

# THE COMPANION



NEWS ABOUT SAINT TIMOTHY PARISH IN UNION, KY

Jan-Feb 2019

## Lenten Eucharistic Adoration *By Fr. Rick Bolte*

It's a common question, "What are we supposed to do for an hour of Adoration?" The simple answer is that it is time for prayer, but it doesn't have to be for an hour.

But how to pray. There is no one way to pray that fits everyone but it is important that we take time to pray. Prayer is a conversation with God and it is important that we take time to talk with God. We can say we believe in God, we believe God is all loving, God cares for each person, God always listens to us, God is always merciful, etc. These are all true but they are just words if we don't have a relationship with God. These good words can be rejected because we don't experience them or they can be hollow as we repeat them but they have little real meaning to us.

Like any relationship, we need to spend time together communicating. Talking while we are doing something else is good, but not best. With our loved ones we often talk as we work at something else. But for a serious conversation, we need to be able to put down what we're doing and give the other person our undivided attention. This is a big part of why Eucharistic Adoration is so valuable. We certainly can pray anywhere. But we all know that if we are surrounded by distractions, we won't stay focused on talking with God. Adoration has the added advantage of being in church, a place we know to be special as a place to encounter God. Further with the Eucharist on display in the monstrance, we have a very real sense of God's presence.

So, if we are in church for Adoration, what do we do? The answer has to begin with how you have any conversation. You talk about what is important to you. It's important to speak to God about the things we

believe are good and want to happen. It's good to express sorrow for our failings and shortcomings. We need to praise God for the many good things we have, experience, and see in others. It's important to be thankful as we call to mind the many things that are ours that were simply gifts from our God.

Like any good relationship, we have to be honest with God about how we feel. Sometimes we are sad, disappointed, and/or angry. Even when those negative emotions are directed toward God, we must share them. Keeping them inside will just block any real communication and we're bound to get bored with just saying the "right" thing. It's OK that in our head we realize God's not at fault, we have to share what is in our hearts. That keeps the communication open so that we can come to understand what God does.

It is hard to stay focused for longer periods of time, like a whole hour. Many people will say the rosary and/or any number of beautifully written prayers. These can be very helpful when you are trying not to wander in your thoughts. It can be helpful to say prayers that you wish you could say with your whole heart even if at least for now you can't. The only danger with these beautiful prayers is if we allow them to take the place of speaking honestly from our hearts. That's the heart of our communication and relationship.

Learning to listen is often the hardest part of prayer. We can talk a lot by sharing our thoughts, feelings, hopes, etc. We can say a lot of beautiful prayers. But to hear God speak to us we also need to learn to be quiet. Perhaps the greatest form of

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prayer is to simply be able to sit quietly in God's presence. Like those special times with another person we love, sometimes it is just beyond words the joy of simply being together. These are the times God speaks most clearly to us. God speaks to the depths of our hearts. The more we can quietly be in tune with his presence and allow ourselves to be present without words, the more we can hear God speak.

We all know Lent is a time for doing penance. The goal of penance isn't to see what difficult thing we can do or give up. In that we are trying to earn the gift God already offers us. Lent is a time to become closer with God. This can be done by giving up simple things that bring to mind our desire to be closer with God. But choosing to spend some time in Eucharistic Adoration may be an even better choice. As Lent begins, consider spending some time in Christ's presence. Talk with him in a way that works for you. Seek and even dare to ask for those special moments where sitting in his presence fills your heart with joy and love!

## The Struggle is Real

By Mary Jo Rechten

In December, I was somewhat overwhelmed by all the Christmas preparations. Just like many of you, I had to deal with decorating, buying and wrapping presents, planning the Christmas Feast, etc. I also wanted to take part in the wonderful Advent worship opportunities here at St. Tim's. Truth be told, I was glad when it was over. Well, guess what? I just looked at the calendar and we are only a couple of weeks from Lent. Here we go again. I need to figure out a Lenten Penance, plan some extra good works, try to take part in Lenten activities at Church and, you guessed it, start planning for the Easter Feast. Overwhelmed again!

Truth be told, this feeling of "too much to do, too little time", happens all the time, not just during special seasons. The struggle is real. I submit that all of us could benefit from the words of the "master theologian" Theodore Roosevelt who said "Do what you can, with what you have, where you are."

Do what you can. We do not have to do everything, although sometimes we try. Make good choices about what you can do and let the rest of it go. Give yourself permission to do less.

What do you have? You have the talents God gave you. Each of us has different strengths. Find yours and use them. You do not have to be something you are not.

Where are you? You are at home, at work, at church and, if you are like me, you are at Kroger. Make the most of your environment. Make your little corner of the world better. As Mother Teresa said "Do small things with great love". If you can make one person's day better because they interacted with you, you have had a great day.

Think about this as Lent approaches and see what fits in your life. By the way, does anyone have time to help me stuff 400 plastic Easter eggs?

## Our Parish Family

### New Families

Michael & Helen Andersen  
Thomas & Darcy Bennett  
Brian & Brooke Biloski  
Neal & Sharon Brown  
Greg & Jacquelyn Carnevale  
Ashley Carrico  
Jordan & Beth Ann Cross  
Derek & Angela Deaton  
Paul & Rebecca Eberle  
Shawn & Kelly Egan  
Andrew & Kathy Fladung  
Chad & Emmaleen Gibson  
Kelly & Emily Greenwell  
Andrew & Carly Johnson  
Jason & Jackie Kennedy  
Paul & Patricia Kroger  
Christopher & Alina Nosal

### New Families

Holly Anne Pleiman  
Keith Rauen  
George & Ashley Rehkamp  
Trevor & Katherine Rosenbaum  
Christopher & Betheny Rowland  
Teresa Schmidt  
Christopher & Elena Vogel  
David & Amie Warner  
Anthony & Shannon Wisher  
Bruce & Melissa Zimmer

### Baptisms

Jaxson Auton  
Eleanor Ruth Averdick  
Hannah Marie Carrico  
Andi Elyse Collins  
Lawson Michael Fryer  
Jaxton Lux  
Ella Marie Reimer  
Luke Alexander Terlau  
Eliza Jane Towner

### Deceased

Anna Beth Collett	David William Boh
Milissa Flick	Terry Sanders
Richard Goodwin	Charles Schneider
Robert Hendershot	Betty Schneider
Norbert Kahmann	Maristel Ohm Schulte

# Be Bold, Be Catholic

By Deacon Dave Profitt

It's awfully easy as Catholic today to feel discouraged with what is going on in the world and with the Church. We're under withering attack and it seems there's no end in sight. Now is not the time to back away from the attacks of the devil but instead to trust in the Lord. He's promised he would never abandon us and he's true to his word.

One of my favorite Gospel passages is the 16<sup>th</sup> chapter in the Gospel of Matthew and that familiar exchange between Jesus and his disciples. He asked them "Who do people say I am?" and they answer with Jeremiah, John the Baptist and Elijah. It was an easy answer since they were just repeating what they had heard from others. But then Jesus, as he so often does, turns the question back on them and asks, "But who do you say I am?" Peter's answer acknowledges Jesus as the Messiah, the Son of the Living God at which Jesus identifies Peter as the rock on which he would build his Church.

That question of "Who do you say I am?" is the one that should hit all of us. At the core of our Catholic identity is the answer to that question. If we are proclaiming who he is as Peter did, then our life is owed entirely to Jesus. All of what we can become and will ever be is because of the gifts given to us and the grace and mercy of the living God. That means that God must be first in our life and if we put him first, we don't have anything to worry about.

Here at the parish, we have more than 30 people in the process of coming into the Church. Despite the negativity around the Catholic Church, people are still coming, and they will keep coming. We have truth, beauty and goodness on our side and there are many people today who are looking for that very thing. We have within us the innate need to know the Creator and it is through our Catholic faith that will

happen. I am so impressed by the enthusiasm and the questions that we get at each class. Our approach is to follow Jesus first and then the teachings of the Church are organic to that desire. We're not shy about it, he is the Christ, the Son of the Living God and we are proud to profess it.

In my experience at St. Anne Retreat Center, I see people coming back to the faith who have been away for a long time. I see people energized and renewed in their commitment to what the Church teaches. Our Catholic Café on Monday mornings with Father Cleves has grown from a handful of people to 25 or more who show up each week. People are hungry for the truth and Good News of the Gospel. Our women's retreat in February sold out and we see more and more people coming on retreat. They need it and they want to have their Catholic faith be an integral part of their life.

Don't let the devil win, be Catholic and be true to your faith. Walk with the Lord in these trying times and he'll walk with you. Trust that God is in control of things and not the world and especially not social media. It's a poison environment and we need to keep tighter reigns on what we expose ourselves to as well as our children. To stand for the dignity of all human life is not popular today. That's a shame because that's what the Gospels teach us, that every human life matters from natural conception to natural death. Life matters and character counts, the character that comes from being a follower of Jesus Christ and Holy Catholic Church. Be bold, be Catholic and be assured that Lord will be with you.

*If you are interested in becoming Catholic or just want to "refresh" your knowledge of your faith, join us for the next session of RCIA classes which will begin Sunday, Sept. 29 in the Parish Center 9:30-11:00 am. For more information contact Deacon Dave Profitt at [DeaconDaveP@gmail.com](mailto:DeaconDaveP@gmail.com).*



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## Stewardship of Treasure

### DECEMBER 2018

<b>COLLECTIONS:</b>	<b>\$143,883.71</b>
<b>5% TITHE:</b>	<b>\$7,194.19</b>
<b>City Heights</b>	<b>\$500.00</b>
<b>St. Vincent de Paul</b>	<b>\$500.00</b>
<b>Diocesan Collection -</b>	
<b>Retired Religious</b>	<b>\$6,194.19</b>

### JANUARY 2019

<b>COLLECTIONS:</b>	<b>\$93,304.60</b>
<b>5% TITHE:</b>	<b>\$4,665.23</b>
<b>City Heights</b>	<b>\$500.00</b>
<b>St. Vincent de Paul</b>	<b>\$500.00</b>
<b>Diocesan Collection -</b>	
<b>Opport. for Life</b>	<b>\$3,665.23</b>



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## VOLUNTEERS

*Be sure to keep  
up-to-date  
on your  
VIRTUS Bulletins.*

## Jesus Retreat for First Communion

*By Carol Lense, Director of Religious Education*

The First Communion Jesus Retreat will be held on Sunday, March 3rd from 1:00-4:00pm in Brodnick Hall. This is a special day set aside for the First Communicant and a parent/guardian to spend together to further the preparation for receiving the Eucharist for the first time. Several activities are planned including watching the Making of the Host video by the Passionist Nuns, First Communion crosses and a special session with Father Ross.

This is a required event for all St. Timothy First Communion children, those who attend PSR as well as our Catholic Home School, Catholic School and our RCIC students. Also, please remember that at least one parent/guardian is required to attend. Light refreshments will be served throughout the day.

This event is also a great service opportunity for any student needing service hours to fulfill activity and academic requirements. We will be setting up by 11 am, and clean up should be complete by 4:30 pm. Come on by and lend a hand for whatever time frame works. Thanks.

## PSR Leads the Stations of the Cross April 5

*By Carol Lense, Director of Religious Education*



Every Friday during Lent the Stations of the Cross is prayed after the Fish Fry, starting at 7:30 pm. On Friday, April 5 the Stations will be led by PSR students. We would love to see a big turn out to support the students who volunteer to lead us in the Stations. We have lots of opportunities for students to read a part, and welcome any student who is interested to join. Please contact Carol Lense with questions. [clense@saint-timothy.org](mailto:clense@saint-timothy.org) 859-384-1100 x 1509.

## PSR Registration Is Right Around The Corner

Registration for 2019-2020 PSR classes for continuing education and Sacrament Prep will begin on Sunday, March 24. Plans are well underway for another successful year. Please register early so we can be sure to reserve rooms accordingly. Thanks.

Registration forms will be sent home through PSR classes, available on the St. Timothy web site, the Facebook page, and mailed to all incoming first grade, seventh grade, and Catholic school or Home School students that will be in second and eighth grades.

### Sacrament Preparation Programs:

#### **First Reconciliation & Communion**

- \* Students in public schools preparing for the Sacraments of First Reconciliation and First Communion must have a year of religious education prior to the year the sacraments are received. So, students must attend in 1st grade to receive the Sacraments in second grade.
- \* Catholic school and Catholic Home School students must register in the PSR program for their second grade year so they can attend the retreats and sacrament celebrations.

## Confirmation

- \* Students in public schools must attend PSR through the year of seventh grade, and complete the required service hours and participate in Mass activities. Confirmation happens in the eighth grade year, in January. Students must attend PSR up to the confirmation date, completing service hours, and a Saint report and attending the required events; Agency Service Day, Rosary Prayer, Sponsor Night, Christmas Giving Fair, Confirmation Retreat, and rehearsal.
- \* Catholic school and Catholic Home School students must register in the PSR program for the Confirmation year. They will attend classes at St. Timothy and complete service hours, a Saint report and attend the required events listed above.

## Continuing Education Classes - 3<sup>rd</sup> through 6<sup>th</sup> grade

- \* Between the Sacrament years our religious program strengthens our students' faith knowledge focusing on the Mass, Ten Commandments, Sacraments and the Covenants. These are great years to include your children in so they are ready in their 7th grade year to begin an in-depth look at Jesus's life, and prepare to confirm their faith.

**There is a place for everyone who is interested in being a part of the Catholic Education of our Youth.**

**Join our team and help shape the future.**

**Catechist** - Responsible for instruction and conducting classes throughout the school year. Lesson plans, including activities are provided to create a framework and guide for teaching. Training and planning sessions are offered periodically to build skills and ability. We have been blessed with the technology tools in our new school, to help keep our lessons and content current. We offer classes on Sunday mornings at 8 am and 10 am and on Wednesday nights at 6 pm.

**Children's Liturgical Minister** – Every Sunday during our 9:30 and 11:30 Masses we provide the Liturgy of the Word for our 1<sup>st</sup> to 4<sup>th</sup> graders in a manner that they can connect more easily to. **Currently we do not have enough Liturgical Ministers to offer this every week, but with your help we could!** Please contact Carol Lense if you are interested at [clense@saint-timothy.org](mailto:clense@saint-timothy.org) or 859-384-1100 ext. 1509.

**Classroom Assistant** - Supports the catechist as needed in conducting class and completing creative activities. May be called upon to substitute if needed. Access to all lessons and training.



***Save the Date!***

***St. Timothy  
Vacation Bible  
School***

***is scheduled  
for***

***June 10 – 14***

***We hope to  
see you there!***



# Congratulations Confirmation Class of 2019

*By Carol Lense, Director of Religious Education*

On January 21<sup>st</sup> our Parish celebrated the Sacrament of Confirmation with 69 young adults in attendance. It was a wonderful evening, with Bishop Foys leading the Mass for a full church. It has been a great year for our Confirmation Class. In their Service Learning program they raised over \$3,500.00 for our Outreach Agencies. What a great contribution! I am looking forward to the bright futures of this great class. Confirmation is not the end but just the beginning of our adult life in Christ and the church.

A special thank you to the St. Timothy Choir and Director, Andrew Mason, PSR Catechists and Catholic school teachers, the ministers in the service of the Mass and our decorating committee for sharing their time and talent to make this year's Confirmation Mass a beautiful and meaningful celebration.



## News from St. Henry District High School...

*By Hailey Oldfield, SHDHS Senior*

Many exciting events have been happening during the ending of the 1st Semester!

While the students enjoyed Christmas break, our construction team worked hard to begin phase 2 of our campus renovations: adding a physics lab and extending our media center.

With the winter season ending, our sports teams have been accumulating many awards. The Lady Cru placed second in the region while our Boys' basketball team defeated Newport Central Catholic in the finals to take first. Also, our archery team placed first in the NKAC Division 2 Championship.

To kick off the 2nd Semester, our students, faculty, and staff

celebrated Catholic Schools Week, which is a national celebration of Catholic education. Our students dressed up in creative themes each day and were served pancakes by Student Council one morning. As a student myself, this week is an excellent opportunity to reflect on my many blessings from my Catholic education and to thank my parents and teachers for supporting me throughout my schooling.

Simultaneously, the juniors and seniors in Mrs. Fugate's Psychology Class have been partaking in the infamous baby assignment where students take care of an animatronic baby that cries in response to various stimuli. This project is all about putting the baby before

yourself as it forces students to take on the responsibility of constantly caring for someone else. From my experience, it is fun to watch my classmates both struggle and rise to the occasion to care for their temporary baby.

Our Fine Arts Department has chosen *We Will Rock You*, a play centered around the trials and tribulations of the famous band Queen, for our Spring Musical. All participants have been working hard to perfect their roles, and I am sure that it will be another amazing performance, so mark your calendar and plan to join us for one of the performances on March 29, 30, and 31!

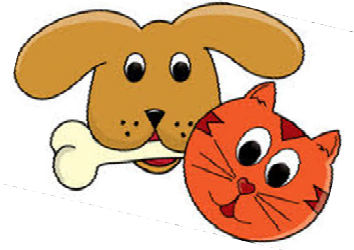
All students and faculty are looking forward to another amazing semester at St. Henry District High School!

## Happenings around the Preschool

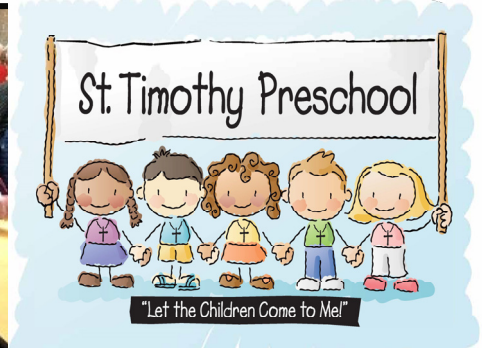
*By Laurie Bauer, Preschool Coordinator*

For the past month the Preschool Service Learning Project was to help The Boone County Animal Shelter. Students learned about things dogs and cats need and we discussed the benefits of helping others in need, including our 4 legged friends.

Donations of supplies are necessary to the success of the animal shelter. We were able to collect many of the items they need at this time. They greatly appreciated our donations.



**Preschool students made Valentine cards and delivered them to The Young in Spirit Seniors at their February Luncheon.**







Catholic Schools Week

# ST. TIMOTHY CATHOLIC SCHOOL

*Living, Learning & Serving in the Light of Christ*

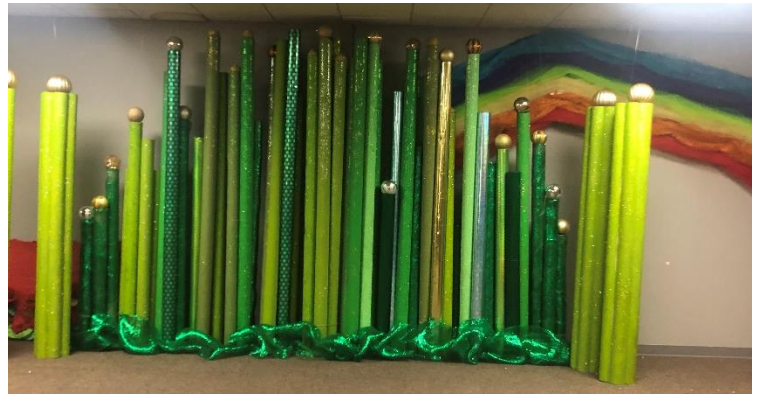


# One Short Day ...



In the words of the famous Wicked song, One Short Day, our winter dinner dance's Journey to Emerald City was only one short day. However, this one short day took many people and many hands working together for a long time to make it a success. Although I could never list and be sure to include all of those on the decorating committee, it is a wonderful thing that they do for us. They transformed Brodnick Hall into Emerald City, Munchkinland, the Yellow Brick Road, even the tornado in the Wizard of Oz was included in the decorations (and it was an amazing sight!). The creativity and dedication of this group of people is amazing. They are there all day and all night for days and weeks dedicating their time to make this event look as beautiful as it does. I know this does not include everyone, but Sharon Ryan, Becky Herbert, Joyce Bishop, Faye Gosney, Christine Jones, Denny & Phyllis Hoebe, Linda Zimmer, Mary Ann Kordenbrock, as well as the countless others that assisted with the decorations for this event – thank you. Thank you for your creativity, ingenuity, and your dedication. It is greatly appreciated.

Thank you to those that attended, donated, or spread the word about our event. It was a great night full of laughter, dancing, bidding, and memories with friends. We had a great dinner catered by Donna Wilmhoff, Leslie Whalen, and their staff. Then, we had great entertainment from Ron Bass and Scott Schlegal that kept us engaged and laughing throughout the live auction. Finally, we had silent auction bidding and dancing. Plain and simple, we had fun.



The success of this event could not have been possible without our parishioners. It could have been you sharing the event on Facebook. It could have been you bringing in a donation. It could have been you attending the event. It could have been you bidding on the auction items. It could have been you working at the bar or the check-in and check-out table. In one way or another, St. Timothy's parishioners made this event. **YOU** made this event. Thank you. Thank you for making this event a success. Thank you for supporting our parish in so many known and unknown ways.

Final numbers are still being determined, but our parish, our events, our success, is dependent upon the parishioners. In our parish, as the words of "One Short Day" says, "There's something exquisite, you'll want to visit, before the day's through." We are the parish. We make people want to visit whether it's by inviting them to an event or through inviting them to Mass. Our parish is a success because of you.

## ...in the Emerald City.



# *One Short Day...*

Thank you to all parishioners that donated items for our silent auction, live auction, or purse raffle. Your generosity is appreciated and noticed. In addition, thank you to the following businesses that contributed for our auctions:

A&A Lawncare & Landscaping, Almost Home Pet Resort, BeautyCounter (Christina Smith), Belladance, Big Splash Adventure Tickets, Boone County Golf, Cincinnati Museum Center, Cincinnati Reds, Cincinnati Zoo & Botanical Gardens, Comfort Dentistry, Decker Enterprises, Elk Creek Winery, Familia, Five Seasons Sports Club, Florence Freedom, Frisch's, Kids on Stage, Knights of Columbus, KONA Ice, Krohn Conservatory, Life is Captured Photography (Jenna Kemper), Marriott Cincinnati Rivercenter, McDonald's, Mellow Mushroom, Middendorf Animal Hospital, Mike's Car Wash, MOPS, Nail Capital & Spa, Newport Aquarium, O'Charley's, Oriental Trading, Oriental Wok, Otterbox, Panera, Playhouse in the Park, Riverbend Music Center, RockQuest Climbing Center, Rodan & Fields (Julie Shupe), Salvadore's Pizzeria, Seligman Distributors, Signarama (Kevin Gregory), Sports of All Sorts, St. Henry District High School, St. Timothy Preschool, Thorntons, Tristate Running Club, and Turner Family Dentistry.



*...to have a lifetime of fun.*

## Holiday Magic

By Bill Anderson

"A network of friends, inspired by gospel values, growing in holiness, building a more just world through personal relationships with and service to people in need."

While the economy continues to churn along (in fits and starts) generating jobs and increased income for some, but for those whose health has failed them, accident victims, seniors on fixed incomes, single parents raising a family alone, the disabled and veterans in need, there isn't much sparkle for them during the holidays until they become angels on our tree and get selected for special treatment. The Spirit of Christmas beats brightly in your hearts and can be seen (and felt) in the Gathering Space and in Brodnick Hall. Oh, those Christmas sacks filled with warm new clothes, toys and games and scooters, skateboards and bicycles. Sometimes when I look over the bounty of gifts I reminisce of my younger years when I was all aglow visiting the toy stores and hoping Santa would bring me a Schwinn Bicycle. The Holiday season was an unqualified success because you provided presents for 70 families and 50 Thanksgiving and Christmas dinners (plus many extras), almost twice the number of families we supported as last year!

Like the multiplication of the loaves and fishes, we not only fed the bodies, we were also successful at feeding the soul with help from above. One of our families accepted our invitation to attend Mass and were impressed enough with their celebration to go back and encourage other family members to join them for their next visit and are looking forward to joining our MOPS group

On another visit, several months ago, a client asked for a bible to help her on her journey. We gave her one of our beautifully covered CHRP Bibles which she began using for her daily devotions. She had been living at the Stay Lodge for several years struggling with alcoholism. She started attending AA meetings and is now clean and sober for six months and is sponsoring others and praises the Lord daily for her graces and blessings.

Christmas eve one of our Vincentians happened to be at St Paul's when a homeless family, living in a truck, asked for food and shelter having no money for the Inn. Thanks to your continuing generosity we were able to accommodate them at the Stay Lodge, provide food and social service counselling until their SSI check was received.

One of the areas of greatest need is housewares (pots, pans, dishware and small appliances). Often the thrift stores are depleted and our families often have nothing to prepare or consume dinner. With the cost of hotel stays rising everyone is looking to find a place of their own. We currently have six families who are in various stages of relocating and are in need of basic furniture and

housewares. Relocation is one of those "ah-ha" moments when families are finally able to break the cycle and find a place of their own. Living in a hotel/extended stay paying \$300/\$400 a week on a \$15/hr salary is like sinking in quick sand from which you can't extricate yourself without financial aid and material and spiritual support.

We can't say enough about the support (time, talent and treasure) provided by our parishioners. Your gifts of coats, food vouchers, clothing, furniture, bicycles and housewares have materially supported our neighbors. In addition, parishioners have helped by delivering food, presents and goods, sorting clothes and food donations and assisting in so many ways. Your financial support has been amazing, always seeming to arrive just when we need it most! Then to when we see "little miracles" occur, we know that our "joint" prayers are being answered from above.

There is really only one thing we desperately need: a few more dedicated Vincentians who have a heart for their neighbors in need and see the face of God in those they visit. Have/are you being called by the Spirit to bring glad tidings to the poor? We will happily schedule you to accompany us on a call or two and get a feel for what we do and the rewards we reap when we reach out to those who seek our help.

**Hoxworth Blood Center**

**DON'T GIVE UP *chocolate* THIS LENT**  
**GIVE UP BLOOD**

**Hoxworth**  
**BLOOD DRIVE**

**Wednesday**  
**April 3**  
**1 - 7 PM**  
**Brodnick Hall**

Be one of the first to sign up for the next  
blood drive at St. Tim's. We will be collecting:

**Whole Blood Donations:** Donate one unit of whole blood. Allow 45 minutes to 1 hour.

**Double Red Donations:** A process that allows a donor to give 2 units of red cells while keeping platelets and plasma. Allow an hour to an hour and a half.

To sign up:

- Visit [www.hoxworth.org/groups/sttimothy/](http://www.hoxworth.org/groups/sttimothy/)
- or the Gathering Space after weekend Masses
- or call Jim Sholar at 384-2922.

For eligibility guidelines, visit: [www.hoxworth.org](http://www.hoxworth.org)  
or call (513) 558-1304.

**Walk-ins are welcome!!**

**Give the Gift of Life... it's the RED thing to do!**

# 40 Cans for Lent



Help the Knights of Columbus this Lenten season as they assist City Heights and St. Vincent de Paul, in feeding families! **Donate cans or boxes of food during Lent as part of traditional almsgiving.** Food can be dropped off in the Parish Center and the Gathering Space.

## Needed items include:

- Boxes of granola or cereal bars
- Boxes of cereal
- Individual oatmeal packets
- Macaroni and cheese boxes
- Instant potatoes or rice
- Pasta
- Hamburger or Chicken Helper
- Large cans of chicken or tuna
- Cake mix with icing or brownie mix
- Taco kits with seasoning
- Peanut butter/Jelly
- Ravioli/Spaghetti-O's
- Canned green beans or corn
- Can baked beans
- Canned chicken or tuna
- Crackers
- Personal care products
- Any boxed pasta meals
- Canned fruit
- Jar or can pasta sauce (tomato or alfredo)
- Applesauce
- Soup



Pray for the hungry. Then feed them. that is how prayer works.

-Pope Francis

# Mary Rose Mission - A Journey

By Debbie Murray

Recently on the Feast of St. Timothy, Father Ross spoke in his homily at the 4:30 Mass about our journey as “co-parishioners” as part of the St. Timothy family.

My journey at St. Timothy and at Mary Rose Mission began almost at the same time.

Six years ago in the early fall after relocating to NKY and Union, my husband, Tom and I joined St. Timothy Parish. Just a week or two later, Cindy Carris, the President of MRM received one of our grants, and spoke about Mary Rose Mission and the need for volunteers.

I started volunteering at Mary Rose Mission, which at the time had only been open for about six months and was open for meals on Saturday and Sunday evenings. I soon discovered that St. Tim’s had committed to providing a meal one Sunday a month.

Fast forward six years later, Tom and I feel very blessed to be a part of the St. Tim’s family. We both volunteer at MRM and I have been a member of the Outreach Committee for several years. We, at St. Tim’s, continue to provide the meal, on the fourth Sunday of each month. The Mission is now open seven days a week and will celebrate it’s sixth year in March.

The motto at Mary Rose Mission is “To Love as God Loves”. Some of our guests come to MRM to help

stretch their food budget and for the sense of community. For many others it may be the only food that they have that day. They are the homeless or the transiently homeless, living on the street or in their cars. All are welcomed with smiles, hugs and are our valued guests. “We are so glad you are here.” It is a place of warmth and love, where all are treated with dignity and respect.

Through this Outreach Ministry, I have had the pleasure of getting to know fellow parishioners that I may not have otherwise met. I have volunteered with Paul and the Youth Group, the MOPS Group, St. Tim families volunteering with their older children, as well as groups of our regular volunteers. Even after five years, I still meet parishioners I have not met before.

The guests love our meal, and often remember and thank St. Timothy’s in their prayer intentions. They pray for us, and we pray for them. We feel very blessed that God has lead us to St. Timothy’s and to Mary Rose Mission.

To volunteer for the St. Tim’s Sunday, signups are in the Outreach Corner of the Gathering Space. Mary Rose Mission, 272 Main St. Florence, 859.292.0700 [maryrosemission.org](http://maryrosemission.org) Meal service Mon-Sunday 4:00-5:30 pm All are welcome.



## Helping Families - Family Promise

By Steve Kuhnell



Hello, my name is Steve Kuhnell. Some of you know me from the many activities at St. Tim's such as Outreach, Oktoberfest and PSR among the few.

I recently became involved in the Family Promise program after Katy Sullivan asked if I would be interested in helping and I can honestly say it is very fulfilling and an experience that has shown me how fortunate my family and I have been through our lives.

I drive a 15 passenger van from St. Agnes in Ft. Wright to a family help center in Newport. There, I pick up families who are down on their luck and homeless and take them back to St. Agnes where dinner is served, games are played and good conversation is encouraged for all.

There are times when we read to the children or even help with homework but most of the time, we just give these families our undivided attention and respect they deserve. I also spend the night at the St. Agnes Convent with the families and then drive them back to the family help center the next morning.

Never did I think by helping these families, they would actually help me realize that we can't take life for granted and sometimes the little things you do to help people, can change lives forever. I am truly honored to be a part of this program and can say I definitely see the world differently and know that what we don't have isn't nearly as important as what we are blessed enough to have.

## Fr. Ruschman's Garden of Gratitude Annual Garden Appreciation Dinner - March 21<sup>st</sup> at 6pm



It is time to once again thank all our gardeners and welcome anyone who is interested in joining us this year! If you enjoy gardening or are just looking for a great way to get involved in the parish, please join us for dinner and hear some of the amazing work our gardeners do. We are always looking for people to help in the garden and to help deliver the produce to different ministries in the community that feed those in need.



**It's almost time for Fish Frydays!!!**

If you'd like to volunteer to work at the Fish Fry, please go to <http://signup.com/go/wVEoyWk> and choose your date, time and job!!! Thank you, it's the volunteers that make this a HUGE success!

**Friday, March 8**

**Friday, March 29**

**Friday, March 15**

**Friday, April 5**

**Friday, March 22**

**Friday, April 12**





MARCH 8, 15, 22, 29

APRIL 5, 12

All of our fried fish is hand-dipped  
in a homemade beer batter!

DINE-IN  
5-7:30

DRIVE THRU  
4:30-7:00

Desserts for  
Purchase  
Separately

### Carry Out available

Carry out your order from a  
table inside the Gathering Space  
if you choose to not dine in.

### Sides:

Fries  
Green beans  
Mac & Cheese  
Stewed Tomatoes  
Baked Potato  
Garden Salad

### a la carte items:

Shrimp (6 pcs)	5.00
Fish Sandwich	5.50
Pizza Slice	1.50
Any Side Item	1.50

<b>\$10</b> Shrimp Dinner	6 Fried Shrimp, coleslaw, choice of 2 sides
<b>\$9</b> Fried Fish Dinner	Two 4 oz Fried Fish, coleslaw, choice of 2 sides
<b>\$9</b> Baked Cod Fish Dinner	8 oz Baked Cod, Coleslaw, Choice of 2 sides
<b>\$10</b> Small Combo Meal	One 4 oz Fish & Three Shrimp, coleslaw, choice of 2 sides
<b>\$12</b> Salmon Dinner	6 oz Baked Salmon, coleslaw, choice of 2 sides
LIMITED AVAILABILITY	
<b>\$12</b> Large Combo Meal	Two 4 oz Fish & Six Shrimp, Coleslaw, choice of 2 sides.
<b>\$4</b> Kids & Seniors Fish Meal	One 4 oz Fish, one Side, applesauce or coleslaw
<b>\$3</b> Pizza Dinner	One Slice of Pizza, Applesauce, choice of one side

# Enjoy!

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Join us for  
Stations in  
Church at  
7:30 PM



## *Easter Flower*

**Would you like to be a part of this year's  
Easter decorations?**

Simply fill out the information below and return with your donation by the collection basket or to the Parish Office by April 11. All memory and honor donations will be recognized in the Easter Bulletin.

**Donor Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Donor Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Donation made in loving memory or honor of:**

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**PLEASE  
PRINT ALL  
INFORMATION**



### **Holy Thursday - April 18**

**7:00 pm Mass of the Lord's Supper**



### **Good Friday - April 19**

**1 pm Liturgy of the Lord's Passion**

**3-7:30 pm Church open for quiet prayer**



### **Holy Saturday - April 20**

**9-11 am Bunnyfest & Egg Hunt**

**8:30 pm Easter Vigil Mass**

**HOLY WEEK**

### **Easter Sunday - April 21**

**Masses 8 am, 9:30 am, 11:30 am**



*Save the date for our Annual Challenge Girls Club Tea Party!*

*Sunday, March 31st*

*2:00pm-4:30pm*

*St Timothy Church, Brodnick Hall (lower parking lot entrance)*

*We cordially invite you to join us for our Annual Challenge Girls Tea Party. Ladies young and old are invited to join us for a wonderful afternoon of tea and desserts, entertainment, a Pure Fashion show and crafts. We will have a purse silent auction with purses for little girls, teens and adults. The purses are creatively themed and filled with wonderful items waiting for you to bid on!*

*All proceeds from the tea party will benefit St Timothy Challenge Girls Club.*

*Tickets : \$10*



**St. Timothy School**



**3rd Annual**

# **Thunder Fair**

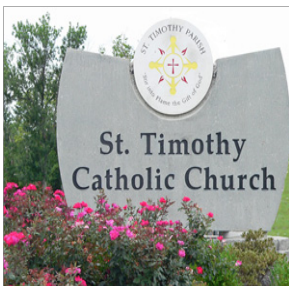
**March 2 | 5:30-9:30pm | \$ 3 entry**

**St. Timothy  
Brodnick Hall  
10272 US Hwy 42, Union, KY**

*Ladies  
Night Out!*

**Vendors | Crafters | Food & Drink**

**[thunderfaircraftshow@gmail.com](mailto:thunderfaircraftshow@gmail.com)**



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# Bunnyfest

Saturday, April 20, 2019

Brodnick Hall from 9-11 AM



Breakfast, Crafts, Easter Egg  
Hunts and lots of fun for  
children of all ages.

**\$5 per person**

Kids aged 1 & under FREE

**RSVP Required**

Please email Brynne Wesselman at  
[bwesselman@saint-timothy.org](mailto:bwesselman@saint-timothy.org) for questions  
or if you are interested in volunteering.

**This event sells out!!! Reserve your spot by sending in  
this form & payment by Monday, April 15!**

Bunnyfest Registration

☐ # of kids x \$5 = \_\_\_\_\_ Total = \_\_\_\_\_  
☐ # of adults x \$5 = \_\_\_\_\_

Family Name \_\_\_\_\_