

CHURCH OF ST. TIMOTHY
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Church of St. Timothy

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All bulletins are available on our website: www.churchofsttimothy.com

Mission Statement: We are a progressive, welcoming Catholic community that values full participation in worship and community service. We commit to being a peace-loving, Eucharistic community providing integrated faith formation and applying gospel values to daily living.

Parish Staff

Pastor	Fr. Joe Whalen
Deacon	Tom Quayle
Deacon/marriage ministry	Joe Frederick
Stewardship/Development Director	David Bach
Administrative Assistant	Joy Heifort
Receptionists	Jill Hanson, Mary Kalk
Bookkeeper	Libby Huebner
Coordinator of Liturgical Music	Therese Jorgensen
Communications Director	Rhonda Miska
Junior and Senior High Youth Minister	Kristen Neuman
Pastoral Minister; Befrienders	Maggie Philbrook
Coordinator for Children's Ministries	Kristen Raaen
Maintenance Director	Barry Schuetzler
Director of Liturgy and Music	Bill Steffl

Office hours:

Monday - Thursday	8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Friday	8:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.
Saturday and Sunday	closed

Mass schedule (adapted due to Covid-19)

Saturday: (registration required) 5:00 p.m.
Sunday: (registration required) 8:00 and 10:30 a.m.
Saturday evening streaming Mass: 5:00 pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation: by appointment, contact Father Joe in the parish office.

Prayer requests: Call 763.717.1730 or 651.233.9622

Communion for homebound: Contact Maggie Philbrook

Baptisms: Parents must attend a pre-baptism class. Call the parish office for scheduling.

Weddings: Arrangements must be made at least six months prior to the wedding.



April 11 and 18, 2021



Second and Third Sunday of Easter

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What's stewing at St. Tim's Stewardship as a way of life

By David Bach, Director of Stewardship and Development

Easter reminded us of Jesus' sacrifice that gave us the promise of eternal life. Jesus spent just a few years in his ministry but left the world with many examples of how we should live our lives, treat each other, help those in need, respond with compassion to sinners, and deal with conflict. He provided us with a model of how to live today as well as the promise of eternal life. There is a wristband that has been around for a while and is still available that asks, "What would Jesus do?"

Have we asked that question recently? Have we listened to the answer?

We are moving into spring and carefully opening our church doors for more opportunities to worship and serve together as more and more people become vaccinated. Covid-19 has kept many of us sheltering in place. This is a great time to reflect on what would Jesus do now if he were here today. How can we serve as today's disciples as we move into a new normal?

• **Prayer**

Jesus prayed regularly throughout his life. This provided him clarity and direction, as during his 40 days in the desert. Prayer also helped Jesus to deal with difficult times, as when he prayed on the cross. Prayer can still our fears, help us think clearly and deal with these uncertain times, and see a bright future for us all.

• **Participation and service**

His life was a model of service to others: helping the poor, healing the sick, and addressing injustices. Listen for the voices of those in need in your family, our parish, and community. Explore how your skills and talents can provide others the support they need at this time.

Words from Pope Francis: "The Covid-19 crisis has called forth in some a new courage and compassion. Some have been sifted and have responded with the desire to reimagine our world; others have come to the aid of those in need in concrete ways that can transform our neighbor's suffering. That fills me with hope that we might come out of this crisis better. But we have to see see clearly, choose well, and act right."

As we, the people of St. Tim's, move forward with hope, let us be open to God's voice calling us to prayer, participation, and service as we walk in the footsteps of Jesus.

Church of St. Timothy Stewardship Committee

*Hien Dang, Jeannette Hadsall, Mary Rose Iten,
Marylin Levoir, Kellie McLaughlin, Colleen Peppard*

Liturgy News

We are glad to announce that beginning Sunday, April 11, St. Tim's is returning to our full schedule of three in-church, in-person Masses every weekend:

- Saturday at 5:00 p.m. (vigil)
- Sunday at 8:30 a.m.
- Sunday at 10:30 a.m.

For the safety and well-being of all, we are asking for parishioners to continue to register for liturgies. Registration for weekend Masses opens every Monday at 8:00 a.m. and remains open until Friday at noon or until we reach the maximum number of people we can safely accommodate. You may register by calling the parish office at 763.784.1329 or by visiting the homepage of our parish website.

We are delighted that more of our parishioners who have been away from in-church, in-person liturgies for many months feel ready to return to weekend Mass. We thank you for your flexibility as we increase capacity to welcome as many people as possible (while accommodating those with hearing, visual and mobility challenges) while keeping household groups socially distanced, in keeping with Minnesota Department of Health and Archdiocesan recommendations.



St. Tim's Social Justice and Outreach

Family Promise, Habitat for Humanity, weekly peace prayer, food shelf garden, Meals on Wheels, refugee resettlement, Soup Line, and STOP (St. Timothy's Overseas Project)...what do these initiatives all have in common? They are the focus groups of our Social Justice and Outreach Committee (SJOC), one of the long standing committees under the leadership of our Parish Pastoral Council (PPC). While the Covid-19 pandemic has impacted our activities, many have continued (with some creative modifications) and the continued support of the parish community.

The SJOC received a commission from our PPC to put into writing our mission, guiding principles and beliefs, current focus areas, structure, and operating principles. This became an uplifting and affirmative undertaking through the hard work of a five member sub-committee. Learn more at www.churchofsttimothy.com/social-justice-outreach-programs.

All parishioners are welcome to participate with the SJOC, either through joining the committee or volunteering with projects. We look forward to meeting in person again, and for now we are meeting via Zoom the third Thursday of each month. Our next meeting is April 15 from 7:00-8:30 p.m., and you are invited to attend. Please contact sttimothychurch@churchofsttimothy.com or call Rhonda at the parish office if you are being prompted by the Holy Spirit to learn more about the work of the Social Justice and Outreach Committee.

Welcome to St. Tim's!

Daily Scripture Readings

Readings for the week of April 11 (Second Week of Easter)

Monday: Acts 2:14, 22-23; Ps 16:1-2, 5-11; Mt 28:8-15

Tuesday: Acts 4:32-37; Ps 93: 1-2, 5; Jn 3:7-15

Wednesday: Acts 5:17-26; Ps 34:2-9; Jn 3:16-21

Thursday: Acts 5:27-33; Ps 34:2, 9, 17-20; Jn 3:31-36

Friday: Acts 5:34-42; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; Jn 6:1-15

Saturday: Acts 6:1-7; Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19

Sunday: Acts 3:13-15, 17-19; Ps 4:2, 4, 7-9; I Jn 2:1-5; Lk 24:35-48

Readings for the week of April 18 (Third Week of Easter)

Monday: Acts 6:8-15; Ps 119:23-24, 26-27, 29-30; Jn 6:22-29

Tuesday: Acts 7:51-8:1; Ps 31:3-4, 6-8, 17, 21; Jn 6:30-35

Wednesday: Acts 8:1-8; Ps 66:1-7; Jn 6:35-40

Thursday: Acts 5:27-33; Ps 42: 2, 9, 17-20; Jn 3:31-36

Friday: Acts 9:1-20; Ps 117:1-2; Jn 6:52-59

Saturday: Acts 9:31-42; Ps 116:12-17; Jn 6:60-69

Sunday: Acts 4:8-12; Ps 118:1, 8-9, 21-23, 26, 28-29; I Jn 3:1-2; Jn 10:11-18

Supporting St. Tim's

We are grateful for all the way our parishioners support our shared parish mission through these challenging and unprecedented times. Many parishioners have found electronic/online giving to be a convenient way to make donations at this time. If you are interested in this option please visit our parish website and click on "online giving." Donation envelopes or checks (made out to "Church of St. Timothy") may also be mailed to or dropped off at the parish office. Thank you for your financial support of our ongoing ministry in the midst of pandemic.

Winter gear collection

The Church of St. Timothy Knights of Columbus are hosting a collection of never-been-worn winter gear (coats, hats, gloves, and boots). Donations of new items can be dropped off in the cardboard boxes in the entrance to parish office during office hours through Sunday, April 19. These items will be given to families in need next fall when the cold weather is approaching. Since stores are discounting these items, this is a good time to purchase these items at low prices. If you have questions about the Knights of Columbus winter gear collection, contact Jeremy Hadash at 763.325.5840.

Visit St. Tim's on YouTube at www.youtube.com/StTimothyChurchBlaineMN

News and Updates

Welcome new parishioners!

We warmly welcome these new members of our Church of St. Timothy parish family.

Tina Achtzener

James and Samantha Graf,
sons Grayson and Emerson

Kathy Guzzo

Steven Hoganson

Kasondra Janc and Ryan Swann

Tori and Nate Johnson,
sons Henry and Myles

Kennedy Korpi

Michael Krause and Megan Taylor-Krause

Courtney and Marty Melberg,
daughter Magnolia

Patrick and MaryBeth Murray

Alyssa and Ryan Novak,
daughters Lexi and Annica

Faith formation update

After months of preparation, in the coming weeks, 33 children will receive Jesus in the Eucharist for the first time and 35 parish youth will be confirmed. Their names will be listed in upcoming bulletins. Please pray for these young people at this important moment in their faith journey. Please pray, as well, for their families and their catechists. May those receiving first communion grow in closeness to Christ as their savior and friend, and may those being confirmed experience in a powerful way the gifts of the Holy Spirit, and may they all know the support and love of our parish family.

Pentecost

The feast of Pentecost has been called "the birthday of the church" and celebrates the coming of the Holy Spirit as described in Acts 2:1-11. Pentecost is on Sunday, May 23. If you speak a language besides English as your native language, you are invited to share your linguistic gifts in the creation of a unique virtual Pentecost celebration highlighting our parish's diversity. Contact Rhonda in the parish office to learn more.

Parish Pastoral Council

St. Tim's PPC is looking for three new members to join in the important work of collaborating with our pastor Father Joe in setting goals and direction for our parish. Please prayerfully consider if you are being called to serve and use your gifts in this way. Contact the parish office to learn more about joining the PPC.

Knights of Columbus Scholarship

In addition to the parish's long-standing Kolath memorial scholarship, the Blaine/Coon Rapids Knights of Columbus are offering a scholarship this year. This KC scholarship is for 2021 graduating high school seniors that belong to our parish. The amount of the scholarship is \$350.00 for post-high school education. The deadline for applications is Saturday, May 15. To request an application, contact Gerald Arel at gta1958@msn.com.

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