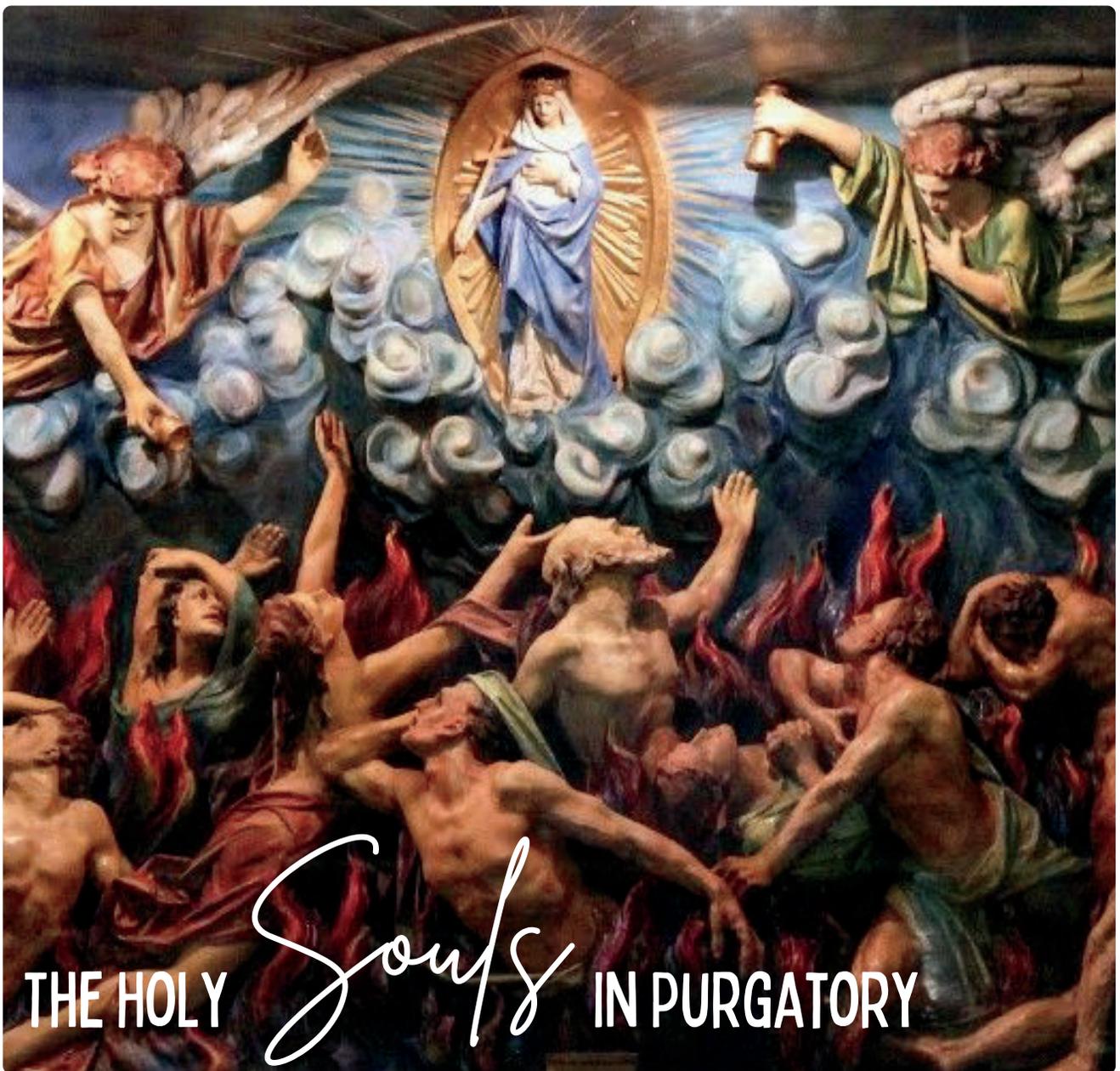


November, 2025



A Ministry of the Dominican Friars of the Province of St. Albert the Great
The Newman Center at Indiana University

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THE HOLY *Souls* IN PURGATORY



A Note from Fr. Simon-Felix

Dear Friends,

I am filled with gratitude when I think about, and meditate on Purgatory. It is a place of mercy and healing. I think of purgatory like a hospital. It is a place of deep love, and rivers of grace. It is the front porch of heaven, and a necessary respite on the way to paradise. Without purgatory, God would seem to be more difficult to love, but with purgatory, God is an ocean of mercy and healing love. For indeed, God is love.

I have learned of late, (from Dr. Scott Hahn), that in the Sacred Scripture, whenever certain words are used for the afterlife, that there is a distinction. One word that Jesus uses for the afterlife is Gehenna and the other is Sheol/Hades. Gehenna was a garbage dump outside of the city where the garbage was burned. (See Mark 9 and Mathew 5). This is what we would now call hell. A place of outer darkness. (See CCC 1033). The word Gehenna is used about twelve times in the New Testament.

Sheol/Hades is used about 10 times in the New Testament, and it has a connotation of a place of waiting and purification. See Q/R codes.



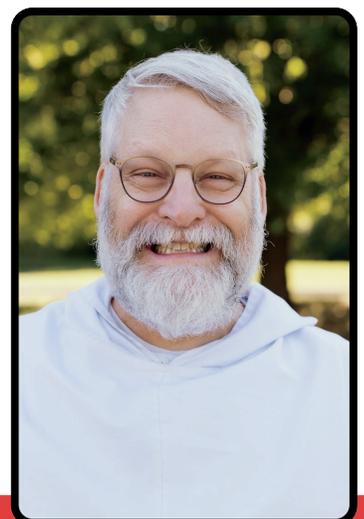
The words, I believe are distinctive, and speak about different places. When we pray in Creed that Jesus descended into Hell, we are not speaking about Gehenna, the place of darkness and fire, but hades/Sheol the place of waiting and purification. He rescued the good people who were waiting for the messiah all those centuries. He rescued people like Joseph, his father, and Moses, and Noah.

The most important thing I can say about purgatory is that we must not forget about the people who are there, being purified and healed. We must keep them in mind and help them by our prayers. They will reciprocate by praying for us. Prayer is always a two way street.

Here are some practices:

- Set aside a day of the week to pray for the dead. I use Saturday because of Holy Saturday.
- Remember the Holy Souls at the Holy Mass and pray for them when the wine and the bread are being brought forward.
- Include the souls in purgatory in your Rosary prayer between decades.
- When you pass by a cemetery, pray for the souls of the people whose bodies are there.
- In the Morning, pray for all those who have died last night, and will die today.

Peace,



Prayer & Worship

Mass, Confession, & Eucharistic Adoration

Weekend Mass

Saturday Vigil: 4:30pm

Sunday: 8:30am, 10:30am, 12:30pm (Bi-lingual),
5:30pm, 9:00pm (when IU is in session)

Weekday Mass

Monday-Friday: 12:15pm

Monday, Wednesday, Friday: 5:30pm

Tuesday, Thursday: 9:00pm (when IU is in session)

Confession

Monday-Friday: 11:45am-12:15pm

Monday, Wednesday, Friday: 4:30pm-5:30pm

Tuesday, Thursday: 8:00-9:00pm (when IU is in session)

30 minutes before all Sunday Masses
(an hour before the 5:30pm Mass)

Eucharistic Adoration

Monday-Friday: 11:15am-12:15pm

Monday-Thursday: 6pm-9pm

Fridays: 12:45pm-5:30pm

Parish Office Hours

Monday-Thursday: 9:00am-6:00pm

Friday: 10:00am-4pm

Liturgy of the Hours

Everyone has an open invitation to join the Dominican friars in praying and chanting the Liturgy of the Hours. Morning Prayer is at 8:30am and Vespers at 6:15pm, Monday-Friday in the back chapel of the church.

Low Gluten Hosts

At every Mass, the celebrant has a pyx with low-gluten hosts for those who require them. If you require a low-gluten host, please go to the celebrant's line. When you come forward to receive Holy Communion, please tell him that you require a low-gluten host.

Our Mission

St. Paul Catholic Center serves as the Newman Center and Catholic Parish for the Indiana University community. We bear witness to the Gospel of Jesus Christ, celebrate the Sacraments, foster spiritual formation, evangelize, and serve those in need.

Prayers for the Sick of Our Parish

Joanna Polynice, Kevin Conway, Ed Ripley, Tracey Neumann, Pat Meier, Kathryn Faith Marszalek, Ida Bouvier, Suzanne Bouvier, John William & Patty Greenbaum, Katie Suarez, Nancy Tosick, Brian Dougherty, Pat Car, Mary Ann & John Evans, Bill & Barbara Schnorr, Michael Mooney, Wendy Kerwin & family, Ann Marie Kinnell, Charlie & Marianne Warthan, Scott Curry, Dudley Deppe, Michael & Jennifer Faris, Diana Zook Stanley, Charlene Miller, Sr. Lucia Christi, Kreed Dabney, Mary Hickman, Judy O'Callaghan

From Death to Life

Please send all prayer requests to bulletin@hoosiercatholic.org to receive names in bulletin.

September Collections

Actual Collection	\$51,917
Budget	\$63,000
Difference	\$11,083
% Change	17.59%

Fiscal Year to Date

Actual Collection	\$160,614
Budget	\$176,000
Difference	\$15,386
% Change	8.74%

Consider Making a Gift

www.hoosiercatholic.org/donate



Mass Intentions

If you would like to schedule a Mass intention, please visit hoosiercatholic.org > About Us > Schedule a Mass Intention. You may also call the parish office at (812) 339-5561 or email office@hoosiercatholic.org.

Farewell Father Justus

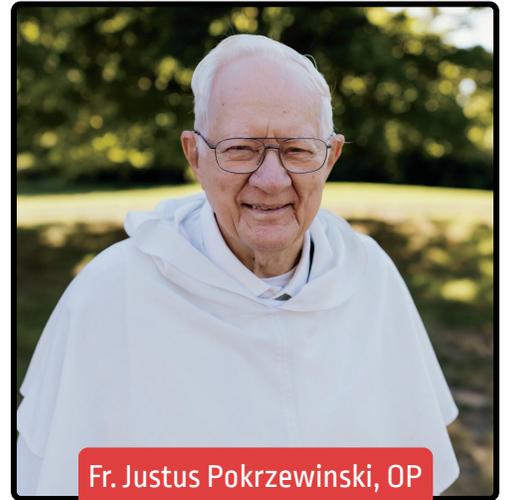
We send Fr. Justus our prayers and good wishes as he transitions to Chicago. He has expressed his gratitude for his 7 years here at St. Paul Catholic Center and has been very moved during his time with us. He wishes to let all of you know that he will keep you in his prayers and Masses. Fr. Justus says to all of you, "Never Tire of Doing Good". He is a wonderful example of a faithful and joyful friar. He simply loves God and wants to do His will.

Fr. Justus has taught all of us that being faithful is what is needed to produce joy and an extraordinary life of serving Jesus.

Father will be very happy in Chicago as he will be with his classmates and many friends. He will also be well looked after by the people there.

While there is sadness in his leaving Bloomington, there is great happiness in having been blessed to know such a great man. He will be missed for sure, but we know that God is good, and that Fr. Justus will be happy and continue to do God's will. Dante the poet once said it so well, "In God's will is our peace". May the peace of Christ be with him. May Mary, our Mother, continue to keep him in her Immaculate Heart.

Fr. Justus we love you. Goodbye and God Bless you!



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Capital Campaign

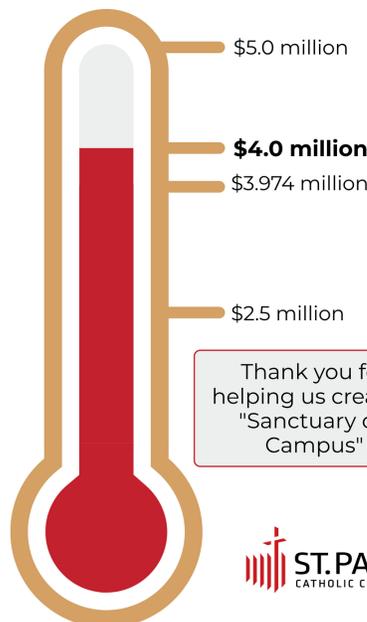
Thank you so much for the generous support you have shown in the public phase of our Capital Campaign! We have now exceeded \$4,000,000 dollars and have raised 80% of our \$5,000,000 dollar goal. Please continue to pray for the success of our campaign.

You can still make a gift through our on-line giving portal (www.hoosiercatholic.org), or scan the QR code below to take you to the website. Please select "Capital Campaign" from the drop down to direct your gift to the campaign. If you want to make a gift in a different way, please contact Director of Mission Advancement Tom Recker at trecker@hoosiercatholic.org, or 812-668-2249.



CLIMB TO THE TOP!

in the final stretch, keep praying and supporting!



Thank you for helping us create a "Sanctuary on Campus"



ERIC HULL

"It was at St. Paul's that I met Jesus Christ, became Catholic,



made friends who are striving for holiness and push me to do the same. As well as learn how to live out my faith in the real world."



Parish Information & News

November Home Football Games

parking

Due to IU home football games, there will be no 4:30pm Saturday Vigil Masses on the following dates:

NOVEMBER 15TH.....WISCONSIN



Parking spaces are available at St. Paul's for IU home football games! The cost is \$50 per space, first come first first-served. Or sign up with the QR below and reserve a spot today!

All proceeds go to St. Paul Campus Ministry and the Women's Health Care Center. Tailgating is allowed! Go Hoosiers!



St. Paul 50+ Gathering

Please join us as we gather together to share a meal:

When: Saturday, November 9th at 5:45pm

Where: Higgins Hall

Please bring a dish to share, plates & utensils and your drink of choice. Any questions, please call Debbie or Bob at (574) 220-2561.

Serving Sunday Supper



Looking for a meaningful way to give back and connect with the St. Paul Community?

Join us for Sunday Suppers, where we serve free home-cooked meals to IU students every Sunday evening.

We're looking for volunteers to help cook, serve, and welcome students with warm food and friendly faces. Come ready to serve, smile, and share community!



Thanksgiving Week Announcements

There will be some changes during the week of thanksgiving. Please see below all the information for the week.

THANKSGIVING DAY MASS TIME: 9:00AM

Other Week Information

- **Friday, November 28:** No 5:30 pm Mass
- **November 26-28:** No Confessions
- Parish offices closed from Noon, **Wednesday, November 26 until Monday, December 1**



Reach More Small Groups

REACH MORE™
LAY TRAINING SMALL GROUPS EVANGELIZATION

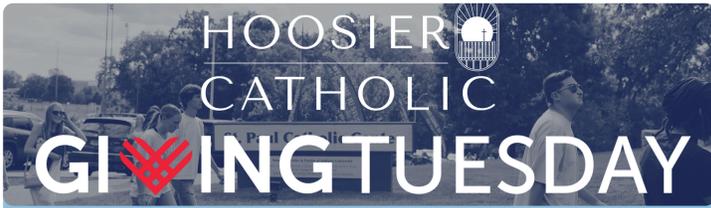
St. Paul's has partnered with Evangelical Catholic to offer parishioners *Reach More*, a 12-week formation experience designed to help you live your faith more intentionally. Hosted weekly in the homes of trained parishioners, *Reach More* offers a supportive, prayerful space to explore how everyday conversations can become opportunities for bringing others closer to Christ. It begins in the fall and all are welcome to join. Contact Michelle Barnette if you are interested: michelledomeyer@gmail.com, or see Fr. Simon.

Hoosier Awakening Snacks

HA snacks



Our Awakening Retreat is November 7-9. On a retreat like this, food is important! Please help us by dropping off snacks and baked goods through November 3 - Noon on November 7th. Please also pray for all of our students who are on and staffing this retreat!



We would be immensely grateful for your support of Hoosier Catholic Campus Ministry this Giving Tuesday, **December 2nd!** Your generosity makes it possible for us to serve the growing number of college students seeking a home for Catholic faith and fellowship here at IU.

Every contribution counts! Our Campus Ministry program provides Pastoral Counseling, Sunday Suppers, Faith Formation and more. You can make a gift on our website by scanning the QR Code above or donate on our website.

<https://hoosiercatholic.org/donate>

Then choose Giving Tuesday in the drop down menu.

Christmas Choral Concert



by Joseph M. Martin
with Narration by Pamela Martin
Orchestrated by Brant Adams

December 12 @ 7pm

Choral retreat on Saturday, November 8,
from 9am-1pm with pitch-in lunch

If you are interested in singing or playing
for this concert, please contact Dr. Tim



Campus Ministry

Student Registration

Students! We want to be in touch! Use this QR code to register with us so you can get connected and never miss an event.



Parent Registration

Parents! We want to be in touch with you, too! Scan the QR code to find out what we offer for your student, as well as how you can help support our ministry. Please be assured of our prayers for you and for your student.



Join OCIA

Interested in becoming a full member of the Catholic Church or simply learning more about the Catholic Faith? "Catholicism 101" is for you! It meets on Wednesdays at 7 PM during the academic year and is open to anyone interested in receiving formation in Catholic Christian faith. To inquire further, please fill out the QR code!



Sunday Suppers

Every Sunday there is a free meal after the 5:30pm Mass when IU is in session.



Pastoral Counseling Available for Students

Dr. Nina Castronova is available to students for individual counseling sessions. To set up an appointment, contact Nina directly at ncastronova@hoosiercatholic.org, or pick up one of the Request for Counseling forms by the Welcome Desk.



November 7-9 Our Lady of Mount Carmel

Parish Directory

**All emails end in @hoosiercatholic.org*

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Fr. Patrick Hyde, OP frpatrick

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SEEK 2026
Jan 1-5, Columbus, Ohio

Join us at the biggest catholic student conference in the country. Ask a missionary or visit focus.seek.org for more information!

Frassati Fellowship



From "YAGRAD" to "Frassati Fellowship"

We are taking this name to honor the canonization of Pier Giorgio Frassati. Frassati was a third Order Dominican now known as the Dominican Laity. Since St. Paul is staffed by Dominicans, we think this is a fitting name for our Young Adult and graduate student community. Please keep your eyes open for our events and bible studies throughout the year. May God Bless you.

Frassati Fellowship GroupMe

If you are a young adult or grad student, please join our GroupMe by using the QR code to stay up to date on the latest information in the Frassati Fellowship community.



Small Group Bible Studies

St. Paul Catholic Center offers Bible studies to all young adults and grad students. For more information, contact Fr. Simon Felix or scan the QR code.



**FOCUS Missionaries' emails end in @focus.org*

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