

**Saint Timothy Pastoral Council
February 5, 2025
2023 Parish Office Kitchen**

MEMBERS

Fr. Rick Bolte- Present

Father Michael - Present

Pastoral Council: Mary Finke (Chair) - Present

Greg Curtin (Secretary) - Present

Vice Chair – Lee Metzger - Present

Deanery: Vacant	Education: Sarah Beegle - Present
Finance: Mike Brinker - Present	Outreach: Eileen Messer- Present
David Krenk: Present	School: Deb Geers - Present
Fun & Fellowship: Vacant	

Call to Order: 7:00PM

Open: Mary Finke

Introductions: NONE

Opening Prayer: All

Prayer Intentions: Tim Burks

Approval of Minutes: Greg Curtin / Lee Metzger

Committee Reports:

School: Deb Geers

- There has been a lot of illness at school
- We enrolled 25 additional students for next year – which bring our student count over 430
- Deb will be resigning at the end of the year along with her assistant

Diocesan Deanery: No Report

Education: Sarah Beagle

- **Youth Group – Meets Sundays after 12:30 Mass till 2:34ish**
Jan 12th – Play and Praise - changed to Play and help put away Christmas Décor – very popular!
- **Scout Troop 702 + 1702 – meets Monday 7pm to 8:30 pm**
Getting ready for Scout Sunday 2/9
- **CHALLENGE GIRLS** – Fridays 4:14 to 5:45 pm 1st and 3rd Fridays of the month. We met 1/17 and made fleece scarves to donate to those in need as our outreach project. We have two meetings scheduled in February - one is

formation and the other is social. We continue to have some new members join as we go through the year.

- **PSR – 376 students** - 93 for First Holy Communion – 47 for Confirmation -40 in RCI Confirmation Retreat + Presentation Mass – Saturday Jan 25th Confirmation – Tuesday February 11th 7 pm Mass
- **American Heritage Girls** –Meet the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the Month Looking forward to the Father Daughter Dance
- **Scout Pack – Full Pack meets 1 Thursday evening a month – individualPacks meet on own schedule**
Our activities for cub scouts: Had 3 new scouts join in last 2 months.
Dec - We caroled at a nursing home, started a toy closet for foster etc children, and handed out derby cars. 4 scouts earned religious emblems
2025, Derby Mar 8, Mass with Bishop Mar 16

Fun and Fellowship: Jamie Hoppius

- New plan is in place for frying fish in tent outside due to fire code restrictions
- Thunder Royale March 1st
- 22 Trees have been sold at \$5,000 each
- Donor Dinner will be held May 1st.

Finance: Mike Brinker

- The bank balance was reviewed, and it was discussed to pay off the bank loan. A motion was made by Brian Henson and seconded by Lisa Goetz, the motion was unanimously approved by all members.
- Deb Geers gave an update on the school and preschool.
All students are current on tuition besides two families that have received letters.
- Registration for the 2025-2026 school year has opened and are beginning to come in.
- Teachers' intent letters have been sent out for the 2025-2026 school year.
- Teachers raises are anticipated to be between 2.5% and 4%.
- Open house is on 1/25/25 for New Families.
- A selection committee will be created by Father Bolte to begin the search for Deb Geers replacement for the 2025-2026 school year.
- Insurance Company will be on site 1/16/25 to review an Ice Damn issue that is causing leaking in the Parish.

Outreach: Eileen Messer

- Mary Rose Mission has been well staffed
- SVDP has had more request for rent lately- they received help from the giving, over \$17,000 to help with rent and utilities
- Garden planning to begin February 1st
- Angel Giving Tree helped 63 families and 197 children

- We volunteered at Welcome House, Hosea House
- Planning for the Mission Trip has begun

Worship: David Krenk

David gave a long report – see attached

Pastors Report: Fr. Bolte

- Looking for a new Business Manager to handle both the school and the church
- Several people have shown interest in both positions
- Looking for Sponsors for each classroom at the school
- Will also hire a new Assistant Principal
- Jamie will oversee all fundraising
- Pat will coordinate all the outreach programs

Old business: Still waiting on 5 year plans from several committees

New Business: None

Next Meeting: March 5th, 2025

WORSHIP COMMITTEE REPORT

- Educational Program for the Fall
 - A discussion was held about the options for an alternate educational session(s) to be held this fall. The group decided on utilizing Bishop Robert Barron's The Pivotal Players, specifically Augustine and Thomas Aquinas.
 - Maureen will check on the availability of using a classroom in the school. Proposed dates are Wednesday, 11/20/24 and Wednesday, 12/11/24 from 6:00 PM to 7:30 PM. Each video is an hour and will be followed by discussion. The entire Worship Committee will attend the last session on their regularly scheduled monthly meeting night of 12/11/24. At the conclusion of the session the committee will have a shortened meeting.
 - Once the space in the school has been reserved, Elliot will prepare an announcement for the bulletin which he will submit to Lynn on Monday, 10/28/24.
- Fr. Bolte's Letter to the Worship Committee - Christopher West - "Made for More"
 - Deacon Steve and Fr. Bolte have had further discussions, and the result is that Fr. Bolte does not want to continue with the proposed Made for More follow-up educational sessions. The program does not address homosexuality, it only addressed heterosexual relationships.
 - Fr. Bolte is challenging our committee to appeal to that underrepresented group. We need to include everyone that attends and not pretend it is not there. If you are going to have this program you must include addressing homosexual tendencies, those experiencing same sex attraction.
 - Elliot said we need to respond to Fr. Bolte's letter. There is a concern that the mindset of some parishioners is that gay people are going to hell. If a person has same sex attraction they are going to hell.
 - We should try to educate ourselves. Eden Invitation and Courage were two resources recommended by Maureen. We should all consider reviewing the Theology of the Body Crash Course (four parts) by Fr. Mike Schmitz. Fr. Bolte has said that we could create/adapt our own program. Homosexuals should always be included with compassion. We need to be prepared with resources and look at each person holistically.
- New series ideas - Strategic Plan - more small group opportunities
 - Brant Petri books - small group is already using the books
 - Study of one of the Gospels
 - Bible in a Year
 - "Matthew" in *Formed*
 - "The Search" - adults and teenagers
 - January 8 - February 19 - Pre-Lent
 - Jan. 8th - 27 people in attendance
 - Recommendation - Kevin wear a mic
 - Feedback - it was enjoyed

- Target audience - both people within the parish and those possibly interested in RCIA / community
 - 30 minutes each - forming a community / groups
 - Ongoing throughout the year - 3x a year
 - Will we need a sub-committee?
 - Spread the news to other parishes through the Christopher West small groups
 - The Sacraments by Bishop Barron - Word on Fire - 6 episodes under 30 minutes
 - Lent 2025 - March 5 start date
 - Bible and the Virgin Mary - *Formed* - 12 episodes - average 25 minutes (20-31 min.)
 - Sept 10 to Nov. 26, 2025 - Fall
 - Study of the Liturgical Year
 - Year 2026
 - Study of 3 years / differences
 - Divine Mercy Service
 - “Hallow” app - 20 chapters - youtube of priest reading book - Walter Ciszek - “He Leadeth Me”
 - Dinner with a talk - presentation of experiences - coincides with the Jubilee Year
 - Pilgrimages
 - Mission trips
 - World Youth Day experiences
- Ideas for Five Year Plan
 - Every two years
 - Plan a pilgrimage
 - Holy Land
 - Lourdes
 - Fatima
 - Vatican
 - Catechetical Institute - information can be found in the bulletin
 - 2024 - Jubilee
 - Begins during Advent
 - Dinner / Talk - pilgrimages
 - Bishop Iffert
 - January 25th - Feast of St. Timothy
 - Dinner and presentation

- Catering - Donna Wilmhoff - confirmed - similar menu as last year
- Estimated crowd - 185 adults
- Hall is reserved
- Table decorations - Becky
 - Help Becky with decorating - start time?
 - Ryan will ask when we can get in to start decorating
- Reservations - Ryan Maschmeyer
 - Posters in back of church with QR code
 - Paper copy Sign up sheet
- Caterer is booked and we are on the Bishop's schedule
- Topic
 - Request that the Bishop emphasize and celebrate St. Timothy. Possibly discuss our parish's history
 - Misc. discussion topics
 - Has the topic been decided?
- Pitch to Andrew for the children of the school to sing "Stir into Flame" as a special performance
- Childcare?
 - Ryan will reach out to Carol Lense tonight or tomorrow to see if she knows of an adult that would be able to help with child care
 - If not, we will have to let parents know that child care will not be provided
- Favors/memorabilia? Prayer cards, medals, keychains. Something with the image of St. Tim from the altar artwork? - Student work
- Reservations - QR code in bulletin - Elliot will build the bulletin announcement
- Student help
 - Middle School
 - Bishop's Stole
 - Elementary School
 - Bishop's Mitre
 - Prayer Intention Swap - Prayers Partners
- St. Timothy Prayer Cards - hand out as a favor for attending the dinner and presentation - NOT DOING THIS - using student pieces for place setting
- May 7th - May Crowning
 - Put in bulletin to share the Bishop's visit with the parish
- February 11th - Confirmation
- "Known" - potential program - Catholic Psychology
 - Here is the link to KNOWN: Embraced by the Heart of the Father:

- [KNOWN | Embraced by the Heart of the Father \(readytobeknown.com\)](http://readytobeknown.com)
- Elliot will create a timeline with the Strategic Plan information
 - Organized by objective for Parish Council
 - Put in dates to “order” / sort the information
 - We will continue to add dates as they become available
 - Elliot will email questions to the committee
 - Dates included in the plan have been added
 - Still trying to come up with ideas to target younger families - discipleship
 - Whatever is presented should be geared towards the entire family so that child care isn’t needed
 - Is Bible school our biggest program for kids? Is that it?
 - How to we bridge that gap and invest in their faith
 - “Made for More” - create small group and small group families
 - During events such as Breakfast with Santa and visits with the easter bunny - incorporate ways to learn about our faith
 - Elliot will send out a Google Sheet document
- Dale Brockman - ordained a Deacon
 - May 3rd - 10 a.m. at the Cathedral
 - Celebrate / Promote on Sunday at the 9:30 a.m. Mass
 - Help to foster Vocations
- Angelico Project
 - 1st Friday Candlelight Mass
 - Interested in putting St. Tim’s name in? - discuss with Fr. Bolte
- Items to have out for Parishioners - encourage to join / contact
 - Cards / Booklets / Pamphlets
 - Books for the Parish
 - Ex: Mathew Kelly
 - St. Timothy Prayer Card

New Business:

- Discuss next meeting - Lent
 - Ash Wednesday
 - Fall programming
 - Holy Week
 - Corpus Christi Procession
 - How do we want to process?
 - “Welcome” (CRHP) program - Sabrina - invited to February 12th meeting

- How can we communicate with people and get our information / programs out to them?
 - How to bring in new people
 - Discipleship - Sherry Weddell - “Forming Intentional Disciples”/ “Focus”
 - How to help those parishioners who are invested promote parish activities to others

How do present ourselves at P