



Love

*St. Teresa of Avila Catholic Student*

## Fr. Chris' Corner



Dear friends in the Lord,

Two weeks ago we started a preaching series entitled "Teach us to pray." We looked at the question: "What is Prayer?" and we defined prayer as "responding to the God who is already there and receiving what He wants to

bestow upon us." Last week, we looked at prayer as a covenant relationship and we went over the five forms of prayer (Adoration, Petition, Intercession, Thanksgiving, and Praise) as well as the three expressions of prayer (vocal prayer, meditation, and contemplation).

This week we are taking a look at the prayer process as described by Matthew Kelly. He lays out the process in seven steps: Gratitude, Awareness, Significant moments, Peace, Freedom, Others, and an Our Father. This is just one more way to pray, so try experimenting with this style throughout the week.

In order to guide you throughout this week, below is a list of Scripture passages to pray with each day. There are some reflection questions to help you discover what the Lord is saying to you and then you can write it down in your journal.

- ◇ Read the passage once to become familiar with the text.
- ◇ Slowly read the passage a second time.
- ◇ Very, very slowly read the passage a third time and pay attention to which word, words, or phrases captures your attention or tugs at your heart.
- ◇ Talk to God about what is on your heart... and listen with the ear of your heart.

Day 1: Luke 12:22-32

Day 2: Psalm 27

Day 3: Psalm 23

Day 4: John 4:7-19

Day 5: Wisdom 11:21-26

Day 6: Deuteronomy 7:6-8

Day 7: Return to one of the above passages that spoke to you the most this week

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## Worship Schedule

Monday, March 20  
5:15pm

**Emily Karczewski**

By: Christine, Katie & Megan

Tuesday, March 21  
8:00am

**O'Connell/Marshall Families**

By: Sue O'Connell

Wednesday, March 22  
5:15pm

**Joseph Olack**

By: Friends

Thursday, March 23  
8:00am

**Ralph Mata**

By: Friends

Friday, March 24  
12:30pm

**Lucy Waters**

By: Bruce, Carol & Joe Niepokoj

Saturday, March 25  
4:00pm

**Nicholas Arreguin**

By: Dolores Arreguin

Sunday, March 26  
8:00am

**Emily Budnyk**

By: Ann & Jerry Vail

11:00am

**St. Teresa of Avila**

By: Community

9:00pm

**Priest Intention**

## Reconciliation Schedule

**Wednesday**

6:00-6:30pm

**Saturday**

2:30-3:30pm

## Fr. Chris' Corner Continued

After your prayer, write down in your journal the "strongest" thought or feeling that occurred in your prayer. Then, write down the one thing that you sensed the Lord was trying to tell you. Finally, write down what you ended your prayer wanting.

Faithfully Yours in the Lord,  
Fr. Chris

## Stewardship Report



### Weekly Stewardship Report: March 12, 2017

Budgeted Weekly Income	\$10,000.00
Sunday Collection Received	
◆ Sunday Offering	\$6,065.00
◆ Children's Offering	\$20.00
◆ This Week's On-line Giving	\$3,276.00
Total Sunday Collection Received	\$9,361.00
Weekly Status (+/-)	-\$639.00
Year to Date Status (+/-)	+\$12,922.00

## Campus Ministry

Save the DATE!  
**Amazing Race 2017**  
Saturday evening, April 22, 2017

## Stewardship Commission



### St. Teresa's 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.

The donation this week will go to the Sojourner Truth House 18th Annual Walk is on June 10, 2017. Sojourner Truth House (STH) is a day center located in Gary, Indiana, that serves homeless and at-risk women and their children. Founded by the Poor Handmaids of Jesus Christ in 1997, STH serves more than 2,092 clients each month.

Here is an amazing opportunity to 'Step Up' and help out our friends at Sojourner Truth House.

STH's 18<sup>th</sup> Annual Walk for STH on June 10, 2017 in Gary. St. Teresa's will have a team walking. Look for more details in upcoming bulletins and emails on how you can join in the fun!



## Special Invitation



My dear friends at St. T's,

By the grace of God, next month I will celebrate the 50th anniversary of my ordination to the priesthood.

During the nearly two years of my retirement, you, your faith, friendship and love, have been a wonderful part of my ministry.

And so, I invite you to share with me a liturgy of praise and thanksgiving on Sunday, April 30, at 11 AM. A reception and luncheon will follow the Mass.

If you plan to come to the meal, please email the parish secretary at [saintt.office@gmail.com](mailto:saintt.office@gmail.com) with the number of guests that will be attending.

I look forward to seeing you then so that together we may praise God from whom all blessings flow!!

God bless you,

Fr. Rich Kozak

## Spirituality

### Lenten Communal Reconciliation Service

Join us on Tuesday,  
March 21, 2017  
at 7:00pm in the church



Our service will include songs, Liturgy of the Word, a short Homily, an examination of conscience, Act of Contrition and time for individual reconciliation with one of the visiting priests that will be celebrating with us.

## For Your Information: Lenten/Easter Events

Please join us in the church on the following Fridays at 6:30pm:

3/24/2017 – Stations of the Cross

3/31/2017 – Stations of the Cross

4/07/2017 – Stations of the Cross –(Bilingual)

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Holy Thursday Mass, April 13 —7:00pm

Good Friday Tenebrae Service, April 14—3:00pm

Tenebrae is Latin for "shadows" or "darkness". It is a religious service celebrated on Good Friday. Tenebrae is distinctive for its gradual extinguishing of candles while a series of readings and psalms are chanted or recited. The Tenebrae Service commemorates the sufferings and death of Christ. It is a moving way to experience the events of Good Friday.

Good Friday Services, April 14— 7:00pm

Easter Vigil, April 15—7:30pm

Easter Sunday, April 16—8:00am & 11:00am

## Social Justice

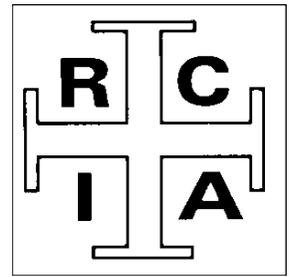
### Drive for Sojourner Truth House: Personal Products and Easter Basket Items

Sojourner Truth House, is a not for profit organization located in Gary, Indiana, and sponsored by the Poor Handmaids of Jesus Christ (PHJC), that serves homeless and at-risk women and their children.

The Social Justice Commission is conducting a drive for personal care products and the makings for Easter baskets for Sojourner Truth House on the weekend of April 1-2.

On the weekend of March 25-26 members of the Commission will be passing out lists of items requested by the STH staff for their clients. (This is a change from past drives in that the Commission is not passing out lists attached to grocery bags, but just passing out the lists themselves).

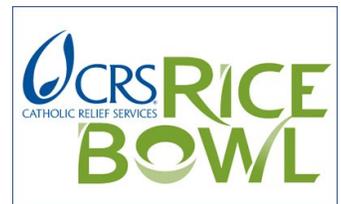
Empty Easter baskets and candy are already being provided. The lists you will receive will contain personal products and a request for an item such as a book, small toy, small stuffed animal or other article that a child would like to receive in an Easter basket. We provide the makings for the Easter baskets to the clients of STH who use them to create Easter baskets for their children. Thank you in advance for your generosity in helping the women and children (and the few male clients) of Sojourner Truth House.



Last week, we celebrated the Penitential Rite for our candidates, this week we move on to the first of three Scrutinies for our elect at the 4pm Saturday Mass.

As we pray over Andrea during this time of her final preparation, may God purify her and prepare her for the life he has called her to live. Matt Hensley will be with us this Tuesday evening to lead the discussion on the topic of The Second Coming, Heaven, and Hell. May God bless us all!

Behold, I make all things new!  
Revelation 21:5



### ENCOUNTER OPPORTUNITY

We encounter Fernando in El Salvador where, despite a lack of economic opportunity, youth are pursuing their dreams of building businesses to better the lives of their families.

How have you worked to better the lives of others this Lent? Visit [crsricebowl.org](http://crsricebowl.org) for more. Rice Bowls will be collected on Divine Mercy Sunday, the Sunday after Easter.

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**Café Manna Update**

We would like to thank everyone who participated in the success of our meal on Thursday. We served 278 meals.

\*\*\*\*NEW\*\*\*\*

All Café Manna dishes are available for pick up in the Storage Room located off the kitchen area.

In an effort to reduce the number of unclaimed dishes please bring your donation of salad/dessert in a ziplock bag or on a paper plate if possible.

We are so grateful for your donations!

**For Your Information**

Dear Students and Community Members,



Thank you for your recent gift to Cross Catholic Outreach to help us meet the needs of the poor. Your generosity and compassion have been an answer to our prayers as we continue to carry Christ's love in work and deed to the needy around the world. With your help, we are bearing witness to the Gospel through tangible acts of mercy that are changing lives and providing hope for the future. May you be blessed for your kindness, as God's Word says in Luke 6:38, "Give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together and running over, will be poured into your lap. For with the measure you use, it will be measured to you."

Your Brother in Christ,  
James Cavnar  
President, Cross Catholic Outreach

**American Red Cross Blood Drive**

The next Blood Drive is set for March 20, 2017 from 1:00pm-7:00pm in Avila Hall.

Sign up at [redcrossblood.org](http://redcrossblood.org) or call 1-800-RED-CROSS



**Faith Formation**

**Senior Seminar 2017 begins this week!**



Michelle Murphy Wise will discuss Surviving Grief. Michelle is the vice president of program development at Pines Village Retirement communities, and has

worked for 30 years in home healthcare and hospice. The Senior Seminar is an opportunity for senior citizens to gather to explore and discuss issues of concern to them.

Join Michelle on Wednesday, Mar. 22 at 10:00 in Avila Hall.

A light lunch and conversation follow the presentation. Future topics are Caregiving, Mental Health in Seniors, and Resources for Seniors.

All are welcome. You do not have to be a senior citizen to attend, just someone interested in the topic.

**Travel with Fr. Chris to the Holy Land**

November 6-16, 2017

\* Jerusalem \* Bethlehem \* Nazareth \* Galilee \*

\* Via Crucis \* Last Supper \*

\*Gethsemane \* \*Dormition \*

\*Nativity Church \* Capernaum\*

Cost is \$3,500.00

(Airfare included from anywhere in the U.S)

For more details, see Fr. Chris or call 1-855-842-8001



The next GIFT session is Sunday, April 9 at 9:15am at VU.

Our topic is "One Church with Diverse Roles: Vocations for All".

Jo Anne Rosenow, owner of Salon Amara and designer of the vocation cross for St. Paul Parish, will be the parent presenter!



**St. Teresa of Avila Office Hours**

Monday-Thursday 8:30am-3:30pm      Friday: 8:30-12:00pm

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