

God Bless,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Kim Winden".

Kim Winden





2018-2019 at a glance...

Liturgy

- We continue to hold two masses every Sunday (10am and 5pm) when school is in session, and one Sunday at 10am when school is not in session
- Our 10am mass is ASL interpreted
- We have on average 8 priests who alternate presiding for liturgy at RIT
- Average weekly mass attendance is 200 during the school year, and 30 during the summer
- Average holy day mass attendance is 80
- Two milkshake masses per semester
- Four opportunities for group Adoration and Benediction

Service and Outreach

- Two service days at The Margaret Home in East Rochester
- Two service days at Mercy Spirituality Center
- Night of Hospitality for the Homeless
- Interfaith service opportunity with the Muslim Student Association
- RIT Relay for Life
- Served meals at St. Joe's House of Hospitality
- Other various service and outreach opportunities in Rochester

Programs and Events

- Four Agape Latte events
- Weekly Alpha program (meal, video, and discussion) both semesters
- Weekly RCIA sessions
- Three Eve Away @ RIT evening retreats
- One Kairos Retreat
- Busy person retreat with Sisters of St. Joseph on campus
- Two intercollegiate retreats at Mt. Irenaeus
- Monthly brunches after the 10am mass
- Two Fish Fry Fridays during Lent
- Bi-weekly Eboard meetings
- Monthly student committee meetings
- Various other social and prayer gatherings, meals, etc.
- Over 35 student leaders on Eboard, committees, or serving at mass

Sacramental Life

- Six students completed the RCIA program this past school year and received their sacraments at the Easter Vigil
- During both Advent and Lent we held a day of confessions for students, faculty, and staff



“ Being an international student can sound like a lot of fun but then the toll it takes on one's mental and physical well-being is something that goes unnoticed. Sometimes all one needs is quality time with themselves and with others. Kairos enabled me to do this and it strengthened my faith. It brought me closer to some amazing people within my Newman community and I've found family away from family. ”

SHIMON JOHNSON



“ Through the joys and trials of college, my faith life got a little rocky, but I kept going on retreats. I love having a group of students to share my thoughts and experiences with and a special time away from my busy academic life to really reflect on my faith. ”

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