

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](http://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

<b>Pastor</b>	Fr. Joe Whalen
<b>Deacon/Marriage Ministry</b>	Joe Frederick
<b>Stewardship/Development Director</b>	David Bach
<b>Receptionist</b>	Kelly Boxwell
<b>Middle/High School Faith Formation; Youth Ministry</b>	Rick Craig
<b>Receptionist</b>	Jill Hanson
<b>Bookkeeper</b>	Joy Heifort
<b>Coordinator of Liturgical Music</b>	Therese Jorgensen
<b>Communications Director</b>	Rhonda Miska
<b>Director of Parish Faith Formation</b>	Cindy Novak
<b>Pastoral Minister</b>	Maggie Philbrook
<b>Children’s Ministries/Safe Environment Coordinator</b>	Kristen Raaen
<b>Maintenance Director</b>	Barry Schuetzler
<b>Director of Liturgy and Music</b>	Bill Steffl
<b>Director of Administration and Finance</b>	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.



May 14, 2023  
Sixth Sunday of Easter



## Welcome to St. Tim's!

### Daily Scripture Readings

#### Readings for the week of May 14

Monday: Acts 16:11-15; Ps 149:1-6, 9; Jn 15:26-16:4

Tuesday: Acts 16:22-34; Ps 138:1-3, 7-8; Jn 16:5-11

Wednesday: Acts 17:15, 22-18:1; Ps 148:1-2, 11-14; Jn 16:12-15

Thursday: Acts 18:1-8; Ps 98:1-4; Jn 16:16-20

Friday: Acts 18:9-18; Ps 47:2-7; Jn 16:20-23

Saturday: Acts 18:23-28; Ps 47:2-3, 8-10; Jn 16:23-28

Sunday: Acts 1:1-11; Ps 42:2-3, 6-9; Eph 1:17-23; Mt 28:16-20

#### May they rest in peace

The Church of St. Timothy parish family prayerfully remembers Susan Murray and all members of the parish who have died. May they rest eternally in God's loving embrace and may all those who grieve know God's consoling presence and sense the support of our community. Visit our website for funeral information.

### Happy Mother's Day! We Celebrate the Gift of Motherhood!

*"Our journey of faith is the same as that of Mary, and so we feel that she is particularly close to us. As far as faith, the hinge of the Christian life, is concerned, the Mother of God shared our condition. She had to take the same path as ourselves, a path which is sometimes difficult and obscure. She had to advance in the 'pilgrimage of faith.' Our pilgrimage of faith has been inseparably linked to Mary ever since Jesus, dying on the Cross, gave her to us as our Mother, saying: 'Behold your Mother!' (John 19:27)"*

*-Pope Francis*



## Parish News and Updates

#### Get fit and have fun!

Strength and Balance classes will begin Tuesday, May 16 and will be held every Tuesday at 9:30 a.m. in room 224. Led by Jeanette Newman, these free classes are a great way to improve strength, balance, and range of motion in community.

#### Biweekly bulletin

Beginning May 21, the bulletin will be published every other week until August. This schedule reflects the shift in parish activities over the summer and our commitment to be good stewards of our parish finances.

#### Garden Blessing

Spring is finally here! Sunday, May 21 at 1 p.m. all are invited to join Father Joe for the blessing of our pollinator garden, flower gardens, peace garden, and food shelf garden. Bring your seeds and plants that you will be planted at home to be blessed, as well.

#### Men's Club

The Men's Club will meet on Monday, May 15 in the hospitality center at 6:30 p.m. All parish men are invited to come for refreshments and fellowship. For more information on the Men's Club, call the office and leave a message for Mike Huey.

#### New liturgical art

Thanks to the generosity of one of our parishioners who made a legacy gift, St. Timothy's has commissioned a new piece of liturgical art for our sanctuary. Judy Symalla, an iconographer in our area, is creating a crucifix icon for the front of our sanctuary. We are confident the new art will add beauty to the space where we gather for worship and invite those who look at it to reflect upon the paschal mystery: the death and resurrection of our Lord. Stay tuned to parish communications channels in the coming months to learn more.

#### Youth mission trip to Appalachia

Our parish youth are preparing to spend a week on mission from July 15-21. All youth in grades 9-12 are encouraged to consider participating in this opportunity to experience another part of the country, live out the Catholic faith, and make friends. The final deadline to register is May 31—contact Rick in the office to register. Parishioners are invited to support the mission trip financially by scanning the QR code or by writing a check to "Church of St. Timothy" with "youth mission trip in the memo line."



#### Family Promise Anoka County (FPAC): Share the Promise

St. Tim's is one of many area faith congregations that collaborates with FPAC in their mission to empower families experiencing housing insecurity. FPAC will host their annual Share the Promise breakfast on Thursday, May 18 from 7:30-8:30 a.m. to enjoy breakfast, learn more about FPAC's work, and network with other supporters and advocates. Register for a free ticket or make a donation online at [givebutter.com/ShareThePromise](https://givebutter.com/ShareThePromise)

#### Safe Environment

St. Timothy's is committed to protecting children and vulnerable adults. Our parish implements the Archdiocesan safe environment policies and best practices. All employees, as well as volunteers who interact with minors and vulnerable adults, must complete the Essential 3 (E3) requirements prior to beginning service. This includes a criminal Background Check, signing a Code of Conduct, and completing Safe Environment Training. If you have questions regarding safe environment, contact our Safe Environment Coordinator Kristen Raaen by calling the parish office or via email at [kraaen@churchofsttimothy.com](mailto:kraaen@churchofsttimothy.com).



## Stewardship Highlight: Proclaiming God's Word as a Lector at St. Timothy's

This is the third in a series of stewardship articles that features particular opportunities to serve in the ministries of the Church of St. Timothy. Service is an important pillar of stewardship along with prayer and generosity. Serving in our ministries is an enjoyable and rewarding experience, regardless of how you serve or how much time you have to dedicate to it.



The word liturgy means “the work of the people.” The liturgy isn’t just the work of the priest and deacon—the whole assembly actively participates in our common worship. Everyone contributes to the liturgy through prayer and the Eucharist.

Another way that parishioners can share their gifts and contribute to our liturgy is through serving as a lector. Lectors proclaim the weekend scriptural readings and Prayers of the Faithful during Mass. They also give the parish announcements before Mass. Through reading of the scriptures, our lectors are playing an important role in sharing God’s message with us.

Lector Ryan Kolbeck shared that, “Proclaiming the word of God fills my heart with peace.” Colleen Peppard, another lector in our parish family, added, “It is a privilege to be able to serve at St. Timothy’s. I try to keep in mind that we are the hands and feet of Christ. Hopefully, the longer I serve, the longer I can truly understand what humility truly is so as to imitate Christ.”

The church draws lectors from among our community to contribute to “the work of the people” by proclaiming the Scripture. You can sign up for a time that fits your schedule and participate as a lector for our liturgy at the Church of St. Timothy.

If you would like to learn more about what is involved in being a lector - the duties, training, scheduling – and are open to a conversation with staff, please complete the form below and place it in the basket at Mass. You can also contact Bill Steffl, Director of Liturgy and Music, at [bsteffl@churchofsttimothy.com](mailto:bsteffl@churchofsttimothy.com) or call him at the church office at 763.784.1329 to learn more about our lector ministry.

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Yes, I would like some more information about what is involved in being a lector at the Church of St. Timothy.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Preferred contact information (phone or email) \_\_\_\_\_

If “phone,” the best time to contact me is: \_\_\_\_\_

## Aid and Support After Pregnancy A S A P

Take a baby bottle home from Mass on Mother's Day weekend (May 13-14), use it to collect spare change, and bring it back to church Father's Day weekend (June 17-18)!

100% of funds collected will be given to local pregnancy centers.

*"I want to say to every woman expecting a child: you are God's awesome instrument to welcome and offer new life to the world. Every child that arrives is God's gift. Every baby, in every case, and in whatever situation is to be welcomed."*

*-Pope Francis*

