

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.



March 12, 2023

Third Sunday of Lent



Welcome to St. Tim's!

Daily Scripture Readings

Readings for the week of March 12

Monday: 2 Kgs 5:1-15; Ps 42:2-3 and 43:3-4; Lk 4:24-30

Tuesday: Dn 3:25, 34-43; Ps 25:4-9; Mt 18:21-35

Wednesday: Dt 4:1, 5-9; Ps 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20; Mt 5:17-19

Thursday: Jer 7:23-28; Ps 95:1-2, 6-9; Lk 11:14-23

Friday: Hos 14:2-10; Ps 81:6-11, 14, 17; Mk 12:28-34

Saturday: Hos 6:1-6; Ps 51:3-4, 18-21; Lk 18:9-14

Sunday: I Sm 16:1, 6-7, 10-13; Ps 23:1-6; Eph 5:8-14; Jn 9:1-41

“Lent is the favorable season for renewing our encounter with Christ, living in his word, in the sacraments and in our neighbor...May the Holy Spirit lead us on a true journey of conversion, so that we can rediscover the gift of God’s word, be purified of the sin that blinds us, and serve Christ present in our brothers and sisters in need.”

- POPE FRANCIS



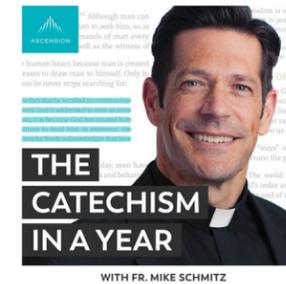
Parish News and Updates

Tuesday Faith Sharing Small Group

Parishioners are invited to join the Tuesday evening small faith sharing group that meets in the parish center (room 224) on Tuesday evenings at 7 p.m. Come as often as your schedule allows and miss as you need to. No previous faith sharing small group experience is required. Contact Cindy Novak in the parish office for more information.

Catechism in a Year Discussion Group

Have you been following along with the podcast “Catechism in a Year” by Father Mike Schmitz? Whether you’ve just started, are a few episodes behind, or are eagerly tuning in each day, this group is for you! Let’s meet together to share our insights and questions, talk about the knowledge we’re gaining, and reflect on what this is contributing to our faith journey. The group will meet in room 221 of the parish center on Monday, March 20 at 6:30 p.m. Contact Cindy Novak, Director of Parish Faith Formation, in the parish office for more information.



St. Tim’s Book Club for Adults

Start reading for our April book club meeting! We will be discussing “Mere Christianity” by C.S. Lewis. In this classic apologetic work, Lewis argues for the logical validity of Christianity, defends the religion from its critics, and looks in detail at what the life of a Christian is like. The group will meet on Zoom on April 12 at 7 p.m. Books are available to borrow at the parish office. Contact Cindy Novak for more information and the Zoom link.

Friday evenings at St. Tim’s

Join us every Friday throughout Lent for the KC fish fry dinners from 5-7 p.m. in the hospitality center. The cost is \$15 for adults, \$8 for children age 6-12, and free for children five and under. And at 7 p.m. gather with others in the church to pray the Stations of the Cross, a meditative devotion reflecting on Jesus’ sorrowful journey and God’s compassionate love.

Rosary Group

Join others to pray the rosary in our monthly prayer group. We will meet in room 221 of the parish center (note the room change this month) on Tuesday, March 14 at 7 p.m. Families, couples, singles, youth—all are welcome! If you’re new to praying the rosary, there are handouts with all the prayers and easy instructions to help orient you to this beautiful, meditative prayer practice.

RCIA/Adult Formation March 15

Parishioners are invited to attend the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA) session on Wednesday, March 15 at 7 p.m. in room 12 of the parish center. We will be discussing the Creed and the sacraments of baptism and confirmation. Come share your knowledge and faith experiences with our catechumen and candidates.

Youth at Wild Mountain

Our parish youth had a great time snowboarding and skiing on Presidents Day. [Visit churchofsttimothy.com/youth-ministry](http://www.churchofsttimothy.com/youth-ministry) to learn more about opportunities for youth to have fun, build community, be a part of something bigger, and grow in faith.



Download our parish mobile app by texting “sttimothyapp” to 77977

INITIATIVE FOR CONTEMPLATIVE DISCIPLESHIP
ANNUAL ALL-CONGREGATIONS WINTER RETREAT

Reimagining Church: Contemplation from the in-between

March 18, 2023

8:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m.

St. Catherine University
Jeanne d'Arc Auditorium



James Alison

James Alison (b. 1959) is a Catholic theologian, priest, author, and retreat director. He has studied, lived and worked in Mexico, Brazil, Bolivia, Chile, Spain and the United States as well as his native England. His books include *Knowing Jesus* (1993), *Faith Beyond Resentment: Fragments Catholic and Gay* (2001), *Undergoing God* (2006) and his introduction to the Christian Faith for adults called *Jesus the Forgiving Victim* (2013). James has been personally commissioned by Pope Francis to continue his witness for a more inclusive, outward-facing Church. When not on the road, James lives in Madrid, Spain.

When we learn to see ourselves in the differently-aged, the differently-abled, the differently-gendered, differently-bodied, differently-sexually-oriented, differently-colored, differently-tongued, differently-toned, differently-rooted in any specific country or town, we are enriched by each other.

Christianity is about the construction of a new "we" out of every people and nation and tribe and tongue. This new "we", which is coming upon us as Church, is turning us into distinct, but similar, "I's," who enrich each other with the tales we are learning to share. First person accounts of being given belonging in the midst of no-belonging, sons and daughters coming into freedom as we learn to receive our inheritance.

Three leaders from our local Lilly Grant churches will respond to James.

Please join us in person or on Zoom for a morning of: shared prayer and meals (breakfast and lunch); engagement with James and conversations among participating congregations.

Registration Link:
stkate.edu/spiritualityinpractice

For additional information contact Bill McDonough at 651-690-6072 or wcmcdonough@stkate.edu



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St. Tim's Overseas Project (STOP) Highlight Wells In Uganda (Water4)

Water4 is a Christian organization that works in sub-Saharan Africa whose mission is to eradicate the world's water crisis through local, missional businesses. Water4 works to ensure sustainability through partnering with local leaders, an approach that ensures an investment yields impacts over generations.

Uganda is an east African country, and over one-third of Ugandans live on less than \$1.25 per day. Access to water has improved, but there are still millions of Ugandans who live without access to safe water and sanitation. Contaminated water can lead to outbreaks of cholera and dysentery.



Water4 has been working in Uganda since 2010. Water4's well drillers in Uganda have completed over 40 wells so far, with a goal of 65 new wells this year. In addition to drilling wells, Water4 also provides WaSH (Water access, Sanitation, and Hygiene) training to educate and foster behavior change around health and sanitation practices.

2023 is St. Timothy's 50th year of helping to make God's love visible to people around the globe through St. Tim's Overseas Projects (STOP), an initiative of the Social Justice Outreach Committee. This year we are supporting human development projects in El Salvador, Colombia, and Uganda with our Lenten giving.



There are many easy ways to give to STOP:

- Write a check to "Church of St. Timothy" with STOP in the memo line
- If you receive giving envelopes, place your STOP donation in the designated STOP giving envelope
- Scan the QR code to make a secure online debit/credit card donation through Pushpay



Thank you for standing in solidarity with our brothers and sisters around the globe this Lent through your support of STOP!