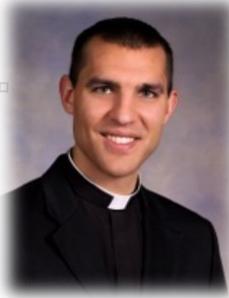




He restores my soul.
He guides me along
right paths
for the sake of his name.

Psalm 23: 3

Fr. Chris' Corner



Dear friends in the Lord,

As we come to the end of our liturgical year in the Church, and since we just celebrated Thanksgiving in our nation, 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 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

Worship Schedule

Monday, November 27
5:15pm

Ed Koday
By: Family

Tuesday, November 28
8:00am

**Helen & Amerigo
Giannini**
By: Viv Szyndrowski

Wednesday, November 29
5:15pm

Joseph E. Wolf
By: Family

Thursday, November 30
8:00am

John Edward Plesha
By: Barb Thomas & Joan
Smith

Friday, December 1
12:30pm

**First Friday Memorial
Mass**

Saturday, December 2
4:00pm

Hardy-Simon Families
By: Leo Simon

Sunday, December 3
8:00am

**Deceased Members of
the Woodke Family**

11:00am

By: Michael & Dolores
Aylesworth

9:00pm

St. Teresa of Avila
By: Community
Carol Dittman
By: Joan Dittman

Reconciliation Schedule

Wednesday

6:00-6:30pm

Saturday

2:30-3:30pm

Adoration

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

Monday & Wednesday 6:00pm-7:00pm

Tuesday & Thursday 9:00am-10:00am

Friday 7:00pm-8:00pm

St. Teresa of Avila Office Hours
 Monday-Thursday 9:00am-3:30pm
 Friday: 9:00am-12:00pm

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What's Up With the Students?



ST. TERESA OF AVILA
 CAMPUS MINISTRY

Within the last few weeks, St. Teresa has had representation at events happening on campus.

On November 7th one of the FOCUS missionaries serving at the student center, Nick Grevas, was part of a panel sharing a theological perspective on the topic of sexuality.

Additionally, our Director of Collegiate Outreach, Adam Antone, participated in a round table discussion on November 15th hosted by VU's student body president. Adam was joined by Pastor Charlene Cox from the Lutheran chapel on campus and the discussion revolved around the question of "What it means to be a Christian?" with time allotted at the end for students to ask questions.

Stewardship Report



Weekly Stewardship Report: November 19, 2017

Not Available at Time of Printing

Stewardship Commission

God's Hands in Action— 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 \$450 weekly.

This week our tithing will be donated to the VNA Christmas for the Elderly.



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Annual Student Advent Dinner Volunteers Needed!

Sunday, December 10, 2017

The Student Advent Dinner is one of the most well attended events that we host for our students. And, we need you to make it a success!

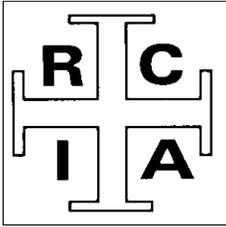
The evening starts with a special 5:00pm Mass especially for our students. It is followed by an amazing meal, photo booth, and raffles for our students!!

This is where we need your help!

- Volunteers needed to serve the students, clean the hall, and wash the dishes.
- You can sign up to volunteer on-line at www.saintt.com

Questions? Contact Tammie Meade at tammiemeade@gmail.com

Liturgy and Worship



Stewardship, Discipleship, and Evangelization will be the area of discussion this

Monday evening as Bob & Bobbie Kennedy share the presenter's chair to shepherd the dialogue. As we discuss these Christian tenets of caring and sharing, please share your prayers with our candidates and catechumens. God bless!

But then it becomes like a fire
burning in my heart,
imprisoned in my bones,
I grow weary holding it in..
Jeremiah 20:9

Help Support the World Youth Day Team by purchasing a 2018 Bible Diary for only \$20.00

Features include:

- Liturgical and Sanctoral Catholic calendar
- Prayers for the protection of the family and all Human life
- Family prayers for husband, wife, children, and family issues
- Guide to the Sacrament of Penance
- Introduction and Explanation of Liturgical Seasons
- Invitation for the reader to Lectio Divina on Sundays using the four simple steps of READ, REFLECT, PRAY, ACT.
- Weekday reflections
- Sales begin December 2 in the Community Room.

Upcoming Mass Times

Immaculate Conception	Thursday, December 7 Friday, December 8	7:00pm 12:30pm & 7:00pm
4th Sunday of Advent	Saturday, December 23 Sunday, December 24	4:00pm & 6:00pm 9:30am
Christmas Eve	Sunday, December 24	4:00pm & 10:00pm
Christmas Day	Monday, December 25	9:30am
Nativity of the Lord	Monday, January 1	9:00am



Funeral Luncheon Update

Are you looking for a Ministry to fill your heart?

This may just be what you are looking for...the **Funeral Luncheon Ministry.**

As many of you may know, we have an amazing group of people who prepare, cook and serve our Funeral Luncheons. We are always in need of more help.

If this is something you are interested in, please add your contact information to the sheet in the Community Room.

They want to update their volunteer records too.

If you currently are volunteering to provide a dessert, set up or cook, please update your contact information.

Use the sheet in the Community Room to provide your current information.

If you have questions, please contact Oleta at 464-1115.

Social Justice



November 16, 2017

Number of Meals Served: 345

Weekly guest's donations: \$37.00

Meal: Cheese/Chicken Casserole w/mixed veggies, green beans and fruit

**Food for the body and soul.
Thursdays serving from 4:30-6:30pm.**



Angel Tree Opportunities

The Angel Tree provides an opportunity for the community members to help make the Christmas Season brighter for others.

- Angel Trees are located at the entrances of the church. Be sure to take a tag that has a needed gift.
- Include a gift receipt whenever possible, especially for articles of clothing.
- **ALL items should be returned unwrapped to the Community Room no later than Sunday, December 3, 2017.**

· 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.

· For those of you who do not want to brave the store crowds, we have many gift card requests on the tree.

· **ALL OF THE GIFTS MUST BE DROPPED OFF NO LATER THAN Sunday, December 3, 2017!!**

We are also accepting donations of wrapping paper and gift bags.

· Please call Chris O'Connor at 405-9519 or email at coconnor@buchertech.com.

Thank you for your donation!!!!

TIPS

Just what is "TIPS"?

TIPS is an acronym for Thunderhouse Independent Patronage Society which has been in existence since the 1970's and supports the Catholic Student Center.

There are 100 numbers available at a cost of \$100 each per year. Half of the proceeds goes towards the Student Center to help support the many programs that are in place. The balance is given away in monthly drawings, as well as a 'Thank You Dinner' for supporters. Numbers may become available in December. If you are interested please contact Chris Blane at chris.blane@valpo.edu.

November Winners

- #2 Drew Peuquet \$150
- #6 Tom & Melonie Marchak \$25
- #33 John & Laura Thorstad \$25
- #9 Ted & Marlene Hrabota \$25
- #72 Patrice Brooks \$25

Big Winner of \$500 for Nov. 2017: #68 Dennis & Sharon Kenning

For Your Information

Beautiful Hand-Made Greeting Cards

Greeting Cards for All Occasions

Created by Jackie Whetstone

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