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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,

It is hard to believe but Lent is just around the corner with Ash Wednesday on February 17. Next weekend I will lay out more details as to what that day will look like but I am pleased to announce our Lenten Project 2021: "Helping Hearts for Hungry Kids".

Since 1995, Hilltop Neighborhood House has offered many valuable resources for children and families throughout the community. In addition to the food pantry and their early childhood programs, they also offer a free after school program called Kidreach.

School-aged children living in the Hilltop neighborhood are welcome to attend this program Monday through Friday for mentoring, tutoring, access to computers, recreational activities, crafts, and a healthy meal. When Covid hit, the Kidreach program was forced to temporarily stop, and the focus was shifted to make sure these children were still receiving a nutritious meal each day. Once a week the kids have been picking up five frozen take-home meals. Unfortunately, the grant that funded these \$5.00 meals ended, forcing Hilltop to find other ways to continue this program.

With our Lenten Project, Helping Hearts for Hungry Kids, our goal is to provide 2,500 meals for the Kidreach program. Since last March our community has generously opened our hearts and donated over 1800 bags of groceries to the Food Pantry. During this time of Lent, I am asking you to join me in praying, fasting on Wednesdays, and giving alms so no child is left hungry. There will be a special display at the front of the church with a basket for the Lenten Project specifically. If each family can make an additional gift of only \$10 each week either in the basket or on our website, we can easily provide these meals for these children in need.

Faithfully Yours in the Lord,
Fr. Chris

Worship Schedule

All Masses will be
Livestreamed on our main
Facebook page unless
otherwise noted:

[https://
www.facebook.com/
sttvalpo](https://www.facebook.com/sttvalpo)

Monday, February 8
5:15 pm

Bette Bonacci

Tuesday, February 9
8:00 am
(No Livestreaming)

Blessings Upon
Joseph T. Stewart
Stewart Family

Wednesday, February 10
5:15 pm

Health & Blessing Upon
Charlie Shuster
Lisa Ewing

Thursday, February 11
8:00 am

Agnes Stark-Marposon
Leslie L. Annerson

Friday, February 12
12:30 pm

Helen Giannini
Viv Szyndrowski

Saturday, February 13
4:00 pm
(Reservations Recommended
at saintt.com)

Merry Benke
Vatthauer Family

Sunday, February 14
8:00 am
(Reservations Recommended
at saintt.com)

Isabel O'Connor
Sue O'Connor

9:30 am
(Reservations Recommended
at saintt.com)

**Community of
St. Teresa of Avila**

5:00 pm
Student Mass

Jose Delgado
Matt Deleon

Adoration, Church Hours & Reconciliation

Fr. Chris will be available for Reconciliation on
Saturday from 2:30-3:30pm and Wednesday
6:00pm-6:30pm or by appointment.

Individual Adoration will be available in the
Our Lady Undoer of Knots Chapel daily
from 8:00am to 11:00pm.

The Church will also be open from
8:00am to 11:00pm.

Stewardship

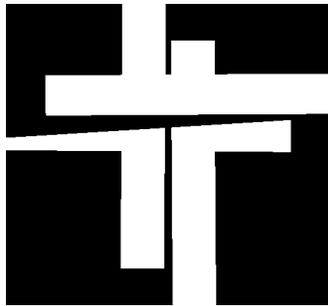
Thank You for Your Generosity & for Supporting Our Mission

January 31, 2021

Budgeted Collection	\$10,000
• Offering	\$3,477
• On-line Giving	\$3,412
Total Collection	\$6,889
Weekly Status	(\$3,111)
Fiscal Year to Date	(\$15,642)

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 weekly.



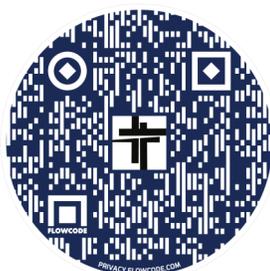
This week we will tithe to **Housing Opportunities**.

Housing Opportunities is a community-sustained nonprofit that resolves and prevents homelessness for adults, children, and seniors in Porter and LaPorte counties. Above all, they provide hope to clients experiencing homelessness and its effects.

It's so easy to make a donation!!

Scan the QR Code with your phone/camera and click on the link to donate!

We appreciate your willingness to help us connect, grow and serve our faith community.



Campus Ministry



Attention:

High School Seniors and VU Freshman, Sophomore and Juniors:

Chaplains' Scholarship 2021
Applications are NOW available at saintt.com.

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.)

Questions?
Contact Eli at Elijah.owen@valpo.edu.

Liturgy and Worship

"I Heard God Laugh" Zoom Book Study

Join us for a Zoom discussion group about "I Heard God Laugh". There are copies available on the table in the Community Room. These Zoom events on Sunday mornings at 11:00am until mid-February.

For the Zoom link, please contact Kris Conrad at Kristin.conrad@valpo.edu and she will send that link to you.

**Prayers
Please**



It saddens us to inform you of the passing of **Ivor Coons** on

Monday, December 7, 2020. Ivor, and his wife, Shirley are long time St. Teresa of Avila members. A private service was held for the family. Cards of condolences can be sent to:

Shirley Coons and Family
521 Lismore Lane
Valparaiso, IN 46385

It also saddens us to inform you of the passing of Diane O'Connor. Diane is the step-mother of Ron (Chris) O'Connor. Cards of condolences can be sent to:

The O'Connor Family
36 Sager Road
Valparaiso, IN 46383

May they rest in peace.

ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICES/MASS TIMES: FEBRUARY 17, 2021

9:45am	Liturgy of the Word/Distribution of Ashes
12:00pm-1:00pm	Fr. Chris will be available in the church for Distribution of Ashes
5:15pm	Mass and Distribution of Ashes
7:00pm	Mass and Distribution of Ashes
	Register for the 9:45am, 5:15pm and 7:00pm Services at saintt.com.

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. Once you complete the form, send it along with the stipend, and we will confirm your Masses with you.

If you need help with the form, please feel free to email Christine at christine.harsh@valpo.edu for assistance. The Mass Intention stipend is \$10.00.

Peace & Social Justice

Hilltop Food Drive

WOW! Two weeks ago we had a record single week donation of 66 bags for Hilltop Food Pantry. This past week we crushed that number with 161 bags!!!!

The love and care that our community shows is beyond amazing! Hilltop said that it was like Christmas morning. Everyone in line who needed warm boots was able to get a pair. People were moved to tears they were so grateful! Warm toes from warm hearts!

**Donations can be dropped off at the
Laporte Avenue
entrance of church.
Thank YOU!**

- PASTA
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- TUNA
- CANNED CHICKEN
- SOAP
- HEARTY SOUP
- SPAM
- PAPER TOWELS
- LAUNDRY & DISH SOAP
- TOILET PAPER
- PEANUT BUTTER
- CEREAL JELLY
- BABY WIPES

For Your Information



Looking for a way to support Campus Ministry?

TIPS is one way you can do that! 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. There are 100 numbers in total. Each number cost \$100, each month there are five winners drawn and monetary prizes are awarded.

We have a few numbers available for the 2021 year. If you are interested in participating in TIPS please contact Chris Blane at saintt.bookkeeper@gmail.com.

TIPS is a fundraising opportunity for Campus Ministry. It is a way to support them as well as having a chance to win some cashola monthly.

What's your lucky number? Check with Chris Blane to see if it's available and join the fun!

Fruitful Lives in God Meditation

The Fruit of silence is prayer.
The fruit of prayer is faith. The fruit of faith is love.
The fruit of love is service. The fruit of service is peace.

Mother Teresa

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Reserve your seat for Mass!!!

Mass reservations are now open one month prior to the date. Visit saintt.com or call the office at 464-4042 to reserve your seats!!



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Friday

9:00am-noon

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