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NEWS ABOUT SAINT TIMOTHY PARISH IN UNION, KY

May-June-July 2019

What To Leave Behind By Fr. Rick Bolte

Many of us have a will and have thought about what we will leave behind particularly to our families. I wonder sometimes if we don't have a rose-colored view of how wonderful a gift we will leave for them.

Many of us have things we've collected over the years. Maybe we've worked hard to get complete sets. Maybe we spent hours searching for the missing parts of the collection. Maybe we spent more than we should have to acquire them. If we are lucky, we have a child or grandchild that shares our interest. But will even they appreciate all we put into it? Will there be even a whole generation before it ends up on eBay or in a yard sale?

And pictures. We likely all have thousands of pictures. There's the few we hang on the wall. The rest are in scrap books, boxes, or digitally on hard drives. How often do you even take them out and look at the ones in scrapbooks, boxes, or hard drives? Do you expect that your children and especially grandchildren will know the special memories these pictures represent? Even if they keep them, how long will they even remember who all the people in the pictures are, much less the memories they represent?

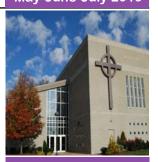
But money, everyone appreciates being remembered in the will with cash. I remember after my parents had died. They didn't have a lot. They grew up during the depression, lived through WWII, and worked hard. My mom was a stay-at-home mom and my dad was a construction worker. The money was divided among the 5 remaining children. I must admit that I don't think about how hard they worked to earn and save it now as I use it.

Ecclesiastes 1:2-4,11 "Vanity of vanities, says Qoheleth, vanity of vanities! All things are vanity! What profit have we from all the toil which we toil at under the sun? One generation departs and another generation comes, but the world forever stays. There is no remembrance of past generations; nor will future generations be remembered by those who come after them."

Qoheleth can seem depressing. We like to think that we will leave behind a legacy and what we've been about will make a mark in the world especially through our children. However, the gift we are to the world will not be the things we collected and leave behind. It won't even be the impressive things we might accomplish. And sadly for our egos, it won't be anything that has our name on it.

The real difference we make, that will be passed on from one generation to the next, is the difference we make in the hearts of those we love. Whether family, friends, people we see but once, or even those we touch by our generosity without ever seeing; these are the people who carry on what comes through us. Through us but not from us. It is truly God who works through us to make a difference in the hearts of others. It is God's presence in others that enables them to receive the gift we share and allow their hearts to be altered forever.

I think the moral of what Qoheleth is saying is that we should not focus on great accomplishments or things that we leave behind. They are soon forgotten. Rather, focus on what God has given to make a difference that will last for all eternity; the love and life that is shared heart to heart.



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Kristi was born and raised in Florence, KY and graduated from Northern Kentucky University. She previously worked in banking but joined the St. Timothy staff to work closer to home. She has been married to her husband Jeremy for 12 years and they have three children, a daughter Maci who is 8 years old and twin boys Nolan and Nathan who are 6.



Jennifer Skudlarek, Youth Ministry

Jennifer recently joined our St. Timothy staff and is responsible for the Youth Ministry group which had previously been the responsibility of Paul Dierig. Paul is now our Facilities Coordinator. Jennifer and her husband live in Union with their 5 young children.



Rev. Britton Hennessey, Parochial Vicar

Greetings! I'm delighted to be here with you at St. Timothy. I'm from Augusta, Kentucky and am now in my third year of priesthood. I look forward to journeying with you through life as we strive to grow closer to our Lord and God!







On July 19th parishioner Alice Perott celebrated her 103rd birthday with friends in Brodnick Hall. Alice was born July 19, 1916. She is originally from Pennsylvania and is one amazing woman. Alice still knits and crochets; loves to read; travels with the YIS Seniors; and can be found out and about with friends.

Our Parish Family -

New Families

Maura Adams
David & Christie Butcher
Susan Cobb
John & Jacquelyn Deis
Michael & Sabrina Depenbrock
Mary Jo Frohn
Steve & Tina Gadd
Victor & Elizabeth Iloegbunam
Joel & Sarah Johnsonbaugh
Ryan & Amy Maschmeyer
Christopher & Kelley Ramsey
Julie Rehkamp
Clifford & Judy Rolfsen
Joseph Skeen & Laura Eaton
Jeff & Emalee Stallkamp

New Families

Jerome & Jennifer Timmerman Thomas & Kelly Webster Trevor & Jennifer Welsh Eric & Kelly Zalla

Baptisms

Ava McMullen

Miles Butcher Logan Cooper Christina David Anandaraj Alaina Deaton Miles Gallagher Cora Johnson Beckham Kolenich Raelyn McHenry

Baptisms

Grayson O'Brien
Mattox Perez
Chad Reed
Sayler Ryan
Isaac Sikorski
Jack Staff
Savannah Steinhauser
Jade Thornberry
Sage Thornberry
Rowan Work

Weddings

John Patrick Deis and Jacquelyn Coleen Brockman James Haggard and Haley Susan May Baker Jonathan Alan Heinrichs and Lisa Ann Zangari

Deceased

Joy Meiman Matthew Combs Robert Thirlwell Ed Bowmann Dr. Paul Tagher



By Fr. Rick Bolte

Church Renovations

As you may recall, the guestimate for all the things we wanted to do to fix and improve the beauty of the church was about \$1,000,000. Last year's DPAA was \$83,000 (this was down from previous lists because not all pledges came in). \$57,000 has been given directly to our parish for this project. Our pledges are \$109,000 over our DPAA goal for this year. If all the pledges come in, we'll have about \$250,000 going into next year's DPAA. Our plan is to use the money we have so far and next year's DPAA overage for the renovation. If we can't do all we hoped for, we will try to get the most done with what we have.

School

Our school continues to grow. We will be opening this year with about 200 students. We have one class of each grade except the kindergarten, first, and second grades all have two classes. We are using every space in the building and expect that if current trends continue, we will need mobile classrooms next year. We continue to explore ways to get a gym built.

Parish Grounds

A good bit of the dirt has already been moved but more is to come. Our first priority is to fill in much of the valley between the school and the garden and to install a playground and basketball courts for the school children. Second we are removing the dirt closest to the school building where the future addition is slated to go; this will alleviate the expense of moving it later. Finally, what is left of the hill (we've been giving away fill dirt) will be evened out for use as a soccer field.



One of the unique aspects of our Masses here at St. Timothy is the number of people that are needed to serve the people who attend. There are the extraordinary ministers, ushers, family greeters, servers, lectors and Mass assistants, in addition to our Clergy and music ministry. Each of these ministries add an important element of welcoming and service to our parish. We

certainly appreciate all who volunteer these ministries and would like to invite others to get involved. It's important in our spiritual life to give back and learning to do one or more of these important ministries is a way to do so. While the positions of lector and extraordinary minister require diocesan training, the others do not.

The **Mass Assistant** makes sure that everything is ready for the Mass. They check the consecrated hosts that are in the tabernacle, get out the sacred vessels, get the bread and wine ready for the presentation of the gifts. It's a great way to get deeper into the Mass and is of great assistance to the Priests and Deacons.

The **Ushers** help parishioners find a place to sit. It's also an opportunity to show people the friendly nature of our parish.

Family Greeters are those who welcome and distribute bulletins to those entering church for Mass. They also assist with the collection and present the gifts for the Liturgy of the Eucharist. It's a wonderful way to get the kids involved in the Mass.

Our **Servers** are an integral part of the Mass. They're a great blessing to us and we want everyone that is interested in serving to be able to do so. Training for serving is available for young people who are in at least the 4th grade and have made their 1st Communion. Once a server has demonstrated the necessary knowledge and skill, they can then train to become a **lead server**.

Each of these ministries are vital, and we are in need of more help in each of these areas. Our desire is that we don't have to schedule people repeatedly for a particular Mass time because we have a limited number of people who can serve. It becomes especially challenging during the summer months when people are on vacation.

If you would like to learn more about serving in one of these ministries, please contact Lynn Profitt in the Parish Office. Our goal is to have as many people as we can be involved in these ministries because we know that getting involved in the Parish is a great way to get to know others in our faith community as well as giving back to the Lord in a meaningful way.

Again, a sincere thank you to all those who currently work in these ministries. Your help adds so much to the beauty of our Masses here at St. Timothy.

With Clear Eyes and a Full Heart

By Deacon Dave Profitt

It was not an easy decision I made to request to be reassigned to Holy Spirit Parish in Newport. After all, the bulk of my spiritual growth and development happened at St. Timothy. 21 years there brought me a great deal of joy and so many fond memories of the people I've met while a parishioner and a deacon. I don't know that I would have ever answered the call to become a deacon or to lead an RCIA program like I did at St. Timothy. But time changes all of us and God has a new plan for me to follow. I've learned that as long as I'm listening to God, I'll be where He wants me to be.

It is important for me to challenge myself to go into places that may not be comfortable. To put myself in a place where I know very few people or know how the parish operates can be challenging. But I've always known that the best way for me to grow is to push myself harder and challenge myself with greater difficulty. Maybe it comes from my background as an exercise physiologist. In order for a muscle to grow and get stronger, it has to be pushed harder. For me to grow spiritually, I need to push myself into new areas of ministry and oppor-

tunity. That's why I believe God led me to make this change.

Msgr. Bill Cleves and I have been working together on a number of projects at St. Anne Retreat Center. There is some real synergy in our partnership as evidenced by the growth of our podcast, Catholic Soup. We have more strategies planned to evangelize and spread the good news of Jesus Christ and our Catholic faith. It made sense for us to work together at a parish level as well. He has requested that I preach more and get involved in some of the ministries at Holy Spirit and I will do that. He also understands that my first priority in ministry is here at St. Anne.

One of the things I'm most proud of while at St. Timothy was the strength of the RCIA program. While much of the credit belongs to Lynn for her efforts to keep me organized, I can't help but see the Holy Spirit at work throughout our time guiding the program. Of course, it wouldn't have been possible without some great help and that's why I rest easy knowing that Deb Cranley is going to be at the helm of the program. She's going to have some great help in Frank and Maureen Cirillo

along with Julianne Hahn. I especially appreciate the fact that Deb, like myself and Lynn, are converts to the faith. Her passion for teaching the faith will be a great asset to her going forward and I have absolute confidence in her ability to guide RCIA going forward.

One important point I'd like to make is that I believe St. Timothy is one of the great gifts of the Diocese of Covington. You taught me so much and how to live and follow Christ as a Catholic. You showed me how to be compassionate and caring in your outreach. You showed me how to be a better man. husband, father and grandfather. You supported me in my journey to the diaconate and for all those things I am grateful. When it was eternally announced I was leaving, I think people were more concerned about Lynn leaving than they were me. I get that and I'm glad she's still there because I will always be a part of St. Timothy because St. Timothy will always be a part of me. You're a special group of people and a special place. Pray for me as I begin my new journey as I will pray for you. With clear eyes and a full heart, thank you.

What's New With RCIA?

By Debbi Cranley

What?? Deacon Dave Profitt has been reassigned to a new parish. What's going to happen to our RCIA classes? Well, I'm excited to be a part of the new team that will be leading our future Catholics through this faith journey.

Many of you may know me and have seen me around the parish involved in various activities. My husband, Kevin and I have been members of St. Timothy for about 14 years. For the past few years, I have been helping with the RCIA program. My husband is a lifelong Catholic. I, however, grew up in a Protestant religion. I remember

being a little apprehensive about going through the process of becoming Catholic. It took me many years to finally make the decision and when I did, I loved it! I had such a great experience, that I keep coming back for more! I want to help others have that same joyous experience that I did.

We have assembled an enthusiastic team to work with those who are seeking to join our faith community. I, along with Frank and Maureen Cirillo, and Julianne Hahn, will be guiding and encouraging those interested in the Catholic faith. Julianne is a member of St. Timothy, and Frank and Maureen

are new to our parish. They have been married for 32 years and moved to this area from Atlanta to be closer to their son and his family. The Cirillos enjoyed being a part of the RCIA team at their parish in Atlanta.

By the way, everyone is welcome to join our classes. Whether you are a sponsor, a new candidate or already a parishioner, feel free to join us! There is always more to learn and great discussions.

If you or anyone you know might be interested in joining us, please contact Lynn Profitt in the Parish Office. Let's welcome others and celebrate our Catholic community!





St. Timothy Choir Camp was the week of July 15. Another great opportunity to sing out our love for God.





Annual Back To School Collection



donated to our back to school drive and especially to my two helpers, Ava and Adrianna, who sorted all the donations! We were able to help three agencies prepare children for school. We are supporting Gallatin Co Community Action Center, Backpacks and Breakfast in Covington and St Augustine School in Covington. Everyone is so grateful to our parishioners for helping the children prepare to have a successful school year. By sharing what we have with others, we really do share God's love!



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Stewardship of Treasure

APRIL 2019

COLLECTIONS: \$111,826.60 4% TITHE: \$4,473.06 **City Heights** \$500.00 St. Vincent de Paul \$500.00 Grant Recipient: (Max \$3,000) People Working Coop. \$3,473.06 \$\$ to 1% Tithe \$473.06 1% TITHE \$1,118.27 \$\$ from 4% Tithe \$473.06 Total to STYM/Outreach:

\$1,591.33 STYM \$875.23 Outreach \$716.10

MAY 2019

COLLECTIONS: \$80,418.69 4% TITHE: \$3,216.75 \$500.00 **City Heights** St. Vincent de Paul \$500.00 Grant Recipient: (Max \$3,000) Helping Hearts of NKY \$2,216.75 \$\$ to 1% Tithe \$0 **1% TITHE** \$804.19 \$\$ from 4% Tithe \$0 Total to STYM/Outreach:

\$804.19 STYM \$442.30 Outreach \$361.88

JUNE 2019

COLLECTIONS: \$77,273.45

5% TITHE: \$3,863.67

City Heights \$500.00

St. Vincent de Paul \$500.00

Diocesan Collection
Peter's Pence \$2,863.67

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Harvesting Garden History With Father Albert Ruschman

by Kaylei Starns with Carol Ann Morrow

St. Timothy's Garden of Gratitude has a long history. No one is more surprised and delighted by its success, its abundant harvest and the enthusiasm of its many volunteers than the one who inspired it: Father Albert Ruschman.

Father Ruschman was interim pastor at St. Timothy's for only three months in 2005. The garden, begun in gratitude to him, has grown and produced a harvest for 13 years! "Every parish I've been in has had a garden," he says. In a recent Saturday morning interview, Father traced the history of the large plot near the pole barn which attracts dozens of volunteers twice weekly from spring until fall.

Father was asked to leave his garden at St. Thomas Parish to bridge the pastoral gap at St. Timothy's. When he was leaving the parish after a short stay, parishioners wanted to thank him with a gift. When he caught wind of this, he told them. "If you give me money, I will return it to this parish! Plant a garden here. That is a gift that will last--and will make me very happy." The following spring, ground for that garden was prepared. Greg Egbers, then St. Tim's outreach coordinator, spearheaded the project. The garden location was chosen because it got lots of sun, says Bob Kordenbrock. He adds, "we stored all our tools in the rectory garage." Another option had been the place where the school now stands--and is also a place where much is planted these days!

I figured it might last a season," Father Ruschman says. "I did not visualize a garden on that scale, one which would continue as it has." The late Dave Perry did much to insure the gar-



den's ongoing success. Joe Meiman broke the ground that first year and the gardeners have counted on him ever since.

Asked if he had expected entire families to volunteer at St. Tim's garden, he said, "Farming and gardening is an adventure. It's fun. I hoped that children would learn that." He wants young people to understand the harmony of living things, "to see how the land can last" when properly cared for. He was gratified to learn that a cover

crop was planted in St. Tim's garden to preserve and enrich the soil as it lay fallow this past winter. We visitors saw his own small garden with its cover crop, just waiting to be tilled, then planted by the 90-year-old priest.

Father Ruschman is pleased to hear about the volume of produce which that soil produces in growing season, vegetables which are delivered to City Heights, the Rose Garden and the Community Action Commission in Gallatin County. He foresees opportunities for the school children to learn even more-what to do with the harvest, how to enjoy its abundance. Hearing that some young visitors thought vegetables simply came from Kroger's, he chuckles. " I want children to know how what they eat really grows. I remember making horseradish with children at another parish. We were able to complete the whole process in a day and each child took home some in a jar. They were proud of themselves." Our new school may make similar experiences possible.

The garden is a ministry to families from families, a ministry where care of the earth connects to care of the poor. Jesus ordered his apostles to "Feed my sheep." The garden is one of many ways St. Timothy parishioners--young and old --can concretely live that gospel call.



Vacation Bible School at St. Timothy was a Roaring Good Time this year!

Each day we learned how God is there for us all the time, in the good and bad, happy, scary or sad. He is there – because GOD IS GOOD!



We made awesome crafts



We played games both inside and outside



We learned more about God through bible stories and skits



And of course we got to sing and dance





A great big thanks to everyone who came out to celebrate God's Love with us.

A HUGE THANK YOU

to all our Volunteers! You are the Best!



As part of our week of learning and sharing in God's Great Love we donated toys and books to DCCH to help restock the Toy Closet and our book case. Look at all we helped collect!





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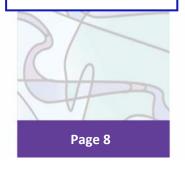
Religion





VOLUNTEERS

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



PSR Class Information

By Carol Lense, Director of Religious Education

Register your students in Parish School Religion (PSR) Classes

We offer classes for students in grades 1-8 and we offer a Sunday Morning Preschool and Kindergarten class. Sign up now if you have not already! Registration forms are available on the parish web site, in St. Timothy School office and Parish Office.

Learn about our faith while sharing what you know

Working in the Parish School Religion program (PSR) is one of many great ways to pass our faith along to the young people of our parish. We have a lot of exciting things going on this year. Come and be a part of it! We can always use additional Catechists, Liturgical Ministers and Assistants. Contact Carol Lense at clense@saint-timothy.org or 384-1100 (ext. 1509) to volunteer.

FAQ's about Religious Education

What children's formation programs are offered?

- Sunday Preschool: age 3 and 4 offered during 9:30 Mass
- Sunday Kindergarten: offered during the 9:30 Mass.
- Parish School Religion (PSR): grades 1-8 offered
 - * Sunday 8:00 am to 9:15 am
 - * Sunday 10:00 am to 11:15 am
 - * Wednesday 6 pm to 7:15pm
- Children's Liturgy is offered during the 9:30 and 11:30 Masses through the school year. No registration is required, when Father invites the Children to come forward all children in 1st through 4th grade all are welcome to join. They will go down to Brodnick Hall to hear the Liturgy of the Word in a manner more suited to their age.
- ♦ First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion are celebrated in the 2nd grade. It does require religious education in the 1st grade in order to be prepared for these special sacraments. Homeschooled students and Catholic school students attend our retreats and celebrate these sacraments with us in their 2nd grade year.
 - * We offer an extra 2nd grade class during Sunday Afternoons through the Dynamic Catholic Program "Blessed"
- Confirmation is typically celebrated in the 8th grade, however like first holy communion, it requires two years of preparation. Public school students attend PSR in the 7th grade, and all students attend PSR together for their Confirmation year.
- Special Needs: All students are welcome in our program and we offer accommodation where ever needed within each program.
- Rite of Christian Initiation for children (RCIC): students in grades 3-6 who wish to receive sacraments is offered Sunday 10:00 am to 11:15 am

What is the schedule for the year?

The calendar for the 2019-2020 school year is available on our website, and is provided to all registered students in their class folders during our open house the weekends of August 24th and 25th. Classes will begin the week of Sept. 8th and will conclude the first week of May.

Contact: Carol Lense at 384-1100 x 1509 clense@saint-timothy.org.

Important Upcoming Dates:

August 24/25: Open House after all Masses in St. Timothy School

September 8: Classes begin this week for grades 1-8 and Sunday Preschool and Kindergarten

September 10: Confirmation Parents Reawakening

Confirmation Student's Paperwork is due in the first class.

⇒ Sponsor forms, Saint Report and Commitment Pledges.

October 14: Confirmation Mission Monday - Agency Field Trip

November 10: "I Am Special" Reconciliation Retreat -2nd grade & RCIC students

November 11: Confirmation Candidate/Sponsor Night

December 2: Sacrament of First Reconciliation for 2nd Grade & RCIC

December 7 + 8: Christmas Giving Fair Brodnick Hall after all Masses

January 18: Ycet Retreat for Confirmation Class

February 2: Confirmation Dress Rehearsal and Reconciliation 6pm

February 3: Confirmation 7 pm

February 8: 7th Grade Retreat

March 1: Jesus Retreat – First Communion Preparation for 2nd grade & RCIC

April 11: Easter Vigil – Baptism for RCIC

April 28: Dress Rehearsal for First Holy Communion 5:30 pm

May 2: First Holy Communion 11 am or 2pm

May 3: May Crowning



St. Timothy Catholic School has some job openings for the following school year. If you are interested, please send your resume to Deb Thomas, Principal at dthomas@saint-timothy.org.

Teacher Assistants:

2 needed/ Interested candidates must be Virtus trained and compliant. Both positions are part time (20 hours a week) and the hours are from 7 am- 11 am, Monday-Friday.

After School Care Coordinator:

Must be at least 21 years old and must be Virtus trained and compliant. Must be willing to coordinate After School Care schedule and activities. This position is perfect for a college student who is majoring in Elementary Education. Hours are from 2:00 pm-6:00 pm, Monday-Friday

After School Care Providers:

Must be at least 18 years or older and willing to be, if not already, Virtus trained. This is a perfect position for college students who are looking for something from 2:00 pm - 6 pm, Monday-Friday.







St. Timothy Preschool Registration

Preschool still has some openings in preschool and KRP. If you are interested in registering your child at St. Timothy or if you are interested in a tour or more information, please contact Laurie Bauer, Preschool Director at lbauer@saint-timothy.org or 859-384-1100 ext: 1109. Please spread the word about our wonderful programs!

Looking for Part-time Assistant/Aide



Transportation Exploration Day was an exciting Day for our Preschool students. They were able to see and experience many types of transportation.



Our Preschool students received their certificates and Preschool diplomas. They are now enjoying their summer and we look forward to seeing them again in September. We will miss those who have graduated and are off to Kindergarten!



News from St. Henry District High School...

By Hailey Oldfield, SHDHS Senior

Get the school year started off on the right foot at the 5th Annual SHDHS Back to School 5K Walk/ Run!

Bring your family, friends, and neighbors out for a morning of fun, food, and festivities. Strollers and pets (on a leash) are welcome. After the race enjoy lunch while the kids jump in the bounce house. It's a morning of family fun for everyone.

This year's race will happen on Saturday, August 24. Registration begins at 7:30 a.m. and the race begins at 9:00 a.m. The cost is \$20 (\$25 the day of the race) and you can designate a portion of your entry fee to support one of the scholarships at SHDHS. You can find more information and register for the race at SHDHS.org, just click on the Back to School 5K box on the homepage.

The Boosters will also hold a Drive 4UR School event the same day in the parking lot beginning at 10:00 a.m. All you have to do is show up and drive a Ford vehicle around the parking lot and the Boosters get a donation!

We look forward to seeing you on the start line when we will "Come as Many...Run (or Walk) as One!"



Family Promise is a national organization that effectively works to left people out of homelessness. Family Promise of Northern Ky is made up of local churches who take turns "hosting" the families and caring for them during this very stressful time in their lives. Due to the lack of space at St. Tim's, we utilize the old convent at St. Agnes to host the families. We have 3 "support churches that help us during our week. They are our neighbors across the street, Union Presbyterian, Hebron Lutheran, and IHM. We work as a team in providing meals and activities for the families during our week. Below is an account of our St. Timothy parishioner, Marney Bresser and a little of her experience with Family Promise.

Last month, a friend of mine from Union Presbyterian Church asked me to help her with Family Promise. She needed someone to spend the night with her at St. Agnes Convent. She and some other women were preparing a meal for the families that were staying there that night. I told her that I did not have the training for this, but she was desperate.

Following is my experience: I met a middle aged man and his two children, Jesse age 14 and Brianna age 11.

I also met a another young woman who mostly kept to herself. Her son was not there but was visiting with his dad. The church had cooked dinner and then we all ate dinner together. About an hour later, another middle aged woman came with her 4 daughters ages 12-15. This woman came dressed in scrubs as she had been working. After they had their dinner, they helped to clean up a little and sweep the floor. The children went up to St. Agnes playground to play some ball. I sat out on the patio and a little while later the woman who was dressed in scrubs came out to smoke a cigarette. She shared with me that all four of the girls were hers and she impressed upon them that they were all her daughters (2 of them were her biological children and two she had received custody of through the

courts). She is an In-Home Health Nurse, which explains why she was in scrubs. She was planning her schedule for the following day. She was making calls to each of her patients to confirm that they would be home the next day. She would have to travel to Petersburg, Walton and Elsmere in her truck that needs repairs. All four of her girls are in therapy and she needs to get them to their appointments as well.

I was astounded that a young professional woman is homeless and trying to raise four teenage girls. What circumstances could leave a young professional woman homeless? I don't know! What a revelation!! I hope and pray that this young woman gets back on her feet. Family Promise did provide everyone with a good meal, a comfortable place to spend the night, a place to take a shower and clean up.

By 7 AM the next morning they were on their way to the Family Promise day center in Newport.

I had my own room and my own bed, however, I did not sleep well. In fact, I did not sleep well the next two nights just thinking about these homeless people.

I need to take comfort knowing that these families had food and shelter and people at Family Promise who genuinely care about them. It is a wonderful organization providing comfort, relief and support to the homeless.

-Marney Bresser

If you would like to join Marney and other volunteers, we need lots of help to provide for the families. A few of our regular volunteers have had job changes and some health issues and are not able to continue their participation with Family Promise. I am looking for people or families who would like to prepare a meal for the families, share time with the families between 5-8 PM, spend the night as Marney did, and drive the Family promise van which transports the families from St. Agnes to the Day Center in Newport.

Our next week to host the families is Sept 20-27. I will be looking for help the weekend of Sept 25-27. If you would like more information or would like to volunteer, please contact Katy at ksullivan@saint-timothy.org or call the parish office.

HONK

Housing Authority of Northern KY

The Mission of HONK is to help low income families and individuals reach the goal of stable home ownership through programs of education and support.

As a local non-profit, HONK works in Kenton, Boone and Campbell counties. They rehab older homes and have just begun building the first new home for a family. They have been very successful over the last 20 years in aiding people to have safe, secure, and affordable housing. The clients learn about finances, credit and how to be a successful home owner.

A group of St Timothy parishioners volunteer together on Tuesdays but there are volunteer opportunities every day.

If you are interested in helping, contact Dick Hentz at 384-0968.

Mission Trip 2019

By Meredith Landorf

Stir into flame our servant heart and kindle that fire with the breath of the Holy Spirit.

The Edmundite Southern Mission in Selma Alabama has held a special place in the heart of one of the couples in our parish for many years. The inspiring story of Edmundite Missions in 1937 when Pope Pius XI appealed to the Society of St. Edmund, to go minister to the African-Americans of the Deep South. Over the decades, the mission has served in many capacities. They founded a parochial school, St. Elizabeth's, for Selma's black children. Under the direction of Father Nelson B. Ziter, the Edmundites established the Don Bosco Boys Club, which provided youth with activities and scholarships. The Missions continue building communities through its learning centers, scholarship program and employment of local people in its service ministries. A heart for this Mission was spread within our parish over the past 10 years and we were so very pleased that our summer mission trip was able to take our feet to Selma and serve with the Edmundite Mission.

27 parishioners set off on Monday morning June 17th in a 5 van caravan that too us first to the Shrine of the Blessed Sacrament in Hanceville Alabama. We were so blessed that our summer seminarian, John Bauman, was able to join us as he lead us through the awe inspiring grounds of the Shrine and to the Lourdes Grotto. Sister Kathy from the Edmundite Mission was our guide for the week and had us housing and working in Vredenburgh Alabama, population 247. Vredenburgh's Mayor, Calvin,

stopped by and greeted us Tuesday expressing his joy and gratitude that we were there with them. He was an amazing man, appointed to office and clearly bonded with the children in his town. He joined us at the basketball court Tuesday night to watch our youth playing ball with the amazing kids of Vredenburgh. Willie, Charles and Horace were our tool men as we worked on the Vredenburgh community center and the sisters' trailer. We washed walls, spackled, sanded, painted, pruned trees and shrubs, weeded, replaced gutters, power washed the playground and fixed the door. Wednesday and Thursday we were able to serve the children at the Edmundite summer

enrichment program in Vredenburgh helping with reading, playing math bingo, repairing their WiFi network and just getting to know these sweet kids. Also on Wednesday and Thursday, we were able to serve in shifts at the Bosco Nutrition Center in Selma. They serve about a thousand meals a day between lunch, dinner and the meals they deliver to the community and homebound.

While in Selma, Fr Dick was so gracious to take us to their two churches, Our Lady Queen of Peace where they have weekend Mass which was historically the "white church" and St. Elizabeth, the Edmundite Memorial Chapel which historically was the "black church", but Farther told us it was also the home for many of the military stationed there. We walked the Pettus Bridge. This bridge was the site of Bloody Sunday on March 7, 1965 when some 600 civil rights marchers headed east from Selma to Montgomery Alabama. They only got as far as the Edmund Pettus Bridge, six blocks into their march, when they were attacked.

We concluded our work in Selma sharing dinner together at Lannie's BBQ and were sent back off by the Mayor who called at 5:15 AM to ask us when we were heading out. He said I'll be there, and there he was full of gratitude that these folks from Kentucky chose his town to bring our feet to, serving God by serving them with His love.

We all left a piece of our hearts in Alabama and brought a piece of Selma home with us n our hearts forever.





Knights Raise Dollars With A Blast

On the first Saturday in May for the past three years, the St. Timothy Knights of Columbus Council has gathered to participate in a Clay Shoot at Lloyd Wildlife Management Area in Crittenden, KY. The Council uses this event as a fundraiser to help generate money for our charitable activities each year.

This year there were 28 shooters from several different parishes trying to win the coveted trophy. Over the years many of the participants represent multiple generations of families with grandfathers, great-uncles, fathers, mothers, grandsons, sons, daughters, brothers, cousins, and neighbors attending. When all the shooting was finished this year there was a tie for first place among two brothers. A shoot-off ensued and the winner of the trophy was St. Timothy KofC member Paul Gross from Florence. Paul remarked, "I think my brother intentionally missed the shot but I'll take the win."

Grand Knight from St. Timothy Council Trey Nix reflected on the event stating, "This is one of the highlights of our year. We look forward to seeing friends from many different parishes participate in a fun event that provides funds for those in need. I really have to give thanks to parishioner Barb Keeling for preparing such delicious food each year because even if you have a bad day of shooting, you know you'll enjoy a fantastic lunch and dessert with good friends."

If you'd like to participate in the Clay Shoot next year, call our event chair Adam Howard at 859-992-3515. If you're interested in learning more about the charitable works of the Knights of Columbus or to be come a member, contact our St. Timothy Council Grand Knight Trey Nix at 513-335-1992.





PERSONifying LIFE

Matching Funds Ultrasound Initiative

"Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, before you were born I set you apart"







The Knights of Columbus Councils of Northern Kentucky and Care Net Pregnancy Services of Northern Kentucky have joined together to raise the needed funds to purchase an additional ultrasound machine for use in Care Net's new Florence Medical Center. Every dollar you contribute to this effort will be *doubled* by the Knights of Columbus and will be allocated specifically to the "PERSONifying Life" Ultrasound Initiative. All donations are tax deductible.

The need to relocate the Florence Medical Center and to have an additional ultrasound machine became an urgent priority this year. In January 2019, Care Net began offering same day ultrasound services. As a result, Care Net has seen ultrasound appointments double in numbers. Knowing that women who have an ultrasound at Care Net choose life for their unborn babies over 90% of the time, we can potentially increase lives saved with the purchase of an additional machine.

Please join the effort as our community comes together to support life!

HOW TO GIVE:

For more information email Jennifer Hall: directorofdevelopment@carenetnky.org or call 859-431-9178 ext. 8

Check: Make payable to "Knights of Columbus" and note "Care Net Ultrasound" on the check. Please send check to: Eric and Amy Ritchie, Kentucky Knights of Columbus Culture of Life Chairs, 3204 Cornerstone Drive, Burlington, KY 41005 Credit Card: Call Connie, Care Net Finance Assistant, at 859-431-9178 ext. 5 and mention "Ultrasound Purchase."

Online: 1) Visit: www.choselifenky.org

2) Click "Donate Here"

3) Click "Donate"

4) Complete form and select for purpose of payment: "Ultrasound Purchase."

St Timothy, St Vincent de Paul, 2019 Mid-Year Results

"Helping neighbors to lift themselves out of poverty"

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

It's been a very active first half of the year, so we wanted to provide an accounting of the impact St Tim's St Vincent DePaul Chapter has had through the first six months of our operating year. Your generous support is the key to assisting the families we support within our parish boundaries and throughout Northern Kentucky.

2018/2019 Cash Receipts

Parish Donations	\$11,633
Grants	\$14,177 (Gifts from foundations)
Miscellaneous	<u>\$ 1,178</u>
Total Cash Receipts	\$26,988

Food and Groceries\$ 2,711	Estimated Cost Food Distributed\$12,854
Rent and Housing\$20,855	Furniture Vouchers (75)\$ 2,980
Transportation\$ 385	Clothing Vouchers (129) \$ 2,440
Utilities\$ 4,470	Other Vouchers (155) <u>\$ 4,951</u>

Miscellaneous...... \$ 916

Total Cash Disbursements \$29,337 Total Value of Goods and Provisions Provided \$23,225 (estimated cash value of goods/provisions provided)

Impact and Commitment

Families Visited	156	Participating Vincentians	34
Individuals Assisted	460	Hours Spent	782
Grants Given	8	Miles Driven	6890

We can't thank you enough for the time, talent, and treasure provided by our generous parishioners in support of our families.

- "40 Cans for Lent" was a huge success for St Tim's SVDP, City Heights and St Augustine Parish.
- Despite taking on new and more challenging territories, we have been able to meet the growing needs of our expanding community with your help.
- We have provided grants saving 8 families from being evicted and 5 more from becoming homeless.
- Your gifts of food, personal care items, clothing, housewares, furniture, bedding and bicycles have been a "Boone" to our neighbors.

It's quite miraculous how often our prayers are answered. We pray for assistance and your financial or material support seems to arrive at just the right time. Now we are praying for a few more dedicated Vincentians (parishioners) to help with our increasing call load. We ask anyone who is interested/curious about our ministry to call me (Bill Anderson @ 412-295-3441) and we'll arrange a visit so you can see, first-hand, how rewarding it is to help those living on the edge and the spiritual rewards that come from lifting up those who are struggling.



Items Needed:

- · Bottles of Bourbon
- Cans of Pringles/Lays
- Ring Pops
- Bottles of Alcohol for Boozenflingen
- 2 Liter Sodas
- Kids Games Prizes

Friday September 20th 6 PM—11 PM

Dance Night!



11 piece band with horns, keys, and non-stop energy!

Duck Races!

Saturday September 21st 5:30 PM—Midnight

Rock Night!



An irresistible blend of your favorite tunes, from party rock to current pop!



Timeless melodies, sweet rhythms, and wild rock music of Tom Petty.

Duck Races!

Sunday September 22nd 12:30 PM—6 PM

Sunday Fun Day!

All Day Ride Bracelets



Duck Races!



St. Timothy American Heritage Girls Troop KY1412

American Heritage Girls (AHG) is the premier national character development organization for young women ages 5-18 that embraces Christian values and encourages family involvement. The AHG program enhances girls' life experiences with fun-filled activities supervised by trained adults, supported by families, and implemented by its members. The AHG program helps prepare girls to become responsible, contributing members of their families, community, society, and the world. Our mission statement is "Building women of integrity through service to God, family, community and country."

PARENT INFORMATION NIGHT

Tuesday, August 20, 2019 5:30-7:00 p.m.

St. Timothy Brodnick Hall

(Note room change: previously advertised as Parish Center Rooms 3 & 4)



- Meet the leadership
- Learn about the organization
- Complete registration forms
- Order uniform and handbook
- Get answers to your questions
- Get the Troop Year Calendar

First troop meeting is August 27th.

For more information, please contact AHGCoordinatorKY1412@gmail.com.

Friday, September 13th - Sunday September 15th

Women's Retreat

Mary in the Sacred Scriptures & Catholic Tradition

Retreat from the stresses of daily life and join us at St. Anne Retreat Center! This is an opportunity to grow in faith formation and spend the weekend bonding with other women.



"Maryiam"-Artist Holly Schapker ©

Retreat Presenters:

Monsignor William Cleves-Reflection on Mary in the Sacred Scriptures and Catholic Tradition.

Dr. Ceil Dorger-Discussion on the images of the Blessed Mother in Catholic Art through the ages.

Artist Holly Schapker Holly's instruction for retreatants to create a piece of art dedicated to Mary.

The weekend will include time for prayer and reflection as well as group discussion!

Friday: Doors open at 4 PM. Retreat begins with 5:30 PM dinner. Sunday: Mass and noon departure. Cost is \$170. Please remit check to St. Anne Retreat Center, 5275 St. Anne Drive, Melbourne, KY 41059, attn. Karen Little. Registration Deadline is August 31st.

Monsignor William Cleves- is a priest of the Diocese of Covington. Ordained in July 1978, he returned to Rome to complete his graduate studies. There he received the Papal Silver Medal in Theology from Pope Saint John Paul II. He served Thomas More College for 24 years, after which he was assigned to the Pontificate College Josephinum in Columbus, Ohio. He is the author of Stories in Glass, a study of the stained glass windows of Covington's Cathedral Basilica of the Assumption. He wrote the chapter introductions to another book, Messages of Glory, which was published in spring, 2012, and won the Gold Medal in Catholic Literature that year. On July 6, 2011 he was appointed pastor of Holy Spirit Parish in Newport, Kentucky.

<u>Cecelia Dorger</u>-received her doctorate in Art History from the University of Louisville. Dr. Dorger teaches art history at Mount St. Joseph University. She specializes in sacred art, especially images of the Virgin Mary. She also teaches at the Athenaeum of Ohio. Lecturing about Mary in art and how art can be used to facilitate prayer is a favorite pursuit, but her most beloved accomplishments are her two children, Madeline and Ben, whom she raised in Fort Thomas, Kentucky with her husband Ken, of thirty-eight years. They have two grandchildren.

Holly Schapker— is a Cincinnati artist whose images of Our Lady have gained her renown. Holly resides and works in Cincinnati, OH. She graduated from Xavier University's Art Department in 1992. She then continued her painting education by studying under Michael Scott for ten years, whose fine art teaching process has a strong focus on painting outdoors. Her work has been the subject of many publications, including print, television, and radio. Holly has been invited to demonstrate her painting techniques and creative process to universities all around the nation. She teaches Beginning, Advanced, and Thesis Painting at Xavier University. In addition to her painting demonstrations. Holly travels to give lectures as a creative Catholic and hosts spiritual retreats.



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Have you thought about becoming Catholic?

Classes start September 15



RCIA is a process of conversion to faith in Jesus Christ and his Church. Based on the practice of the early Church. RCIA consists of various stages by which adults (generally 18 years and above) are prepared to receive the Sacraments of Initiation: Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist.

If you are interested in attending RCIA classes contact:

Lynn Profitt in the Parish Office 859-384-1100