

# THE COMPANION



NEWS ABOUT SAINT TIMOTHY PARISH IN UNION, KY

March-April 2018

## 35 Years a Priest *By Fr. Rick Bolte*

Though it is hard to remember when I wasn't a priest, it is also hard to realize I have been ordained this long. Being a priest is the greatest blessing of my life. This being a year of prayer for priestly vocations, I thought it would be good to share a bit of my story and to say why being a priest is such a blessing. Hopefully this may encourage someone considering a vocation.

I grew up in a family where practicing our faith was a given, I don't recall that I or any of my siblings ever dared to ask, "Do I have to go to church?" We did before and after meal prayers and night prayers that sometimes included the rosary. These practices were done at my parents' insistence and I can't say I was always a happy participant though I kept that to myself. I first thought about being a priest in grade school, mostly inspired by a priest I liked in the parish and my family's great respect for the priests.

When I shared my thoughts of possibly being a priest with my family and friends, they were generally supportive. I even at times played "Mass" with some of my friends in the neighborhood. However, I was never quite the type people often expect of prospective priests. I wasn't the quiet, studious kid who spent all my free time in church. I enjoyed traveling, partying, and my share of risk taking. I went to Covington Latin School from the sixth grade and I did well in everything except languages. At Latin School we had Latin, Greek and German – I barely passed.

I was six years in the seminary, through my second year of graduate school, when I felt I wasn't ready to go on. I hadn't done much dating and I hadn't had to make a living on my own. I was out of the seminary three years before I returned.

I was ordained June 4, 1983 and my first assignment was part time at St. Cecilia's in Independence and part-time teaching at Holy Cross. I remember being surprised that people actually listened to my homilies (I hadn't been such a good listener myself.) I was also a bit offended when people did things for me that I could easily do myself. It took me a while to realize they weren't holding the door for me as much as for what a priest meant to them.

I taught at Holy Cross for ten years gradually taking over the religion and Guidance and Counseling departments. I enjoyed teaching especially as I got better at it and even more the special time I could be with the students as counselor. I worked closely with the principal even going on vacations with him and his family. I got to experience a good bit of administration with its challenges, blessings, and hardships.

I lived five years at St. Cecilia, three at Mother of God, and two at the Cathedral before I left Holy Cross and was a full time associate at St. Paul Parish. I missed teaching but came to enjoy working more with adults and visiting the children in the grade school. I was with Fr. George Schneider who was a very pastoral pastor and a big influence on the kind of priest I try to be.

Two years later I was name pastor of Corpus Christi in Newport. I think I have always had a special place in my heart for the poor. We did a lot of work there ourselves because there was no money; including painting the window frames in the rectory to try to keep the glass from falling out. We served the poor through our thrift shop and outreach ministry. The parish was racking up debt trying to support her

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children in the combined Holy Spirit School. Talking with the other three pastors in Newport, it was obvious that all the parishes were struggling and in no position to take on the financial responsibilities of Corpus Christi should it close; the only solution was a merger. The process of merging the four Newport parishes into one was very hard. Everyone felt a strong sense of loss. People were angry, hurt, crying, and even sometimes despairing as they realized there was no other option but to let go of the places of so many special memories and start a new

community.

The Newport parishes adopted the name that had been chosen for the school, Holy Spirit. However, it was shortly thereafter that we merged the school with the schools in Bellevue and Dayton and the new name was Holy Trinity. We managed to upgrade the facilities in Newport and Bellevue and even added a gym/multipurpose center.

In September 2005, Bishop Foy asked me to come to St. Timothy. I was very sad to leave the people of Newport but was glad to be coming to St. Timothy where there was such a spirit of outreach and concern for the less fortunate. I feel blessed by

our being able to open a school and minister to children many of whom otherwise would have gotten a more limited Catholic education.

I feel so blessed to be a priest. I wonder sometimes where I would be if I hadn't become a priest; I wasn't really all that religious once I was out of my parent's house. My time as a priest has been a journey of growing closer to God bit by bit. There certainly have been ups and downs (as there are for all people) and I certainly have my imperfections. But I do believe I have grown more loving and forgiving in my ministry as I have experienced God's presence in prayer and in the people I seek to serve.



The **St. Timothy Military Wall of Honor** completion has been delayed due to weather conditions. The tiles are ready to place on the wall and we have some empty spots available. If interested in purchasing a tile for a loved one contact Lynn Profitt in the Parish Office (859) 384-1100 ext. 1112.

## Our Parish Family

### New Families

Sachio & Dil Kumari Bishwakarma  
Rosemary Brauch  
Gloria Browning  
Stephen & Amanda Buchwald  
Angela Buckley  
Hollis & Shannon Chadwell  
Mike & Gail Creekmore  
Raymond Deja  
Gary & Mary Ann Hedrick  
Carol Holt  
Richard & Niki Lainhart  
John Lubrecht  
Michael & Casey Martin  
Kevin & Heather Montgomery  
Mark & Angela Oliverio  
Phillip & Corinne Petro  
Dan & Adrienne Reed  
John & Erin Seiter  
Eric & Amanda Volpenhein  
Leo Wathen  
Emily Wesselman  
Charles & Nicole Wimsatt, II

### Baptisms

Benjamin Buchwald  
Emily Louise Buchwald  
AnnaBeth Paisley Carter  
Reagan Fitzgerald Carter  
James Wesley Collins  
Nikolas Michael Coutsoftides  
Mike Creekmore  
Aubrey Reese Crowell  
Avery Reid Crowell  
Greg Gillum, Jr.  
Elizabeth Suzanne Jansen  
Elizabeth Ann Kahmann  
Corbin Michael Kahmann  
Emily Kasselmann  
Michael Oliver Martin  
Sawyer Max Martin  
Elizabeth June Ashworth  
Luke Brian Ruberg-Pfenninger  
Charles Price

### Baptisms

Eloise Marie Sheldon  
Henry Ryder Thole  
Lauren Kate Vaught  
Rachel Wilson  
Cindy Wolsing  
Duke William Wright

### Weddings

Kelly Kleier and Kevin Hoebe  
Sarah and Greg Gillum

### Deceased

Alyssa LaRosa  
Kelli & Aiden Kramer  
Daniel Nikolaus Dilger

# Be A Disciple

By Deacon Dave Profitt

In the 28<sup>th</sup> chapter of the Gospel of Matthew, Jesus tells his disciples “Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always even until the end of the age”.

The Great Commissioning as that is referred to, is not just for the disciples of that time but for all of us to observe. At the heart of our purpose in life, is this call to proclaim the Good News of Jesus Christ in the world in which we move. It can seem like a daunting task yet there he says at the end of that passage, that he will be with us always. We must not think of this mission as an individual action. It is part of the greater mission of the Church which is the salvation of souls.

One of the beautiful ways the Church gives us in our mission is RCIA, the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults. This is the process by which people can explore what it means to be Catholic in the world today. We should think of RCIA as a discernment process, a period in which someone can discover or discern if the Catholic faith is something they can embrace. We don't convert people in RCIA. Instead, the Holy Spirit moves people to open their hearts and minds to where God is leading them. If they decide to enter in full communion with the Church, that's wonderful. But, if they decide this is not for them, then discernment worked on that side as well. We encourage people to open themselves up to the possibility that Catholicism can help them in their journey to find God in their lives.

It may seem odd to be speaking of RCIA now when we just had the Easter Vigil. I would like to encourage you to think of someone who may benefit from

RCIA when it starts again in September. It may be someone who has fallen away from the Church and could use a refresher in the faith. It could be someone who maybe hasn't completed all their Sacraments like Confirmation. It could be someone who has no relationship with God or no religious experience whatsoever and is seeking. It may even be you, wanting to get more involved in your faith in a meaningful way. We are open to anyone who is trying to find God in their life and needs a way to do that in a safe and enjoyable environment.

Anyone who attended the Easter Vigil this year knows how beautiful that evening can be. Seeing 13 people baptized and 28 people overall coming into full communion with the Catholic faith is a moving experience. That experience is made all the more special by the great work that our Arts and Environment and Worship committees put into the decorating of the Church. The music, the servers and everyone involved make it such a special night in the life of the parish. Wouldn't it be even more special if someone you cared about was a part of the people coming into or back to the Church.

Make it a point this year, between now and September, to extend an invitation to someone to come to RCIA. Then tell them, you'll make that walk with them. I've yet to have a sponsor of someone in RCIA who didn't take a great deal away from going deeper into their knowledge of the faith. I encourage you to contact me with any questions or if you would like to refer someone to me, please do so. I can be reached via email at [dproffitt@saint-timothy.org](mailto:dproffitt@saint-timothy.org) or by cell phone at 859-991-9448. Let's fill the Church next year with those seeking God in their life. Be a disciple and help someone make that decision.



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## Stewardship of Treasure

### FEBRUARY 2018

<b>COLLECTIONS:</b>	<b>\$ 75,472.25</b>
<b>4% TITHE:</b>	<b>\$3,018.89</b>
City Heights	\$500.00
St. Vincent de Paul	\$500.00
Grant Recipient: (Max \$3,000)	
Emerg. Shelter NKY	\$2,018.89
\$ \$ to 1% Tithe	\$0
<b>1% TITHE</b>	<b>\$754.72</b>
\$ \$ from 4% Tithe	\$0
<b>Total to STYM/Outreach:</b>	<b>\$754.72</b>
<b>STYM</b>	<b>\$415.10</b>
<b>Outreach</b>	<b>\$339.63</b>

### MARCH 2018

<b>COLLECTIONS:</b>	<b>\$81,430.19</b>
<b>5% TITHE:</b>	<b>\$4,071.51</b>
City Heights	\$500.00
St. Vincent de Paul	\$500.00
Diocesan Collection -	
International Needs	\$3,071.51



Part of the preparation for First Holy Communion for our 2<sup>nd</sup> grade students is the Jesus Retreat. Our students come with a parent to Brodnick Hall on a Sunday afternoon, to prepare for this special sacrament.

Deacon Tom Nolan speaks with them

in the Church, discussing the importance of Christ's presence in the Tabernacle, he helps them practice for First Holy Communion, and tells them about Saint Tarcisus.

They learn about where our Host is made, and see the video of the

Passionist Nuns at the Passionist Monastery in Erlanger, KY. Then they make Lenten Bread, also known as pretzels. The pretzel is curved like the loving arms of Jesus, wrapping us up in his love.



***The students paint ceramic crosses, which we display in the Church for their First Holy Communion.***

## Jesus Retreat March 11



***To show our love and support of all members of our Parish, the students decorate quilt squares for compassion quilts.***





# Registration Information for PSR Classes

*By Carol Lense, Director of Religious Education*

We are currently taking registrations for the 2018-2019 PSR school year. Registration forms are available in the parish office, school office and online. Classes are in St. Timothy Catholic School, and it is going to be another great year, filled with great family faith enriching activities.

## **Sacrament Preparation Programs**

### **First Reconciliation & First Holy Communion – 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade year**

- \* Students in public schools must have attended a previous year of religious education, and be enrolled in Religious Education through the 2<sup>nd</sup> grade year.
- \* Catholic based homeschool and Catholic school students register in the PSR program in their 2<sup>nd</sup> grade year and attend retreats and practice dates.

The Sacrament of Reconciliation is celebrated in December. The Sacrament of First Holy Communion is celebrated in April.

### **Confirmation – 8<sup>th</sup> Grade year**

- \* Students in public schools must have at least one year of religious education prior to the year of Confirmation.
- \* Catholic school & Catholic based homeschool students must register in PSR program for the Confirmation year.
- \* All students, public school, Catholic homeschool, and Catholic School, attend PSR classes at St. Timothy through the Confirmation year. They must attend all required classes, retreats, and activities during the year and complete hours of service.

The Sacrament of Confirmation is celebrated in late January or early February.

## **Religious Education Classes for the 3<sup>rd</sup> through 6<sup>th</sup> grade**

Once your child has celebrated the 2<sup>nd</sup> grade sacraments, there is still much more to learn about their faith before their next big sacrament preparation begins in the 7<sup>th</sup> grade for confirmation in 8<sup>th</sup> grade. From the connection of all Catholic churches, how the Ten Commandments guide our lives, connecting to Jesus with the Sacraments and learning about God's plan for us through the Old Testament. The Parish Education Program also helps keep your child connected to the Parish Family, involved in Mass and celebrating the Sacraments.

The registration form for PSR is available on the St. Timothy Website, in the Parish Office, and in the School Office. In choosing a class time, we offer Sunday mornings at 8 am and 10 am, and Wednesday night at 6 pm. All classes are an hour and 15 minutes. Our Program offers a flexibility that other extracurricular activities cannot. If your child cannot make their regularly scheduled class, they can attend another class in that same week. We are also willing to switch class times through the year if your child's fall activity schedule varies from the spring schedule. We would rather be accommodating and keep your child connected. Please contact Carol Lense if you have any questions at [clense@saint-timothy.org](mailto:clense@saint-timothy.org).

## **Continue to hold a leading role in your child's religious education by participating in our Religious Program**

- **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.
  - \* Free tuition in all religious education programs
- **Liturgical Minister** – Leading the Liturgy of the Word for the 1<sup>st</sup> – 4<sup>th</sup> graders who choose to join the children's liturgy during the 9:30 and 11:30 Mass times. Children return to Mass for the Liturgy of the Eucharist.
  - \* Free tuition in all religious education programs

## **Live your Faith and share your Faith**

The Parish School Religion program is designed as a companion to Mass. Our Catholic Faith is rich in tradition and draws us together as a community, but if you are not celebrating the Sacrament of the Eucharist weekly, you are missing that main ingredient, the glue that keeps it all together. Come to Mass and fill yourself up every week with God's love.

## My First Year of Priesthood *By Fr. Ross Kelsch*

On April 22 we celebrated the World Day of Vocations, and it was a perfect time for me to reflect on my first year of priesthood, and my first year of ministry at Saint Timothy.

I was ordained on May 19, 2017, and honestly that was a day of many surprises and graces. It poured down rain all day that day... I suppose that, if its anything like a wedding, rain on your ~~wedding~~ ordination day means God is smiling.

Priesthood is not like any other job. It shares some common characteristics, but it is very different. One of the main differences is how we get placed for our assignments. I did not apply for any parish assignment, nor were any openings posted. I remember very clearly the day that I was called in to see the Bishop to receive my first assignment. Of course, I was nervous. Of course, I had in my mind my preferred placement (and perhaps the places I didn't want to go!). I thought for sure that I knew where I was going. Well, I was wrong (I normally am). When Bishop Foys told me that my first assignment would be at Saint Timothy in Union, I was surprised. I thought he was kidding. He wasn't. And I am glad that he wasn't joking.

My first year of priesthood, and my first year here at Saint Timothy have been a year of surprises and great joys. Honestly, I could have never imagined in my wildest dreams how awesome and fulfilling priesthood would be, how rewarding it would be to serve the people of God – to serve you, the people of Saint Timothy.

Sure, in Seminary they tried to prepare us for the realities of priesthood, but nothing can really prepare you to truly live out your vocation. I presume it's like a married couple can't know what it is like to be married to the love of their life until they are actually married. Nothing can really prepare you fully for your vocation. Married, or clerical.

God really did smile on me on my ordination day. He sent me to serve here. And what a year it has been! My first week here was a blur, I got thrown right into VBS, and from there the momentum never slowed down. We opened a beautiful new school building and welcomed over 100 new students to our campus. And I've been able to connect with all of our "younger parishioners" in our preschool, kindergarten, grade school and PSR program. And now, as I finish my first year, it too has been a blur.

But I wouldn't have it any other way.

I have celebrated with you many of my "firsts" – and continue to grow in my priesthood.

Priesthood is not easy. But priesthood is fulfilling and rewarding and life giving. I am very happy that I am assigned with Father Bolte (who celebrates his 35<sup>th</sup> anniversary this year). His pastoral zeal and leadership continue to help form me and inspire me. Our relationship and friendship is a grace from God.

Priesthood is joyous. It is joyous because God calls people to serve him and his people. And God promises that he will always supply the graces needed to do what he asks of his children. My priesthood is fulfilling because of the people that I serve. My priesthood is for you, our parishioners. My brothers and sisters. You make priesthood work living.

Thank you for making me a part of our parish family and allowing me to journey with you as we grow together in holiness and love of God and each other. I look forward with eager anticipation to my next year of priestly ministry and I humbly ask for your continued love, care, support and prayers. I truly love being at Saint Timothy!

Have you thought of how you can create a culture of vocations around you? How can we help the young men and women in our parish realize that God is calling them to more? We need priests, deacons, and men and women religious from our parish! If you know someone that is thinking about a vocation, or know someone who would make an excellent priest, sister, or brother – please let me know! I know that they are out there... I'd love to talk to them!

Love and prayers to all of our parish family!



## Working With Our Vets *By Bill Anderson*

St. Tim's SVdP is very thankful for our generous parishioners: all those who donate monthly, those who share anonymously and especially those who give what they can, when they can. Also dear to our hearts, are those who provide food, bicycles and household items, etc. Each of you allow us to be the face of Christ and serve the poor in sooooo many wonderful ways!!! Thank you one and all!!!

Although the success of our families has much more to do with the character of our clients and the grace of God, than to our efforts, we do take pride and experience a sense of exhilaration when the folks we work with are successful. That exhilaration is doubled when we work with a veteran and have the opportunity, even in a small way, to help repay them for their dedicated service.

We are blessed at St. Timothy's Parish to have a DAV (Disabled American Veteran's) advocate, which allows us to partner in our response to veterans and insure they are getting all the benefits they have earned and then combine the resources of the many veteran organizations, St. Vincent de Paul and other local agencies to provide as complete an assistance package as practical.

Sometimes the veteran's advocate will bring the veteran to us, sometimes they are referred to us by other conferences and sometimes we encounter vets when they place a call with SVDP. However, they receive the same TLC no matter how we meet them. We determine their current needs, whether it be health, employment, rent, utilities, food or transportation. Then, our DAV advocate evaluates how disabled they are versus the veteran's benefits they are currently receiving and he goes to work to close the gap between what they are receiving and what their current condition warrants. Then we evaluate their short and long term needs and engage all our resources to provide the package of benefits required.

One veteran was receiving full disability, but was lead to believe he couldn't also receive Social Security Benefits. Obtaining social security benefits allowed him to pay off his debts and live comfortably in his existing residence. We were able to provide food and social service support until his additional benefits kicked in and he was able to independently manage his finances.

We assisted a female vet who had encountered health problems and fell behind on her rent. We also discovered her car needed repairs which she couldn't afford. Our DAV rep, in conjunction with his son who is an auto repair manager, made the needed repairs to her vehicle. SVDP helped with rent and food and L'Oreal allowed her to retain her position as a lead technician and she was able to continue to support her family as she had in the past.

One of our Veteran Rep's notable successes was with a veteran who was living in a pop-up camper with his dog and was ignoring gangrene in his foot. His rep was able to intercede and influence him to address his medical needs, take his diabetes medicine and maintain a proper diet. DAV was ultimately able to procure increased benefits, find him senior care housing, follow his progress at least weekly, encourage him and keep him on his program, through thick and thin, for over two years, until his passing.

We were able to intercede collectively for a veteran and his three teenage daughters who was working part time, unable to pay his rent and had to contend with his wife's drug addiction and subsequent imprisonment. We were able to justify a Butler Grant to help bridge the gap for several months, provide food and clothing vouchers and offer job, emotional and social service support. He was able obtain a good paying full-time job, catch up on rent and support his beautiful little family without further assistance, justifying our faith in him.

All told over the last 2 years we were able to jointly assist more than 10 veterans with services such as: food, housing, increased benefits (veteran, federal, state and local assistance), career counselling, medical assistance, furniture, clothing and car repairs among others. We take pride in our vets and appreciate the opportunity to help repay them for their courageous service in their time of need.

Has the Holy Spirit been urging you reach out to others? Does the idea of visiting our families in their homes and providing spiritual, material and empathetic support appeal to you? Perhaps you prefer to assist in the Food Pantry? We would welcome the opportunity to introduce you to our Vincen-tian ministry and guide you through the introductory process. Contact Bill Anderson at 412-295-3441 for more information.

*Poor Box for  
SVDP donations  
In Gathering Space*



**CONTACT:**  
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## St. Timothy Responds with Generosity During Lent

Once again, the generosity of people in our parish bless many in our community. St. Tim's collected over 10,000 lbs of food during lent, a record for us. We were able to share your food donations with those in need at City Heights and those families served through our St. Vincent de Paul Society and Go Pantry. We touched the hearts of many people in our community by showing them God's love and compassion.

Many folks gathered on Good Friday morning to pack boxes for Go Pantry. It is inspiring to see so many families start their Good Friday in service to others. Here are a few pictures....



### Family Promise

*By Parishioner Gina Brown*

Our family had the pleasure of volunteering at Family Promise last month. It began with my husband and our 9-year-old son getting all of the ingredients and making dinner at the old St. Agnes convent. The rest of our family, myself, and our other children (ages 12, 10, 5 and 1) joined them closer to dinner time. It was wonderful to get to know and spend some time with people in our community whom we may not otherwise have the chance to meet. Our children played together, we ate together, and we cleaned up after dinner together. It was especially neat during the season of Lent to act as Christ's hands and feet in such a role within our community. It was a bonus when another St. Timothy parishioner showed up early for her overnight shift and joined us for dinner. She was someone we had seen across the Church for years, but had never spoken to! Our family really enjoyed our time spent together serving and getting to know others. We plan to serve at Family Promise again next month. I encourage all families to take their meal prep over to St. Agnes's and open their hearts up to our brothers and sisters in Christ.

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We have many volunteers that make things run smoothly when we care for our neighbors who are homeless. We are always looking for more people to help out with this ministry. Showing God's compassion to others who are experiencing homelessness is an amazing opportunity. We need volunteers to help drive the families (in a Family Promise van), prepare and serve dinners (a great family activity), visit with the families and spend the night at St. Agnes where we actually host. We are blessed to have St. Agnes allow us to use the old convent to "host" the families. The families are all screened for drugs and criminal backgrounds. The safety of the volunteers is always a priority. We are serving April 29-May 5 and again from July 15-July 21. Please contact Katy in the office if you are interested at [ksullivan@saint-timothy.org](mailto:ksullivan@saint-timothy.org).

# Mission Week 2018

**Who We Serve:** The poor people of Appalachia

**Where We Serve:** The Piarist Catholic School of Hagerhill, KY and surrounding community

**How We Serve:** Light construction work, painting, general maintenance, serving meals to those in need, work with children

**Dates:** June 10-15, 2018

**Who Can Attend:** Anyone 8<sup>th</sup> grade and older

**Cost:** \$200/per person

**Contact:** Email Katy at [ksullivan@saint-timothy.org](mailto:ksullivan@saint-timothy.org) or Paul at [pdierig@saint-timothy.org](mailto:pdierig@saint-timothy.org)

*"Christ has no body here on earth but yours. No hands, no feet on earth but yours. Yours are the eyes through which he looks compassion on this world. Yours are the feet which he walks to do good. Yours are the hands through which he blesses all the world." -St Theresa of Avila*



Appalachia today stands for poverty, isolation and despair. It is a land in crisis. As a response to this situation, on March 2, 1988, Pope John Paul II established Lexington, Kentucky as a new diocese. The diocese is made up of 50 counties. It contains 1.4 million people of which 40,000 are Roman Catholic. There are 70 parishes and missions and 64 active diocesan and religious priests.

In Eastern Kentucky, the Mountain Missions contain 30 counties, an area the size of Rhode Island, Delaware, Connecticut and New Jersey. Some 750,000 people call this land their home. There is an average of about one Catholic family for every 400 people.

The most economically depressed of America's poor now reside in this diocese. The challenges are monumental and material resources are minimal. There is no money to purchase land in counties in which there are neither priests nor churches; no money to build or expand mission stations or schools to answer the calls of the people who are searching for a fuller life.

One of the poorest areas in modern America calls out to the Church for help, and it would be a great tragedy of unbelievable proportions if we have to say, "No, we have no way to help."







The Dinner Dance was a huge success and an evening filled with fun games, dancing, bidding wars, diamond earring suspense, laughter and great memories. All our expenses have been paid and we made an outstanding NET profit of \$20,800. We had an incredible amount of donations provided from our amazing parishioners. Some of you picked up a tag after Mass for item(s)

needed for a themed basket, some donated items from home, wine or gift cards! All of these donations are a major factor in the success of this event! Thank you to everyone who donated! If we missed somebody in the list below, please know that it was not intentional! It was impossible to know who donated every item as so many of them would just arrive in the Parish Office, so THANK YOU everyone!

Thank you to our decorating team for another beautifully decorated evening, you thought of all the details and transformed the hall into the perfect Camelot setting. Thank you to everyone who helped prepare the weeks, days and hours leading up to the Dinner Dance, the Bartending team who did a phenomenal job keeping up with over 220 guests and to everyone who attended! Thank you to Donna Wilmhoff and her team for a deliciously catered meal! A huge thank you to Ron Bass & Scott Schlegel, our funny, witty, comical, singing and well dressed emcees for the evening, you did a great job.

### St. Timothy Parish Groups

American Heritage Girls, Boy Scouts Troop #702, Challenge Girls, Cub Scouts Troop #702, Familia, Knights of Columbus, St. Timothy Catholic School, St. Timothy MOPS, St. Timothy Preschool, RCIA, Youth Group

### Parishioners

Ron & Julie Bass, Aaron & Maureen Bickford, Cliff & Rose Black, Jessica Black, Brian & Lori Bold, Danielle Brock, Miriam Burkart, Jennifer Casson, Phil & Beverly Eha, Doug Eiffert, Lynn Ernst, Tom Ferguson, Julie Froelicher, Gerry Glen, Faye Gosney, Rick & Carol Harvey, Dick & Rosalie Hentz, William & Sue Hinkle, Marla Humphrey, Betty Kasproicz, Chris & Jenna Kemper, Brittaney King, Donna King, Julie McCormack, Matt & Gina Murray, Harold & Donna Nalley, Steve & Michelle O'Hara, Marlene Pleiman, Sharon Ryan, Nathan & Stacy Rettig, Gene Schadler, Mike & Ashleigh Schneider, Jerry & Betsy Shroat, Julie Shupe, Nancy Seeger, Martha Scorch, Scott & Sara Schlegel, Donna Wilmhoff

### Local Businesses

Allie's Walkabout, Almost Home Pet Resort Inc., Ave Maria Books & Gifts, Baker Hunt Art & Cultural, Bella Dance, Boone County Golf, Chas Seligman Distribution Co., Cincinnati Bengals, Cincinnati Reds, Cincinnati Zoo, Comfort Dentistry, Decker's Carpet Cleaning, Elk Creek Winery, FC Cincinnati, Five Seasons Sports Club, Florence Freedom, Goodlife Fitness, KA Hugs, Kids on Stage, KONA Ice, Krohn Conservatory, Lefty's Barbershop, Life is Captured Photography, Marriott Cincinnati Rivercenter, McDonalds, Middendorf Animal Hospital, Momma Middle's Creative Classes, Newport Aquarium, NKY Speech & Language Services, Oriental Wok, Pepsi Co., Perfect North Slopes, Playhouse in the Park, Riverbend Music Center, River's Edge Pottery Studio, Ruthanne Miller Piano Lessons, Signarama, Sports of All Sorts, St. Henry Catholic High School, Swinford Jewelers, Turner Dentistry, University of Cincinnati, Willis Music, Xavier University



Let's talk about Fish Frydays!!!! Our six Fish Frydays were a HUGE success!! This year we made a NET profit of just over \$20,000. Our Fish Frys bring our Parish community together and also invites our community neighbors into our Parish! We had 3 music filled Fish Frys where our preschoolers sang their hearts out with songs they had been working so hard on leading up to their big night (thank you Miss Rachel)! We had so many volunteers, too many to count, but roughly 100 volunteers each Fish Fryday from our order takers, food servers, bartenders, fryers, cashiers, drive thru and meal assembly, runners, kitchen help, clean up crew and the list goes on! In addition to the 100 volunteers needed on the actual Fish

Fryday, we have close to 40 volunteers working throughout the week picking up supplies and groceries, making and prepping the fish, mac n cheese, baked potatoes, salad, coleslaw, etc. It is incredible to feel the Parish come together to serve over 1000 meals on Fish Frydays in just 3 hours (it's pretty closely split down the middle between drive thru and our dine in guests)!!! This year, on our busiest night we served 1260 meals.

Thank you to everyone who volunteered their time, some of you countless hours! We are very blessed to have such dedicated parishioners who care about our church and community.



## Finding Faith Through Scouting

Scouting is an important youth ministry at our Parish. On March 11 some of our scouts from the American Heritage Girls and Boy Scouts received awards at the Cathedral Basilica of the Assumption. Dr. Mark Deis was recognized for his outstanding work in bringing our faith to the Boy Scouts at St. Timothy Parish.

The following religious scouting awards were presented.

<b><u>Award</u></b>	<b><u>Recipient</u></b>	<b><u>Group</u></b>
The God is Love Medal	Sarah Hinkle	St. Timothy American Heritage Girls
I Live My Faith Medal	Stefany Nix	St. Timothy American Heritage Girls
Light of Christ Emblem	Henry Donaldson	St. Timothy Boy Scout Pack 702
Light of Christ Emblem	Gabriel Fulmer	St. Timothy Boy Scout Pack 702
Light of Christ Emblem	Liam McCormack	St. Timothy Boy Scout Pack 702
Light of Christ Emblem	Landry Page	St. Timothy Boy Scout Pack 702
Light of Christ Emblem	Charles Ray	St. Timothy Boy Scout Pack 702
The Parvuli Dei Emblem	Timothy Daugherty	St. Timothy Boy Scout Pack 702
The Parvuli Dei Emblem	Christopher Fulmer	St. Timothy Boy Scout Pack 702
The Parvuli Dei Emblem	Xavier Moorman	St. Timothy Boy Scout Pack 702
The Parvuli Dei Emblem	Isaac Stricker	St. Timothy Boy Scout Pack 702
Bronze Pelican Emblem	Mark Deis, Adult Leader	St. Timothy Boy Scout Pack 702

*Diocese of Covington, Catholic Committee on Scouting, Mr. Rick Hayden, Chair, St. Timothy, [rhayden@fuse.net](mailto:rhayden@fuse.net)*



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

*By Leah Hext, SHDHS Junior*

You can feel the anticipation rising at St. Henry as we're in our final stretch of the school year before summer! Although we're getting closer to summer, the weather doesn't show it. Many of our sports teams have been off to slow starts with snow and rain canceling events. However, our track and field teams competed in the Diocesan Meet at the end of March, and both teams claimed 1st place victories! We had another Crusader victory in Governor's Cup when our Future Problem Solvers Team won 4th place.

On March 16th, many of our students came together for Dance Cru, which is a fundraiser held at St. Henry for the Dragonfly Foundation, a local nonprofit organization that helps families with children diagnosed with cancer. At the fundraiser, we played dodgeball, had a cakewalk, made bracelets for cancer patients, danced, and listened to a mother and her daughter talk about their journey through her cancer diagnosis and treatment. The night was a huge success, and we raised \$2,026 for the Dragonfly Foundation!

The excitement continued into the next week when we had Vocations Day. We had members from the Jesuit

Spiritual Center lead us through the day, and priests, religious sisters, and Bishop Foys joined us as we learned about our vocations. In the morning, we listened to different speakers as they told us their stories of discerning their personal vocations. Bishop Foys led Mass at the end of the day. The day brought us together and created a greater understanding of our faith.



# CARE NET

*Pregnancy Services of Northern Kentucky*  
Cordially Invites You to:

## *2018 Annual Banquet*

**Thursday, May 17, 2018**  
**Receptions Hall**  
**Erlanger KY**

5:30pm Reception &  
Registration  
6:30pm Buffet Dinner  
& Program

**Invocation: Father Nick Rottman**

Immaculate Heart of Mary Pastor



### **Guest Speaker: Kirk Walden**

Kirk Walden has more than 30 years of experience in the pro-life arena. His efforts span from political campaigns and public policy to his current work with hundreds of crisis pregnancy ministries across the United States.

Care Net is honored to host Kirk as he shares his passion for life.

*The opportunity to join Care Net 's life saving mission  
through financial giving will be extended*

*Dinner is provided by generous supporters of Care Net*

*"but you must defend those who are helpless and have no  
hope." Proverbs 31*

# CARE NET

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*Pregnancy Services of Northern Kentucky*

Florence ♦ Covington ♦ Williamstown ♦ Highland Heights

## **Mothers Day to Fathers Day May 13th - June 17th**

Don't forget to pick up your baby bottle for the

## **Annual Baby Bottle Campaign**

**Your spare change will help Care Net Pregnancy Services minister to women and men who are experiencing an unplanned pregnancy.**

**Please fill your bottle with change, cash and/or checks and return to your church representative**

For more information, donate by credit card or volunteer,  
visit [www.choselifenky.org](http://www.choselifenky.org)  
or call (859) 431-9178.



***Speak up for those who cannot speak for themselves.***

Proverbs 31:8





# St. Timothy Vacation Bible School

Children of all **ages** should join in the fun at Vacation Bible School!

**Dates:** Monday June 4th through Thursday June 7<sup>th</sup> at St. Timothy School  
**Friday June 8<sup>th</sup> is Family Night - Mass starts at 6 pm with a cookout and games to follow in Brodnick Hall**

**Time:** 6:00pm ~ 8:15pm

**Fee:** \$25 for first child, \$20 each subsequent child  
Includes T-shirts for all and 1 CD per family; \$65 family max

**Registration Deadline: May 31<sup>st</sup>.** After the registration deadline, an extra \$5 per child will be charged. Please be considerate and register early. Children will be grouped by age. **We will try to honor grouping requests made by the registration deadline.**

**Questions?** Please contact Carol Lense at 384-1100 ext. 1509 or [clense@saint-timothy.org](mailto:clense@saint-timothy.org)  
If your child has allergies or special needs, or you are interested in child care for younger students please call in advance so we can plan appropriately to meet their needs.

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## Children's Vacation Bible School Registration

Parent's name \_\_\_\_\_ email \_\_\_\_\_

Cell phone \_\_\_\_\_ Emergency Contact \_\_\_\_\_

*Note: T-shirts will be worn over the clothes they come in. Please order accordingly.*

Child's name: \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_ Grade\* \_\_\_\_\_

T-shirt size: XS(2-4)    S(6-8)    M(10-12)    L(14-16)    XL(16-18)

Child's name: \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_ Grade\* \_\_\_\_\_

T-shirt size: XS(2-4)    S(6-8)    M(10-12)    L(14-16)    XL(16-18)

Child's name: \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_ Grade\* \_\_\_\_\_

T-shirt size: XS(2-4)    S(6-8)    M(10-12)    L(14-16)    XL(16-18)

\*please give us the grade they are going into.

Please list any friend requests under your child's name, so they are with their friends.

**VBS Registration fee must be paid with this form.**

# Vacation Bible School Volunteer Form

We are inviting all Youth 11 and up & VIRTUS trained adults to volunteer for Vacation Bible School. If you are interested in leading, learning, and crafting with children ages 4-10, please return the following information to St. Timothy Parish.

Age: Are you: 11-18 \_\_\_\_\_ 19+ \_\_\_\_\_

Please number your 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> choices:

_____ Group Leader*	_____ Group Assistant	_____ Crafts
_____ Music	_____ Snack	_____ Games
_____ Child Care	_____ Friday Party Helper	

Please check here if you would like to be in one of the skits \_\_\_\_\_

We will be rotating staff through the skits, so please choose other options as well.

**Childcare can be provided for volunteers and Adult VBS participants.**

Child care needed for \_\_\_\_\_ children Ages \_\_\_\_\_

Volunteer Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone # \_\_\_\_\_  
T-shirt size (adult) S M L XL XXL XXXL

Volunteer Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone # \_\_\_\_\_  
T-shirt size (adult) S M L XL XXL XXXL

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## Adult Vacation Bible School

*Come Celebrate our Family and our Faith!*

**Dates:** Monday, June 4<sup>th</sup> through Thursday June 7<sup>th</sup>

**Time:** Refreshments at 6:00pm, Presentations begin at 6:30pm

**Place:** Parish Center 3/4

All are invited to join the children for closing songs in church after the presentation

**Registration preferred, but not required. Each night will stand alone so join us for any that you can! More information on topics and Presenters available on the parish website.**

Name (s): \_\_\_\_\_ Phone # \_\_\_\_\_



**Watch Fr. Ross throw  
out the first pitch!**

**Please join us for an end of year party sponsored by  
The Knights of Columbus!**

**SATURDAY May  
19  
6:05 PM**

**St. Timothy Catholic  
Parish Family Night @  
Florence Freedom vs.  
Gateway Grizzlies at UC  
Health Stadium**

**Listen to St.  
Timothy Catholic  
School sing the  
National Anthem!**

**Come and see Mrs. Brue  
(1st Grade Teacher) and  
Mrs. Bogner (Middle  
School Teacher) be the  
7th inning stretch  
entertainment—sumo  
wrestlers!!**

**\$10 per ticket**

Tickets will be sold after all Masses and at the school office.





# You are invited to ♥ Capture Memories for a Lifetime

## Be a part of our family photography program

We will partner with Lifetouch for professional photography that will connect our families and preserve your timeless memories.

### Treasured keepsakes

More information coming soon about scheduling your photography session.

### Convenient

Lifetouch will photograph at our location. In your one-hour session you will:

- Be professionally photographed
- Immediately view your photographs
- Have an opportunity to purchase photography gifts

**Photographs will be taken at St. Timothy:**

- June 19-23
- June 26-30
- July 10-14



Each family will receive a  
**complimentary**  
**8x10 photograph**  
for participating



Exclusive products for your  
**cherished memories**

# St. Timothy's 17<sup>th</sup> Annual Golf Tournament

Saturday August 18<sup>th</sup> - 1:30 PM Shotgun Start  
Boone Links Golf Course

- FORMAT:** Four Person Scramble - Registration at 12:30
- AWARDS:** 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> Place Prizes  
Hole-In-One Prize - Set of Calloway Irons  
Putting Contest for a Chance to win a 6' Sub from Sub Station II  
Long Drive & Closest to the Pin
- ADD ONS:** Skins, Pot-Of-Gold, Split the Pot & More
- COST:** \$85.00 /Player or \$320.00 for a Foursome
- HOLE SPONSOR:** \$100 (Other Sponsorships available - contact T.J. Mueller)



Steak Dinner After  
The Tournament!!

Sponsored By The St. Timothy  
Knights Of Columbus

Complimentary Drink  
Tickets for your use!



Registration Form: Clip & Mail To T.J. Mueller at the Address Below or Register Online at [www.sttimothygolfouting.com](http://www.sttimothygolfouting.com)

CAPTAIN: \_\_\_\_\_ TEAM MEMBER 1 \_\_\_\_\_  
ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_ TEAM MEMBER 2 \_\_\_\_\_  
CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ STATE: \_\_\_\_\_ TEAM MEMBER 3 \_\_\_\_\_  
PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ E-MAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

Make Checks Payable to: St. Timothy Knights of Columbus

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!**

Net proceeds benefit the ongoing charitable activities of the St. Timothy Knights of Columbus. At least 25% Will be used to fund our \$10,000 donation to St. Timothy School.

St. Timothy Knights of Columbus  
C/O T.J. Mueller  
7926 Driftwood Dr.  
Florence, KY 41042  
513-477-1931  
[tjmueller17@gmail.com](mailto:tjmueller17@gmail.com)





# Clay Shoot Fundraiser

*hosted by*

St. Timothy #15211

Knights of Columbus Council



Saturday,  
**May 5, 2018**  
10 a.m.-2 p.m.  
**\$75 per shooter**

*Lloyd WMA Trap Range*

*230 Gardnersville Road, Crittenden, KY*

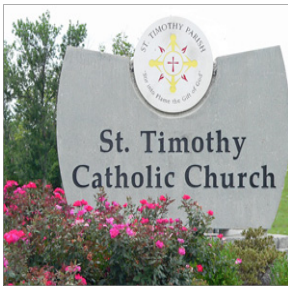
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Please RSVP via  
[www.kofc-st-timothy.org/clayshoot](http://www.kofc-st-timothy.org/clayshoot)

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Questions? Call Adam Howard  
at (859) 992-3515






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A portrait of Fr. Rick Bolte, a man with white hair and a mustache, wearing a black clerical shirt with a white collar. He is smiling and looking towards the camera.

## CELEBRATE WITH US!


# 35

Fr. Rick Bolte's 35<sup>th</sup> Anniversary  
service to Saint Timothy  
of Priesthood and 13 years of

**SUNDAY,  
JUNE 3, 2018**

11:30 a.m. Mass  
Lunch Follows in  
Brodnick Hall

R.S.V.P. for Lunch:  
[rsvp@saint-timothy.org](mailto:rsvp@saint-timothy.org) (859) 384-1100

A horizontal collage of six photographs. From left to right: 1. A young boy in a blue and yellow vestment holding a string. 2. A man in a black clerical shirt. 3. A group of people, including children and adults, gathered together. 4. A man in a white clerical shirt. 5. A man in a white and gold vestment holding a golden staff. 6. A group of people, including children and adults, gathered together.