



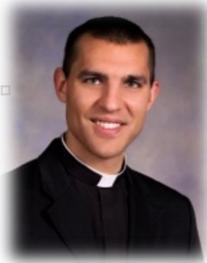
2nd
Sunday of
Easter

“Blessed are those who have
not seen and have believed.”

John 20:29



Fr. Chris' Corner



Dear friends in the Lord,

I pray that all of you have been experiencing the great joy of Easter. On this Feast of Divine Mercy, Pope Francis writes, "St. John, who was in the Upper Room with the other disciples on the evening of the first day after the Sabbath, tells us that Jesus came and stood among them, and said, "Peace be with you!" and he showed them his hands and his side (*Jn 20:19-20*); he showed them his wounds. And in this way they realized that it was not an apparition: it was truly him, the Lord, and they were filled with joy.

On the eighth day Jesus came once again into the Upper Room and showed his wounds to Thomas, so that he could touch them as he had wished to, in order to believe and thus become himself a witness to the Resurrection.

To us also, on this Sunday which Saint John Paul II wished to dedicate to Divine Mercy, the Lord shows us, through the Gospel, his wounds. They are *wounds of mercy*. It is true: the wounds of Jesus are wounds of mercy.

Jesus invites us to behold these wounds, to touch them as Thomas did, to heal our lack of belief. Above all, he invites us to enter into the mystery of these wounds, which is the mystery of his merciful love. I want to encourage you to encounter Christ's wounds – encounter your own wounds, and how Christ has come to bring healing. Please know that I continue to hold you very closely in my prayers and I ask that you continue to pray for me.

Faithfully Yours in the Lord,
Fr. Chris

Worship Schedule

Monday, April 9
5:15pm

Tom Ring
By: Doris Ring

Tuesday, April 10
8:00am

Concetta Caristi
By: Jim & Martha Caristi

Wednesday, April 11
5:15pm

In Thanksgiving for our VU Students
By: Community

Thursday, April 12
8:00am

Isabel O'Connell
By: Sue O'Connell

Friday, April 13
12:30pm

Charles J. Stark
By: Stark Family

Saturday, April 14
4:00pm

Greg Hancher
By: Margaret Annen

Sunday, April 15
8:00am

Earline Racich
By: Daughter, Kathy
Loretta Brown
By: Bob Brown Family
St. Teresa of Avila
By: Community

11:00am

9:00pm

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
Thursday –INSPIRE	7:00pm-8:00pm

Stewardship Report



Easter Collection Stewardship Report April 1, 2018

Easter Collection Received	
◇ Sunday Offering	\$14, 886.00
◇ Sunday's On-line Giving	\$1,221.00
Total Easter Collection	\$16,107.00

Thank you for your generosity!

In all these things
we conquer overwhelmingly
through Him who loved us.

Romans 8:37

What's Going on with the Students?



On Wednesday, March 28th, the Service/Social Justice peer minister, Tara Beere, held the annual Social Justice Stations of the Cross. About 30 community members and students attend the walked through of the stations. We had five students who led the Stations. Tara did a fabulous job connect each station to a social issue in our world. It was an amazing opportunity to take the Stations of the Cross and connect them to the social injustices in our society.

Euchre Tournament on April 27, 2018

Practice starts at 6:15PM,
tournament starts
at 7PM.

\$5 admission fee with
cash prizes!
BYOM (Munchies)



Stewardship Commission

God's Hands in Action— St. T's Tithing

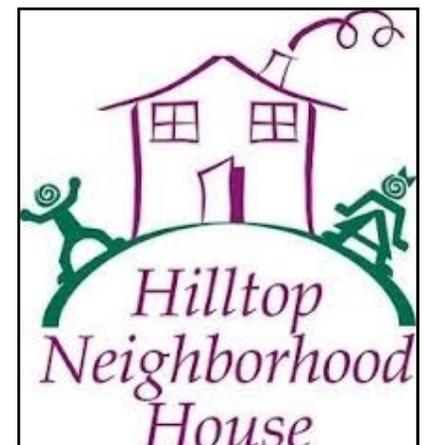
As individuals we are called to be good and generous stewards with God's manifold gifts.

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 we will donate to the **Hilltop Food Pantry**.

The Hilltop Food Pantry has been in operation since 1996 and has used the inside of four different locations as its home over the years.

The Hilltop Food Pantry is a neighborhood food pantry here in Valparaiso that serves approximately 600 individuals a month, year round. In 2016, we recorded nearly 200,000 pounds of donated food and paper goods!

That helped us to serve over 4,700 individuals and 1,500 families in the Valparaiso community.



Liturgy and Worship



Mass Intentions

We are now accepting Mass Intentions for 2018 and 2019.

If you are interested in offering a Mass for someone, here is the information needed:

1. Name of person for whom the Mass is intended.
2. Name of person who is offering the Mass.
3. A stipend of \$10 per Mass.
4. If you have a specific date and Mass time please include that as well as a second or third choice.
5. Send your request to the office.

This information can be:

- ⇒ Put in the collection basket in an envelope labeled **MASS INTENTIONS**
- ⇒ Mail to or dropped off at the office.

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

An individual may ask a priest to offer a Mass 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.

Liturgy Wish List!

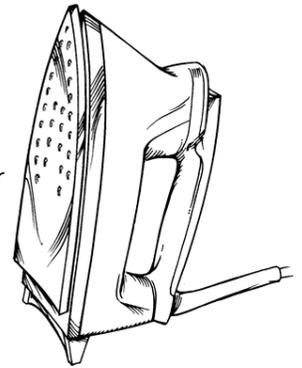
Did You Know?

With deep love and reverence for the Holy Eucharist, the Altar Linen Care Ministry cares for the sacred linens on a rotating schedule.

Training is provided on how to care for these special linens that contain the Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ.

This ministry is made up of volunteers who, behind the scenes in their own homes, reverently launder and care for the purificators and corporals used on the altar at Mass.

If you are interested in participating in this ministry, please contact Kris at 464-4042 or via email at kristin.conrad@valpo.edu. Your commitment would be about once every six weeks.



Social Justice



St. Teresa of Avila Lenten Project Update:

Thank you for your generosity. We are able to provide food, housing and an education for well over 300 children in Kenya.

Please look for our final count in next week's bulletin.

Thank you for your generosity.

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

Saint Teresa of Avila

Office Hours
9:00am-3:30pm M-TH
9:00am-Noon Friday

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Education



Prayers Please

Please keep our confirmation candidates in your prayers as they prepare to celebrate the sacrament at 4:00pm Mass Saturday, April 14.

Sealed with the Holy Spirit will be:

Sarah Bennett
Nate Lemmons
Josie Bernbom
Will Meyer
Angela Conrad
Tiffany Nguyen

Mac Crussen
Tonya Nguyen
Carlson Farha
Tracie Nguyen
Gianna Galante
Shay Patheja

Addie Janowiak
Elan Reid
Ian Krutz
Gabby Vecchi



**June 25-29, 2018
Vacation Bible School**

**Final GIFT Sessions
April 8, 2018
May 6, 2018**

For Your Information

Youth & Young Adult Ministry

Youth Ministry

Our next youth group is this Sunday, April 8th. We're focusing on the power of prayer! Middle School meets 12:30-2pm and High School meets from 5-7pm in Avila Hall.

Are you hearing from Sophie via email? Share your information or check the website saintt.com/sta-youth. Receive monthly updates via MailChimp to keep up with all the details!

CHWC Registration Deadline

Those who have registered for the Muskegon trip must have their completed forms and deposits in to Sophie no later than April 8th.



Save the date for our next CHWC fundraiser!

We'll be selling bags of ground and whole bean coffee from Maple City Roasters for \$10 each at all Masses the weekend of April 21st-22nd.

Young Adult Ministry

Come have breakfast at the best spot in town and meet new friends! We'll dine at Suzie's Cafe between Masses from 9:30-11am on April 15th. RSVP to Sophie by April 11th so we can save our seats!

Are you hearing from Sophie via email? Share your information and be sure to check the website saintt.com/sta-young-adults. Receive monthly updates via MailChimp to keep up with all the details!



Missions & Wine of California

Fr. Chris Stanish will be hosting a 5-day pilgrimage to California November 12-16, 2018. Pilgrims will be staying in Napa Valley and San Francisco while visiting the original Mission Churches and enjoying a wine tour as well.

More details to come! An informational meeting is scheduled for April 9 at 7:00 pm in Avila Hall.

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