

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
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
Children's Ministries/Safe Environment Coordinator	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 - Thursday 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Friday 8:00 a.m. - noon
Saturday and Sunday 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.



August 13 and 20
Nineteenth and Twentieth
Sundays in Ordinary Time

Welcome to St. Tim's!

Daily Scripture Readings

Readings for the week of August 13

Monday: (St. Maximilian Kolbe) Dt 10:12-22; Ps 147:12-15, 19-20; Mt 17:22-27

Tuesday: (Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary) Rev 11:19 and 12:1-6, 10;
Ps 45:10-12, 16; I Cor 15:20-27; Lk 1:39-56

Wednesday: Dt 34:1-12; Ps 66:1-3, 5, 8, 16-17; Mt 18:15-20

Thursday: Jos 3:7-11, 13-17; Ps 114:1-6; Mt 18:21-19:1

Friday: Jos 24:1-13; Ps 136:1-3, 16-18, 21-22, 24; Mt 19:3-12

Saturday: Jos 24:14-29; Ps 16:1-2, 5-8, 11; Mt 19:13-15

Sunday: Is 56:1, 6-7; Ps 67:2-3, 5-6, 8; Rom 11:13-15, 29-32; Mt 15:21-18

Readings for the week of August 20

Monday: (St. Pius X) Jgs 2:11-19; Ps 106:34-37, 39-40, 43-44; Mt 19:16-22

Tuesday: (Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary) Jgs 6:11-24; Ps 85:9, 11-14;
Mt 19:23-30

Wednesday: Jgs 9:6-15; Ps 21:2-7; Mt 20:1-16

Thursday: (St. Bartholomew) Rv 21:9-14; Ps 145:10-13, 17-18; Jn 1:45-51

Friday: Ru 1:1, 3-6, 14-16, 22; Ps 146:5-10; Mt 22:34-40

Saturday: Ru 2:1-3, 8-11 and 4:13-17; Ps 128:1-5; Mt 23:1-12

Sunday: Is 22:19-23; Ps 138:1-3, 6, 8; Rom 11:33-36; Mt 16:13-20

May they rest in peace

We prayerfully remember Rosemary Ocel, John McCarron, and all members of our parish who have died. May they rest in peace; may the grieving know God's consoling presence. A list of parish deaths and funeral information can be found on our website.

St. Timothy's Staff Highlight: Chad Wright

Chad has served as our evening maintenance staff for seven years, since November 2015. He is originally from the Ham Lake/Blaine area. Chad also serves as one of the two live stream technicians who stream the Saturday 5 p.m. Mass.

Chad says of his work at the Church of St. Timothy: "This was my first proper job. As a quiet person I've been very grateful for how this opportunity helped me move forward and grow. St. Tim's has always been my family's church, and the familiarity and support of the community here definitely helped me ease into that new responsibility."

What he most enjoys about working at the parish is "feeling appreciated and included, despite spending most of the time 'behind the scenes.'"

Chad lives with his brother Cole and their cousin Josh. He describes himself as "a proud new 'cat dad' to Aja, a recently-adopted Maine Coon kitten."

When he's not working at the parish, Chad enjoys listening to music, writing and recording music—he plays several instruments— and going to music shows. He also likes going on walks and hikes. In addition, he remodeled an entire house and recently built a shed, largely on his own, despite having very minimal prior experience.

We are grateful to have Chad as part of our staff and we are thankful for his gifts!



Parish News and Updates

Mass schedule for the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

On Tuesday, August 15 we celebrate that Mary was assumed body and soul into heaven. Masses will be celebrated at 9 a.m. and 7 p.m. The 9 a.m. Mass will be livestreamed on our Facebook page and YouTube channel and will also include ASL interpretation.



Online giving update

Many parishioners have found that online giving is a convenient and secure way to support our parish mission. Online giving is easy to set up through Pushpay. You can use it to give a one-time gift, or set up a recurring gift, choosing the start date, amount and frequency that you prefer.

To set up online giving, visit our website, www.churchofsttimothy.com and select "click here for secure online giving." You'll want to have a credit or debit card handy to enter in your information. If you have questions about online giving, contact Joy Heifort in the parish office. We are grateful for your generous support!

Worship sign choir

Would you like to learn some American Sign Language and experience how to worship God with your hands and your heart? St. Timothy's worship sign choir will meet on Monday evenings from September 11 through November 17 and you are invited to join! The group gathers from 6:30-8:00 p.m. in the music room of the parish center to learn how to sign the lyrics of worship music. No previous knowledge or experience of ASL is required. There are no tests and members have lots of fun! Staff interpreter Nancy Kuehn serves as the instructor. If you have questions or would like to join the group, email sttimothychurch@churchofsttimothy.com or call the parish office at 763.784.1329.

Family faith formation

Learning about and living our Catholic faith is a family affair! Check out the new family formation page (under the "faith formation" tab) on our parish website to learn more about opportunities to engage the entire family unit, including family Bible study, service projects, and more! Contact Cindy Novak in the office with questions about family faith formation.

Church of St. Timothy Carnival News

The Carnival is less than a month away! We hope you've marked your calendar for Friday, September 8 and Saturday, September 9 and that you're inviting your friends, family, and neighbors to join in the fun. If you haven't already signed up to volunteer, you can do so after the Masses during the month of August, or via the homepage of our parish website. Raffle tickets will also be sold after the August Masses—they sell for just five dollars, and the grand prize is \$10,000! Be a part of reaching our \$75,000 ticket sale goal!

In addition to volunteering and selling raffle tickets, don't forget that bottle blast donations (bottles of flavored water, condiments, juice, wine, pop, etc) can be placed in the bins in the church. And if you've got a silent auction basket you're working on, silent auction donations can be brought to the parish office until noon on August 26. Thank you for helping to make our 2023 Carnival a success!

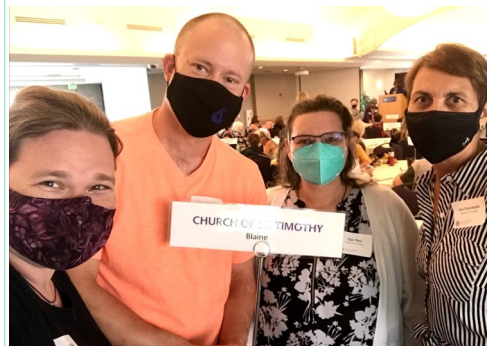


St. Catherine's University Discipleship Practices Program

Since August 2021, St. Timothy has been participating in the Discipleship Practices Program hosted by St. Catherine's University and funded through a Lilly Thriving Congregations grant. St. Tim's is participating along with several other congregations in the Twin Cities metro area. The program has provided funding for our parish to purchase our new sacred art collection, has hosted several daylong retreats, and offered formation to parishioners.



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Some of the St. Timothy members who participated in the program's opening retreat in August 2021 at St. Catherine's University

The program's purpose is to support congregations reaching out in discipleship to a hurting world in need of compassion, healing, and justice. Discipleship represents an engaged Christian life actively involved in efforts to humanize the world, representing the ways that (in the words of Pope Francis) the "Church constantly goes out from herself...in commitment to the poor" (*Evangelii Gaudium*, 2013).

During each two-year practice period of the program, two or three parishioners take graduate courses at St. Catherine's: *Church and Sacraments*, *Spirituality for Discipleship*, and *God and Christ*. During the first practice period (2021-2023), Avis Braschayko and Anita Cholewa completed the courses at St. Catherine's.

Avis created a quilted piece of art entitled *Trinity* that draws inspiration from mosaics and the art of the St. John's Illuminated Bible. The quilted piece synthesizes her insights and reflections from course readings and discussions.



Trinity, Avis Braschayko's final project for the program

Anita put her learning into practice through developing content for bulletin inserts and the website to educate and inspire parishioners to put faith into practice through caring for Earth, our common home. She also coordinated a visit by Shawn Phillips to St. Tim's to speak about indigenous understanding of creation and spirituality in September 2022. Anita reflected, "I have always been in awe of the intricacies and connectedness of God's creation." This led her to choose care for creation as her St. Kate's practicum practice.

The second practice period will begin soon and three St. Timothy parishioners will take courses: Chris Patterson, Christine Patterson, Liz Gallagher. St. Timothy staff member Rhonda Miska will assist in serving as an instructor. Please pray for them as the new practice period of the program begins. If you have questions about the program, please contact Rhonda Miska or Cindy Novak in the parish office. We are grateful for this collaboration with St. Catherine's to help strengthen our practice of Christian discipleship!

It's time to register for



Faith Formation 2023!

Faith formation is available for all youth age 3 through 12th grade (as of September 1, 2023).



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Register before the fees go up
August 15!

Mustard Seed Sunday School
Ages 3—Kindergarten

Sunday Mornings
8:30—9:30 or 10:30—11:30 a.m.



Elementary Faith Formation
Grades 1—5

Tuesday Evenings
5:15—6:30 p.m. or 7:00—8:15 p.m.

At Home with Jesus
Family Based Program



Middle & High School Youth Group
Grades 6—12

