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Reverend Joseph M. Visperas, *Pastor*

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Welcome to
St. Timothy's



TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME — SEPTEMBER 5, 2021

Pastor's Installation Message

I am blessed to be assigned as Pastor at St. Timothy Church.

Many view the installation of a Pastor with excitement and anticipation for more good things to come, as they focus their attention on me as the new Pastor. However, I view the installation as a celebration in gratitude to the Lord for His continued presence and blessings on St. Timothy Church and for bringing us together as a community of faith. Our celebration is not just about me being installed as a Pastor, but about God's presence in us as a community and about us coming together to praise and thank Him.

As a Pastor, I'm aware that I'm vested with authority, duties, and responsibilities, especially in carrying out the task and mission as a shepherd of St. Timothy Church who listens, consults and guides all those entrusted to my care. I'm not here to compel people to my wishes, but to inspire and guide you like a shepherd, so that we, as a flock, as a community of faith, will be able to glorify the Lord with our lives and actions.

I'm fully aware that there is a great task and big responsibilities on my shoulders. As a Pastor, my responsibility is not just celebrating the Mass or listening to confessions or blessing the people. I have to take care of the whole Church, the school, the maintenance of the facilities, the finances, the budget, the personnel, the faith and spirituality of the community, and I have to deal with all kinds of challenges facing the parish. I am not a god nor an angel, but completely a human being with flaws, weaknesses and limitations. I do not have all the answers to the needs and questions of the people. That is why I need your support and understanding and especially more of your prayers.

The growth and development of our parish do not solely depend on me as your Pastor, but also on the support, cooperation and collaboration of all. It is my belief that everyone has something to share and has the ability or capacity to contribute something for the good and the growth of our faith community. It is a task not just for one, but a task and a responsibility for all of us in pursuing our vision and fulfilling our mission. Everyone at St. Timothy's is important, valuable, welcomed, and loved.

May God bless us and St. Timothy Church!

Fr. Joseph Visperas

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil: 4:30 p.m.

Sunday: 8:00 a.m.
9:30 a.m.
11:00 a.m.

Monday-Friday:
8:00 a.m.

RECTORY OFFICES

Monday-Friday:
8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Saturday:
9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Sunday:
9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday 3:30-4:15 p.m.

First Friday:
after 8:00a.m. Mass

Or by appointment



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Lena Randle, *Principal*



WHY THE TV MONITOR IN THE CHURCH

Certain new things or changes could stir up different reactions from different people. As a Pastor, I am always looking on the positive side for how to promote the active participation of the people when it comes to celebrating the Mass, for which I am very passionate. I just want to make some clarifications on the use of the TV monitor in the Church, in the hope that everyone will understand why it is temporarily placed there.

- First of all, it's not a permanent structure because I do not want to destroy the beautiful architecture of our Church. It is mounted on a rolling stand that we can put out or remove anytime.
- The use of the monitor was discussed in our staff meeting and I did not simply put it out on my own decision. I always consult and I always listen to advice and suggestions.
- The use of the monitor is not only keeping with our technological era or imitating the practices of other Churches, but the monitor will help as our worship aid, with the purpose of increasing the participation of the people in the responses, especially during this time when we do not distribute missalettes, song books or worship aids.
- I notice that people do not respond or join in some prayers, it's probably because they do not memorize the prayers, like the Creed. I also notice that some are using their cell phones during Mass to follow the Mass responses (hopefully not other things).
- There is also a suggestion from the people to include on the monitor songs and readings during the Mass.
- Our school Principal would like to use the monitor for our school children to enhance their participation in the responses during their school Mass. They do not have to print the Order of the Mass constantly for the use of the children.
- I have weighed the pros and cons of this before making my decision, and as I have said, it is not a fixed structure and it helps in promoting participation in the responses, especially during this Covid time when we do not have the books.

Thank you for understanding. Let us lift up our hearts and raise our voices to worship our Lord. God bless us all!

Upcoming Events

★ **Pastor's Installation, Sunday, September 5, 2021, at 4:30 p.m., Bishop Edward Clark, Presider.** Join us as we celebrate the Installation of Fr. Joseph M. Visperas as Pastor of St. Timothy Parish. The Mass will be livestreamed also. All are welcome and encouraged to attend the Mass. Only RSVP for the Reception. Learn more about Fr. Joseph at sttimothyla.org/our-pastor.



Monday, September 6, is Labor Day. According to our custom, the daily Mass on holidays will be at 9:00 a.m. Rectory offices will be closed in observance. In the Catholic tradition, work is more than a way to make a living; it is a form of continued participation in God's creative action. We pray for the men and women whose jobs have been impacted by the Coronavirus pandemic. Have a safe and blessed Labor Day.

★ **Next Sunday, September 12, is Catechetical Sunday.** The theme this year is **Say the Word and my Soul Shall be Healed.** For more information, please go to <https://www.usccb.org/committees/evangelization>.



Welcome to the Family of Faith

We would like to welcome to our Parish Family:

Gabriel Levi Freeman-Duenas
child of Rickie Freeman & Diana Duenas Sandoval
who celebrated the sacrament of baptism on
August 28, 2021



Matrimony

Please include in your prayers as
they prepare for the
sacrament of matrimony:

Christine Lising & Werner Ritual, September 10, 2021



PRAYER REQUESTS

*Please pray for those listed in our
Parish Book of Prayer and those who are seriously
ill and their special intentions.*

Bertha Castanedo•Fanny Prado•Stella Maria Estrada•
Joshua Laird•Jeanne Miceli•David Montgomery•Perla Telmo•Mark
G. Tena-Meza family•Dr. Ron Gowey•Ricardo Navarro•Agnes
Liboon•Lupita Barelás•John Sassaman•RoseAnn Kiechkes•
Ramento Family•Macario Siga An•Beth Ann Tretter•Patricia
Connolly•Herman M. Therese Van Hoof•Christopher Lee•Mier
family•Yamas family•Garibay family•Jasper•David C. Judy•
Aidan•Elisabeth O. Piero•O.M. Mark F. Tomas, Modesta,
Felomina B. Felicidad S. Myrna Tecson•Myrna Galban•Skertich
family•Mario Rayla Jr. John D. Sotero B. Felicia B. Gavino &
Isabel Pepito•Elerma Tanig•Gabriel Zarate•Roy•RoseAnn
Loechles•Hudson family•Emilio M. Paulino G. Danny Macias•
Dizon family•Eduardo & Beatrice C. Felmley family•Thomas
Francis•Mario & Maria Fala•Madeline Haren•Frank, Mary &
William Bistorti•Angelo & Rose Giustini•Allan, Kate & Al Folino
Walter Kohls•Gerald Eddy•Frank & Jim Broccolo•Ernie Julie &
Family•Gary Beth & Family•Babes Allen•Albert Dimps•Rene
Arambulo•Bianca•Noel Vangie Family•Tom Cat Justin•Ariel
Mayleane Family•Pedro Winnie Family•Jose Camorista•Chino
Augilar•Holly Fujie•Arambulo Family•Asuncion Family•Marcial
Basilan•Chris & Greg Lapidus•Protacio De Leon•Jose Valladolid
Family•Magdalena Miranda•Angelita Fagyan•Israel De Leon•David
Carreres•



TODAY'S READINGS



First Reading — Say to those whose hearts are frightened: Be strong, fear not!
Here is your God (Isaiah 35:4-7a).

Psalm — Praise the Lord, my soul! (Psalm 146).

Second Reading — Show no partiality as you adhere to the faith in our glorious
Lord Jesus Christ (James 2:1-5).

Gospel — Jesus makes the deaf hear and the mute speak (Mark 7:31-37).

† MASS INTENTIONS †

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 4

4:30 PM: All Parishioners

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 5

8:00 AM: All Parishioners

9:30 AM: All Parishioners

11:00 AM: Julia De Guzman †

4:30 PM: Rev. Joseph Visperas

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 6

8:00 AM: Roger Haguian †

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 7

8:00 AM: All Parishioners

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 8

8:00 AM: Adriano Sumague †

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 9

8:00 AM: Cesar Sumague †

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 10

8:00 AM: All Parishioners

To offer mass intentions, please visit our parish office or call the rectory at (310)474-1216.

ST. TIMOTHY CHURCH DIRECTIVES FOR MASS

The Archbishop of the Archdiocese of Los Angeles, Most Reverend Jose Gomez, announced the following:

Effective June 19, 2021: The dispensation from the obligation to attend Sunday Mass and Holy Days of Obligation in response to the coronavirus for the Archdiocese of Los Angeles is lifted. Those who have serious and legitimate reasons are dispensed.

Updated directives as of August 7, 2021



• In the Archdiocese of Los Angeles, face coverings must be used indoors for the safety and protection of all people regardless of vaccination status in accordance with the

mandates of the County of Los Angeles.

- Please self-attest your health and exposure level to the COVID-19 virus before attending Mass.
- Hand sanitation is available at church entrances.
- Please wash your hands, maintain good hygiene.
- Only bread will be given at Communion and only into the hand.
- Liturgical singing can take place while wearing face coverings.
- Collections can be taken.
- Entrance and recessional processions are allowed, as well as the gifts of bread and wine.
- Registration is not required to attend.
- There will be no assigned seating.
- Please be respectful of spacing: allow 3' between households.

STATEMENT ON RELIGIOUS EXEMPTION FOR VACCINATION AGAINST COVID-19



Archdiocese of Los Angeles

The Archdiocese of Los Angeles, in accordance with the Vatican and the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB), recommends that all members of the Catholic community, who are able to receive a COVID-19 vaccine, should do so.

"Receiving one of the COVID-19 vaccines ought to be understood as an act of charity toward the other members of our community. In this way, being vaccinated safely against COVID-19 should be considered an act of love of our neighbor and part of our moral responsibility for the common good." -USCCB, Moral Considerations Regarding the New COVID-19 Vaccines

Since the vaccinations for COVID-19 have been found morally acceptable to protect the lives and ensure the health of all in our communities, the Archdiocese will not provide religious exemptions to receiving a vaccine against COVID-19. Parishes are not to provide religious exemption letters regarding the COVID-19 vaccination.

The following links might be helpful in understanding the morality of receiving the vaccine: https://www.vatican.va/roman_curia/congregations/cfaith/documents/rc_con_cfaith_doc_20201221_nota-vaccini-anticovid_en.html

<https://www.usccb.org/news/2021/us-bishop-chairmen-doctrine-and-pro-life-address-use-johnson-johnson-covid-19-vaccine>

<https://www.cacatholic.org/CCC-vaccine-moral-acceptability>

Let us continue to pray for all who have died from this terrible illness, for their loved ones who are experiencing the pain of loss, and for all who continue to work diligently to care for the sick and serve all in need during these challenging times.



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COLLECTION TOTALS

Masses 8/29	\$ 4,168
eCatholic 8/23-29	\$ 1,183
Total:	\$ 5,351



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THIS WEEK AT ST. TIMOTHY'S

SUNDAY, September 5:

Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass Schedule:

8:00 AM, 9:30 AM, 11:00 AM (livestream)	Church
4:30 PM Pastor's Installation Mass (livestream)	Church
6:00 PM RSVP Reception for Pastor's Installation	Parish Hall

MONDAY, September 6:

Labor Day; Rosh Hashanah begins at sunset

9:00 AM Mass	Church
Rectory Offices closed in observance of Labor Day	

TUESDAY, September 7:

8:00 AM Mass	Church
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WEDNESDAY, September 8:

The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

8:00 AM Mass	Church
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THURSDAY, September 9:

St. Peter Claver; Saint Kieran of Clonmacnois; Day of Prayer for Peace in Our Communities

8:00 AM Mass	Church
3:00 PM Setup for Back to School Night	Parish Hall
7:00 PM Back to School Night	Parish Hall

FRIDAY, September 10:

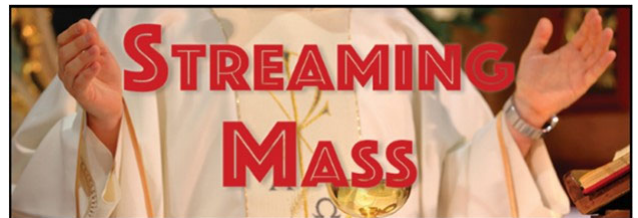
8:00 AM Mass	Church
2:30 PM Wedding	Church

SATURDAY, September 11:

Patriot Day; Blessed Virgin Mary; Jubilee Year celebrating 250 years of Catholic faith in Los Angeles begins

*Today, we remember all those who lost their lives in the 2001 attacks.
We pray for all victims of violence and terrorism around the world, and
for their families, that they may find comfort and peace.*

1:00 PM Baptism	Church
1:30 PM Baptism	Church
3:30 PM Confessions	Church
4:30 PM Vigil Mass	Church



ST. TIMOTHY'S MASS IS ONLINE

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at StTimothyLA.org

Click the video button on the right of the center of the homepage.

SUNDAYS @ 11:00 AM

PASTOR'S INSTALLATION, SUNDAY @4:30 PM

Also on St. Timothy Catholic Church Los Angeles Facebook Page



**Archbishop Gomez
will open the Holy
Door of the
Cathedral of Our**

**Lady of the Angels at the Opening Mass on
September 11th at 11 a.m.**

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In-Person Learning; New School Year

Our PK-8th grade students returned to full-time in-person learning on Wednesday, August 25th. We welcome our students, faculty and staff as they return to campus.

Annual Fund

Thank you to all who contributed to our Annual Fund Drive this school year. We have raised almost \$150,000. These funds are essential to the running of the school and the continuation of all that we provide for our students. This would not have been possible without the added support of our Parishioners. If you would still like to make a tax-deductible donation, go to www.sttimothy.org/give/annual-fund/ or by calling the school office at 310-474-1811.

To learn more about our school and to arrange a private tour, please contact Mary Bunster, Director of Admissions, at admissions@sttimothy.org.

MINISTRY NEWS & UPDATES



WANTED: VOLUNTEERS MINISTRY OF GREETERS AT MASS; SACRISTANS AT MASS: WEEKDAYS & SUNDAYS

As we welcome you back to Mass inside the church, we are forming a Ministry of Greeters, and we are also looking for volunteers to serve as sacristans at Masses. Please call the rectory for more information and to sign up, (310) 474-1216.



VOLUNTEER CATECHISTS NEEDED

If you or someone you know is interested, please call the rectory, (310) 474-1216.



rites of christian initiation for adults & adult confirmation

Registration is ongoing. Do you know anyone who needs to receive First Communion or Confirmation, or anyone who wants to learn more about the Catholic faith? For more information or to register, please go to sttimothy.org or contact the rectory Monday-Friday.



FIRST COMMUNION & TEENAGE CONFIRMATION

IN-PERSON CLASSES BEGIN SUNDAY, OCTOBER 3RD

Registration for Religious Education classes is ongoing.
Register online: [click here to complete the online form: https://www.sttimothy.org/religious-education-sacraments](https://www.sttimothy.org/religious-education-sacraments)
Register after Mass: September 12: CCD registration;
September 19: Confirmation registration

Fees, through September 25 (after September 25, fees increase by \$25):

- \$200 (1st child); \$150 (2nd child); \$100 (3rd child)
- For FHC Year 2 & Confirmation Year 2: \$300 (1st child); \$250 (2nd child); \$200 (3rd child)

Please be prepared to submit a copy of the baptism certificate on the first day of class.

For questions, please contact the rectory Monday-Friday at (310) 474-1216.

For more information, please go to sttimothy.org



Installation of Father Joseph Visperas as Pastor of St. Timothy Parish

September 5, 2021, 4:30 p.m. Mass

The St. Timothy Community rejoices as we celebrate the installation of Fr. Joseph Visperas as Pastor of St. Timothy Church! Mass will be celebrated by Our Lady of the Angels Regional Bishop, Edward Clark. Fr. Joseph will receive a special blessing and commission by Bishop Clark, and the St. Timothy Community will be entrusted to Fr. Joseph's spiritual and temporal care.

The Installation Mass will also be livestreamed.



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