

Saint Timothy Catholic Church

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For marriages, baptisms & special services, please call the rectory.



Fourth Sunday of Lent

March 22, 2020

Jesus said, "I came into this world for judgment,
so that those who do not see might see,
and those who do see might become blind."

John 9:39

A CORONAVIRUS COVID-19 PRAYER: POPE FRANCIS OFFERS PRAYER TO VIRGIN MARY FOR PROTECTION

O MARY, YOU SHINE CONTINUOUSLY ALONG OUR JOURNEY
AS A SIGN OF SALVATION AND HOPE.

WE ENTRUST OURSELVES TO YOU, HEALTH OF THE SICK,
WHO AT THE CROSS WERE NEAR TO THE PAIN OF JESUS,
KEEPING YOUR FAITH FIRM.

YOU, SALVATION OF THE ROMAN PEOPLE,
KNOW WHAT WE NEED, AND WE TRUST
THAT YOU WILL PROVIDE FOR THOSE NEEDS SO THAT,
AS AT CANA OF GALILEE, JOY AND CELEBRATION
MAY RETURN AFTER THIS MOMENT OF TRIAL.

HELP US, MOTHER OF DIVINE LOVE,
TO CONFORM OURSELVES TO THE WILL
OF THE FATHER AND TO DO WHAT JESUS TELLS US,
HE WHO TOOK OUR SUFFERINGS UPON HIMSELF,
AND TOOK UP OUR SORROWS TO BRING US,
THROUGH THE CROSS,
TO THE JOY OF THE RESURRECTION. AMEN.

WE SEEK REFUGE UNDER YOUR PROTECTION,
O HOLY MOTHER OF GOD.

DO NOT DESPISE OUR PLEAS — WE WHO ARE PUT TO THE TEST —
AND DELIVER US FROM EVERY DANGER,

AMEN.

3.11.20, vaticannews.va, image source: <https://twitter.com/Pontifex/>

Mass Schedule

TEMPORARY SCHEDULE UNTIL
APRIL 19, 2020, OR OTHERWISE
EXTENDED:

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Jose Gomez, in consultation with
the Auxiliary Bishops and the
Council of Priests, announced the
suspension of Masses in the
Archdiocese of Los Angeles amid
the current health threat due to
COVID-19 (novel coronavirus),
The Sunday Mass obligation has
been dispensed through April 19.

*Rectory offices are closed
through April 19, or
otherwise extended*

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday 5:00 - 5:30 p.m.

Devotions

All other liturgies and gatherings
have been suspended until further
notice.



St. Timothy School

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Lena Randle, *Principal*

Remember in Your Prayers

**ALL THOSE AFFECTED BY THE CORONAVIRUS
THROUGHOUT THE WORLD**

Pastor's Notes

Fourth Sunday of Lent

March 22, 2020

The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want.— Psalm 23:1 8

The Archbishop of Los Angeles, Jose Gomez, in consultation with the Auxiliary Bishops and the Council of Priests, announced the suspension of Masses in the Archdiocese of Los Angeles amid the current health threat due to COVID-19 (novel coronavirus), effective March 17, now extended through April 19, in accordance with California State and Los Angeles County orders. (The 3/16 statement from the Archdiocese is in the bulletin.) In times of crises like these, we come together to keep things going. Please remember that although there are not public Masses allowed through April 19, in accordance with State and County orders, we are still available virtually or on line or the phone. Furthermore, our church is open daily for you to come and pray, always keeping "social distance" and no more than ten people in the church at a time. We still have our regularly scheduled Confessions, Saturdays from 5:00 to 5:30 p.m. We may change or increase that, if people would like more confession times. Although our staff to a certain extent is working remotely, they are still working, and we want to keep them working, for you, and so that they can continue to be paid. So please remember that during this time

I encourage you to take time during the Lord's day to attend virtual Mass, and/or read the Gospels, pray with your families, and participate in spiritual communion. Further information regarding virtual Sunday Mass and participating in spiritual communion is in the bulletin.

We keep the health and safety of our St. Timothy community foremost in our minds. We continue to pray for those who are sick, for health care workers, and those who work in support services that we depend on, and for a fast-moving resolution of the current crisis. Though unsettling, this crisis has the potential to unify us in our desire to be of service to others, through many ways, first and foremost by abiding by public health directives.

The Fourth Sunday of Lent is Laetare Sunday. Laetare means "rejoice." The Church expresses hope and joy in the middle of our Lenten practices. We are at the midpoint of our Lenten journey of conversion. God never gives up on us. The most powerful stories of conversion are proclaimed during these final weeks of Lent as we await Christ, who brings light to the world.

- ★ The Sunday Mass obligation has been dispensed through April 19, 2020 in the Archdiocese of Los Angeles. Masses have been suspended. The statement from the Archdiocese on the following page includes information about live-streamed daily and Sunday Masses. Further information about live-streamed Mass is at lacatholics.org/emergency/ and in the bulletin.
- ★ Confessions will be available on Saturdays from 5:00 - 5:30 PM. They will be held confidentially, but in the open for social distancing. All other liturgies and gatherings have been suspended until further notice. Rectory offices are closed through April 19, unless otherwise extended.
- ★ Online giving to St. Timothy's is safe, simple, and convenient. Please see the bulletin for details, and go to sttimothy.org and click on "Give to St. Timothy online."
- ★ Prayer cards with Pope Francis' prayer for protection from the Coronavirus is on the bulletin cover and has been emailed parish-wide. Daily prayer resources are in the bulletin also.
- ★ For the Catholic Relief Services Collection that was to be held this weekend, please go to uscbb.org/crs to learn how you can give online. See the bulletin for further information.
- ★ Together in Mission, the Archdiocesan annual appeal, continues. Thank you to all who have participated. Information is in the bulletin and at ourmissionla.org

Fr. Paul E. Vigil

POPE FRANCIS ON FACING CHALLENGES OF THE CORONAVIRUS PANDEMIC

(3.18.20, vaticannews.va) "I asked the Lord to stop the epidemic: 'Lord, stop it with your hand.' That is what I prayed for." Pope Francis revealed the content of his prayer in an interview with "La Repubblica" newspaper. Pope Francis made this prayer when he visited the Roman churches of Saints Mary Major and Marcello on the Via del Corso last Sunday.

Pope Francis offers advice about how to face the daily challenges posed by the COVID-19 pandemic: "We need to rediscover the concreteness of small things, the small acts of kindness shown to those who are close to us, family, friends. We need to realize that our treasure lies in small things. There are tiny gestures that sometimes get lost in the routine of everyday life, gestures of tenderness, affection, compassion, that are nevertheless decisive, important," he says. The Pope gives the examples of sharing "a hot plate of food, a caress, a hug, a phone call... These are familiar, attentive gestures regarding everyday details that make life meaningful, and create communion and communication amongst us" (vaticannews.va).

We are digitally sending the bulletin to registered parishioners for the first time.



Now more than ever, we

encourage you to give online to St. Timothy's. Thank you to those who use online giving for your support of our parish. It is safe, simple, and convenient. It benefits our parish by helping to streamline our administrative process and providing more accurate budgeting. To give online, please go to sttimothy.org

Last Week's Collection Totals:

5:30 p.m.	\$509.00
7:30 a.m.	\$273.00
9:00 a.m.	\$971.00
10:30 a.m.	\$1,081.00
12:00 p.m.	\$339.00
TOTAL	\$3,173.00

Thank you for your donation!

March Special Collection please go to uscbb.org/crs to learn how you can give online.

3/22: Catholic Relief Services



Mass Intentions

Sunday, March 22nd:

10:30am Parishioners of STC

Monday, March 23rd:

8:00am Mr. & Mrs. Vicente Avilasakul (D)

Tuesday, March 24th:

8:00am Jim Bambrick (D)

Wednesday, March 25th:

8:00am Veronica Johnston (D)

Thursday, March 26th:

8:00am Ann Pearl Hudson (D)

Friday, March 27th:

8:00am Carmen Martin (I)

Saturday, March 28th:

8:00am Cecilia Kamifuji (I)

5:30pm Paul Manais (I)

(I) - Intention; (D) - Deceased



Archdiocese of Los Angeles

ARCHDIOCESE ANNOUNCES SUSPENSION OF MASSES AMID COVID-19 PANDEMIC

March 16, 2020

The Archdiocese of Los Angeles announced this afternoon the suspension of Masses amid the current health threat due to COVID-19 (novel coronavirus).

"I deeply regret that we are forced to temporarily suspend public celebration of the Mass in the Archdiocese of Los Angeles," said Archbishop José H. Gomez in a statement to the faithful of the Archdiocese. "What we do in the Church, we do out of love for God and love for our brothers and sisters. We are taking this extraordinary step today out of love and concern for those in our families and communities who are most vulnerable to this deadly coronavirus."

Archbishop Gomez stressed that the decision was "not made lightly," and that it was made after "much prayer and reflection" and in consultation with the Archdiocese's auxiliary bishops, Council of Priests, lay advisors, and government and public health officials.

"I ask your continued prayers for all those who are afflicted with this virus and those who are afraid and vulnerable. I also ask you to pray and reach out to help the many families who are facing difficulties as a result of this emergency. We also need to keep in our prayers all the doctors, nurses, caregivers, and public health and civil authorities working to contain the outbreak of this virus and treat those who are sick," stated the Archbishop.

Catholic are encouraged to continue to pray at home with their families and join to the sacrifice of the Mass by making an act of spiritual communion. They are also encouraged to participate in the Holy Mass via the Internet. The Archdiocese will provide a live-stream of non-public Masses celebrated by the priests from the Cathedral of Our Lady of Angels daily and on Sunday via Facebook, @lacatholics (facebook.com/lacatholics/) or visit lacatholics.org/emergency/. The daily Mass (M-F) in English at 12:10 p.m. and the Sunday Masses in English at 10 a.m. and in Spanish at 12:30 p.m. will be live-streamed.

ONLINE GIVING *with* WESHARE

When you choose to give to **St. Timothy's**, you make a difference not only within the parish, but throughout our local community, by supporting ministries that so many people depend on. To make things easy, our online giving site allows you to set up a recurring weekly or monthly donation to our parish and easily give to various parish-wide collections throughout the year. You're also able to view complete, accurate financial records at any time.

Whichever way you decide to support our parish—envelopes, cash, checks, online giving—please know that we gratefully accept your gifts in all forms. We thank you for your commitment.

[Donate Today](#)

If you have any questions about our online giving program or about setting up your account, please don't hesitate to call the rectory at 310-474-1216. We're here to help!

Sincerely,

St. Timothy Parish Staff

- Confessions will be available on Saturdays from 5:00-5:30 PM. They will be held confidentially, but in the open for social distancing.
- As directed by the Archdiocese of Los Angeles ongoing updates, all other liturgies and gatherings have also been suspended until further notice.



ST. TIMOTHY SCHOOL

ST. TIMOTHY SCHOOL CLOSURE

In communication with the California Dept. of Public Health, the Los Angeles Archdiocese has directed all Catholic schools to close beginning Monday, March 16, 2020 through Tuesday, March 31, 2020. Please know we hold everyone in our thoughts and prayers, especially the sick, the less fortunate and those that are significantly impacted finan-

ST. TIMOTHY SCHOOL ADMISSIONS

If you or someone you know is looking for a school serving grades PK-8, let them know about St. Timothy School. Applications for the 2020/21 school year are available now.

ANNUAL FUND DRIVE (JANUARY - MAY)

The St. Timothy School Annual Fund Campaign has now begun. Annual Fund is essential to the overall running of the school. The funds raised enable us to provide the well-rounded curriculum, including six specials (Performing Arts, Fine Arts, Library, Spanish, PE and Technology), at our catholic school, and to focus on developing as enriching an environment as possible for our students and to support the future generation of our parish community. To contribute to this fundraiser, you can donate online at sttimothy.org/give/annual-fund or use one of the pledge cards found at the back of the Church. All donations are tax-deductible.

For fundraising questions or any assistance with contacting foundations, please contact Mary Bunster at 310-474-1811.

YOUR DONATIONS TO OUR PARISH COMMUNITY ARE STILL NEEDED!

IT'S SAFE. IT'S SIMPLE. IT'S CONVENIENT.

Support your church today using
your debit, credit cards, checking, or
savings accounts.

- 1 Visit sttimothy.org & click Give St. Timothy Online
- 2 Select the collection or event of your choice.
- 3 Set up your donation or payment. That's it!



go to
sttimothy.org
Click on
Give St. Timothy Online
to begin

DAILY PRAYER RESOURCES

USCCB: usccb.org/bible/readings & usccb.org/bible/reflections/index.cfm

Give Us This Day: giveusthisday.org/Digital

Magnificat: <https://us.magnificat.net/free>

Living with Christ: livingwithchrist.us/#covid

THIS WEEK AT ST. TIMOTHY'S

SUNDAY, MARCH 22: Fourth Sunday of Lent

MONDAY, MARCH 23: St. Turibius of Mogrovejo

TUESDAY, MARCH 24: St. Oscar Romero; World Day for Truth Concerning Human

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 25: The Annunciation of the Lord

THURSDAY, MARCH 26:

FRIDAY, MARCH 27: Abstinence

SATURDAY, MARCH 28:

Confession Church 5:00-5:30 PM
(held confidentially, but in the open for social distancing)



SAINT OSCAR ROMERO

1917-1980

FEAST DAY – MARCH 24

His response to government violence against the poor in El Salvador led to death threats, though he continued to speak out. On March 24, 1980,

Archbishop Romero was martyred while celebrating the Eucharist. Saint Oscar Romero was canonized in 2018 by Pope Francis.

MARCH 25



The Annunciation is a Solemnity of the Lord, a reminder of the Incarnation; it is also a reminder to give thanks to Mary.

Mary said, "Behold, I am the handmaid of the Lord. May it be done to me according to your word." Then the angel departed from her. - Luke 1:38

**HELP JESUS
IN DISGUISE**

Support the Catholic Relief Services Collection



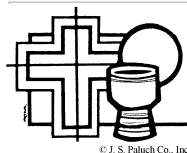
For the **Catholic Relief Services Collection** that was to be held this weekend, please go to usccb.org/crs to learn how you can give online, to help provide food to the hungry, support to displaced refugees, and Christ's love and respect to all

people at home and abroad. Please give generously to CRSC and help Jesus in disguise. Learn more: usccb.org/crs



RCIA (Rites of Christian Initiation for Adults) AND ADULT CONFIRMATION

Are you interested in becoming Catholic? Have you received all your Sacraments? Are you inspired by our exquisite liturgies, inspiring homilies, welcoming community and beautiful church? Or do you know someone who is interested in becoming Catholic or needs to be Confirmed? Our sessions answer questions about the Church and its teachings. It is a journey which fosters growth in our spiritual life and our relationship with God. All are welcome! Please contact Deborah Chan at 310-871-9022 or deborahcp@gmail.com for more information.



SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

Spiritual Communion is an ardent desire to receive Jesus in the Most Holy Sacrament and lovingly embrace him at a time or in circumstances when one cannot receive Him in sacramental Communion. Spiritual Communion is a source of grace. Acts of Spiritual Communion increase our desire to receive sacramental Communion and help us avoid the sins that would make us unable to receive Holy Communion worthily.

Spiritual Communion Prayer

My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.

I love you above all things and I desire to receive you in my soul.

Since I cannot at this moment receive you sacramentally,

Come at least spiritually into my heart.

I embrace you as if you were already there

And unite myself wholly to you.

Never permit me to be separated from you.

Amen.

usccb.org and archny.org

"In this time of pandemic, where we find ourselves to live more or less isolated, we are invited to rediscover and deepen the value of communion which unites all members of the Church. United with Christ we are never alone, but we form a single Body, of which He is the Head."

- Pope Francis at Angelus, Sunday, 3/15, before an empty St. Peter's Square

ONLINE MASS, IN ADDITION TO FACEBOOK.COM/LACATHOLICS/

Pope Francis' Masses: youtube.com/channel/UCxIsefYl9g9A5SGWA4FvGIA/

Catholic TV Mass: watchthemass.com/

EWTN Daily Mass: ewtn.com/tv/schedule

National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception: nationalshrine.org/mass/

Catholic Faith Network Masses: catholicfaithnetwork.org/

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading: As the prophet Samuel anointed David with oil, the spirit of the LORD rushed upon David (1 Samuel 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a).

Psalm — The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want (Psalm 23).

Second Reading — You who were once darkness are now light in the Lord (Ephesians 5:8-14)

Gospel — The man who had been blind from birth proclaimed: The one called Jesus made clay with his saliva, anointed my eyes with it, and told me to wash (John 9:1-41 [1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38]).



Religious Education

C.C.D.: In keeping with the directive from the Archdiocese of Los Angeles, CCD classes are cancelled until April 19, or otherwise extended.

TEENAGE CONFIRMATION: Sunday, April 26, 10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m., last class

As of this writing, we are not impacted by the closure of CCD and Catholic schools as directed by the Archdiocese of Los Angeles.

However, we strongly urge all families to continue helping your children to learn about God by following these guidelines.

1. Remember to say your prayers in the morning and at night.
Jesus our Lord is always with us in good times and bad. He will never abandon us. Let us all continue to trust in His mercy, love, and compassion.
2. For the First Holy Communion 2 children, continue saying the prayers you learned like the Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory Be, and the Act of Contrition.
3. Please read a few pages in your book whenever you have a chance.

For more information, please contact Dr. Lina Makabali at stcreled@gmail.com or 310-474-1102.



STYM - ST. TIMOTHY YOUTH MINISTRY

All students 8th-12th grade are welcome to join our YOUth Ministry. For more information, please contact Manette at stcmanetterf@gmail.com or 310-470-6276.

Saturday, March 21
St. Francis Center
CANCELED

Sunday, April 26
After Masses
Get on the Bus
Drive/Parish Hall

Sun., April 26,
9:00 a.m.
STYM Mass; 1st 3
rows, Mary's side



All parents and godparents are required to take a preparation class prior to celebrating the Sacrament of Baptism for their child/godchild. Classes take place in the rectory. To confirm class date, time and registration, please contact Deborah Chan at 310-871-9022 or deborahtp@gmail.com



TOGETHER IN MISSION

This year our Together in Mission goal is \$29,030. Every gift, regardless of the size,

matters. It is important that we give what we can and answer this calling of our faith.

There are three ways to donate:

- use Together in Mission envelopes which are in pews
- go to ourmissionla.org - be sure to enter parish: "St. Timothy"
- use the direct mailer you received if you contributed last year

God bless you for your generous response and support. More information is at ourmissionla.org

