

SPRING 2015



The Catholic Center at Tulane University

You are making saints

Ephesians 4:12

Do you want to see more young people active in the Church? In his letter to the Ephesians, St. Paul says that God has appointed many "to perfect the saints for the work of service." That's you—that's your mission! Without your support, Tulane Catholic couldn't form students into the next generation of saints to change the world through their faith. Now is the time, and with your help, Tulane Catholic is there to form saints for service!



— Director of Campus Ministry, **Fr. Thomas Schaeffgen, OP**, tschaeffg@tulane.edu



On Ash Wednesday this year, Tulane Catholic student Andrew Lemonie ('16) spotted this post (*left*) by a Tulane student on the social media app YikYak—**300+ students came to Ash Wednesday Mass at Tulane!**

This August 21st, we'll open the long-awaited new 8400sq.ft. McInnes Center for Catholic Life & its new Chapel! (*right*)



Grand Opening Party
Fr. Val McInnes, OP Center for Catholic Life
Friday, August 21, 2015 5-8pm Fun, Music, Food



Meet Alex (right) and his friend Austin (left)

“Saints invite saints.”

Meet Alex... “Last year, I didn’t go to Mass or think about praying. After some personal setbacks in my life, my friend Austin invited me to Eucharistic Adoration. I went and prayed for the first time in a long time. I felt an inexplicable love for the Eucharist, so I kept going back. Austin invited me to Mass and other events, and I fell in love with it all. Without the Holy Spirit working through Austin and the Catholic Center, I would not have a relationship with Jesus today!”

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Adoration.”

– Alex Kulik, ‘17

*We serve many students like Alex and Austin—only because of **YOU** can they invite others to become saints!*

Tulane students pose for a picture at SEEK2015 in Nashville, January 1-5, 2015.



MEET AUSTIN & ALEX



Check us out online! Look for "tulanecatholic"



catholic.tulane.edu



"Saints come in bunches."

Saints need friends who grow with them. Without the vine, we wither and die. You help make Tulane Catholic a place where friends like Austin and Alex can become saints together. This year's fruit: **40** students went to SEEK2015, a Catholic conference for 10,000+ college students, **16** went to Honduras on mission, **76** went on **2** retreats, and **100+** are in **17** bible studies! **3** Tulane grads are now FOCUS missionaries on other campuses, and we count **8 priests** from Tulane (including a cardinal and two bishops).

"Saints are like grapes, they come in bunches."

*These "bunches" are only possible because of **YOUR** generosity and belief in the Tulane Catholic mission!*



MEET CHRISTIE

*This year we began the **Tulane Encounter** retreat, evangelizing through encounter. Christie went and will serve the next retreat in the Fall. **40 students** attended—a record!*

“Saints make saints.”

Meet Christie... “The Spring Encounter set my soul on fire and ignited a spark in me that I feel compelled to share. I realized the strength of not only Christ’s love, but my friends through the Tulane Catholic Center. Without these people, this retreat, I would not be who I am today. I want the encounter I had with Christ to happen to each person.”

*Thanks to **YOU**, Christie can help make more saints by sharing her encounter on our next retreat.*

Tulane students encounter one another on retreat.

“Without these people, this retreat, I would not be who I am today.”

– Christie Griffin, ‘18





Entrance to new center—almost done! (May 11, 2015)

“Saints go deeper.”

Saints like Christie, Alex and Austin continue to go deeper in their faith because of **YOUR** generous support. The new **Fr. Val McInnes, OP, Center for Catholic Life** (pictured above under construction), opening this August, will be a place to invite saints, grow together, make new saints and go deeper in faith together! Jesus’ presence in the chapel will become the heart of campus for these young Catholics. The new Catholic Center will offer Mass, Confession, adoration, classes, study, lectures, socials and more to help these saints go deeper, thanks to **YOU!**

YOUR support encourages students like Christie, Alex and Austin to encourage one another!

Students encounter Jesus in the Eucharist.



“The men encourage each other to go to Adoration and Mass daily.”

– Peter Nguyen, ‘17



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Favorite Saint:
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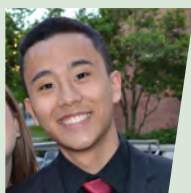
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MEET MADELAINE

Madelaine Kuns Bruschini is our new Development Director:

"I'm excited to meet you! For 6 years I worked at the Vatican, promoting causes for canonization, such as Henriette Delille, Father McGivney, and Cardinal Newman." mkuns@tulane.edu