



ST. TERESA OF AVILA
CATHOLIC STUDENT CENTER

ADVENT 2019

December

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2019

Hope
Peace
Joy
Love

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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Fr. Chris' Corner



Dear friends in the Lord,

As we make our way through Advent and prepare ourselves for the coming of our Lord at Christmas, I just want to make you aware of some important dates and

events that are coming up.

First of all, we will be offering a communal penance service for the season of Advent on Wednesday, December 4 at 7:00 pm in the church. We will have priests from the surrounding area to help us prepare ourselves through the sacrament so that we are ready for Christmas. There will be other penance services available at the surrounding churches between December 16-20.

Second, we will be having a special Morning of Reflection for Advent with renowned speaker Timone Davis on Saturday, December 7 at 9:00 am. She will be discussing how 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.

Third, the university's semester is coming to a close and once again we will be hosting a Student Advent Dinner on Sunday, December 8. Mass will be at 5:00 pm and dinner will follow. This is a large outreach event that we offer the students and we are going to need lots of people to make this happen. If you are interested in helping, please let the office know.

Once again, thank you so much for your loving service and generosity that you continue to offer in the community. Truly, we would not be able to offer so many ministries if it weren't for your willingness to be good stewards of the Lord. Please know of my continued prayers for you.

Faithfully Yours in the Lord,
Fr. Chris

Worship Schedule

Monday, December 2
5:15 pm

Margaret Wolfe
John & June Kachur

Tuesday, December 3
8:00am

Mary & Louis Kogut
Karen & Mike Malecha

Wednesday, December 4
5:15pm

Election of a New Bishop
Community

Thursday, December 5
8:00am

Eleanor Gentile
Joanne Gentile

Friday, December 6
12:30 pm

First Friday Memorial Mass

Saturday, December 7
4:00pm

Angie Gifford
Nancy Gifford

Sunday, December 8
8:00am

St. Teresa of Avila
Community

11:00am

Michael Mikovich
Carolyn Mikovich

5:00 pm

Antoinette "Bonnie" Simon
Ed Ciba & Melanie Sus

Reconciliation Schedule

Wednesday

6:00pm-6:30pm

Saturday

2:30pm-3:30pm

Adoration

Monday & Wednesday

6:00pm-7:00pm

Tuesday & Thursday

9:00am-10:00am

Stewardship Report

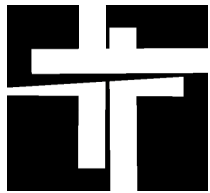


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Mission:

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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 Camp Lawrence "Sleep Tight" Fund.

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Advent Reconciliation Service

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Wednesday, December 4, 2019

7:00pm

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



Christmas Flower Offering

To help defray the cost of our Christmas flowers, we are inviting anyone who is interested, to adopt a poinsettia in memory of a loved one. They will be remembered at our Christmas Liturgies. The cost is \$25.

This is a wonderful way to remember those who have died and gone before us and help out the church at the same time.

Thank you for your generosity.

What does it mean to have a Mass "offered" for someone?



An individual may offer a Mass Intention for several reasons: for example, in thanksgiving, for the intentions of another person (such as on a birthday), or, as is most common, for the repose of the soul of someone who has died.

If you are interested in offering a Mass Intention here at St. Teresa of Avila you must complete a **Mass Intention Request Form**.

This form can be found on our website (saintt.com) on the Spirituality & Worship page which is found under the GROW tab.

You can also stop by the office to complete the form. If you need help with the form, please feel free to stop by or call the office for assistance.

The Mass Intention stipend is \$10.00.

Save the Dates!

The Immaculate Conception:
Monday, December 9, 2019
Mass at 5:15pm

Christmas Eve Mass Times:
4:00pm & 10:00pm

Christmas Day Mass Time:
9:30am

Wine Blessings:
December 28-29 at all Masses

The Solemnity of Mary:
Wednesday, January 1, 2020
Mass at 9:30am

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

Saint Teresa of Avila

Peace & Social Justice

Angel Trees Information

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.



Thank
YOU!

On behalf of
the "Baby, It's
Cold Outside"
Coat Drive

team, we want to thank
everyone who so generously
donated slightly used or new
coats!

The response was
overwhelming!
Our Café Manna guests will
certainly stay much warmer
now!

Blessings to you all!



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 21, 2019

Meals Served	224
Guest Donations	\$48.00
Meal	Pork, roasted potatoes and green beans

Sponsor of the Week: Lock 'n Loaded

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PLEASE JOIN US FOR OUR ANNUAL CHRISTMAS DAY DINNER

(FREE MEAL FOR ANYONE)

Wednesday, December 25, 2019
Dinner served at 1:00pm

RSVP's Required by December 18, 2019

Interested in volunteering to serve/clean-up?

Visit saintt.com
home page banner "Christmas Day Dinner"



Health Ministry



NAMI
National Alliance on Mental Illness

NAMI Family Support Group

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

We now offer 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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