



ST. TERESA OF AVILA
CATHOLIC STUDENT CENTER

HAPPY THANKSGIVING

November

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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.

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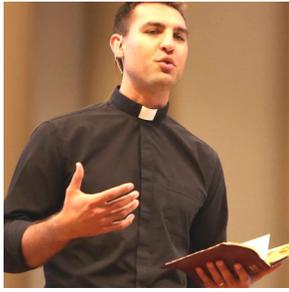
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Fr. Chris' Corner



Dear friends in the Lord,

As we come to the end of our liturgical year in the Church, and as we prepare to celebrate Thanksgiving on Thursday, it is important for us to reflect on the

many blessings God has given us. Pope Francis often talks about the importance of gratitude and thankfulness. He said in a Wednesday audience that if we can realize that everything is God's gift, then we will see how happy our hearts can be. Everything is His gift and He is our strength.

It is interesting how saying "Thank you" is such an easy thing, and yet so hard, but these words are so essential for our life as a community. Having a mentality of abundance helps us to be moved toward gratitude for all the many things we have in our life. This gives us a sense of hope and consolation because we know that our lives are in the hands of the Lord and He never abandons us. Nothing can be lost if we place our lives in His hands.

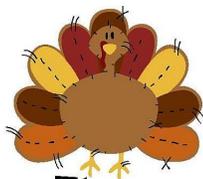
Especially today as we celebrate the Feast of Christ the King, it gives us a greater sense of comfort and consolation as we place our trust in Him. As we begin Advent next week, we give this new year in the Church over to the Lord so that He may continue to guide us and inspire us. Please know of my prayers for you and your families.

To Jesus through Mary,
Fr. Chris

**Happy Thanksgiving/
Office Closed**

On behalf of the staff here at St. Teresa's we want to wish everyone a joyful Thanksgiving!

In observance of Thanksgiving, **the offices will be closed November 27th - November 29th.**



Happy Thanksgiving

Worship Schedule

Monday, November 25
5:15 pm

**For the Prayer
Requests Listed in
our Parish Book of
Intentions**

Tuesday, November 26
8:00am

**Election of a New
Bishop
Community**

Wednesday, November 27
5:15pm

**Judith Berkoski
John & Marie Szczepanski**

**Thanksgiving Mass
Note Mass Time**
Thursday, November 28
9:00am

**Amerigo & Helen
Giannini
Viv Szyndrowski**

Friday, November 29
12:30 pm

**Robert Donald
Whalen
Caporale Family**

Saturday, November 30
4:00pm

**Margaret Wolfe
Diane Wolfe**

Sunday, December 1
8:00am

**Carol Dittman
Joan Dittman**

11:00am

**St. Teresa of Avila
Community**

5:00 pm

**Jim Kogut
Karen & Mike Malecha**

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

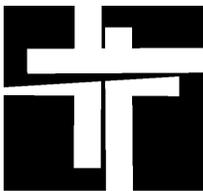


Thank You for
Supporting Our
Mission:

November 17, 2019

Budgeted Weekly Collection	\$10,000
• Sunday Offering	\$6,768
• On-line Giving	\$3,605
• Holy Day: All Saints Day	\$145
Total Sunday Collection	\$10,518
Weekly Status	\$518
Fiscal Year to Date Status	\$6,110

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 **Diocese of Gary Vocations Office**.

What is AmazonSmile?



You shop. Amazon gives.

AmazonSmile is a simple and automatic way for you to support St. Teresa of Avila. When you shop

at smile.amazon.com, you'll find the exact same low prices, vast selection and convenient shopping experience as Amazon.com, with the added bonus that Amazon will donate a portion of your purchase price to St. Teresa of Avila.

How do I shop at AmazonSmile?

To shop at AmazonSmile simply go to smile.amazon.com, select "St. Teresa of Avila", AND start supporting St. Teresa of Avila!

Student Advent Dinner Volunteers Needed!

It's hard to believe that next Sunday will begin our journey through the season of Advent!



It marks a time of focus, preparation, and prayer; it also ushers in the time for our **Annual Student Advent Dinner, which will be taking place the evening of Sunday December 8th beginning with the 5 PM Student Mass and dinner following.**

The students will be on the brink of starting finals week (meaning that their focus, preparation, and prayer is on the exams as well as the Lord's coming!) and so it has been the community's tradition to provide a hearty meal for them prior to their completing exams and embarking on their Christmas Break. **We are in need of volunteers** to help in putting on this event that the students have really grown to love, so if you are able, please consider signing up to help by visiting the banner at saintt.com.

Liturgy & Worship

Advent Morning of Reflection What's the WORD? The Role of Story in Our Living Scripture

Saturday, December 7, 2019 in the Church
9:00am-12:00pm

Our study of scripture immerses us into God's world of love through which we are able to find our way to God, and discover how to light a path for others. What's the WORD? will explore the use of story in faith formation, while helping us see our own story of God as Living Scripture. Dr. Timone Davis will lead us as we explore this topic.

Free will donations will be accepted.
Refreshments will be served!
Childcare provided.
Questions? Kris Conrad at
kristin.conrad@valpo.edu

Forty Hours for Vocations

You are invited to a special Forty Hours for Vocations at St. Thomas More in Munster, IN on November 24-26.

Each evening at a 7:00 p.m. service, a seminarian will speak as we pray to the Eucharistic Lord for an increase in Church vocations. The Blessed Sacrament will be exposed on the main altar of the church after the morning Mass each day and remain until the close of services that evening.

The evening service will end with Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament followed by time for refreshments and fellowship.



Peace & Social Justice

Angel Trees Information

If you are interested in purchasing a gift for someone in need, please take an angel from a tree.

Gifts must be dropped off in the Community Room by Sunday, December 8, 2019.

Please include a gift receipt whenever possible, especially for articles of clothing. If you wish to purchase more than one gift, please consider taking an additional Angel Tree tag. We do our best to give an equal

number of gifts to all children within the same family. If you wish to buy more than one item on the tag, please wrap it in the same package to keep the total number of packages equal.

If you have any questions, please call Chris O'Connor at 219-405-9519.



Food for the Body and Soul
Café Manna: Thursdays
serving 4:30pm-6:30pm

Volunteers Needed!!

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!!

Café Manna Meal
November 14, 2019

Meals Served	218
Guest Donations	\$9.87
Meal	Goulash, green beans and salads

Please note: There will be no Café Manna on Thursday, November 28, 2019.

American Red Cross Blood Drive

BE THE LIFELINE PATIENTS NEED. GIVE BLOOD

Thank you to everyone who donated at the November 11th Blood Drive!

We had 67 donors and 58 units of blood collected!

Next Blood Drive is set for January 20, 2020!

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

Saint Teresa of Avila

For Your Information

Bishop Donald J. Hying's 11-Day Pilgrimage to France

When? October 5-15, 2020

Where? Paris, Annecy, Ars, Bayeux
Lisieux, Lourdes, Nevers, Normandy
and Rouen

Stops? Basilica of St. Therese, Lisieux,
Cemetery at Omaha Beach in Normandy and Bathe in the
miraculous water at the Grotto at Lourdes

Price Includes: Nine breakfasts, seven dinners, hotel and meal tips.

Registration brochures available on the bookshelf next to the
Sacristy

Questions? Contact Deacon Bob and Karen Marben at
marbenrw@gmail.com.



Prayer for a New Bishop

O God, Eternal shepherd,
who govern your flock with
unfailing care, grant in your
boundless fatherly love a pastor
for your Church who will please
you by his holiness and to us
show watchful care.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ,
your Son, Who lives and reigns
with you in the unity of the
Holy Spirit, one God, for ever
and ever.
Amen

TIPS Winners!

What is TIPS?

TIPS is an acronym for
**Thunderhouse Independent
Patronage Society** which has
been in existence since the
1970s and supports the
Catholic Student Center.
Winners are drawn monthly.
For more details or to
purchase a number, contact
Chris Blane at
saintt.bookkeeper@gmail.com

November 2019 Winners

John & Maria Delores Szczepanski
Larry & Mary Gingrich
Marianne Vangel
Pete Peuquet
Joseph & Virginia Grcich

November \$500 Winner:
Vikki Geras

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