

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/Marriage Ministry	Joe Frederick
Stewardship/Development Director	David Bach
Receptionist	Kelly Boxwell
Middle/High School Faith Formation; Youth Ministry	Rick Craig
Receptionist	Jill Hanson
Bookkeeper	Joy Heifort
Coordinator of Liturgical Music	Therese Jorgensen
Communications Director	Rhonda Miska
Director of Parish Faith Formation	Cindy Novak
Pastoral Minister	Maggie Philbrook
Coordinator for Children's Ministries	Kristen Raaen
Maintenance Director	Barry Schuetzler
Director of Liturgy and Music	Bill Steffl
Director of Administration and Finance	Cathy Sullivan

See our website for full listing of parish staff.

Office hours:

Monday - Friday	8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Sunday	8:00 a.m. - noon
Saturday	Closed

Weekend liturgy schedule

Saturday: 5:00 p.m. (with American Sign Language interpretation) **Sunday:** 8:30 and 10:30 a.m.

Saturday evening livestreaming Mass: 5:00 pm

Daily Mass: 9:00 a.m., Monday-Friday (unless there is a funeral. Daily Mass intentions are posted on the bulletin boards at all church entrances.)

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturdays at 3:00 p.m. or call the office to make an appointment.

Prayer requests: Call 763.755.5027 or 763.757.3776.

Communion for homebound: Contact the parish office.

Baptisms: Call the office for information on baptismal preparation class for parents.

Weddings: Contact the office to make arrangements and learn more about preparation for the sacrament of matrimony at least six months prior to the wedding.



December 4, 2022

Second Sunday of Advent

Welcome to St. Tim's!

Daily Scripture Readings

Readings for the week of December 4

Monday: Is 35:1-10; Ps 85:9-14; Lk 5:17-26

Tuesday: Is 40:1-11; Ps 96:1-3, 10-13; Mt 18:12-14

Wednesday: (St. Ambrose) Is 40:25-31; Ps 103:1-4, 8, 10; Mt 11:28-30

Thursday: (Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary) Gn 3:9-15, 20;

Ps 98:1-4; Eph 1:3-6, 11-12; Lk 1:26-38

Friday: (St. Juan Diego) Is 48:17-19; Ps 1:1-6; Mt 11:16-19

Saturday: Sir 48:1-4, 9-11; Ps 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19; Mt 17:9-13

Sunday: Is 35:1-6, 10; Ps 146:6-10; Jas 5:7-10; Mt 11:2-11

May they rest in peace

We prayerfully remember Arnold "Arnie" Berg and all members of our parish family who have died. May they rest in peace and may the grieving know God's consoling and compassionate presence. A list of parish deaths and funeral information can be found on our parish website.

Solemnity of the Immaculate

Conception of the

Blessed Virgin Mary

Thursday, December 8

Morning Mass: 9:00 a.m.

(please note the 9 a.m. Mass will include ASL interpretation and will be livestreamed on YouTube and Facebook)

Evening Mass: 7:00 p.m.

*"I rejoice heartily in the Lord,
in my God is the joy of my soul..."*



Parish News and Updates

Knights of Columbus breakfast with Santa

On Sunday December 11 after the 8:30 and 10:30 a.m. Masses, the Knights of Columbus will serve breakfast in the hospitality center. The menu will be egg bake, French toast, sausage, hashbrowns, fruit, and a choice of beverage. A free will offering will be collected. Santa Claus will be present at the breakfast so children of all ages can say hello and have their picture taken with him!

CCW Christmas cookie sale

The Council of Catholic Women will be selling fresh Christmas cookies in the hospitality center after all the



Masses the weekend of December 10 and 11. You are invited to help in preparing these cookies between 1-5 p.m. from Monday, December 5 through Friday, December 9 in the parish hospitality center. For more information, call CCW member Dee Kopka at 763.786.3140.

Advent reflection on Scripture and sacred art

An opportunity to reflect on Scripture and sacred art will be offered each Tuesday during Advent: December 6, 13, and 20. Choose from a morning reflection from 10:00 to 11:00 a.m. in room 128 of the parish center or an evening reflection from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m. in room 224 of the parish center. Share your insights, use your imagination during meditative prayer, and experience the peace of this season as you prepare your heart for the coming of Jesus at Christmas.

Advent opportunities for the sacrament of reconciliation

A great way to prepare for the coming of Christ is by receiving God's mercy in reconciliation. Reconciliation will be offered in the church near the Holy Family statue at the following times this Advent:

- Saturday, December 10 at 3 p.m.
- Monday, December 12 after Mass
- Saturday, December 17 at 10 a.m.
- Wednesday, December 21, after Mass
- Thursday, December 22 at 7 p.m.

If none of these times work for your schedule, contact Father Joe in the parish office to schedule a time for reconciliation.

News from the KCs

The Knights of Columbus recently collected 954 pairs of socks during their annual socks for vets drive that is held every November. The socks will be distributed to veterans across Minnesota. Thank you for your generosity.

Personal prayer resources

Advent invites us to carve out time and space for personal prayer to prepare for the coming of Christ as Christmas, even amid the busyness of the holiday season. Our parish website has a page with prayer resources and provides an introduction to several styles of prayer, including Ignatian contemplation, the rosary, the divine office, and lectio divina. If you are looking to deepen your personal prayer life but aren't sure where to start, check out this page: churchofsttimothy.com/prayer-opportunities-and-resources. For more information or resources about prayer, contact Cindy Novak, Director of Parish Faith Formation, in the parish office.

Connect with us on Facebook: www.facebook.com/StTimothyBlaine

Thanksgiving Baskets 2022

For over thirty years, the Church of St. Timothy has sought to share God's love with families in need in our local community through our holiday basket program. Thanksgiving baskets include food so that people can enjoy a special and festive meal. Christmas baskets include food, gifts purchased by parishioners, and hand-tied baskets made by our parish blanketiers.

About 50 people helped with shopping, packing, delivering, and distributing Thanksgiving baskets this year. Countless other parishioners supported the program through financial donations used to purchase food and supplies. 170 families in our local community were served. We are grateful for the opportunity to live our faith by reaching out to our neighbors with kindness.



Christmas Baskets: Volunteers Needed!

If you would like to join in our parish's community outreach efforts and assist with Christmas baskets, you are invited to volunteer. Christmas baskets with food, blankets, and gifts will be distributed in the hospitality center on Monday, December 19. Eight volunteers are needed to distribute baskets during three shifts that day: 10 a.m.—noon, noon—2 p.m., and 2-4 p.m. Volunteers are also needed to drive and deliver baskets to those who are unable to pick up their baskets. Teams work great for deliveries. If you would like to serve with either basket distribution or delivery on Monday, December 19, please call Margaret Kelly at 763.757.3065.

Are you not able to come volunteer on Monday, December 19, but still want to contribute to this outreach effort?

Financial contributions with a debit or credit card can be made to the holiday basket program by scanning the QR code below. Donations can also be made by writing out a check to "Church of St. Timothy" with "baskets" in the memo line and placed in a donation box in the church or mailed to the parish office.



*"Our life spreads
light when it is
given in service. The
secret of joy is living
to serve."*

CHURCH OF ST. TIMOTHY BLUE CHRISTMAS SERVICE

Sunday, December 11

6:00 p.m

This may not feel like "the most wonderful time of the year" for those who are grieving a loss or facing other challenges.

Blue Christmas is a liturgy where you can come as you are and prayerfully offer what is in your heart to God in community with others.

This service will include ASL interpretation and be livestreamed on Church of St. Timothy YouTube channel and Facebook page.

Contact Maggie Philbrook at
mphilbrook@churchofsttimothy.com
or 763.784.1329 with questions.

**"Comfort, comfort my
people,' says your God..."**

Isaiah 40:1

