

# THE COMPANION



NEWS ABOUT SAINT TIMOTHY PARISH IN UNION, KY

Jan/Feb 2017

## Our New and First Principal of St. Timothy Catholic School

*By Fr. Rick Bolte*

I'm very pleased to introduce to you (though for many of you she needs no introduction) Ms. Debra Thomas as our new principal. Many of you know her as she started the preschool program here nine years ago and the kindergarten eight years ago. She has done an excellent job here as many of you with children who are in or have gone through the program can attest. The program has grown to include 167 children which is the maximum capacity of our building.

She has carried out the special charisms of our parish as well. As a parish involved with outreach ministry and concern for those who are marginalized through no fault of their own, she has instilled these virtues in the hearts of these children. The preschool has been awarded the Mayerson Foundation's Jefferson Award multiple times. The award recognizes that the children have learned about a need, decided how they could respond, and recognized what difference they were able to make.



The preschool is also noted for helping children who are still learning English and those who learn in different ways.

Ms. Thomas' goal has always been to work with elementary children even though she enjoyed and was so successful with the preschool.

She has Bachelor Degrees in both Elementary Education and Teaching Exceptional Children with Learning and Behavior Disorders (K-12). She has three Master Degrees in Reading Program Development (K-12), Curriculum Development (P-12), and Educational Leadership (P-12).

The Principal Interview Committee recommended Ms. Thomas.

Her leadership and

passionate care for each student has endeared her to the many parents who have entrusted their children to her care. As someone with experience in starting educational programs, someone with the respect of her teachers, and someone who knows our parish so well; I am very pleased she has accepted the challenge to be our first principal.



**The Companion**  
Is the newsletter of

**St. Timothy Parish**  
P.O. Box 120  
Union, KY 41091-0120  
(859) 384-1100

Contributions are welcome.  
Contact Lynn Profit  
[lprofit@saint-timothy.org](mailto:lprofit@saint-timothy.org)

### **Publisher**

Fr. Rick Bolte, Pastor  
[rbolte@saint-timothy.org](mailto:rbolte@saint-timothy.org)

### **Editor**

Lynn Profit  
[lprofit@saint-timothy.org](mailto:lprofit@saint-timothy.org)

### **Contributors**

Fr. Rick Bolte  
Deacon Dave Profit  
Bill Anderson  
Miriam Burkart  
Jennifer Casson  
Paul Dierig  
Carol S. Lense  
Carol Ann Morrow  
Sarah Mueller  
Meghan Oldfield  
Katy Sullivan  
Deb Thomas  
Jenny Yuskewich



# Parish Committees

*By Fr. Rick Bolte*

Below is a list of parish committees and their members and the times when they meet. As a parish, it is important that the concerns and needs of all parishioners be considered as we continue to grow and develop as a Catholic parish community. Please contact any member of a committee with a concern or need that should be considered by the respective committee. Know that all committees are open to any parishioner (except in rare occasion when there might be need for an executive session.) If you would like to address any committee, please contact the pastor or committee chair two weeks prior to their meeting.

**Consider being a part of our parish's guidance.** In April we will be accepting nominations for these committees, you can nominate yourself or another. All who accept the nomination will gather on a Sunday in May to pray and discern among themselves who would be best to serve at this time.

## **Parish Council Members**

*Meets 1st Wednesday of Month 7pm*

**Chair** - Jenny Yuskewich, [jyuskewich@yahoo.com](mailto:jyuskewich@yahoo.com)

Fr. Eric Andriot

Fr. Rick Bolte

Sue Keller

Jack Lundy

Michael Vogt

Paul Westhoff

Jayson Putnam

Kirsten Brieg - Education

Danielle Brock - Community

Deacon Peter Freeman – Worship

Art Mergner – Finance

Mary Jo Rehtin – Outreach

Deb Thomas - School

## **Worship Committee**

*Meets 2nd Wednesday of Month 7pm*

**Chair** - Miriam Burkart, [miriambus@fuse.net](mailto:miriambus@fuse.net)

Fr. Eric Andriot

Fr. Bolte

Theresa Collins

Deacon Pete Freeman

Christine Jones

Pat Kline

Loretta Macaluso

Brynne Wesselman

Roberta Whitely

## **Education Committee**

*Meets 4th Wednesday of Month 7:30pm*

**Chair** - Kristen Breig, [kabreig@yahoo.com](mailto:kabreig@yahoo.com)

Denise Lorson

Lucy McCormack

Trey Nix

## **Finance Council**

*Meets 3rd Wednesday of Month 7pm*

**Chair** - Scott Schlegel, [scott\\_schlegel@hotmail.com](mailto:scott_schlegel@hotmail.com)

Fr. Eric Andriot

Fr. Rick Bolte

Ron Bass

Jennifer Casson

Jeremy Erickson

Jim Thelen

Rick Schorch

## **Community Committee**

*Meets 2nd Tuesday of Month 6:30pm*

**Chair** - Danielle Brock, [danielle.brock.m@gmail.com](mailto:danielle.brock.m@gmail.com)

Fr. Eric Andriot

Jennifer Fedders

Colleen Hegge

Sue Hinkle

Mak Kroger

Martha Schorch

Cassie Stricker

## **Adult Faith Formation**

*Meets 4th Tuesday of Month 7pm*

**Chair** - Pat TenBrink, [pjoan@twc.com](mailto:pjoan@twc.com)

Fr. Eric Andriot

Deacon Dave Philbrick

Frank Williams

## **Outreach Committee**

*Meets 2nd Thursday of Month 7pm*

**Chair** - Mary Jo Rehtin, [mjrehtin1@fuse.net](mailto:mjrehtin1@fuse.net)

Rebecca Hill

Marta Kroger

Kris Lawler

Debbie Murray

Carolyn Rennekemp

Kelli Siracuse

# United Catholic Movement

By Fr. Rick Bolte

If you were at St. Timothy for Mass on the weekend of February 4 & 5, you heard me invite everyone to raise their hand if they had an extended family member who was Catholic but seldom if ever attended Mass. You would have seen almost everyone in church raise their hand. Sadly only about a quarter of all Catholics attend Mass on a weekly basis.

Some people have reasons for not going to Mass. With the imperfections of all of the clergy, whether intentional or not, people are hurt by words, actions, and inactions. Many have not established a strong faith of their own and have not been seriously involved from their youth. Most are adults who have drifted away slowly allowing ever smaller inconveniences to become their reasons to stay away from Mass.

However God is present in the hearts of each of us. Whether we recognize God or not, our hearts are always searching for something more. Nothing fills the emptiness though we may try many things. Many non-practicing Catholics consider returning to Mass but are unsure how or if they are welcome.

Research shows that 63% of Americans not attending church have never been asked by a friend to

attend church with them. 86% of those who do attend do so because a friend or relative invited them and shared with them their experience of church and faith in Jesus Christ. The United Catholic Movement is a grassroots movement to make a point of inviting those who have stopped attending Mass to come back.

As a Catholic we should, and if the show of hands is any indication we do, care about those who are moved by God to return but need some encouragement. In the United Catholic Movement our goal is not to try to convince someone to come back but simply enable and encourage what God is prodding. We may be doing more listening than talking. Perhaps by sharing a little of why we attend Mass we may help them to recognize what they are seeking.

Our first step is to pray that those who do not practice their faith may recognize the prodding of God who lures them back to his love. We pray too for ourselves that we may recognize those opportunities where our invitation might make the difference for someone hesitant to attend Mass. Let us truly pray together that "God who has begun the good work in us may bring it to completion" (Phil 1:6).

## Diocesan Training for Lector and Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

Would you like to serve as Lector or Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion? The next Diocesan Training session will take place on **Thursday, April 20** at St. Paul Church in Florence at 7:00 pm. If you are interested contact Lynn Profitt in the Parish Office at (859) 384-1100 **prior to March 8** to register.



### Stewardship of Treasure

#### NOVEMBER 2016

<b>COLLECTIONS:</b>	<b>\$ 88,565.08</b>
<b>4% TITHE:</b>	<b>\$3,542.60</b>
City Heights	\$500.00
St. Vincent de Paul	\$500.00
Outreach Pgms: (Max \$3,000)	
Outreach Programs	\$2,542.60
\$ \$ to 1% Tithe	\$0.00
<b>1% TITHE</b>	<b>\$885.65</b>
\$ \$ from 4% Tithe	\$0.00
<b>Total to STYM/Outreach:</b>	<b>\$885.65</b>
<b>STYM</b>	<b>\$487.11</b>
<b>Outreach</b>	<b>\$398.54</b>

#### DECEMBER 2016

<b>COLLECTIONS:</b>	<b>\$101,329.15</b>
<b>5% TITHE:</b>	<b>\$5,066.46</b>
City Heights	\$500.00
St. Vincent de Paul	\$500.00
DIO Collection	
Retired Religious	\$4,066.46

# St. Timothy Lenten Men's Retreat

with Fr. Nick Rottman

Unlocking Sacred Scripture in Daily Life

St. Anne Retreat Center

March 10-12, 2017



The Lenten Season is the perfect time for a retreat. It's a time of reconciliation and prayer where you can quiet down and spend some time with the Lord in reflection. Who better to lead you on your path than Fr. Nick Rottman of IHM Parish. The theme for the retreat will be "Unlocking Sacred Scripture in Daily Life". Don't miss this wonderful opportunity for spiritual growth and fellowship with your St. Timothy brothers. All are welcome! The retreat is at St. Anne Retreat Center, **Friday March 10 through Sunday, March 12**. Send your check (\$150) to St. Anne Retreat Center, 5275 St Anne Drive, Melbourne, KY 41059, Attn: Karen Little, (859) 441-2003, [klittle@covdio.org](mailto:klittle@covdio.org). For questions and confirmation of reservations contact Bill Anderson, (412) 295-3441 or [podacus815@gmail.com](mailto:podacus815@gmail.com). Friday check-in starts at 4 pm with Dinner at 5:30. Departure is typically after 11 am Mass on Sunday.



## Our Parish Family

### New Families

Eric Arbogast  
Tom & Cindie Auer  
Adam & Jennifer Baker  
Jimmy & Tara Black  
Michael & Cassie Bonacci  
Antony Coutsoftides & Rebecca Dossett  
Jason & Jessica Ernstberger  
Matteo & Beatrice Fontanini  
Jean-Claude & Reine Gahamanyi  
Cheryl Hatfield  
Justin & Emily Leidolf  
Joseph & Patricia O'Connell  
Michael & Brittni O'Leary  
Douglas & Amanda Patton  
Ronald & Dorothy Pettit  
Jose Luis Cabrera Gutierrez & Ericka Rodriguez  
TJ & Laura Royalty  
Josh & Heather Starns

### New Families

Jason Lux & Alexis Trumble  
Greg & Patti Walters

### Baptisms

Owen Alig  
Nolan Bolte  
Jackson Brewster  
Maxwell Brewster  
Evelyn Brown  
Dominic DiFilippo  
Callaghan Flynn  
Brian Lloyd  
Donovan Lloyd  
Lucas Maley  
Parker Melrose  
Levi Moreton  
Eli Osterkamp  
Eleanor Schmidt

### Baptisms

Damian Skudlarek  
Levi Wesdorp  
Marshall Wilson

### Weddings

Douglas Stephen Patton and  
Amanda Lorraine Burnett

### Deceased

Rodney "Biz" Cain  
Dr. John D. Redden  
John Fields  
Diana Dignardi  
Thomas Carr  
Ruth Kluesener  
Thomas Zembrodt  
Mary Jo Beemon  
Titina Sessa Hoebe



# Come learn more about the Virgin Mary in the Bible

## **A Bible Study on Wednesday Nights**

**Title:** The Bible and the Virgin Mary

**Dates:** March 8, 15, 22, 29 and April 5

**Time:** 6:30 to 8:30 pm **Place:** Brodnick Hall

2 movies will be viewed and discussed.

Bring a bible if you want. **No** Babysitting available.



## **Christ is Renewing His Parish**

*By Jenny Yuskewich*

Do you want a closer relationship with God? Would you like to meet other women in the parish? Or, perhaps you've been struggling with something and aren't sure how to trust God.

Well, I had said "yes" to all of these questions about five years ago. I had heard about an upcoming women's retreat called CRHP (Christ Renews His Parish, but pronounced "chirp"). I thought back to a retreat I had gone on in college twenty years ago and how much I had gotten out of it. I had also become aware that so many other ladies at St. Timothy had previously done CRHP. So, I thought it must be something special if it is so popular. When my husband had offered to "hold down the fort" with our three young children for the weekend, I decided to sign up. Little did I know just how much I would enjoy the weekend!

As I arrived early Saturday morning by myself, I was a little nervous not knowing many ladies there. I was greeted by so many ladies giving the retreat and they made us all feel so welcome, were excited to meet us, and had been praying for each one of us. I wound up sitting by someone who, as we got to talking, we realized we had so much in common that we could have been sisters! We became instant friends and she is still one of my closest friends today.

Throughout the weekend, we heard talks from some of the ladies who had shared touching stories of how God has worked in their lives. In each talk, it seemed that there was something very specific the Lord was telling me. That's the beauty of the Holy Spirit at work in each of us! Each delicious meal was prepared and served by other ladies who had done CRHP before and I could really start to feel the sisterhood and closeness that these ladies shared. By Sunday afternoon, I was tired, but so touched by the music, talks, and activities and couldn't wait to bring this spiritually-filled feeling home to my family.

Before CRHP, I would attend Mass on Sundays, not really knowing anyone or feeling connected. However, after having been on the weekend, I instantly began to feel like part of a real family at Church - a feeling I had

never felt, not even in the churches we had attended as I grew up as a child. I'd go to Mass and see several ladies I knew, no matter which Mass I attended, and I found myself looking forward to talking to them and connecting again after Mass.

Fast forward four years later, I decided to attend CRHP again! God used another group of wonderful ladies to speak to me. I love knowing that I also have an army of prayer warriors ready anytime I have a special intention in need of prayers.

So, do you want to grow closer to Christ? Do you want to meet other ladies in our parish? Join us this May 20-21 and get filled spiritually to start the summer! Contact me and I can help you get signed up!

**Jenny Yuskewich**

**Call or text (859) 240-8752**



# Discipline Equals Freedom

*By Deacon Dave Profitt*

Every once in a while, there's a book that comes along that can have a profound impact on how you live your life. It might be spiritual in nature, perhaps it's related to business or it can even be historical in nature. Recently, a good friend of mine and fellow parishioner Sean Fagin recommended just such a book. The name of the book is "Extreme Ownership: How Navy Seals Lead and Win" The authors are Jocko Willink and Leif Babin and I can't be more appreciative of Sean referring this work to me.

Extreme Ownership takes a look at a particular unit of the Navy Seals during their time in Ramadi, Iraq during the second Gulf war. This was a city that was all but deemed lost. Each chapter begins with a particular aspect of conflict and how the Seals, using their advanced training, turned the city around. Each chapter looks at a different aspect of leadership and how they are implemented. It includes topics such as "Check the Ego", "No Bad Teams, Only Bad Leaders", "Prioritize and Execute" and several more topics of great interest and need.

When I finished the book, I had a new sense of what I need to do not only in my role as Director of St. Anne Retreat Center, but a new sense of mission in my personal life as well. It has given me a desire to exercise discipline in my life like never before. While

the book is not spiritual in nature, it has had a profound impact on my spiritual life. I'd like to share with you how this book has changed two aspects of my life for the better.

First is on the personal side of life. I'm a workout guy, I like lifting weights. My undergraduate degree is in exercise science so I have an academic understanding for the need to exercise. Even though I know I need to, I sometimes fall into a lazy streak or a just going through the motions period. That's pretty normal but lately it had become more pronounced. I'm an early riser so it's not unusual for me to be up at 3:30 or 4:00 in the morning. I go to bed early and I do get my sleep but I don't need all that much. That's the best time for me to go to the gym. I can do my workout, get ready and be at St. Anne by 6:00 every morning. What I realized was that I was not treating this as a discipline and something needed changing.

Now, every morning I take a picture of my watch at the time I leave for the gym. I post it on Twitter and get going. The reason I post it is not to prove anything. It's a way of holding me accountable for my actions. Once I post that time, I'm committed to going. It has renewed my energy in the gym and I feel better for doing it.

I highly recommend "Extreme Ownership". It is available on Kindle e-book format and in hard cover. If you want the results, you

have to prepare yourself to commit. The final chapter in the book is "Discipline Equals Freedom". I have found that to be true. Give it a read, you won't regret it.

The second way it has impacted me is in my prayer life. My spiritual director is a Jesuit priest from Cincinnati who for the past couple of years has been guiding me through the spiritual exercise of St. Ignatius. He has been a great blessing to me in that regard. What I haven't done is committed to praying the daily examine which is an aspect of Ignatian prayer that helps you look at your day in review. It allows you to see where you moved closer to God or where you moved away. It is a way of developing awareness of God in your life at all times. You start the examine with the things you are grateful for. You then move into petition, asking God where he is leading you and how you are doing in your walk. You then review your day, looking closely at how you lived. You then ask for forgiveness in the times you failed and then resolve to do better. It is a powerful prayer and one that has moved me closer to Christ. Since I read the book, I have disciplined myself to do the prayer every morning looking at the previous day. I can't say enough about the power of the Examine prayer.

You can find more information on the spiritual exercise of St. Ignatius at the following website [www.ignatianspirituality.com](http://www.ignatianspirituality.com).



## Adoration

By Miriam E. Burkart

**Adoration** - just what is it? Do you have to be there for an entire hour? What do I do while I'm there? Will I be bored? What's in it for me?

These may be some questions that have crossed your mind when you heard about Adoration. You may also feel: it just cannot fit into your busy schedule, it's a waste of time, I'm not that religious, it just is not for me, why bother, and many other feelings.

As a child at St. Thomas Parish if you were in the 4th to 8th grade, you attended Benediction every Sunday from 2:00-2:30 pm during the school year. This is how I was introduced to Adoration. Now it took me until around 2013 to begin attending Adoration again - - thank God!

Before we go any further, let's review a few things. Jesus instituted the Sacrament of the Eucharist at the Last Supper. He did this so He could be with us until the end of time, which He promised. (Jn. 14:18) The Eucharist (Jesus) serves as a focal point of devotion. In addition to receiving and adoring Jesus at Mass we can also adore Him during adoration.

So you ask, "What is it?" Adoration is when a large Host, consecration at Mass, is put inside a monstrance (from Latin monstrare, meaning "to expose or show") and placed on the center of the altar for us to adore. There are always candles on either side (a reminder that Jesus is the light of the world). "The monstrance draws all eyes to the Host that is seemingly surrounded by rays, like the sun." Just as Jesus humbled Himself and came to earth as child, He stays with us in the simple form of bread and wine because we humans would be blinded by His glory. This consecrated

Host before us is Jesus Christ - Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity!

Adoration is a time for you to BE with Jesus, to establish a personal relationship with Him, a time for quiet, to leave the world and enter into Jesus's world and **just BE with Him!** Have a conversation with Jesus the same you would with your best friend. Let Him know what is going on in your world, your concerns, challenges, disappointments, worries, stresses..... Remember to thank Him for all your blessings: family, health, being a Catholic, friends, job, career.....

You can say the rosary, read prayers or the Bible, journal or BE with Jesus. Just being in the presence of the Holy Eucharist and looking at the Eucharist is enough for Jesus to send you love beyond love. Keep your arms open to receive. "The more time you spend with Jesus, the more you will come away feeling renewed and healed." Trust me, you will receive graces from Him - - He is always there waiting to give. This could become your favorite time of the week - - spending quiet time with Jesus who loves you!

Saint Mother Teresa was once asked, "What would save the world?" She replied, "My answer is prayer. What we need is for every parish to come before Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament in holy hour of prayer."

Saint Pope John Paul II said in one of his homilies, "It is pleasant to spend time with Jesus, to lie close to His breast like the beloved disciple and to feel the infinite love present in His heart... If, in our time Christians need to be distinguished by the "art of prayer", how can we not feel a renewed need to spend time in spiritual conversation, in silent adoration, in heartfelt love before Christ present in the Most Holy Sacrament.

Bishop Sheen in his autobiography writes of "The Hour That Makes My Day":

"I have found that it takes some time to catch fire in prayer. This has been one of the advantages of the Holy Hour. **Sitting before the Presence of Jesus is like a body exposing itself to the sun to absorb its rays.** In those moments one does not so much pour out written prayers, but listening takes place. The Holy Hour became a teacher for me."

"We grow spiritually with each moment we spend with Jesus! He promises that all those who remain tightly bonded to Him, will bear much fruit and their joy will be complete."

"The Blessed Sacrament is the LIVING FOUNTAIN OF LIFE where you drink in the love of Christ Who alone quenches your thirst. **Your time spent with Jesus in Adoration can become the most profound, meaningful, joyful, peaceful and healing experience you could ever encounter!**"

If you are like me, the first couple of times I fell asleep. When I woke up - I looked at Jesus and said, "I apologize Jesus I'm just like the apostles!" Yet Jesus works in unique ways because so often when I have been at Adoration and not asleep yet not totally awake - - Jesus drops in great ideas that I have used in my life, PSR, work and the Grieving Program. So don't be surprised at the gifts you may receive - just BE open to them!

I wonder how soon you will visit Jesus here at St. Timothy's on Tuesdays from 8:00 am - 10:00 pm? He is waiting for YOU and He thirsts for YOU!

If you have any questions or would like to commit to a specific time please contact:

**Miriam Burkart**

**(859) 746-1443**

**[miriambus@fuse.net](mailto:miriambus@fuse.net)**





# Parish School of Religion



## Parish School of Religion

*By Carol S. Lense, Director of Religious Education*

### Jesus Retreat for First Communion

The First Communion Jesus Retreat will be held on Sunday, March 19 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 Deacon Tom and Jeanne Nolan.

This is a required event for all St. Timothy First Communion children including our Catholic Home School and those who attend a Catholic school. 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 12 noon, and clean up should be complete by 4:30 pm. Come on by and lend a hand for whatever time frame works. Thanks.

### PSR Plans for the Lenten Season

Ash Wednesday is March 1. The Lent season of preparation is the perfect time to get back into a regular weekly attendance for Mass. Our PSR program is designed as a companion to regular Mass attendance and your child will not get the full benefit of class time without it.

The Fish Frydays happen each Friday in March and the first Friday in April. The Fish Frys are a great opportunity for your children to come and lend a hand. There is room for everyone to help, and it is fun to work together and serve our community. Signups are available through the Sign up Genius, and in the Gathering Space. We can always use an extra hand or two – so come out and join the fun. This is another great opportunity for students needing service hours!

The Stations of the Cross is prayed in the Church each week after the Fish Frys at 7 pm. Friday, March 31 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.

40 Cans for Lent will again be supporting not only St. Vincent de Paul, but also GO Pantry. The PSR students are encouraged to help bring in donations, and we also get to help sort, pack and even decorate the Go Pantry boxes that help to feed students right here in our neighborhoods. The hard working effort of these students warms your heart! We would love for anyone of the Parish to come during a class time in Lent to see and lend a hand in this great outreach opportunity.

Throughout the month of March we will have Youth Greeters for All Mass times. We did this at the start of Catholic Education week, and the students loved it. A signup sheet is located in the Religious Education office, but there is always room to help. Greeters should arrive 20 minutes prior to Mass, so we can greet all our Parish Family as they come into the Sanctuary. After the petitions we pass the collection baskets, and we bring the gifts to the altar. At the end of Mass we pass out bulletins. We have adult leaders to guide the children, so all children are welcome to join us, and we have them sit together in the front pew by the choir.

I hope your family will make plans to be a part of some of our Lenten activities, as well as making time as a family to pray, fast and give alms in preparation of Easter.

As always, the Religious Education team is thankful to have you in our program, and wish all of God's Blessings on you.



### **PSR Registration Is Right Around The Corner.**

Registration for 2017-2018 PSR classes and Sacrament Prep will begin on Sunday, March 26. Plans are well under way for another successful year of classes, sacrament prep and celebration of sacraments. ***Starting Fall of 2017 PSR classes are located in St. Timothy Catholic School.***

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 grader, and Catholic and Home School students that will be in second and eighth grades.

Completed registration forms with accompanying payment will reserve space in a class on a first come, first serve basis beginning March 23. It is important to return your form as soon as possible if you are wanting a particular day and time. Space fills up quickly!

### **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; usually first and second grades.

Catholic school and Catholic Home School students must register in the PSR program to 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.

**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 conducted periodically to build skills and ability.

**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 in the Parish Office if you are interested. [clense@saint-timothy.org](mailto:clense@saint-timothy.org) 859-384-1100 x 1104

**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.

**Special Activity Assistant** – Supports the PSR program through activities outside the classroom, such as helping the students with Youth Greeting, Praying the Rosary before Mass, praying the Stations after the Fish Frys etc.



## **VOLUNTEERS**

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

# Sometimes the Children's Liturgy Is Just Right for Me!

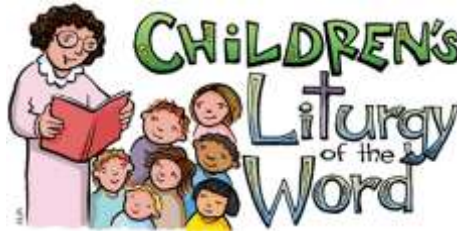
By Carol Ann Morrow

The homily at Mass is a blessing to me. We are graced to have preachers who prepare and who care at St. Timothy's. Still, I am sometimes lulled into complacency, confident that a message will come my way, with only the effort of open ears and open heart to receive it.

And then comes my turn to celebrate the Liturgy of the Word with the children. Early in the week, I read and reflect on the Scriptures for the Sunday ahead. Always challenging and sometimes quite mysterious for adults, the Scriptures pose an additional problem to our smaller congregants--and to their minister. That's me, once a month.

For those of you who don't know, Holy Mother Church has approved a simplified text for these shorter Catholics, but it still remains a text to be broken open, examined and received

into heart and soul. So I consider props, key words, emphasis, repetition, pantomime, song and questions. I gather resources and I pray to be a conduit of God's word.



I know that in the proclamation of the Word and the homily in the "upstairs sanctuary," some people are distracted, others (usually quite small) are teary or tired and a few grown-ups may take a nap, but in the gathering in the "Brodnick Hall sanctuary" there are whispers and pokes along with enthusiasm, happiness and attention. The children are often aware of the

parables and other Gospel incidents. St. Timothy Parish would be proud to hear their knowledge, their concern and their application of God's Word to their lives. I am inspired, moved and, yes, a bit tired by the time an usher summons us back for the Liturgy of the Eucharist.

And I am grateful that during the other weeks of a month, Father Rick, Father Eric or one of our gifted deacons is spending hours pondering the message of the Sunday readings so that I can sit with my husband and receive a message that is ever unfolding--and which it was not my responsibility to break open ahead of time!

If YOU volunteered to assist in this special way, you will be even more open and receptive to every Sunday's gift of the Word. I invite you to consider it.



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

By Meghan Oldfield, SHDHS Senior

Hello parishioners! With the new year in full swing, the student body is more involved than ever. The first week in February marked the nationwide Catholic Schools Week celebration. The SHDHS student council organized special activities and themes for each day. We celebrated teachers, religious life, parents, and the students themselves. On Tuesday, campus ministry hosted an all school Mass, and we presented the Crusader Champion Awards, one of the highest honors that St. Henry awards. This year, we presented the awards to the volunteers who have dedicated countless hours announcing for the teams and keeping the clock for our athletic department. In addition, students wrote letters of thanksgiving to their parents

during their religion classes in order to express their gratitude for their Catholic education. In short, St. Henry had a lot to celebrate during Catholic Schools Week.

Students are taking the initiative to participate in service projects this semester. In early February, National Honor Society undertook its annual spring service project. The members made six hundred Easter baskets filled with candy for a variety of organizations, such as Be Concerned, Notre Dame Urban Education, and the Diocesan Children's Home. In addition, a member of NHS is collecting \$5 gift cards from McDonald's and White Castle to benefit Hosea House, and she is receiving donations from the local franchises. In addition, a group of students, including myself, is spearheading a new service activity for both the student body and the community.

St. Henry is organizing the Diocese's first dance marathon, Dance Cru, for March 31. The Dance Cru committee has been busy sending letters requesting donations from local companies and organizations, planning the event itself, and working with our chosen non-profit organization, The Dragonfly Foundation. It is evident that the student body is working hard to give back to our community, and we will continue to carry out our call to service during this school year.

In accordance with the dance theme, student council is also planning a Spring Fling formal for March 10. In order to offset the cost of dresses for the girls, student council has also organized a dress drive that allows girls to swap dresses at no cost. As we approach the spring season, St. Henry has undertaken a lot of fun initiatives for this semester. As always, we ask for your prayers, especially for the seniors who are making college decisions at this time.

# ANNUAL MARCH FOR LIFE

*By Paul Dierig, Youth Ministry*

On January Wednesday, January 21 I was lucky enough to chaperone 10 youth from St. Timothy Youth Ministry to the March for Life. We departed St. Barbara in Erlanger at 6am and headed for Washington DC.

This is my 5th trip to DC and one of the many highlights happens on the bus ride up. The youth from the Diocese lead the bus in the saying of the Rosary. We had Hanna Ubelhor and Christina Lense lead the Joyous Mysteries of the Rosary, this is a very powerful moment of Prayer and it gets to youth in the right frame of mind for the trip.

Our group has been blessed the last five years in joining up with St. Joseph and St. Barbara's youth and we get to enjoy the sights and sounds of DC. The Youth enjoy seeing the memorials, Lincoln, Washington, Jefferson, Vietnam Wall, WWII and Martin Luther King Memorial. The evening we saw these the weather was not too cold so it made this part of the trip enjoyable.

The day of the march the Diocese of Covington gathered at St. Dominic in downtown DC for the saying of the Rosary and Mass celebrated by our Bishop and some of our Priests (including Father Eric!!) from the Diocese. We filled the church - you can see the photo of everyone on the Diocese newspaper the *Messenger*. After Mass we usually have an hour before the march so we head to the Air and Space Museums to look around. About 1:30 the Diocese meets at the National Archive Building and joins the March with other Dioceses throughout the Country and we all March as one to the Capital and Supreme Court Building to show support for all life from conception to natural death. It is a beautiful site to see and hard to describe in this article. One must experience the March in order to understand the love that Catholic's have for life.

The day after the March our group has time for more site seeing. The Youth who go enjoy the annual trip to the National Shrine. It is a beautiful Basilica.

You would probably think that this writer would be crazy for going on these trips with the youth. Well I do enjoy seeing the youth go on these type of trips and see what a difference they can make to help protect life by marching in a crowd of other youth throughout the United States. All the youth who go on the March really enjoy it and can't wait to go back next year. If you are interested in going to the March next year just let me know I would like to fill a bus with St. Timothy members. This trip is a must and should be on everyone's "Bucket List"!







Sunday 8 am



Sunday 10 am



Wednesday Night

*On Monday, January 23 we confirmed 68 new young adults in the church! It was a wonderful year, filled with great experiences. This was a great group of students, a nice mixture of Catholic Home School, Public School and Catholic School students that came together in class time, supporting their Outreach Agency and during their retreat to grow and live their Faith.*

*Now that the Sacrament of Confirmation has been conferred, let's keep in mind that Confirmation is not the end but just the beginning of our full and complete participation in this Body of Christ that is our Church. Life in Christ and the church continues our whole life long!! Congratulations!*

*A special thank you to the St. Timothy Choir and Director, Roberta Whitely, 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.*

*Carol S. Lense*



# Confirmation Class



Zachary Kennedy  
Brieauna Lacombe  
Ethan Maynard  
Kelsey McCarthy  
Sydney McMain  
Jack McMillen  
Cora Meiman  
Xavier Miller  
Kaylee Moore  
Noah Morgan  
Chase Mugavin  
Sophie Nix

Lance Paul  
Savannah Puglisi  
Molly Puthoff  
Aiden Putnam  
Hailey Raniero  
Hannah Ransom  
Hunter Ransom  
Anna Rice  
Vanessa Rivera  
Kelli Roe  
Mattison Schlueter  
Hudson Schrand

Adam Shields  
Andrew Shields  
Cody Teten  
Ellie Tranter  
Molly Tourikian  
Julianna Truitt  
Emma Wagner  
Brooke Warning  
Mitchell Wright  
Luke Yunker

Elizabeth Acuff  
Alexander Baker  
Olivia Barclay  
Abbey Bold  
Grace Brockman  
Michael Brockman  
Landon Burnett  
Annashea Carlisle  
Salena Cohen  
Katelyn Cordas  
Anna Dunaway  
Clara Dusing  
William Duty  
Emma Fern  
Kaitlyn Fitzgerald  
Jordan Fong  
Andrew Ford  
Taylor Ford  
Sophia Forlenza  
Kylee Fountain  
Isabella Funk  
Jameson Funk  
Danielle Funke  
Genevieve Garnett  
James Gay  
Rachel Gillman  
Paige Graf  
Noelle Graves  
Celeste Hesener  
Alexandra Hoegermeyer  
Mya Howe  
Justin Huff  
Marley Jackson  
Robert Kalany



Monday Night



Catholic & Home School





# ST. TIMOTHY CATHOLIC SCHOOL

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

**OUR STUDENTS** are provided with a nurturing atmosphere where they can grow academically, spiritually, physically and emotionally through the use of differentiated instruction, tiered lesson plans, and learning with individualized accommodations when needed. We want to help our students succeed in their educational journey – mind, body and spirit.

**OUR SUPPORT STAFF** works collaboratively with our teachers to ensure that each student is performing at high levels and achieving our shared goals for them. Our support staff includes:

- Intervention Specialist
- Speech Therapists
- Reading Specialists

**OUR FAITH** is integrated into our lives and we live and teach our Faith in all that we do! The students will attend Mass twice a week, which will put their faith in action through prayer, song, and intention. With the use of our Catholic curriculum, students will learn the fundamentals of our Faith and how to bring their own Faith to life. Our students contribute to our community through service learning projects; making a difference in the lives of others. Our students will connect with one another through Faith Buddies, Olympic Day and monthly assemblies where they work together in multi-modal activities. Our students will learn to be confident by using the gifts that God gave them to be themselves and help others. All this is part of our Faith – The Faith we learn, live and love.

**SERVICE LEARNING** is at the core of Saint Timothy Catholic School. Service Learning invites the students and their families to experience and understand our Faith through acting on the gospel message. Service learning invites students to be actively involved in a service project from the beginning to the very end through the following process:

1. Investigation
2. Preparation
3. Action
4. Reflection
5. Celebration

Saint Timothy Catholic School has participated in Service Learning for the past six years and this dedication to helping others will transfer to our new school. Saint Timothy Catholic School and Preschool have received the prestigious Jefferson Award for Public Service for the past six years. We are unwavering in our commitment to be a Service Learning School!



## OUR MISSION

It is the mission of St. Timothy Catholic School to work together with families in providing quality education which compliments the worship, community, service learning and faith formation ingrained in all ministries of our parish. Together with families we will foster students regarding their religious, physical, emotional, social and educational development. Together we will strive to foster Catholic values that will guide students to become active and responsible citizens who embrace the teaching and the Gospel Message of Jesus Christ.







# ST. TIMOTHY CATHOLIC SCHOOL

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

**TECHNOLOGY** is a tool that is integrated into all of the classrooms.

- **Kindergarten -1:** Utilization of SMART boards and iPads for classwork
- **Grades 2-3:** Utilization of SMART boards for interactive instruction as well as iPad for small group work
- **Grades 4-5:** Utilization of SMART boards as well as the use of individual devices in the classroom
- **Grades 6-8:** Each child will have an individual device (i.e. Chromebook) to complete assignments. A SMART board will be used in all classrooms.
- **During computer lab** students will learn to create, design, and implement projects using various computer applications.

**EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES** provide our students with another avenue to be social, expand on their academics and enhance their abilities to work with others.

**Saint Timothy Boosters** has already been established to support athletic teams in various ways. A few of the sports being offered initially are basketball, cross country, volleyball, and pep club. Other extracurriculars include, but are not limited to:

- Homework Hangout
- Future Problem Solvers
- Student Council
- American Heritage Girls
- Children's Choir
- Lego League
- Science Club
- Boy Scouts
- Academic Team
- Robotics Club
- Chess Club
- Prayer Team

## FAMILY TESTIMONIES:

*"I think it is every parent's goal to see their child happy and succeed. Having a child with autism spectrum disorder presents unique challenges, not only with communication and social interaction, but also with achieving educational goals. St. Tim's has provided us the opportunity, assistance, and resources necessary to help our child develop essential speech, communication, and social interaction skills. They recognized our child's particular educational needs, and implemented a tailored curriculum to address those needs. We could not be happier with the teachers, assistants, therapists, and administration."*

- Ryan Voelker, Jake's Dad

*"We have lived in Walton for over 10 years and belong to Saint Timothy parish. Our children have gone to preschool at Saint Timothy Preschool and we love the program. We are impressed at how caring and supportive everyone is. When we were deciding where to send our children to grade school, we chose St. Timothy because of the opportunities our children have experienced. The education is based in faith and service. The teachers are excellent and the students have fun while learning. It was a leap of faith, but one that we would do again to be part of such an amazing community! We are ambassadors for our new school because we believe that it will be the best experience for our family."*

- Emily Vogt, Ava's mom

*"Our son transferred to Saint Timothy Catholic School this year and it has been a smooth transition because of the teachers, staff and students in his classroom. Everyone made him feel welcome right from the start. We left a great school and found another and the Service learning is an added bonus! I love that my son is learning how to help others and learning why we help others. It makes our faith come alive."*

- Sarah Kobman, Cai'en's Mom

## 2016-2017 St. Timothy School Tuition

	Participating Parishioner	Non-Participating Parishioner/Out-of-Parish
1 child	\$5,380.00	\$6,760.00
2 children	8,590.00	9,940.00
3 children	9,895.00	11,245.00
4+ children	10,160.00	11,510.00

\*A non-refundable registration fee of \$100 is due at the time of registration. Upon acceptance, a \$200 fee is due that will be applied towards tuition. Financial Aid is available for parishioners in need through the parish office. Please contact Jennifer Casson, Business Manager at 859.384.1100.

**Tuition for the 2016 - 2017 school year will be set in Spring 2017 and will have the tuition and fees broken out.**



## TEACHER TESTIMONIES:

*As a teacher, my main goal is to enable my students to grow as self-confident, well balanced people of the world. I believe here at St. Timothy we provide the foundation for life-long learning.*

Molly Kelly, St. Timothy Catholic School  
Kindergarten Teacher

*"Every experience is an opportunity to learn and grow. The teachers at St. Timothy want to provide each student with a unique learning experience that allows him or her to shine."*

Kendal Brue, St. Timothy Catholic  
School 1st Grade Teacher



# Hoxworth

## BLOOD DRIVE

**Tuesday, March 7**  
**1 - 7 pm**  
**Brodnick Hall**



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 platelet donations call Jim Sholar 384-2922 or main Hoxworth office (513) 451-0910

*Walk-ins are  
welcome!!*

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

*One blood donation can save up to 3 lives!*

**Whole Blood** donation is the most common donation with the entire process taking about 45 minutes to an hour with the actual donation taking less than 15 minutes. During this process you are donating approximately one pint of blood. Later, in the Hoxworth laboratory, your donation is separated into transfusable components — red cells, plasma and platelets. Donors can donate every 8 weeks or 56 days.

**Red Cell Donation ("Doubles" or Double Red donation)**-Contrary to this donation's nickname, a donor does not give double the blood. During this type of donation, your blood is processed through a machine, collecting your red blood cells while your platelets and plasma are returned to you along with saline. The procedure uses a smaller needle, and collects enough red blood cells to be transfused to two different patients. Type O donors are especially valuable as red cell donors. Those who meet the minimum height and weight requirements: (males must weigh at least 130 lbs. and be at least 5'1"; women must weigh at least 150 lbs. and be at least 5'3"), are strongly encouraged to make an automated red cell donation. An automated red cell donation takes 15-20 minutes longer than a whole blood donation. Individuals who choose to make a red cell donation will be eligible to donate again in 112 days or 16 weeks.

**Platelets:** Depending on your blood type and the current needs of patients, you may be asked to make a platelet donation. All donors with A and AB blood types should consider making a platelet donation. Individuals making a platelet donation should expect a 90 to 120 minute appointment. They will be eligible to donate again in 14 days. In fact, platelet donors can donate up to 24 times a year! A donation of platelets collected by an automated procedure can constitute one or several transfusable units, while it takes about four to six whole blood donations to constitute a single transfusable unit of platelets. Donors must refrain from taking aspirin containing products for 48 hours.

Platelet transfusions (necessary for clotting) are an element of cancer and organ transplant treatments, and demand is growing. Many surgical procedures depend on platelets as they help prevent massive blood loss. Platelets are very fragile, short lived blood cells that are essential for normal blood clotting. They must be transfused within five days of donation. It is necessary to consistently provide hospitals with a fresh supply of platelets.





## St. Timothy Young in Spirit Seniors Group

The St. Timothy Young in Spirit (YIS) Seniors Group was founded over 15 years ago to provide a community for seniors over 55 to gather for fun, travel and socialization. Very quickly this fun and friendship gathering expanded to providing love and support to those less fortunate. For the past 15+ years, the St. Timothy YIS Seniors have supported The St. Augustine Parish Outreach Center (City Heights) with monthly food and monetary donations. This Christmas our Seniors were able to present City Heights with a check for \$1660 as a result of our Christmas raffle.

The Senior to Senior Grocery Program began about nine years ago and provides the residents of Aldersgate with monthly delivery of groceries (donated to us by Action Ministries). Our seniors volunteer each month to pack food at Action Ministries and then deliver the packed bags to 30 residents of Aldersgate.

The Pike Street Clinic receives a twice a year donation of white socks (bags of white socks) for use with clients who come into the Center and have foot problems. Last year, Sister commented that she now had "enough socks to cover all of Covington." (What a great feeling this gave us.)

Even hot meal "leftovers" from our monthly catered meeting are taken to Fairhaven Rescue Mission by one of our volunteers. Fairhaven is always grateful for this donation.

YIS Seniors are a fun-loving, trip taking group anxious to make new friends and socialize, but always with a heart for others. Come and join us in our fun! Besides cards and games, we travel on one-day trips as well as longer excursions, Come join in the fun and sharing.

**If interested, please call  
Pat Kline 384-9399 or  
Faye Gosney 647-9606**



***Seniors Christmas Party  
December 2016***



## Oktoberfest 2016 Disney Trip Winner

*My family and I want to thank you and St. Timothy's Parish for the trip to Disney. We hope that the fundraiser was a success and we were surprised and elated to learn we had won the grand prize! Last week, we took our Disney vacation and everyone had a wonderful time. The kids are already wanting to go back! Thank you again!*

*Sincerely,  
Greg Zolton*



# 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual 40 Cans For Lent and our Grant Recipient Go Pantry

*By Katy Sullivan, Director of Outreach*

There are many ways that our parish responds to the call of Jesus to care for our neighbors. One of the most concrete ways is by feeding those who are hungry. Thanks to the sponsorship of the Knights of Columbus, we are collecting food by challenging all of our parishioners to donate 40 cans (or boxes) of food during lent as part of the traditional almsgiving. Parishioners will be able to drop food off in the parish center and the Gathering Space. The Knights sort and deliver the food to a variety of agencies, including St. Vincent de Paul, City Heights and Go Pantry.

**GO Pantry** provides food to Boone County children who do not have enough to eat at home. For reasons identified by the school, the children we help with the GO BOXES and GO BAGS will not receive the food they need on the days that school is not open. During the school year these kids receive breakfast and lunch during the school day. When school is not in session, many of them do not eat. GO Pantry with the help of the community is stepping up to provide food for these children during the times they are not in school. Go Pantry is made up of volunteers living out God's call to love people.

Our Grant Project will again be helping on Good Friday in the morning. As part of our call to serve God, we will be serving our neighbor by putting together Go Boxes. The children in St. Timothy pre-school, school and PSR will all be participating. We hope to make 200 boxes.

Please consider making a sacrificial donation and help us feed our hungry neighbors! There will also be lots of opportunities for service hours for youth during this collection.

**Most Needed Items:** mac and cheese, canned fruit, pasta, pasta sauce, ravioli, hamburger helper, tuna helper, large cans of chicken or tuna, cereal, cereal bars.

## Save The Date...



Spend Good Friday

Serving Those in Need!

What: Packing Go Boxes for Go Pantry

Where: Brodnick Hall

When: Friday, April 14 ~ 9-11 am

All Are Welcome!





## St. Vincent de Paul - Family Relocation

By Bill Anderson

One of the great joys of our ministry is seeing a hard working family make strides towards independence, and nothing is more rewarding than helping a family move from a Stay Lodge or multifamily housing situation to their own apartment, rental home or trailer. When you assist a family who has nothing: No TV, no furniture, no beds, no dinner ware; obtain the resources they need to begin life anew, there's a warm reassuring feeling that the hand of God is at work, for you and them. Each of you who provide our daily bread, who support us with a monthly donation or a gift of time or household goods has done what Christ asks us to do; see His face in those whom we support. Since the start of the new year, we've already relocated 3 families to single family apartments, written 3 applications for Family Promise and written two Butler Grants to insure 2 single parent families maintain their existing residences. This is one of the most difficult transitions we support. Often it takes several weeks or months before a family can find just the right situation to work a move. Because we have limited storage for furniture (housewares we can take immediately) we appreciate when parishioners can hold their donations until the family is ready to relocate. If you'd like to be a "Friend of SVdP", give us a call or send us an email ([SVDPStTims@gmail.com](mailto:SVDPStTims@gmail.com)) and we'll contact you when our family is

ready to move. This is a year around collection so keep us in mind whether summer, winter, spring, or fall when you "red up" your home or garage.

How can you help? We need 25 "spirited" parishioners who will donate monthly: \$5, \$10 or \$25 per month or more. Think of it as supporting a local child in need (Feeding the Children) as 90% of our clients are single parent families, veterans, seniors on fixed incomes (sometimes raising grandchildren), the disabled, and families trying to recover from injuries or sickness and loss of income. To donate, contact Jennifer Casson in the Finance Office or drop an envelope in the collection basket, the poor box at the church entrance or in the parish office.

What's the greatest need: Cars, washers and dryers (in good running order), dressers, sofas, dining tables, TV's, end tables and lamps; small kitchen appliances, cooking utensils, table settings, towels, sheets and blankets (new or in good usable condition). Let your relatives live on by raising up our families or just share your surplus, in either case, we sincerely appreciate your continuing generosity in so many ways.

Food donations: Watch the bulletin for the "item(s) of the week." We have a **surplus** of vegetables, beans and peanut butter, but, we can use box (skillet) dinners, cereal, dish and laundry detergent, paper products, shampoo and deodorant.

Your spiritual support: We need your prayers for our mission and our families: for their spiritual reawakening, for their healing, that they make good decisions and they find homes and safe affordable housing to live in and raise their families.

Vincentians: This ministry is

staffed by juniors (youth group service hours) and seniors, working moms and dads, (semi) retired and those who donate their time, talent and treasure to meet our families where they are (in their homes), determine their needs and provide them with social service referrals, a caring ear, hope, love and sometimes clothing, food and financial assistance to **"help them, help themselves out of poverty."** We pray with everyone before, during and after each call, but we can only help those, who with God's grace, are willing to do their part to achieve their "Hopes and Dreams." What we do is quite challenging spiritually (emotionally), but if you feel with God's guidance you'd like to light the way for your neighbors in need, give me a call or e-mail (Bill Anderson, 859-817-0187, [podacus815@gmail.com](mailto:podacus815@gmail.com)) and we'll introduce you to our Vincentian Ministry.

*Poor Box for  
SVDP donations  
In Gathering Space*



## Fish Frydays 2017

We are trying something new with Fish Fryday signups this year and will have most of them available online. You can also sign up to bring a dessert online. If you are interested in helping with prep in the days prior to Fish Fryday's (usually Wednesday/Thursday) please call Jennifer Fedders in the Parish Office 384-1100. <http://signup.com/go/oRqZPj>



# the Menu

**5-7:30**

**DRIVE THRU  
4:30-7:00**

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

MARCH 3, 10, 17, 24, 31 APRIL 7

### SIDES:

**FRIES**

**GREEN BEANS**

**MAC & CHEESE**

**STEWED  
TOMATOES**

**BAKED POTATO**

**GARDEN SALAD**

**SOFT DRINKS  
& DESSERTS FOR  
PURCHASE  
SEPARATELY**

### a la carte items:

Shrimp (6 pcs)	\$5.00
Fish Sandwich	5.00
Garden Salad	1.50
Baked Potato	1.50
Pizza Slice	1.50
French Fries	1.50
Mac & Cheese	1.50
Green Beans	1.50

**\$8 SHRIMP  
Dinner**

**6 FRIED SHRIMP, COLESLAW  
CHOICE OF 2 SIDES**

**\$8 FRIED  
FISH  
Dinner**

**TWO 4OZ FRIED FISH,  
COLESLAW, CHOICE OF TWO SIDES**

**\$8 BAKED  
COD FISH  
Dinner**

**8OZ BAKED COD, COLESLAW,  
CHOICE OF TWO SIDES**

**\$8 SMALL  
COMBO  
Meal**

**ONE 4OZ FISH & THREE SHRIMP,  
COLESLAW, CHOICE OF TWO SIDES**

**\$10 BAKED  
SALMON  
Dinner**  
LIMITED  
AVAILABILITY

**6OZ BAKED SALMON, COLESLAW,  
CHOICE OF TWO SIDES**

**\$10 LARGE  
COMBO  
Meal**

**TWO 4OZ FISH & SIX SHRIMP,  
COLESLAW, CHOICE OF TWO SIDES**

**\$4<sup>50</sup> KIDS &  
SENIORS  
FISH MEAL**

**ONE 4OZ FISH, 1 SIDE,  
APPLESAUCE / COLESLAW**

**\$3 PIZZA  
Dinner**

**1 SLICE OF PIZZA, APPLESauce,  
CHOICE OF ONE SIDE**

Note: Included drink can be iced tea or lemonade.  
Coffee is on the house!

**Enjoy!**



**CARRY OUT  
available**

**†  
Join us for  
Stations in  
Church at  
7:30pm**





- **Adoration before the Blessed Sacrament:**  
Every Tuesday 8:30 am – 10:00 pm
- **Stations of the Cross:**  
Every Friday at 7:30 pm in church during Lent
- **Sacrament of Reconciliation:**  
Available every Saturday 3–4 pm or by appointment
- **Parish Lenten Reconciliation Service:**  
Monday, March 6 at 6:00 pm

### *Holy Thursday - April 13*

7:30 pm Mass of the Lord's Supper

### *Good Friday - April 14*

1:00 pm Liturgy of the Lord's Passion

3-7:30 pm Church open for quiet prayer

7:30 pm Passion Play performed by  
St. Timothy Youth Ministry

### *Holy Saturday - April 15*

8:30 pm Easter Vigil Mass

### *Easter Sunday - April 16*

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

## We Need You, Our Entire Parish Family

## 2017 Parish Mission



Right here at home and we will need everyone to make it a success!

During the week of June 26, we will be cleaning furniture which we will be moving into and cleaning our new school.

We will also need help providing child care and food for everyone.

We want to bring the Parish together in this giant service project.

Young and Old - **We Need You!** Look for more information to follow!



## Just Another Outreach Project?

By Sarah Mueller

Our family had the recent opportunity to prepare a fun dinner, create a fleece blanket or two, and play a few games with two homeless families here in Northern Kentucky (thanks to the abundance of awesome opportunities here at St. Tim's). Family Promise, a nonprofit agency whose focus is on helping homeless families rebuild their lives in a stable and productive way, collaborates with St. Tim's to set up a few evenings where we can 'reach out' to those in need and share our love in the form of food and fun together. Simply hanging out with these families for an evening was an extremely eye-opening and enjoyable experience. It opened up much conversation within our family about homelessness and the ways it can occur. It gave us all the

opportunity to see that our lives are parallel with these homeless families. Our focus is on the same things, God, our kids, our marriages, providing for our families and living from day to day. These families just hit a bump in the road, as we all do. It helped our family to realize homelessness can happen to anyone. Homelessness is real and it is scary. It can be overcome, but it takes hard work, dedication, and working together as a family. That is exactly what these families are doing each day...together.

As we climbed into our warm car that evening, an innocent comment was made by one of the kids, "They seem so much like us." It was in this moment that I was assured that this

was time well spent. Time that would impact them for the rest of their lives. Time that made this poverty a reality for them. Time that allowed their heartstrings to be tugged and their eyes to see things anew. Time that God used my family to love, but more importantly Our Lord used our time as His time. Time to serve and love as Jesus did. So...just a few hours of my time...just a few dollars... just a another night with my kids... just hanging out with just a few families...just to share His love...I can do that. I don't know about you but I feel like we can do that...we can be God's hands and feet here on earth. With a smile on our face and love in our hearts we simply need to say.. 'Yes, Lord!'



### DIOCESE OF COVINGTON

Office of the Bishop

1125 Madison Avenue, Covington KY 41011-3115  
Phone: (859) 392-1512 • Fax: (859) 392-1508

9 January 2017

My dear friends:

The local councils of the Knights of Columbus are in the midst of a membership drive and I would encourage every Catholic man to consider joining this most worthwhile organization. The Knights of Columbus have been the source of untold benefits to the universal and local Church in so many ways since their inception by Father Michael McGivney in New Haven, Connecticut in 1882. Through its many charitable programs, it has helped countless individuals, parishes, dioceses, seminarians and others in a multitude of ways. We are extremely blessed to have such a strong presence of the Knight in the Diocese of Covington.

Please join me in praying of the success of the membership drive as well as praying in thanksgiving for the many good works wrought by the Knights of Columbus.

May God bless you and all those you love.

Yours devotedly in the Lord,

Most Reverend Roger J. Voys, D.D.  
Bishop of Covington





# KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Are you a practicing Catholic Male age 18 or older???

## The St. Timothy Knights Need You!

You and your family are invited to learn more about the Knights of Columbus at an informational meeting on Monday March 6th at 7 PM in Brodnick Hall.

### 4 Principles 4 Reasons

Charity Unity Fraternity Patriotism

The St. Timothy Knights of Columbus will be holding a Recruitment drive the weekends of Feb. 25th and 26th, and Mar. 4th and 5th after all masses.

The drive will culminate with an information night March 6th at 7pm in Brodnick Hall. Please join us and learn why more than 1.9 million Catholic men have joined the largest Catholic Fraternal Organization, and how you can help us make a difference in our parish and around the world!



*Council financial support to the Parish*



**Charity** – Our Catholic faith teaches us to “Love thy neighbor as thyself.” The Knights recognize that our mission, and our faith in God, compels us to action. There is no better way to experience love and compassion than by helping those in need, a call we answer every day.

**Unity** – None of us is as good as all of us. Members of the Knights of Columbus all know that – together – we can accomplish far more than any of us could individually. So we stick together...we support one another, work together and also have fun.



*Family and Council events*



*Charity and fundraising events*



**Fraternity** – Venerable Fr. Michael J. McGivney founded the Knights of Columbus, in large part, to provide assistance to the widows and children left behind when the family breadwinner died – often prematurely. The Order's top-rated insurance program continues to do this today, as do the good works of individual Knights, who gave more than 73.5 million service hours in 2015 alone.

**Patriotism** – Members of the Knights of Columbus, be they Americans, Canadians, Mexicans, Cubans, Filipinos, Poles, or Dominicans, are patriotic citizens. We are proud of our devotion to God and country, and believe in standing up for both. Whether it's in public or private, the Knights remind the world that Catholics support their nations and are amongst the greatest citizens.



*KofC Color Corps*

Check out our website and Facebook page for more details at:

[www.kofc-st-timothy.org](http://www.kofc-st-timothy.org)

[www.facebook.com/KnightsOfColumbusStTimothyCouncil15211](https://www.facebook.com/KnightsOfColumbusStTimothyCouncil15211)



St. Timothy Parish

P.O. Box 120  
Union, KY 41091-0120  
(859) 384-1100

[www.saint-timothy.org](http://www.saint-timothy.org)



Non-Profit Org.  
U.S. Postage  
**PAID**  
Permit No. 205  
Florence, KY

# Bunnyfest

Saturday, April 15

Brodnick Hall 9-11 AM

There will be Breakfast,  
Crafts and Easter Egg Hunts  
for children of all ages.

**\$5/person**

2 & under FREE

**RSVP Required**

**By Monday, April 10**

**Volunteers Needed.**

Contact Jennifer Fedders at 384-1100 or  
[jfedders@saint-timothy.org](mailto:jfedders@saint-timothy.org)



**Bunnyfest Registration**

# Adults x \$5 =

# Kids x \$5 =

**TOTAL = \$**

**Family Name**