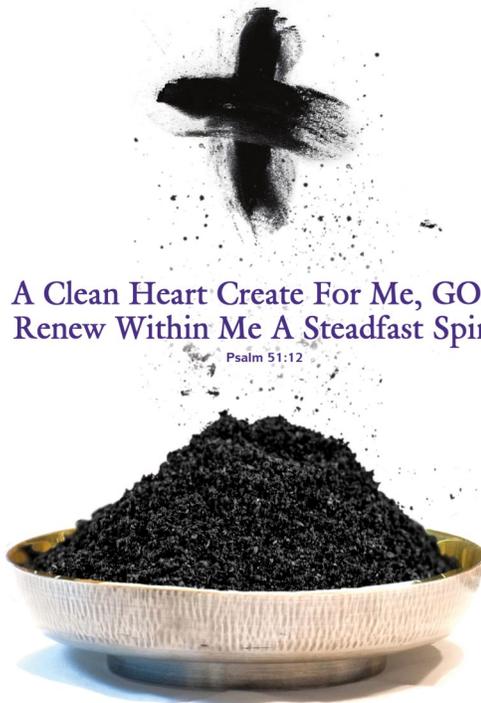




ST. TERESA OF AVILA
CATHOLIC STUDENT CENTER

February
23
2020

ASH
WEDNESDAY



**A Clean Heart Create For Me, GOD;
Renew Within Me A Steadfast Spirit.**

Psalm 51:12

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February 26, 2020 Ash Wednesday

10:00 am Liturgy of the Word with
Distribution of Ashes

5:15 pm Mass with Distribution of Ashes
(Simple meal of Soup & Bread following in
Avila Hall. RSVP at saintt.com)

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,

Lent begins this Wednesday, February 26, 2020. In conjunction with Peace & Social Justice, we have decided to partner with a local organization in Valparaiso this year called **Respite House** for our Lenten Project:

Building a House of Hope. Together as a community, we are going to pray, fast, and give alms in order to make a difference in the lives of those recovering from chemical addiction.

Respite House is a state certified facility which acts as a halfway house for those recovering from chemical addiction. Their first house was built in 2009 right here in Valparaiso and they are currently in the process of building a second house. Each resident is required to do daily chores, eat dinner together, and have a job outside of the house. There is staff on-site 24 hours a day. The average resident is 22-28 years old and stays at the Respite House six months to two years, and then they go through a transition period as they graduate from the program. One mom whose son relapsed stated that his year at Respite House was the best year of his life and a place where he truly felt loved.



As they build a second facility, our goal is to provide financial support to furnish all 14 bedrooms as well as the community room for Respite II. This would include two beds and two dressers per room, and other furnishings as they see fit. In order to furnish everything, we are hoping to raise about \$18,000. As we support this mission, I am asking that you join me in prayer, fasting, and almsgiving. I ask that you pray for these individuals and their families each day at home with your own family. We will also pray for them during our petitions at Mass.

Worship Schedule

Monday, February 24
5:15 pm

Our Students
Preparing for their
Mission Trip
Community

Tuesday, February 25
8:00 am

Community of St.
Teresa of Avila

Ash Wednesday
Wednesday, February
26
10:00am

**Liturgy of the Word/
Distribution of Ashes**

5:15pm

Vicki Barthold
Lea Miller

Thursday, February 27
8:00am

Healing for Fr. Rich
Community

Friday, February 28
12:30 pm

Geraldine Persyn
Mary Persyn

Saturday, February 29
4:00pm

Eva Zwilling
John Fillenwarth

Sunday, March 1
8:00am

Margaret Wolfe
Katie Reeves

11:00am

St. Teresa of Avila
Community

Reconciliation Schedule

Wednesday

6:00pm-6:30pm

Saturday

2:30pm-3:30pm

Adoration

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

Monday & Wednesday

6:00pm-7:00pm

Tuesday & Thursday

9:00am-10:00am

Fr. Chris' Article Continued

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As you know,
we refrain from
meat on

Fridays, but I would like you to join me in fasting on Wednesdays. Fasting would entail having only one main meal, and if necessary, two smaller meals.

Lastly, I am asking that you join me in almsgiving as well. Each week of Lent, we are going to have a special collection after Communion. For the 6 Sundays of Lent, I am asking if you will join me in offering an additional \$10 a week so that by Easter, we can help **build a house of hope**.

Thank you so much for your generosity and love. In the words of Mitch Peters, "This is truly a community project. While addiction will always be with us, every life we save, every person we touch, is truly a blessing. We measure our success in moments, and this is truly a moment of grace and love."

Faithfully yours in the Lord,
Fr. Chris



Stewardship Report



Thank You for
Supporting Our
Mission
February 16, 2020

Budgeted Weekly Collection	\$10,000
• Sunday Offering	\$7,139
• On-line Giving	\$3,023
Total Sunday Collection	\$10,162
Weekly Status	\$162
Fiscal Year to Date Status	\$30,744

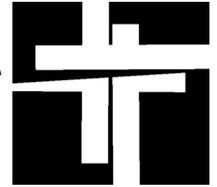
Stewardship

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 **Steubenville Youth Ministry Conference** that our youth will be attending this June.



Campus Ministry



Chaplains' Scholarship 2020 Applications

Applications for **The Chaplains' Scholarship**, which annually awards four \$1,000 scholarships to individual students, are now available at www.saintt.com.

Scholarships are awarded to one **graduating high school senior** and **three Valparaiso University students**. These scholarships are given for the upcoming academic year and will be deposited directly to the Financial Aid Office at the university. All eligible applicants are invited to apply throughout the month of February.

Applications can be found on our website at www.saintt.com. (Students who are awarded scholarships will be notified before the end of the spring 2020 semester.)

Liturgy & Worship

Stations of the Cross

Fridays During Lent
6:00 pm
Church

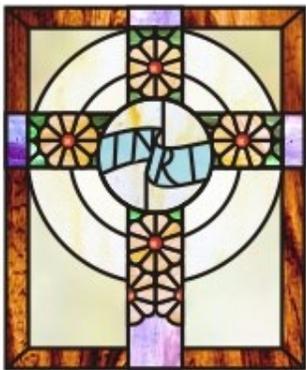


Welcome. CRHP 2.0

There is **More to Life**

PLEASE JOIN US FOR OUR ANNUAL
WOMEN'S **WELCOME.**
RETREAT WEEKEND
MARCH 14-15, 2020

For more information and to register, please visit saintt.com and click on the **WELCOME.** banner.



Prayers Please

It saddens us to inform you of the passing of Charlene Weaver, mother of Julie Gaskell, on January 27, 2020.

Cards of condolence may be sent to:

1901 Cheyenne Circle, Valparaiso, IN 46383.

Please remember Julie and her family in your prayers.

It also saddens us to inform you of the passing of Sharon S. Newhard, mother of Dianna Harris, on February 17, 2020. Cards of Condolence may be sent to:

3351 Blue Jay Drive, Valparaiso, IN 46383

Please remember Dianna and her family in your prayers.

Faith Formation



STATIONS OF THE CROSS PRESENTED BY THE CHILDREN

Friday, MARCH 13, 2020
5:30 pm Practice. 6:00 pm Stations

Elementary age children are invited to participate in the reenactment of the Stations of the Cross. A brief practice will begin in the church promptly at 5:30pm with the reenactment immediately following at 6:00pm. The community is invited to come and pray with the children as they retell the journey of Jesus.

RCIA

We will attend Ash Wednesday Mass this Wednesday evening before going up to have a quick discussion about Lent. We have reached the period of final preparation for Easter for our Catechumen, who will celebrate her Rite of Election next Sunday, and our candidates. Your prayers and support are more important to them than ever.

Father, they are your gift to me. I wish that where I am they also may be with me.

John 17:24

Baptism

Please join us this weekend as we welcome into our community of faith through the sacrament of baptism:



Noelle Victoria Grimmer
Daughter of Brian & Hannah

In this sacrament, the child meets Jesus in the pouring of the water and we, as a community are renewed in our own baptismal promises. Come celebrate and rejoice for God has been so good to us!

Welcome Noelle Victoria!

"Rediscovering the Saints" Book Discussion

Adult Faith Formation invites you to join us between Masses for a book discussion group. Come join us in the reception area of the offices at 9:15am on March 1, 8 and 15 for coffee and conversation. No group discussion on February 23.

Parish Life



ASH WEDNESDAY

RSVP & Sign up to bring a meatless soup on the Soup & Bread banner on saintt.com.



“Life is short and there will always be dirty dishes, so let’s dance.”

Join us in Avila Hall on Tuesdays in February from 7:00pm until 8:00pm for dance lessons!

Couples, singles, young and old, everyone is welcome. This will be beginner dance lessons.

All classes free. Come on out and have some fun.

Contact Us

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Peace & Social Justice

Food for the Body and Soul

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

Volunteers Needed March 12!!

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 FEBRUARY 13, 2020

Meals Served	150
Guest	
Donations	\$0.00
Meal	Ham, Mac & Cheese, Spanish Rice and Corn

Sponsor of the Week: Jimmy Johns

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