



# ST. TERESA OF AVILA CATHOLIC STUDENT CENTER

## Blessing of Animals

You are invited to bring your pet or a photo of your pet. The focus of this blessing is to celebrate the human/animal bond and to show respect and appreciation for all of God's creation.

Saturday, October 5, 2019  
10:00am  
Laporte Avenue Parking Lot

# September 29 2019



### Our Mission

St. Teresa of Avila Catholic Student Center is a vibrant, welcoming, Catholic community serving the students of Valparaiso University and our local families.

We strive to provide a life-changing encounter with Christ as we CONNECT, GROW, and SERVE.

### Church Contact Information

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## Fr. Chris' Corner



Dear friends in the Lord,

For the past several years, we have hosted a pet blessing on the first Saturday of October in honor of the Feast Day of St. Francis of Assisi.

Believe it or not, but it's already that time of year again. I am excited to announce that we will be hosting our annual pet blessing next Saturday, October 5 at 10:00 AM in the south parking lot closest to the university.

As you know, St. Francis of Assisi is the patron saint of animals and of nature because he had an amazing way of seeing God through all created things. Often he would address every created being as his brother or sister. His poem, the Canticle of the Sun, gives insight into his views on nature; it is based on Psalm 148.

He was said to have spoken with animals and preached to birds who remained quiet and attentive even when people were not. One famous tale was how he tamed the Wolf of Gubbio. This tale of reconciliation is the reason he is pictured often with a wolf, and why he is the patron saint of animals. At a time when animals were seen only as property, St. Francis saw them as family in God's creation. Once again, please join us next Saturday so that we can bless our pets who help us to know of God's love.

To Jesus through Mary,  
Fr. Chris

To have courage for whatever comes in life  
~everything lies in that.

*Saint Teresa of Avila*

## Worship Schedule

Monday, September 30  
5:15 pm

**For the Election of a  
New Bishop  
Community**

Tuesday, October 1  
8:00am

**Greg Szyndrowski**  
Vivian Szyndrowski

Wednesday, October 2  
5:15pm

**Mary Kathryn  
Wasemann**  
Marian Phillips

Thursday, October 3  
8:00am

**Health & Blessing for  
Those Battling with  
Cancer**

Friday, October 4  
12:30 pm

**Frist Friday Memorial  
Mass**

Saturday, October 5  
4:00pm

**Margaret Wolfe**  
Diane Wolfe

Sunday, October 6  
8:00am

**Algird Racevice**  
Joan Dittman

11:00am

**Community of St.  
Teresa of Avila  
Community**

5:00 pm

**Michael Hayduk**  
John Hayduk

## Reconciliation Schedule

Wednesday

6:00-6:30pm

Saturday

2:30pm-3:30pm

## Adoration

Monday & Wednesday

6:00pm-7:00pm

Tuesday & Thursday

9:00am-10:00am

## Stewardship Report



Thank You for  
Supporting Our  
Mission:

September 15, 2019

Budgeted Weekly Collection	\$10,000
• Sunday Offering	\$6,928
• On-line Giving	\$4,395
• Total Sunday Collection	\$11,323
Weekly Status	\$1,323
Fiscal Year to Date Status	(\$459)

## Stewardship



### 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.

This week our tithing will be donated to **The Caring Place in Valparaiso.**

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## Liturgy & Worship



### America Needs Fatima

Meg Davidson has agreed to be a Rosary Captain for America Needs Fatima.

You are invited to join her on Saturday, October 12, 2019 at 12:00 pm when she will be leading the rosary

on the sidewalk in front of our property on Lincolnway between Jimmy Johns and Clements Auto.

These rallies began in 2007 in commemoration of Our Lady's 3rd appearance to the children at Fatima.

There will be 13,766 rosaries recited that day in a public place across the country.

The organization sponsors these in order to spread Mary's Fatima promises and increase devotion to her.

If you are interested in participating or have questions, contact Meg at 462-6162.



ST. TERESA OF AVILA  
RCIA

It's movie night this Wednesday evening as the RCIA group will be viewing the movie "The Case for Christ".

We will be in the Antioch Room at 7pm, and popcorn & candy will be provided.

If you feel God is calling you to the Catholic Church, please call or text Mark at 219-688-4756, or by email at [saintt.rcia@gmail.com](mailto:saintt.rcia@gmail.com). God bless!

For with you is the fountain of life; in your light we see light.  
Psalm 36:9



## Men of our Faith Community: Are you thriving or just surviving?

We all have an insatiable desire for happiness. We all want to feel like we belong. And we all want to find friends who will walk with us through life's challenges.

Join us for our upcoming men's Welcome Weekend. It's an incredible overnight experience hosted by our parish that will inspire you to:

- \* Find clarity and purpose in your life
- \* Form meaningful relationships
- \* Approach your life with renewed energy and a fresh perspective

**WHEN: October 12-13, 2019**

To learn more, contact Colin at [cjsmith33@gmail.com](mailto:cjsmith33@gmail.com) or visit [saintt.com](http://saintt.com).

## Ministry of Care

St. Teresa of Avila offers the Ministry of Care to bring Communion to the homebound.



If you or a fellow parishioner you know are not able to make it to Mass due to illness, age or recovery from surgery, be sure to contact Loretta Kliver at 219-670-0684. Loretta can arrange a minister to bring the Eucharist to the homebound individual.

## First Friday Memorial Mass Association 2019-2020

It's time to renew or start a new!

The First Friday Memorial Mass (FFMM) in an offering made by parishioners, though which their intentions are remembered at a special Mass to be celebrated on the First Friday of every month at 12:30pm.

The stipend for being a member of the FFMM is \$90. The year runs from November 2019 through October 2020.

Forms are available on the table in the Community Room as well as the office.

If you have questions, please call the office at 464-4042.

"It always seems impossible until it's done."  
— Nelson Mandela

## Peace & Social Justice

### Leaves are Falling!!

Our October 19 Service Saturday project will be helping our very own church community who may have mobility issues and need their leaves raked.

Sign up early using the [saintt.com](http://saintt.com) service tab. The more volunteers we have signed up the further we can spread our service and our love. Families with kids are welcome and encouraged!

If you know of someone who could use our help, please inform the office.



**Food for the Body and Soul**

Café Manna: Thursdays serving 4:30-6:30pm

**Volunteers Needed!!**

We are looking for additional volunteers to help with meal preparation on the 2nd, 4th and 5th weeks of the month.

Most likely the time slot will be 10:00am until 3:00pm.

If you are interested, contact the office.

To volunteer to serve when the VU Students aren't in session visit Café Manna under the SERVE tab on our website, saintt.com, to sign up to volunteer!!

September 19, 2019

Meals Served	211
Guest Donations	\$5.70
Meal	Turkey Noodle Casserole, Green Beans, Zucchini Tomato Bake, Salads & Desserts

**Health Ministry**



**NAMI**

**NAMI Family Support Group**

Do you have a family member or friend who struggles with mental health challenges?

**National Alliance on Mental Illness**

St. Teresa of Avila is now offering a NAMI Family Support Group. A free, confidential and safe support group of families helping other families who live with mental health challenges will be offered each month led by trained facilitators. These facilitators are not therapists, but individuals trained to help offer understanding, emotional support, education and awareness to others through their own lived experience.

This support group is for family members, friends, care givers and loved ones of those who suffer with a serious mental health challenge.

Meetings will be held on the first Monday of every month at 7:00 PM in Avila Hall (entrance located at 1604 East Lincolnway).

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**Parish Life**

**Upcoming Parish Life Activities**



**Trunk n' Treat/Chili Cook Off**  
Saturday, October 26, 2019  
following the 4:00pm Mass!

Visit [saintt.com](http://saintt.com) to RSVP!

**Sponsor of the Week:  
Kennedy Mazda**

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