

THE COMPANION



NEWS ABOUT SAINT TIMOTHY PARISH IN UNION, KY

Jan-Feb 2024

What's It Like To Be A CONFESSOR? *By Fr. Rick Bolte*

Lent is a special time for people to make use of the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Priests are extra busy with their and other parish Reconciliation Services as well as school Reconciliation Services. When we consider going to Reconciliation, we know our struggle to admit our failing out loud to a priest and maybe even wonder what the priest may think of us. Priests know those feelings as they too need to go to the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

But priests have an advantage of knowing what it is like to be a confessor. I'd like to share here some of my thoughts about being a confessor and what it's like on the 'other side'.

First, I, like most priests, like to hear confessions. That's not out of a curiosity of what people have done wrong but rather out of a sense of this being why we became priests. Few priests become priests to do administrative work, we like doing ministry. We feel blessed in our ministry when we can do something that helps another in their relationship with God.

Going face-to-face or behind a screen is an option at St. Timothy and most other parish reconciliation rooms. I understand people choosing to go anonymously, sometimes it helps us be more focused on our own thoughts and sometimes we don't want to feel the shame of another (even a priest) knowing our faults. I personally always go face-to-face and prefer when penitents do as well. Part of that is I cannot always hear well through a screen and can miss some of what the penitent is saying. More important, face-to-face gives me a chance to understand the penitent better because I can see their facial expressions and body language which helps reveal what is important to them and

perhaps where they are struggling the most. By their observing my facial expressions and body language, I hope they can pick up on the empathy and concern I have and experience more fully the forgiveness and love being offered by God.

Hearing another's confession is always inspiring to me. I know how hard it is for me at times to say what I don't like about myself and the ways I feel helpless to 'fix' myself. I am inspired by the openness and honesty of penitents who are able to admit their failings and frustrations in their efforts to change. When they share their pain and struggles, I am deeply touched and empathize with them. It gives me courage and hope in my own difficulties.

I always feel blessed to be a part of the healing a penitent experiences: the relief that comes from getting something difficult off one's chest, the faith and hope that comes as they see the opportunity to begin again, the joy of being able to realize the love of God despite their sense of sin and failing. Sometime the healing a person experiences seems more powerful than the physical healings Jesus performed while on earth. I sometimes emerge from the confessional in awe and deeply thankful for what I've been blessed to witness.

It may seem hard to believe but I remember very little of what anyone confesses. What they confess is of little importance compared to the hope and healing that they can experience. My attention is less on the sin and much more on the openness of the healing power of God. I'd never be in a position to judge anyone as the plank in my own eye is far too large. To be a confessor, to see the mercy and love of God made real, is one of the greatest blessings of being a priest confessor!



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Our Parish Family

New Families

Marian Adto
 Charles and Tammy Armitage
 Kelsey Bosley
 Eugene and Kelly Breen
 Tom and Lynette Bump
 Michael and Mary Cottrell
 Josefina de Gala
 Brandon and Allison Deller
 Kenneth and Victoria Juskie
 Kristopher and Myriam Klosterman
 Guadalupe Ramirez
 Gregory and Cindy Uher
 Matthew and Karen Walls

Baptisms

Charlotte Rey Calo
 James Paul Kahmann
 Matthew Andrew Kaseman
 Colton Anthony Knapp
 Mia Claire Masarik
 Cassian James Metzger
 Rylee Ann Miller
 Dorothy Mozelle Mosley
 Remington Kate Rykoskey
 Hayes Elizabeth Smith
 Peter Joseph Trapani

Deceased

Helen Doyle	David Kroth
Jo Ann Fox	Douglas McLane
Mary Rita Jordan	Lynda Romes

Stewardship of Treasure

December 2023

COLLECTIONS:	\$145,614.66
5% TITHE:	\$7,280.73
St. Tim Scholarship	\$500.00
St. Vincent de Paul	\$500.00
Diocesan Collection -	
Retired Religious	\$6,280.73

January 2024

COLLECTIONS:	\$114,268.36
5% TITHE:	\$5,713.42
St. Tim Scholarship	\$500.00
St. Vincent de Paul	\$500.00
Diocesan Collection -	
Seminarian Educ.	\$4,713.42

The Jewish Roots of Holy Week

Wednesday, March 20, 6 – 7:30 pm

Brodnick Hall

Holy Week, the week before Easter, is the holiest of the year, a time set-apart. Why is the entire week "holy"?

Dr. Brant Pitre will lead us through each day of Holy Week, explaining the deep significance and relevance of Jesus' words and actions during the last seven days of His earthly life, and how they are rooted in the Old Testament.

Join fellow parishioners developing a deeper appreciation of the essential meaning and most important aspects of Holy Week.



View from the Pew

By Mary Jo Rehtin



On a crisp, but sunny, February day, I was going into church to say a few prayers, when I heard a voice from the bushes “Hey, young lady, what are you up to?” It was Greg Curtin. He was trimming the dead branches. Greg is a familiar face around St. Tim’s and I thought it would be good for all of us to know a little bit more about him.

Greg is a cradle Catholic, with 16 years of Catholic Education. He didn’t always attend Mass when he was younger but he became a regular Mass participant when he took care of his aging parents and made sure his mom got to Mass every Sunday. He has done several things since then to enhance his faith. He and his wife Debbie participated in the RCIA program to learn more about the Catholic Church and his faith was really strengthened in a Men’s group with Deacon Dave Profitt studying a book called The Case for Christ and recently completed the Catechism in a year with Deacon Kevin Cranley.

Greg and Deb joined St. Tim’s 5 or 6 years ago. He volunteered for the Fish Fry as a good way to meet and get to know people. He also joined the Men’s Prayer group. Soon Greg and Deb were asked to chair the main food booth at Octoberfest and have been doing so for several years. Deb and he both got involved in the St. Vincent de Paul group and Deb is currently serving as president. Volunteering has been a way of life for them for many years.

Greg is a person who sees something that needs to be done and just jumps in and does it. He relates that one day he was cutting down a tree on the property when Fr. Bolte stopped by and asked him if he would supervise the renovation of the church. Greg had been a construction

supervisor before he retired and so he agreed.

According to Greg, the renovation project could not have been accomplished without the support of the entire parish. Some of the most faithful helpers were Kelly Stuckenschneider, Tony Davern, Dick Hentz, Phil Sheehy, John Vogel-pohl and Miriam Burkart. Greg was often here at 6:30 AM ready to start work. He and his wife went to Pittsburg to pick up the beautiful hand painted cross that hangs behind the altar. Greg and his helpers brought the project in under budget, no small feat these days. We thank him for that.

Next Greg and his helpers began work on the Adoration Chapel, something that Fr. Bolte had wanted for a long time. This wonderful chapel gives all of us access to a quiet prayer space before the Blessed Sacrament any time of day or night. The project was paid for by the sale of the paver blocks that are on the walkway into the chapel.

Though these major projects have been completed, Greg can still be seen at church most days doing small projects around the grounds. He trims the bushes and trees, waters flowers and pulls weeds and works around the building. Greg’s vision would be that other parishioners would volunteer to help every week to take on jobs that we currently pay for or things that never get done.

Volunteering is a great way to strengthen your faith and get involved. In Greg’s words “I believe as children of God it is our duty to help the Church and those who are less fortunate.” At St. Tim’s, we have lots of opportunities to do both.

A vertical banner on the right side of the page. At the top is a purple circle containing a white cross. Below the circle, the word "Worship" is written in a white serif font. Underneath that, "THE COMPANION" is written in a smaller, white sans-serif font. The banner features a central photograph of Greg Curtin, an older man with white hair wearing a dark cap and a dark jacket, smiling. The background of the banner is a colorful, abstract stained-glass pattern in shades of purple, yellow, and white. At the bottom of the banner, the name "Greg Curtin" is printed in a bold, black sans-serif font. The entire banner is set against a purple background at the very bottom.



SPARE TIME PARISHIONER MINISTRY

Are you hearing the call? Is God reaching out to you to get more involved with your parish? Would you like to meet more people in the parish? Join us for some fellowship and campus maintenance. If you have a few hours to spare each month, we can use your help. We meet Thursdays from 9 AM – 12 PM in the gathering space at church. Everyone is welcome. We have plenty of work to keep you busy.

DO GOOD, LEND AND EXPECT NOTHING IN RETURN,

AND YOUR REWARD WILL BE GREAT.

LUKE 6:35

Below are some areas where you could help:

Please complete this form and drop it off in the parish office or in the collection basket on Sunday. If you have any questions regarding this ministry, please contact Greg Curtin at 513-509-0137 or email at Debbiecurtin@gmail.com

I am looking forward to hearing from you!

Thank You!

Greg Curtin

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE: _____ EMAIL: _____

AREA OF INTEREST:

- Carpentry
- Grounds - Mulching and trimming
- General Cleaning
- Landscaping
- Mechanical
- Light Duty Maintenance
- Water Flowers

- Painting
- Miscellaneous



*Congratulations to our
Confirmation Class of 2024*



St Timothy Catholic School Student with Mrs. Doremus



Sunday 8 am Class with Mr. Davis



Sunday 10 am Class with Ms. Burkart



Sunday 10 am Class with Mr. Southerland



Wednesday night class with Mrs. Price

CATHOLIC CANDLE FUNDRAISER



Our youth ministry is raising much-needed funds for this year's mission trip. Get these beautiful Catholic candles and help our youth - *it's a win win!*

*** Three days only ***

Order through Monday, March 18 to donate 25%



We're fundraising with CORDA, a family-run small business. Their handcrafted Catholic candles are made with clean coconut wax and custom scents inspired by saints and the faith.

Shop to support: cordacandles.com/TIMOTHY

Every single order helps our youth - thank you!



THE PASSION OF OUR LORD

FROM THE GOSPEL OF JOHN

A Collaboration between:
The St. Timothy Adult Choir
The STCS 8th graders
The STP Youth Group

Directed by:
Andrew Mason
Pam Doremus
Carol Lense



ST. TIMOTHY PARISH
SUNDAY, MARCH 24 @ 7 PM

Holy Week Mass Schedule



HOLY WEEK

Palm Sunday - March 24

Saturday 4:30 pm Mass

Sunday 8 am, 9:30 am & 11:30 am Masses

7:00 pm Passion of our Lord, from the Gospel of John

Presented by the St. Timothy Choir, the STCS

8th graders and the Youth Group

Holy Thursday - March 28

7:00 pm Mass of the Lord's Supper

Good Friday - March 29

1:00 pm Liturgy of our Lord's Passion

Confessions to follow

Holy Saturday - March 30

9-11 am Bunnyfest & Egg Hunt

8:30 pm Easter Vigil Mass

Easter Sunday - March 31

Masses 8 am, 9:30 am, 11:30 am

BUNNYFEST VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Saturday, March 30th

8:30am-11:30am

DETAILS BELOW

<https://tinyurl.com/3zmbhbyw>



Questions? e-mail jhoppius@saint-timothy.org



SAINT TIMOTHY 2024 BUNNYFEST

MARCH 30TH | 9AM-11AM

BRODNICK HALL

JOIN US FOR BREAKFAST, VISIT WITH THE EASTER
BUNNY & CRAFTS!

11AM EASTER EGG HUNTS
weather permitting

CLICK ON LINK TO REGISTER:

BUNNYFEST24.GIVESMART.COM

**OR BY DROPPING THIS FORM
AND PAYMENT TO THE PARISH
OFFICE OR IN THE COLLECTION
BASKET.**

LIMITED SPACE! RSVP BY MARCH 18TH



**** \$10 PER PERSON ****

OF KIDS _____

OF ADULTS _____

FAMILY NAME _____

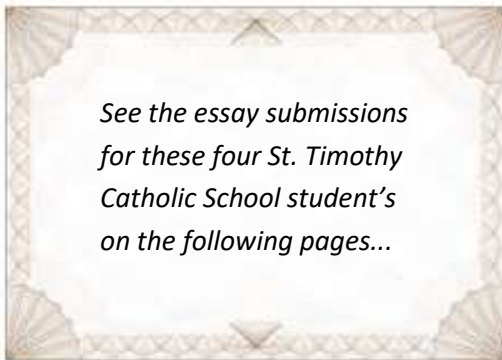
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ST. TIMOTHY CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Living, Learning & Serving in the Light of Christ

On Tuesday March 5th, the diocese hosted the Pro-Life Essay Banquet. Eighth-grade students from across the diocese wrote essays in the fall advocating for the pro-life movement. Out of the twenty finalists, St. Timothy Catholic School had four eighth graders make the final cut. Congratulations to Liam McCormack, Kate Mueller, Rylee Schmidt, and Grant Krahe. Two of our students won first and second prizes, which included scholarships to the Catholic high school of their choice. Congratulations to Kate Mueller, who won first place, and Grant Krahe, who placed second overall. We are so proud of our students!



Essay by Kate Mueller

It was a morning like any other. My stomach grumbled, and I felt the deep pain of hunger in the pit of my stomach. I knew the day would bring only a few small morsels of food. I was born into poverty-stricken Ethiopia, and I lived there until the age of four when I was adopted. I am here living with a wonderful family and several other adopted sisters. I am able to walk the Earth today because my birth mother recognized the dignity and worth of all life. My parents also understand this, and they created a welcoming home for their children. Knowing the pain of hunger myself, I understand how poverty and food scarcity could lead to women terminating the life in their own womb rather than facing the struggle of not being able to raise their child. By offering support such as child care and food relief to poverty stricken mothers, we can offer hope and compassion during a pivotal time in their lives.

By having a mother who embraced my innate, God-given dignity, my life was spared. My birth mother lived in poverty in a small town in Ethiopia. She could barely feed herself, and she knew she would not be able to take care of me when I was born. Instead of taking the easy way out, she chose to carry and give birth to me. She put me in an orphanage that had more resources than she could ever provide. She had tears in her eyes as she watched me leave and go to a place where she knew I would get the care I needed. Because of her selfless decision, I am able to realize the worth of life. Scripture states, "For I know well the plans I have in mind for you-oracle of the LORD- plans for your welfare and not for woe, so as to give you a future of hope" (New American Bible Revised Edition, Jeremiah 29:11). My birth mother knew that God had a plan for my life, and she understood that my life was meaningful, no matter the circumstances I was born into. All life is precious regardless of the condition.

It is our responsibility to support struggling mothers and families in our community. According to a recent study, "The average cost for childcare for one kid in the U.S is about \$10,900 per year" ("The Economic Impact of Child Care by State"). This puts additional stress on mothers with a limited income. This was the case with my younger sister who was adopted at birth. Her mom lived in Cincinnati, and was not able to provide for her, so she made an adoption plan. The lack of support mothers receive with new children is devastating. To help alleviate this, I have taken the initiative to offer free babysitting services in my community. By using my service, families can have time to attend to health concerns, be active in their faith network, and work to provide for their families. As leaders of our faith we need to lend a helping hand to impoverished mothers. It is our duty as young Catholics to pray for leaders in our country to pass legislation and welcome new life.

Providing meals for lower income children and moms is essential to supporting families as they welcome new life into their homes. I prioritize helping lower-income children because I remember when I was in Ethiopia and would only receive a small portion of food. Go Pantry collects and distributes food to malnourished children in Boone County. We need to raise awareness in our community about this beneficial service to our neighbors who need additional support to feed their families. Attending to the needs of the poor is our call from God. The Catechism of the Catholic Church reminds us, "The corporal works of mercy consist especially in feeding the hungry, sheltering the homeless, clothing the naked, visiting the sick and imprisoned, and burying the dead. Among all these, giving alms to the poor is one of the chief witnesses to fraternal charity: it is also a work of justice pleasing to God" (2447). Feeding poor families brings alive the teachings of the Church.

To conclude, all life is precious and deserves dignity and respect. When we support struggling women and families in both speech and action, we bring our faith to life. Let us answer God's call for us to help our fellow brothers and sisters in Christ.

Essay by Grant Krahe

A young lady comes home from her minimum wage job and sees a pile of bills with big red "OVERDUE" stamps staring her in the face. She struggles to pay even for herself, living paycheck to paycheck. Now she has an even bigger worry; she will soon have another mouth to feed. This is the sad reality for many women in the modern day world. Their hard life is seemingly made more difficult by welcoming a child into the world. Most even struggle to get day to day necessities. By choosing to welcome a new life, they are being extremely selfless and putting God's plan before their own. My assistance with the Madonna House has shown me the struggles of women and children. Women need many material goods to support themselves and a child. By grasping St. John Paul II's concept of radical solidarity, I make their struggle my struggle and embrace God's love.

To start, God has your entire life planned out for you before you are born. The Bible proves this in Jeremiah 1:5 when it states, "Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, before you were born I dedicated you, a prophet to the nations" (New American Bible Revised Edition). This illustrates that all life is extremely precious and endowed with God given dignity from the moment of conception. In the above quote the Lord is speaking to Jeremiah, but what he says is true for everyone: we all have a right to life. All life should be loved and cared for, from the moment of conception. This is important to me because I believe that all children should be treated as they are made in the image of God, because they are.

Furthermore, as a young man who has grown up in a privileged life, I strive to understand the struggles that the women and children who live in poverty go through everyday. At Thanksgiving I led a prayer for the unborn, the born, and mothers. At that moment I was filled with the Holy Spirit. It made me understand how to make their struggle my struggle by helping all those I see that need it. Jesus Christ himself states, "I give you a new commandment: love one another. As I have loved you, so you also should love one another" (New American Bible Revised Edition, John 13:34). Jesus is telling us to love everyone in our lives, no matter the good or bad they have done. That is very similar to St. John Paul II's concept of radical solidarity.

The Madonna House is a non-profit organization that gives mothers and their children a home to live in while they search for a job and a good source of income. They teach mothers how to care for their child, how to care for themselves, and how to live with a child in their lives. The Catechism of the Catholic Church states, "The duty of making oneself a neighbor to others and actively serving them becomes even more urgent when it involves the disadvantaged, in whatever area this may be..." (1932). The Madonna House lives out Pope John Paul II's belief of radical solidarity by fulfilling all of the criteria in the passage. The Catechism tells us that when we see those in need we should do anything we can to help them. I heard this quote and applied it to my daily life by attempting to help one person a day. At a recent family reunion, I asked my family to bring donations for the Madonna House. Almost all of them brought items for the donation. Just a few of the items they brought were shampoo, conditioner, baskets, and crib sheets. By praying for and donating to the Madonna House, I hope to embody the works of Christ. My grandfather was a chairman of the Diocese of Covington pro-life commission from 2003- August 2006. I wish to follow in his footsteps and inspire young children to be pro-life as well.

As shown above, St. John Paul II's idea of radical solidarity should be a guiding principle for all young Catholics leading through faith. The struggle of women and children in this modern world is too much for them to bear alone. I practice radical solidarity by making the struggle of women and children my own, and by loving all women and children just as Christ himself did. If we all do this, then we can make Heaven on Earth.

Essay by Liam McCormack

In 2020, there were 620,327 legally induced abortions (“CDCs Abortion Surveillance System FAQs”). This immense number begs the question, “Why are so many unborn children robbed of their right to life?” This may be because many mothers believe they have no hope, that they do not have enough money to raise a child. Many believe their babies are just a worthless embryo, but this is wrong; each one was formed in the image of God. God calls us to live out radical solidarity and advocate for those who cannot fight for themselves. All life is precious, and God created humans in His own image and likeness; therefore, all lives should be treated with dignity and respect. This means that we should live Saint John Paul II’s concept of radical solidarity by treating the unborn, women, and their children with dignity and by accepting their struggles as our struggles.

First and foremost, every life is valuable because God formed us out of love and in His likeness. This fact is clearly stated in Genesis 1:27, “God created mankind in his image; in the image of God he created them; male and female he created them” (*New American Bible Revised Edition*). Since God created us after Himself, it is a sin against our heavenly Father to terminate others, born or unborn. God calls us to respect the dignity of others and treat them as we would treat Jesus. Saint Veronica is a perfect example of this because she stood up to help Jesus when she saw Him suffering. She showed empathy for Jesus and assisted Him when she wiped His face, despite her fear of sharing His crucifixion. As Jesus said, “Amen, I say to you, what you did not do for one of these least ones, you did not do for me” (*New American Bible Revised Edition* Matthew 25:45). This quote could be interpreted as the unborn being considered the “least ones” because they are most vulnerable. After all, how can one live with themselves after taking a life from the innocent? Jesus wants us to show The Corporal Works of Mercy to one another and treat each other how we would treat Him. To sum it up, we should all strive to be like Saint Veronica and help those in our community who are suffering despite our fear of being rejected by others.

Moreover, we must strive to live out the idea of radical solidarity as Saint John Paul II outlined in his teachings. In *Sollicitudo Rei Socialis*, Saint John Paul II states, “...it is a firm and persevering determination to commit oneself to the common good...to the good of all and of each individual, because we are all really responsible for all” (*Sollicitudo Rei Socialis*, 38). This means that we need to treat others’ struggles as our own. As the President of my school’s chapter of the National Junior Honor Society, I have shown compassion to women and children by helping raise money to purchase school supplies for those who can’t afford them. God wants us to stand with women who are going through an unplanned pregnancy, and He wants us to support them in any way we can; this can include something like giving them baby products, or it can be as simple as praying for them. For pregnant women who believe that they have no hope, we should give them hope by introducing them to organizations like the Madonna House that can assist them in their struggle. We must inform women that abortion is not the only option and explain to them that “Being in the image of God the human individual possesses the dignity of a person, who is not just something, but someone” (CCC, 357). Many believe that abortion is acceptable because the child is just a clump of cells, but as the quote above proves, a child is not just a clump of cells, it is a living human being. If people condone the murder of the unborn, what prevents us from murdering one another? Mother Mary knew of many women’s struggles, and she put God’s will before her own. She knew the importance of every life, and she treated everyone with dignity and respect. We can follow Mary’s example by putting others before ourselves and helping those who are in need. All in all, we, the future of the Catholic Church, must come together to fight for human life, defend the defenseless, and respect the dignity of others.

Essay by Rylee Schmidt

According to the USDA's 2015 report "The Cost of Raising a Child", an average middle class family can expect to spend \$233,610 raising a child through age 17 (USDA). This is a lot of money for middle-class families; now imagine what it is like for a single woman living paycheck to paycheck. Babies require many items such as diapers, clothes, a place to sleep, food, and a loving family. If these things can not be obtained, families may feel forced to reject this new life, rather than welcoming a baby they know they won't be able to afford. But this doesn't have to happen if we help. All life is precious and should be respected, even if it is not born yet. Women facing crisis pregnancies face many overwhelming struggles and must find courage to turn away from abortion; therefore, all of us must support them, because their struggle is our struggle.

First of all, all life is precious, there is no question about that. God created everyone in his image and likeness, meaning all life is special. According to the Bible, "For I know well the plans I have in mind for you—oracle of the LORD—plans for your welfare and not for woe, so as to give you a future of hope." (New American Bible Revised Edition, Jeremiah 29:11). This means that God has a plan for everyone, and it's not fair to take that future away from an innocent child. For a family who is struggling financially, babies may seem like a burden. Although there are many struggles in line with raising a child, especially for a single woman facing a crisis pregnancy, they are not alone in this struggle. We play a big part in this because it's our job to be there and support them as a community. In all, we must be there for women facing crisis pregnancies because all life is precious and should be treated with the utmost dignity and respect.

In addition, women who face crisis pregnancies must find courage to turn away from abortion. God is the giver and taker of life, so abortion is defying God. The Catechism of the Catholic Church states, "Human life must be respected and protected absolutely from the moment of conception. From the first moment of his existence, a human being must be recognized as having the rights of a person—among which is the inviolable right of every innocent being to life" (2270). Having an abortion is taking away an innocent's life. Everyone is equally entitled to life, born or unborn. If a woman doesn't want the baby or doesn't think she can take care of it, there are other options than abortion. Some of these options include adoption, foster care, or an organization like The Madonna House. For women who face crisis pregnancies, it can be scary to make a decision. That is why we must support them with this struggle, and help them make the right decision by turning away from abortion.

Furthermore, we must show radical solidarity to women facing crisis pregnancies. It's hard to face this struggle alone, but with our help, that can change. As the Vice President of my school's chapter of National Junior Honor Society, I have led our organization in fundraising and organizing donations for those in need at Matthew 25 Ministries. For example, last year I helped organize a bake sale at my school's cafeteria, and the funds we received were spent on school supplies for families who were unable to afford them. It always feels good knowing that I was able to change someone's life for the better. The Bible claims, "Don't fear: I am with you; don't be anxious: I am your God. I will strengthen you, I will help you, I will hold you with my victorious right hand" (New American Bible Revised Edition, Isaiah 41:10). By helping at Matthew 25 Ministries, I am following God's will to help those who need it the most. We must follow God's path by helping others and strengthening them. United, it is our job to help women facing crisis pregnancies because their struggle is our struggle.

Christ tasked us with creating his Kingdom on Earth. By defending life from conception to natural death, we are working to fulfill this task. The struggles women face during crisis pregnancies are unimaginable, but this can change. All of us are capable of helping; even just one person can impact the lives of many.



ST. TIMOTHY CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Living, Learning & Serving in the Light of Christ

REGISTRATION NOW OPEN

2024 St. Timothy Catholic School Golf Scramble

Saturday, May 18 @ Lassing Point Golf Course

1:30 PM Shotgun Start

\$500 per foursome includes....

- 18-holes of tournament golf with cart for four golfers
- Post Tournament Dinner, Awards and Raffle
- On Course Special Games & Contests

Event Sponsorships Available

- Hole Sponsorship \$150 or \$600 with foursome
- Preferred Sponsorship \$600 or \$1000 with foursome
- Title Sponsorship \$5000 with foursome

How to register?

Online registration is now open! Please visit the address below to begin registering now.

<https://app.eventcaddy.com/events/2024-st-timothy-catholic-school-golf-scramble>

Questions?

Email: stimgolfscramble@gmail.com

All proceeds to benefit St. Timothy's Catholic School

Entries, sponsorships and donations are tax deductible.

Send Registration Fees to: St. Timothy Catholic School, 10268 US 42, Union, KY

Mission Trip 2024

Be a part of Mission Trip 2024 when you Sponsor a Student!

Our parish is blessed to offer an annual Mission Trip to the teenagers of our parish and their chaperones. This year, 25 members of our parish have signed up to bring the light of Christ to a community in need, but they need our help to cover the costs of the trip.

You can Sponsor a Student for \$450 (or make a donation of any size) to help us cover the costs of registration, overnight travel, van rentals, meals while traveling, and incidentals while at the worksite. Please prayerfully consider donating to the Mission Trip as part of your Lenten Almsgiving.

Donations can be brought to the parish office or contact Pat Seuberling, pseuberling@saint-timothy.org, 859-384-1100.

Diaconate Program Candidate

On Sunday, March 10th, Mr. Dale Brockman, of our parish was instituted into the Ministry of Acolyte, along with other Deacon Candidates, by Bishop John Iffert at the Cathedral Basilica of the Assumption. This marks another step in his formation as he moves toward Ordination to the Diaconate in 2025.

An Acolyte takes on a formal ministry in the Eucharistic life of the Church; instructing others, taking Holy Communion to the sick and homebound, assisting at Holy Mass. Part of the Bishop's instruction for the Ministry of Acolyte reads, "In performing your ministry bear in mind that, as you share the one bread with your brothers and sisters, so you form one body with them. Show a sincere love for Christ's Mystical Body, God's holy people, and especially for the weak and the sick. Be obedient to the commandment which the Lord gave to his apostles at the Last Supper: 'Love one another as I also have loved you'".

This is a simple but momentous step for Dale, his wife, Coleen, and their family. Please let them know of your prayerful support and encouragement.





Service

THE COMPANION

OUTREACH
Emergency Shelter of NKY
January 19, 2024



OUTREACH

Knights of Columbus

Food For Families

February 3, 2024



THANK YOU!!!

Thank you to all the volunteers who came out to support our Grant Service Project at Emergency Shelter of NKY and the Knights of Columbus Food For Families Drive up Drop Off Food Drive. You make life better for our neighbors in need who are facing extremely challenging situations.

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“Serviens in Spe” (Serving in Hope)

The motto of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul

The motto of The Society of St. Vincent de Paul guides our Mission. Our goal is to bring hope to our neighbors by revealing the love Christ has for his flock.

Most people think of Vincentian volunteers in terms of their dedication to providing our neighbors with food, clothing, help with rent and utilities, and other necessities. This is certainly true, but it’s important to remember that the work of the Society is inspired by and founded on the values of the Gospels.

The spiritual part of the Society is sometimes overlooked. But it is at the heart of our purpose and is the most rewarding part of our service. When you become a Vincentian, it’s because you want to grow spiritually by providing Works of Mercy to those in need.

Saint Vincent said,

“Charity is the cement which binds

Communities to God and persons to one another . . . “

Charity is a fundamental teaching of Jesus. Vincentians recognize that all of us need spiritual and emotional support, as well as material assistance from time-to-time. This doesn’t mean we proselytize aggressively, but we do let our neighbors know that they are always welcome at our Church.

The Society differs from many other charitable groups by placing acts of charity on a spiritual foundation. SVDP Volunteers seek spiritual growth for themselves and our neighbors through works of charity.

You may want to consider becoming a Vincentian volunteer. We have a variety of roles, including:

- Volunteers who make home visits or meet at church to assess and provide for our neighbors needs
- Volunteers who manage the pantry and the food donated by parishioners
- Volunteers who provide financial support for SVDP operations
- The Knights of Columbus which provides winter coats and food for the pantry

“It is only for your love alone that the poor will forgive you the bread you give to them.”

From Jean Anouilh’s 1947 film, “Monsieur Vincent.”

Of course, the thing about gratitude and charity is, as with other virtues, the giver receives more than the recipient.

In 1877, SVDP President Baudon, wrote:

“... our object is not only to relieve material misery, a very laudable purpose in itself, but to aspire, especially, through the practice of that most sublime of virtues “charity” to render ourselves better and more fervent Christians, and to make our poor enter on the same path ...”

We appreciate your generous support of the St. Tim’s Pantry, the SVDP stores and our outreach programs. In difficult times, it can be more challenging to give. At the same time, the need is greater. Rapidly increasing costs for food, fuel, utilities, and rent have made this time especially hard for families struggling to make ends meet. You can be sure that your contributions are carefully managed to get the most from each donation.

“For I was hungry, and you gave Me something to eat; I was thirsty, and you gave Me something to drink; I was a stranger, and you invited Me in...”

Matthew 25:35

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 go on Saint Tim’s website to donate to SVDP, either one time or monthly.)

“Serviens in Spe”

Join us on A LENTEN PILGRIMAGE



Take a local spiritual journey
to five Covington Churches

Start and end your individual journey by
foot or by car at any of the 5 historic
churches on the 4.3 mile pilgrimage route:

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ST. BENEDICT CATHOLIC CHURCH

ST. AUGUSTINE CATHOLIC CHURCH

ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST CATHOLIC CHURCH

MOTHER OF GOD CATHOLIC CHURCH

**Saturday, March 23, 2024
9am to 2pm**

For more information: covidio.org/lenten-pilgrimage



TOURNAMENT



Get your game on!
Saturday April 20th
in Brodnick Hall at 6 pm.

\$10 per player

Prize for highest score.

Consolation prize for lowest score.

Drinks and light appetizers Limited tables! – Don't wait! Don't miss it!

Register via email clense@saint-timothy.org or return registration below

St. Timothy Parish Office – ST. Timothy Church P.O. Box 120 Union KY 41091

Cash or Check payable to Carol Lense - Babysitting available with prior request.

Name: _____ Number of Players: _____

Babysitting _____ Ages _____

Contact information _____



Save the Date!!!
St Timothy Vacation Bible School
June 10th – 14th

Everyone is welcome! Fun for all ages! Dive into the Fun of Faith!
Join our planning team – email clense@saint-timothy.org



St. Timothy Men's Group

The St. Timothy Men's Group meets on the 2nd and 4th Saturday of each month 7:30 am in Brodnick Hall. To receive the email with the meeting details, contact: Greg Egbers at gegbers@fuse.net or 859-240-6679.



The St. Timothy Knights of Columbus Are Looking for You!

Looking for a way to give back to your Parish and Community?

JOIN THE KNIGHTS TODAY!

The Knights are open to any Catholic Man over 18.

For membership information visit www.kofc-st-timothy.org or contact TJ Mueller - tjmueller17@gmail.com