



ST. TERESA OF AVILA
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Fr. Chris' Corner

Dear friends in the Lord,

This is such an exciting weekend! Our peer ministers and FOCUS Missionaries are here. All the other students are moving in this weekend, and classes begin on Tuesday. We have lots of great things in store for campus ministry and you can be sure that you will receive updates frequently throughout the school year.

I am sure there has already been a lot of chaos in the house as you prepare for this new academic year, so in this letter I once again want to offer you six tips to rock your new school year.

Get your sleep. This might be hard, especially if the summer has thrown off your sleep cycle, but without sufficient sleep, everything else in your day will be harder than it has to be. Proper sleep gives your brain the rest it needs to be ready for the next day.

Start your day with prayer. There are a lot of things that happen in a day, but if you begin with prayer, it helps to bring your day into focus. I suggest using the Morning Offering. This way you offer to God everything you do in any given day.

Get organized. Figure out for yourself what tools you'll need to do your best work. You might want to consider a calendar, separate folders or binders for classes, do-to lists, etc... Figure out how you work best.

Embrace a balanced lifestyle. If you're like me, you are constantly being pulled in so many different directions. In order to maintain balance, you need to make sure that you are giving sufficient time to studies, relaxation, exercise, social life, etc...

Choose your companions wisely. If you want to do well in school and life, you've got to seek out friends who bring out your best, not your worst. And of course, you too must be that kind of friend.

Smile and laugh. This may be the most important tip. Nobody likes to be around a crab, so smile and laugh a lot...it's contagious. People love to be around others who are joyful and love life.

While this is not an extensive list on how to rock your new school year, these six tips will help you to engage in your studies and with one another. Please know of my prayer for each and every one of you and I look forward to the new and exciting opportunities we have in front of us.

To Jesus through Mary,
Fr. Chris

Worship Schedule

Monday, August 21
5:15pm

Michael Sperry
By: George & Carol Sperry

Tuesday, August 22
8:00am

Bill McRitchie
By: Vince & Tammy Marler

Wednesday, August 23
5:15pm

Jan Dietzen
By: John Dietzen

Thursday, August 24
8:00am

William & Joan Richler
By: Family

Friday, August 25
12:30pm

Ed Stressler
By: Lisa & Liz

Saturday, August 26
4:00pm

St. Teresa of Avila
By: Community

Sunday, August 27
8:00am

Edwin Martinez
By: Carlos & Maria Diaz
Magel Family
By: Family

11:00am

Reconciliation Schedule

Wednesday

6:00-6:30pm

Saturday

2:30-3:30pm

Adoration

Monday & Wednesday 6:00pm-7:00pm

Tuesday & Thursday 9:00am-10:00am

Friday 7:00pm-8:00pm

Stewardship Report



Weekly Stewardship Report: August 13, 2017

Budgeted Weekly Collection	\$10,000.00
Sunday Collection Received	
◆ Sunday Offering	\$6,938.00
◆ Children's Offering	\$0.00
◆ This Week's On-line Giving	\$1,615.00
Total Sunday Collection Received	\$8,553.00
Weekly Status (+/-)	-\$1,447.00
Year to Date Status (+/-)	-\$7,888.00

Stewardship Commission

God's Hands in Action— St. Teresa's Tithing

As individuals we are called to be good and generous stewards with God's manifold gifts.

Tithing is the means whereby we have the opportunity to give thanks to God; with that in mind, the community of St. Teresa of Avila tithes \$450 weekly.

The donation this week will go to the **Augustine Institute**.



ST. TERESA OF AVILA
CAMPUS MINISTRY

Attention St. Teresa Community Members

If you have been wondering how you can help welcome our new students, here are some ways!

Drink Donations

Our drink cache reserved for the students is in need of replenishing!

It is used at the Mass on the Grass, the socials following 9:00 PM Mass, other community-based events, and just to have for students visiting the student center. If you would like to make a donation, please bring them to the kitchen and we will take care of it from there!

We prefer beverages like Sierra Mist, 7 UP, or even juices like Apple, Cranberry, Grape, etc. Thank you in advance; your support is greatly appreciated!

Greetings!

My name is Adam Antone and I am honored to serve as Director of Collegiate Outreach. I am a native of Northwest Indiana having grown up in neighboring. After graduating from Chesterton high school, I attended Marian University in Indianapolis where I majored in Philosophy and minored in Psychology. Also while in college, I discerned a possible call to the Catholic priesthood at Bishop Brute Seminary. After four years of thorough prayer and vocational discernment, I experienced the Lord inviting me to explore other options for my life. Last year I had the opportunity to teach freshman and junior theology at Andrean Catholic High School in Merrillville, Indiana. I am very much looking forward to working with the peer ministers and FOCUS missionaries that we have here with us at St. Teresa, supporting their efforts to become the face of Christ to the students at Valparaiso University.



Adopt Student

For any of you who remember moving away from home for the first time or being in an environment unfamiliar to you, you remember that it can be an intimidating and even frightening experience!

With this thought in mind, St. Teresa is currently looking for parents/families who are willing to participate in our 'Adopt-a-Student' program.

This program's goal is to connect a St. Teresa VU student with a St. Teresa family in order to provide a sense of community, support, and relationship! It is a program geared toward making St. Teresa a 'home away from home,' and allowing community members of St. Teresa to participate in the mission of being the face of Christ to the college students.

Like the saying goes, "It's not what you know, but who you know." Similarly, in regards to the Church, it's not solely about what you know but community and the question of who you know makes a difference!

If you are interested, please email Dottie at wittledot@comcast.net

Spirituality



"Clothed with power from
on high"

Luke 24:49

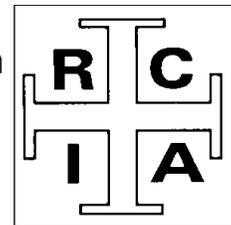
**Northwest Indiana
Catholic Men's Conference
Saturday, August 26, 2017**

This conference is a "don't miss" opportunity to deepen your faith. It's one day packed with a great slate of Catholic speakers, Mass, Confession, music, and more! Lunch and free parking are included. We promise a rewarding day that you will not regret! Join us on Saturday, August 26, 2017 from 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., at St. John the Evangelist. The cost is \$30 dollars for adults and \$20 dollars for college and high school students.

Young men, encourage your dads to go with you and attend this event! The Conference promises to be a challenging, soul-searching, and uplifting day that will help both of you find peace, order, and direction that is so often missing in our lives.

For tickets or more information contact your parish captain Wayne Harmen at 219-462-4849 or visit the Conference web site at www.nwicatholicmen.com.

Martin Luther King Jr. said,
"Faith is taking the first step, even when
you don't see the whole staircase."



God doesn't send us an email when He calls us. His call comes through people, communities, situations, or sometimes through a longing deep within ourselves. If you are feeling drawn to the Catholic Church, even if you are unsure if this is where you are being led, our RCIA team stands ready to assist you in discerning if you are on God's path. We will pray with you, talk with you, and help you seek answers to your questions. No pressure, no commitment until you are ready, just friends dedicated to assist you in your quest.

For more information, contact Mark at [219-688-4756](tel:219-688-4756), or email at saintt.rcia@gmail.com. We look forward to meeting you. God bless!

All you who are thirsty, come to the water.
Come to me heedfully, listen,
that you may have life.
Isaiah 55:1,3

What is Eucharistic Adoration?

Understood simply, Eucharistic Adoration is adoring or honoring the Eucharistic Presence of Christ. In a deeper sense, it involves "the contemplation of the Mystery of Christ truly present before us".

During Eucharistic Adoration, we "watch and wait", we remain "silent" in His Presence and open ourselves to His Graces which flow from the Eucharist. By worshipping the Eucharistic Jesus, we become what God wants us to be! Like a magnet, The Lord draws us to Himself and gently transforms us.

In its fullest essence ... Eucharistic Adoration is "God and Man reaching out for each other, at the same time!"

In an effort to strengthen our relationship with the Lord, We are offering Adoration at the following times:

Monday & Wednesday from 6:00-7:00pm
Tuesday & Thursday from 9:00-10:00am
Friday from 7:00-8:00pm

Monday through Thursday will be silent adoration. Friday night will be a special Holy Hour called **Inspire**.

Inspire will include Praise & Worship, a short meditation, and Reconciliation will be available. There will also be a social for the students afterward, and we would like to invite you and your family to join us for the social on the first Friday of each month. That First Friday Social will be a game night and feel free to bring snacks and other goodies to share.

Please join us on Friday, September 1, 2017 for **Inspire** and our First Friday Social.

Parish Life



St. Teresa's Family Picnic

This year our picnic will be on Sunday, September 17, 2017 with Mass starting at 11:00AM at the YMCA Pavilion.

Bishop Hying will be celebrating Mass with us!!!

**Volunteers Needed!
WE CAN'T DO THIS WITHOUT YOU!**

Consider offering your service in set up, food, games, entertainment and/or cleanup. Join a committee by emailing saintt.parishlife@gmail.com.

Social Justice



We would like to thank everyone who participated in the success of our meal on Thursday. **We served 284 meals last week.**

All Café Manna dishes are available for pick up in the Storage Room located off of the kitchen area. In an effort to reduce the number of unclaimed dishes, please bring your donation of salad/dessert in a ziplock bag or on a paper plate if possible or when you drop off you dish, transfer it to one of our dishes and then take your dish home with you.

We are so grateful for your donations!

Youth Ministry

**CAN YOU HELP US
RAISE SOME DOUGH?**



The pilgrims travelling to the National Catholic Youth Conference this November will be selling dozens of Krispy Kreme Doughnuts for \$10 in the community room this weekend after all of the Masses to help raise money for their trip. Thank you for your support and help!!!

Faith Formation



Growing In Faith Together

"A Family of Faith" that's what we are here at St. Teresa, and that is the name of the curriculum we will be using for **GIFT** this year as well!

Be sure to take a moment to register your family on the St. T website.

Our first class will take place on September 10.

Feel free to contact Kris Conrad at saintt.faithformation@gmail.com with any questions.

Sponsor of the Week: Inman's Fun & Party Center

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Meet our Peer Ministers!



Hello, my name is Cameron Beisel, and I am a senior Mechanical Engineering student with a minor in bioengineering. I am running in track & field for Valpo and am a member of the VU E-Sports club as well as Valpo ASME. Beyond those extra-curriculars, I feel blessed to be a part of the music-ministry group on campus called Sweetwine! My favorite hobby is doing stand-up comedy, but in my free time I play lots of video games. Engineering brought me to Valparaiso University, but I found my faith my sophomore year when I went through RCIA at St. T's and was baptized and confirmed all on Easter of 2018 at St. Teresa. My favorite food is Philly cheesesteak and my favorite animal is the koala bear. I also have one of the coolest sock collections you will ever see!



I'm Tara Beere and I'm the Social Justice Peer Minister! I am a junior from DeMotte, IN and I'm majoring in Chemistry and minoring in Math. I'm a member of Kappa Kappa Gamma and the Women's Ultimate Frisbee team. I love playing my violin, running, and doing just about any sport I can in my free time. I was really drawn to becoming a peer minister since my freshman year. The community at St. T's is so welcoming and has had an extremely positive impact on my faith life. Being a peer minister will give me the opportunity to share my love of St. T's and service with the other students and hopefully help make St. T's have just as much of an impact on each student as it has had on me so far. I'm really excited to see what the year has in store!



My name is Katie Hamer, a senior Nursing major who loves kids, crafting, and adventures! I volunteer with CIFT babysitting, the youth ministry, and the health ministry at St. T's. When I am not attempting to study for nursing, you can probably find me working at St. Mary's Medical Center, studying/procrastinating in the student center, or babysitting. I love to knit, crochet, sew, and quilt. I have watched all 13 seasons of Grey's Anatomy 11 times and I still cry every time. I look forward to getting to know the community of St. T's even better and I am so excited for this year!



My name is Rafael and I am originally from Maracaibo, Venezuela. I am currently senior majoring in Mechanical Engineering with a Biomedical Engineering minor. I love science, doing research and finding out how things work. I do research at the Human Movement Research lab where we study ways to prevent injuries in athletes by analyzing the biomechanics (motion) of the human body. When I am not studying or in the lab I love watching and playing baseball. I am huge Boston Red Sox fan, and I also love volleyball and winter activities like skiing and ice skating. As a peer minister this year, I am super excited to spread the word on the wonderful things that we do at Saint T's and being able to bring a lot more students closer to the church so we can help them with their journey in their faith.



My name is Dana Winkle and I am a senior Chemistry and Secondary Education double major with a minor in Mathematics. I love to sing (even though I might not be good at it) and do anything that brings joy to me and anyone else. Throughout my life, my relationship with God and the Catholic faith hasn't been the most stable. None of my family members are practicing Catholics except for me. Once entering college, I had tried to improve my relationship with God but it wasn't until my end of my sophomore year that I found my way back to my faith and God. Still in need of improvement and identity development with my faith, I felt drawn to be involved with campus ministry. I want to not only learn more about my faith and improve it but help others like me and tell my story. I want to be the person they go to with these questions and need of guidance. I am excited to get to know you all.