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NEWS ABOUT SAINT TIMOTHY PARISH IN UNION, KY

May-June 2024

Welcoming Children *By Fr. Rick Bolte*

When we get together as a family, what a joy (and rarity it can be) when the whole family is there. It's especially a joy to see the newborn children and the enthusiastic youngsters. We would never dream of telling family members to stay away because their babies might cry or their children might be too energetic. We want our families to be together whenever possible.

In our parish family at Mass, parents try to prevent their children from being too disruptive by quieting them in their pew or moving to the gathering space. Just like we would at our biological family gatherings, we want to encourage every family to be with us despite any distractions their children might cause. We want to be supportive and understanding of the struggle it can be to keep children from being too noisy or rambunctious. As many of us know, getting children properly dressed and to church on time is often a serious struggle. Fearing disgruntled looks and comments can make it feel not worth the effort.

As you may know, our school serves students with a variety of abilities. We understand that every child is unique, and our goal is to appreciate individuals with different talents and abilities. We provide additional support for learning in certain areas and encourage excellence in others at our school, fostering an environment of empathy and understanding for all our students.

We also expect families with children at our school to join us for our weekend Eucharistic celebrations. During Mass, it can be difficult to notice the differences among children. For example, an older child might be expected to sit quietly and pay attention, but this may not always be the case. It's easy to judge the parents as inattentive or ineffective at disciplining their child. However, unless we have personally dealt with a child with special needs, such as difficulty sitting quietly or maintaining attention throughout the entire Mass, we may not fully understand the situation.

As a parish family, we want to welcome all of our parish family and not just those who conform to our expectations. Sure, we can be distracted. However, it's crucial not to let a child's behavior disturb us, provoke us to anger, or act in such a way as to make a family feel unwelcome.

Jesus tells us that his family is made up of those who seek to do the will of His Father. God's family is composed of people of all types. To be a welcoming community, we should start by assuming that each of us is doing our best to follow Christ. In that spirit, let's welcome one another with patience and understanding, just as Christ welcomes us. This reassurance of support and understanding is what makes our parish a true family.



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Our Parish Family

New Families

James and Staci Alvey
 Kevin and Alisha Annear
 Connor and Megan Brock
 Luis and Nancy Chauca
 Drew and Ann Esselman
 George and Brittney Hogen
 John and Elizabeth Kelly
 Justin and Olga Lowry
 Kevin and Pamela McMahon
 Jane Muennich
 Michael and Alexis O'Leary
 Craig and Alexandra Rose
 Jose and Magdalena Silverio
 Francisco and Jennifer Silverio
 Jerald and Rose Wilmes

Baptisms

Laurel Jolynn Donnelly
 Evelyn Rose Klosterman
 Tobias Edward Romo
 Bowen Vincent Rose
 Dawson Joseph Rose
 Zeke Orlando Snyder

Deceased

Deane Cox
 Joan Endres
 Marilyn Franxman
 Jack Lundy
 Joan McClure
 Kenneth O'Hara
 Phillip Petro
 Nelinda Peralta Prieto
 Travis Ransom
 Larry Reinersman
 Mary Ann Schildmeyer

Weddings

Elizabeth Valle Sosa & John Kelly

Stewardship of Treasure

April 2024

COLLECTIONS:	\$ 115,218.63
4% TITHE:	\$4,608.75
St. Tim Scholarship	\$500.00
St. Vincent de Paul	\$500.00
Grant Recipient: (Max \$3,000)	
Rose Garden Mission	\$3,000.00
\$\$ to 1% Tithe	\$608.75
1% TITHE	\$1,152.19
\$\$ from 4% Tithe	\$608.75
Total to STYM/Outreach:	\$1,760.93
STYM	\$968.51
Outreach	\$792.42

May 2024

COLLECTIONS:	\$ 102,541.02
4% TITHE:	\$4,101.64
City Heights	\$500.00
St. Vincent de Paul	\$500.00
Grant Recipient: (Max \$3,000)	
DCCH	\$3,101.64
\$\$ to 1% Tithe	\$101.64
1% TITHE	\$1,025.41
\$\$ from 4% Tithe	\$101.64
Total to STYM/Outreach:	\$1,127.05
STYM	\$619.88
Outreach	\$507.17

Like the Apostles, is Jesus asking YOU to
 “spend just one hour with ME?”

We NEED the following for Adoration times listed:

Noon - 1 pm	Need 1 person
1 pm - 2 pm	Need 2 people
2 pm - 3 pm	Need 1 person
5 pm - 6 pm	Need 1 person
6 pm - 7 pm	Need 1 person
8 pm - 9 pm	Need 1 person
9 pm - 10 pm	Need 1 person



We just need 8 people to answer His request!

Please contact: Miriam Burkart 859-746-1443

OR

MiriamBurk@icloud.com

**and make a commitment to
 BE with Jesus for one hour.**



View from the Pew

By Jayson Putnam



As the heat of summer encircles us and busyness of life increases with summer camps, vacations, growing flower and vegetable gardens and everyday tasks that never seem to stop, sometimes I find myself missing the beauty around me. The beauty of the moment, the beauty of the sunset, the beauty of the smile of an old friend, the beauty of just being surrounded by those who mean the most to me, the beauty of the laugh of a good friend—sometimes, it's all missed as I race from one place to another.

We are very blessed to have a young and growing parish—a place that new people want to be a part of. There is so much beauty in that as well! We are blessed to have giving and generous parishioners — also beautiful!

Over the years your generosity has allowed us to build and move into this church building. After many years and more generosity, we have been able to upgrade OUR church in many ways. And why shouldn't we? We are building an actual home for Jesus. A place where we can come and meet Him—ANYTIME! I use the word "meet" lightly, so please don't take offense. Possibly, I should say that our church is a place where Jesus meets us, where we are. A place where we meet others, where they are. A place where we journey together to bring Jesus to others through our sponsored groups or outreach programs. A place that gives us strength and hope so to share a smile or hold a door open or jump a dead car battery for a stranger that we meet somewhere outside of our church building. Our church should give us the hope, courage and strength to help others and meet

them where they are—all because of our relationship with Jesus.

As we have recently celebrated Pentecost in May, I would like to share with you some beauty I have seen. Did you know that we have a stained glass window, on the right side of our altar, that represents the Holy Spirit? The Holy Spirit is the dove. We see coming from him seven flames of fire—the gifts of the Holy Spirit. The seven sacraments.

As we know, Pentecost commemorates the Holy Spirit's descent upon Jesus' followers while they were celebrating the Feast of Weeks in Jerusalem. A noise like a strong wind filled the house where they were gathered,

followed by tongues of fire that touched each person. The wind symbolizing God's power and the fire symbolizes God's purity and holiness.

The disciples were filled with the Holy Spirit and began speaking in different languages, glorifying God.

The descent of the Holy Spirit marked the beginning of the Christian church's mission to world.

So here we are, continuing to build a beautiful home for Jesus where we can meet him anytime. In this home we have built for him is a beautiful reminder of the Holy Spirit. Always remember that God doesn't call the qualified, He qualifies the called—so, what are you called to do to grow his church?





Formation

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**Congratulations to our
94 Students who celebrated
First Holy Communion
Saturday, April 27, 2024**



RCIC with Mrs. Marla Humphrey



STCS with Tina Zuriek and Coreen Hooper

First Holy Communion



Sunday 10 AM with Mr. Dave and Obie



Sunday 10 AM with Ms. Angela

First Holy Communion



STCS with Lauren O'Hara and Coreen Hooper



Wednesday with Mrs. Baumgartner

PSR Registration for the 2024-2025 School Year is Open

Religious Education is offered for 1st through 8th grade
Preschool/Kindergarten is offered
during the Sunday 9:30 Mass

Discounted Registration is available through July.

Registration forms are available in the Parish Office, School Office, on the St.. Timothy website and can be emailed to you by request.
Contact Carol Lense at clense@saint-timothy.org.

Please consider joining our team!

We need Catechists and Classroom Assistants.

- ❖ Sunday 8 am - 6th Grade
- ❖ Sunday 9:30 am - Preschool
- ❖ Sunday 10 am - 4th Grade
- ❖ Wednesday 6 pm – 3rd Grade, 5th Grade 6th Grade and 7th Grade.

We also need Children's Liturgy assistants. If your middle school or high school student needs service hours – this is a great solution.

Please reach out to Carol S. Lense with any questions.



**St. TIMOTHY
YOUTH
MINISTRY**

July

12-13-JH Pro-Life Boot Camp
-HS Retreat @TMU
21-Red River Gorge Hike
26-Water Games

August

2-Dioc. HS Sports and Adoration
6-Dioc. JH Summer Connect
24-Kayak Trip
30- Game Night





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Vacation Bible School

By Carol S. Lense, Director of Religious Education

The week of June 10th was Vacation Bible School here at St. Timothy - and it was AMAZING!

We filled our nights with singing -



With Games -



More Singing -





Vacation Bible School

We had a great group of Volunteers who helped to make it a faith filled week for 160 students who came out to join us.

A great big shout out of **thanks** to everyone involved!

Exploration -



Snacks -



And Great Bible Stories -



Vacation Bible School





Vacation Bible School







Service

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Back to School Drive

We are once again collecting Back to School items for the clients of Be Concerned. These essential supplies are a blessing to the families who are unable to purchase them. We also ask that you keep the teachers and students in your prayers as they open their doors for a new school year.

Please return **NO LATER** than July 20th.

Items needed:

- **Wide ruled paper**
- **1 subject college-ruled Notebook**
- **Glue stick**
- **Pencil case (no pencil bags)**
- **Safety scissors**
- **Pack Colored Pencils (box of 8-10)**
- **24 pack crayons**
- **Pack Highlighters**

YARD SALE Saturday, August 3

It's that time of year again. Saturday, August 3rd will be here before you know it! See flyer insert for details. All proceeds benefit our international mission, "Project Sheluka. This organization is using a new pump design to be placed in the outback areas of Kenya where there are no roads and villagers travel miles for unclean water to bring back home. The pumps allow the villagers to have clean cooking and drinking water in their own villages!

HELP NEEDED!

This is a major opportunity for ST. Timothy families and for high school students to earn their service hours!

- I need people to help price the Senior booth items the week of July 29-August 2 from 10am – 2pm, Saturday August 3, 7:30am- 3pm:
- I need people to help unload the vendors in the morning from 6:45am – 8am
- I need workers to help in the senior booth.
- I need a clean-up crew of 6 strong men to load the SVdP truck and to cart garbage to the dumpster from 2pm – 3:30pm.
- I am also looking for people to work the parking entrance and exit. Shifts are available throughout the day. I need 2 at the entrance and 2 at the exit for each shift. Shifts are: 6:30am – 8:30am, 8:15 – 10:30am, 10:15am – 12:30pm, 12:15-1:30pm.

Questions? Call Pat at 859-384-1100 or pseuberling@saint-timothy.org.



SVDP: Shop 'til You Drop

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul is dedicated to feeding, clothing, housing, and healing individuals and families in our community who look to us for help. Just as important, St. Vincent de Paul provides meaningful opportunities for **volunteers** to serve their neighbors in need with love and compassion.

In these articles, we usually focus on the needs of St. Tim's Pantry. And those needs continue to be significant. We are continually appreciative of the generous donations you provide to feed those in need. And, certainly that's the primary mission of the conference (parish) level of St. Vincent de Paul.

*Charity is the sweet and holy bond which links the soul with its Creator:
it binds God with man and man with God. — St. Catherine of Siena*

However, while we encourage you to continue to support our pantry, we also want to call your attention to our stores. The stores are operated by the SVDP Council for the diocese. They also depend on your support for donations and volunteers.

Donate: Good Things. Good Purpose

The stores have two functions that are important to you.

First, the stores are a place for you to bring usable items to donate for those in need. As you clean closets or change out your wardrobe, consider donating those items to one of the St. Vincent de Paul stores.

Our neighbors are in need of kitchen appliances and utensils, serviceable televisions, sports equipment (especially for children), furniture, and all kinds of clothing, especially for cold weather. The Council provides local conferences with vouchers that Volunteers provide to our neighbors so they can shop for things that they need.

"Charity is that with which no man is lost, and without which no man is saved." St. Robert Bellarmine

Purchase: Good Things. Good Purpose

Second, it's a place for you to shop. If you've never been to a SVDP store, you may be surprised the variety and quality of products that are available, especially when you don't need a brand new item.

Purchases at our stores provide critical support for food pantries as well as other essential programs. So, while you can find a variety of upscale items — at discounted prices — you're also helping our neighbors fight hunger, find proper clothes, become self-sufficient, and break generational cycles of poverty.

With four locations in Northern Kentucky, you'll find it convenient to donate or find your next favorite item.

Four SVDP stores:

Erlanger, 2655 Crescent Springs Pike,

Florence, 7110 Turfway Rd.

Cold Spring, 3970 Alexandria Pike,

Falmouth, 518 Barkley St.

Whether you donate or buy, your financial support helps support our neighbors.

If you're interested in being part of our ministry, or if you'd like to donate, please contact [Debbie Curtin](#), 513-532-6958. You can also go on Saint Tim's website to donate to SVDP, either one time or monthly or use the envelopes in the SVDP Poor Box located in the gathering space of church.

"Charity is the cement which binds Communities to God and persons to one another . . ." St. Vincent de Paul

FYI: The SVDP Blue Barrel in the Gathering Space now has list of items that are most needed for the Pantry.



STROKE & CARDIOVASCULAR SCREENINGS



These simple and painless screenings could help you learn your risk for heart disease and stroke.

Where:

St Timothy Catholic Church

10268 US-42, Union, KY 41091

When:

Thursday July 11th

9:00am-3:00pm

The CardioVascular Mobile Health Unit will be onsite.
SCREENINGS ARE \$25 EACH.

REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED.

Call (859) 301-WELL (9355) to schedule an appointment.

- **Peripheral Arterial Disease** screenings look for abnormalities in blood flow in the lower extremities.
- **Carotid Artery** screenings check the arteries uneven right alignment in the neck where plaque buildup can lead to blockages, which are the No. 1 cause of stroke.
- **Abdominal Aortic Aneurysm** screenings search for an enlargement or uneven right alignment aneurysm in the abdominal aorta that could lead to a ruptured aortic artery.
- **Cardiac Age Health Risk Assessment**, based on the Framingham Heart Study, calculates a 10-year heart risk percentage based on biological age, body mass index, blood pressure, cholesterol, glucose and smoking. It requires a 4-hour fast and involves a finger stick glucose and lipid panel.

 **St. Elizabeth**
HEALTHCARE
Heart & Vascular Institute



St. Timothy's Annual
World's Longest Yard Sale
Saturday, August 3, 2024



Priority Registration for Registered Parishioners:
 June 1 – June 30

**Remaining spaces will open to the
 general public on July 1**

DON'T WAIT! Parishioner priority will not apply to forms and payments received after June 30. Receipt of payment and form does not guarantee space rental. Confirmation of payment and space rental(s) will be made via phone call and/or email.

All vendors keep 100% of their sales. 100% of space rental fee is donated to our international mission. In renting a space, vendors agree not to offer for sale water, soda or any other kind of beverage. A "Day of Sale" information letter will be emailed 1 week prior to yard sale. If no email provided, it will be sent "Snail Mail."

PLEASE PRINT

Name _____ Phone _____

Mailing Address _____

Email Address _____

of spaces _____ x \$40 = \$ _____ (1 space = 2 parking spots)

(VENDORS MUST BRING THEIR OWN TENT, TABLES & CHAIRS)

Please check: I'm a ___ returning vendor ___ I would like previous space.
 Space # _____

(We will try to accommodate previous space requests, but we cannot guarantee it.)

* I'm a ___ new vendor * I will be selling large furniture. ___ Yes ___ No

Make check payable to: **St. Timothy Church** Memo: **Yard Sale**

Or Credit Card: Call the parish office at 859-384-1100

Form and payment can be mailed to church (P.O. Box 120, Union, KY 41091),
 dropped off at Parish Office or put in the collection basket at Mass.



Thank You
 to the Parish for
 supporting the 2024
 St. Timothy Mission Trip
 both with your donations
 and prayers!

See Mission Trip photos on pages 20-23.



St. Timothy 2024 Mission Trip

By Maria Brockman

Hi! My name is Maria Brockman. I am a junior at NKU and a parishioner here at St. Timothy. Two weeks ago, by God's grace and through the generous financial donations of many parishioners, I was given the opportunity to travel to Dover, Delaware for a mission trip with a group from our parish.

Our group of 28 attendees (plus Janice, a dedicated service dog) ranged in age from incoming 8th graders to adults. Despite nearly all of us belonging to St. Timothy, each one of us met someone new on the trip.

Our adventure began on Saturday, in the early afternoon, when we met in church's parking lot to depart. Before long, we were cruising down the road single-file. We drove till late that night and eventually stopped in Hancock, Maryland at St. Peter Church, which had graciously agreed to put us up for the night. Fr. Jack was waiting when we arrived, and promptly showed us to the classrooms we slept in. Since all of us were exhausted, we quickly got ready for bed and turned out the lights. Unfortunately, we soon came to realize the lighting system used motion sensors in most of the rooms, so the lights popped on numerous times in the few hours we had to sleep. In the morning, after celebrating Mass with St. Peter parish, we were back on the road, excitedly anticipating our arrival in Dover. Upon arriving at Holy Cross Church and School, we set up our belongings in our assigned classrooms and went off to the camp's evening program, at which we thanked God for our safe travels and received our assigned jobs for the week. We then celebrated Mass as one big mission group.

Throughout the week, we worked at a variety of locations. The group I was placed in worked with Habitat for Humanity. Habitat was thrilled to have a group of young adults volunteering. They told us the average age of their

usual volunteers was mid-70s. We mostly put vinyl siding on several new houses, but we also learned how to put up scaffolding. The other groups stayed busy too. They painted, power washed, mulched, weeded, and even replaced a deck and a floor for disabled and elderly homeowners. With temperatures in the mid-90s, perseverance was a big theme throughout the week.

On the last night at work camp, the homeowners were invited to the evening program to share how they were impacted by the help they received. It was clear how overwhelmingly grateful they were. Several of them commented that they were so inspired that a group of teenagers would give a week of their summer break to serve complete strangers. It was amazing to hear their stories!

While helping the residents was so meaningful, another huge aspect of the trip was the camp/retreat part. Every morning, after breakfast, we celebrated Mass together. Every evening, after we had gotten back from our work sites and eaten dinner, we participated in praise and worship. We spent time in Eucharistic Adoration and were given the opportunity to go to confession. And, as the cherry-on-top, several nights we broke off separately as parishes and discussed where we were seeing God, how we were being impacted, and the importance of the sacraments in every Catholic's life.

During the time we were working and traveling, singing and dancing, and praying and praising, our group bonded. Coming back home to Northern Ky., we are closer than before. We carry lots of fun new memories with us and a new zeal for sharing Christ's love with others. We are also more grateful for what we have, especially the good coffee we left at home.

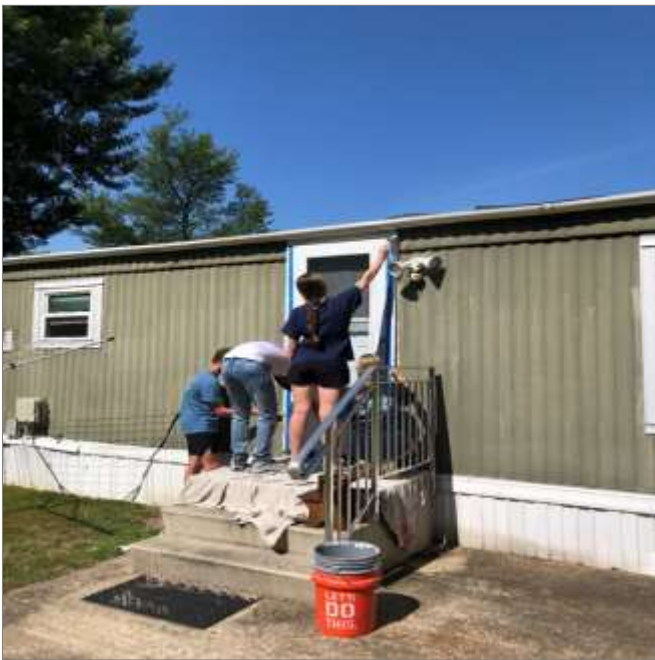
Thank you to all who prayed for us and to those who funded our trip! We appreciate your support!













SAVE THE DATES!



Friday, September 20th

6pm-11pm

Dylan Vaughn & Crown Watts Band

Saturday, September 21st

5:30pm-midnight

Rucca & The Sly Band

Sunday, September 22nd

12:30pm-6pm

FAMILY DAY!

FREE CIRCUS SHOWS presented by

Cincinnati Circus! 1pm & 3pm

ALL DAY ride wrist bands!!

DONATIONS
NEEDED

*Kids Games Prizes

*Alcohol



Scan QR code to check out our Amazon
Wishlist



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PAGE!



<https://tinyurl.com/tc9k7282tt>

Have you ever wondered...

WHERE DID I COME FROM?

Come and See.

with Christopher West
& Mike Mangione



YOU WERE
MADE FOR MORE
St. Timothy, OCT. 2, 2024
Get your tickets here:



Catechetical Institute Free Online Classes



If you are looking for a way to strengthen your Catholic knowledge, check out the Franciscan University's Catechetical Institute. This is a free resource given to us by the Diocese.

Use this link - <https://Franciscanathome.com/diocese-covington> and click on the big blue button at the bottom right of the screen stating that your Parish has already registered. Under "New to Franciscan at Home?" click on **Create New Account**. Once you have entered all the *required information for your account, the next step is to **Sign Up** for Free through your Institution by selecting **Diocese of Covington** and **St. Timothy Parish and School** as the Institution.

- ◆ There are some great online classes available to you.
- ◆ The classes are laid out in segments, 6 to 10 per class.
- ◆ You can print a supporting page for the complete class, watch a video (6-11 minutes usually) then reflect on it, and write in an answer to the activity for that video.

The topics are listed as tracks, with options like the Sacraments, Eucharistic Renewal, Parenting, Marriage Renewal, Theology of the Body, etc. Tracks are offered in English, Spanish and many other languages.

Each track may have 2 or more classes, and most classes have 6 to 10 video segments.

I have enjoyed these classes, and recommend them if you have the time and inclination. Please let me know if you have trouble signing in, or want direction on a good class choice, or have any questions.

Carol S. Lense, Director of Religious Education 859-384-1100 ext: 1105

St. Timothy's 22nd Annual Golf Tournament



Boone Links Golf Course

Saturday, August 17, 2024 - 1:30

FORMAT

Four Person Scramble - Registration Begins at 12:30

AWARDS

1st, 2nd, and 3rd Place Prizes

Hole-In-One Prize - Set of Calloway Irons

Putting Contest

Long Drive & Closest to the Pin

ADD ONS

Skins, Pot-Of-Gold, Split the Pot & More

COST

\$110 for Single Player or \$400/Foursome

HOLE

\$125 (other sponsorships available - contact TJ Mueller)

SPONSOR



*Sponsored by the St. Timothy
Knights of Columbus*



Steak Dinner after tourney and complimentary drink tickets!

Registration: Clip & Mail to T.J. Mueller (address below) or online at www.sttimothygolfouting.com

CAPTAIN: _____ TEAM MEMBER 1: _____

ADDRESS: _____ TEAM MEMBER 2: _____

CITY: _____ STATE: _____ TEAM MEMBER 3: _____

PHONE: _____ E-MAIL: _____

Make Checks Payable to: St. Timothy Knights of Columbus

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

Net proceeds benefit the ongoing charitable activities of the St. Timothy Knights of Columbus.



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