

Christmas Masses

Christmas Eve, December 24

5:00 and 7:00 P.M.

Vigil Mass: *Family Unity*

10:00 P.M.

Solemn Mass at Night: *Light in Darkness*

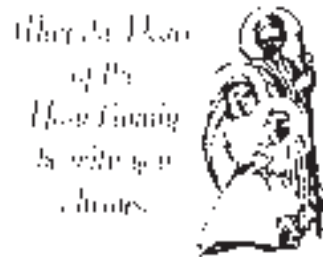
Christmas Day, December 25

9:00 A.M.

Christmas Day Mass: *The Word Made Flesh*

**To the King of ages, the immortal,
the invisible, the only God...**

**Be honor and glory
forever and ever! Amen.**



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Office hours:
9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Thursday

Registration: New members are requested to register through the Parish Office. Please notify us of changes of address and phone. If you have not been attending regularly, you may wish to call the office to make sure that you are still "on our books."

Bulletin: Please send in requests for bulletin items by Tuesday at Noon for the following weekend. *During holiday seasons, the deadline is moved up to the week preceding the bulletin desired.*

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SCHEDULE OF LITURGIES

Our Usual Weekend Schedule:

Reconciliation: Saturday – 4:00-4:45 p.m.

Masses: Saturday – 5:00 p.m. Vigil

Sunday 8:00 a.m., 10:30 a.m., 12:00 p.m.

Daily Services:

Monday-Friday: 9:00 a.m. Weekday Mass

Wednesdays during the School year:

All-School Mass

Holy Days: Vigil – 6:00 p.m.

Holyday – 9:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m.

Unless otherwise noted in the bulletin.

THE SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

Our parish celebrates the Sacrament of Confirmation every year with our eighth graders, and any adult Catholics who have not yet received the Sacrament. If you are in need of the Sacrament of Confirmation, please call the Parish Office to begin the process of preparation.

Confirmation will take place at St. Timothy in February 2009. Preparation began for this in the Fall of 2008.

ST. TIMOTHY PARISH YOUTH GROUP

Our Parish Youth Group is conducted at times convenient to our young members. For further information, contact Chris Valentine at youthsttim@rrohio.com.

ST. TIMOTHY SCHOOL ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

In anticipation of our 50th Jubilee as a Parish and a School, we are organizing a St. Timothy School Alumni Association. Contact Mary Ballantyne at 614-457-5411 or wballant@columbus.rr.com to get in on the ground floor of planning.

We are seeking current addresses for all our graduates. Please drop us a line to let us know where you and any of your family and friends are now living if you are no longer registered in our Parish.

STUDY SACRED SCRIPTURE IN A CATHOLIC ENVIRONMENT

Parish Bible Studies are available at a variety of times, currently Sunday Evenings, Tuesday Mornings, and Wednesday Evenings. Check a current Bulletin for details. Other programs are offered throughout the year.

YOU OUGHT TO BE IN PICTURES!

Our Parish is currently considering creating an updated Parish Pictorial Directory. All members of the Parish are encouraged to watch the bulletin for details and to plan to participate. Contact Tony Kanakkanatt at 614-457-6055 if you are interested in coordinating the project.

PARISH STEWARDSHIP

Scripture teaches us to return to God a tithe, that is, 10% of the material possessions we produce. In the Catholic Church, this is understood to be a personal charge to each family. It is usual to contribute 5% to one's local Parish community for ordinary needs, and 5% to other charities and works for the public good. Registered parishioners receive a monthly packet of envelopes which include the weekly stewardship and the other collections that are taken through the course of the year.

Our Parish Activities Center and renovated church were completed with the support of the Diocese of Columbus through a loan from the Parish Aid Fund. We have a substantial debt to repay. All contributions to the Building Fund are used to cover the cost of interest and to lower the principal owed to the Diocese.

We are always in need of ideas and assistance in creating income to offset expenses of the Parish and School. Your contributions and suggestions will be gratefully received!

SAINT TIMOTHY ENDOWMENTS

Saint Timothy Church and School depend on the generosity of all the members of the Parish and School families to meet the day to day fiscal needs. We are also blessed to have three endowments in the Catholic Foundation of Columbus that promise to assist the life of our parish and school community into the future.

The Endowment Funds currently held by the Catholic Foundation on behalf of Saint Timothy are:

The Saint Timothy Parish Endowment Fund, 320ACA and *The Saint Timothy School Endowment Fund, 320ACB*, both established by Msgr. James Hanley on June 22, 1994.

The Kanakkanatt Family Scholarship Fund, 320AND, which provides scholarships for 8th grade students of St. Timothy School to attend High School, established by Antony and Annette Kanakkanatt on October 4, 2007.

Contributions may be in the form of cash, checks or other receivables. Other such funds can be created in accord with the wishes of the donor.

For more information, contact the Catholic Foundation at 614-443-8893.

DEVOTION TO THE EUCHARIST

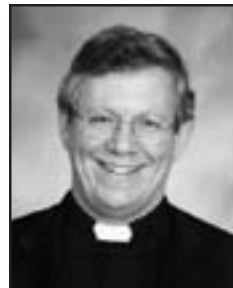
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament:

Wednesdays: You are invited to spend part of your day once a week in Adoration of the Lord Jesus in the Holy Eucharist. The Host is exposed on the altar in the church from 9:30 a.m. Wednesday, after the Morning Mass, all day until 6:30 p.m. unless otherwise announced.



A WORD FROM YOUR PASTOR, FATHER TIMOTHY M. HAYES

Dear Parishioners and Guests for Christmas:



This is my first Christmas as Pastor of St. Timothy Church. My term began on July 8, 2008, and my first weekend was at the same time as the Parish Festival on the Green. I want to offer heartfelt thanks for the warm welcome I have received, and in

turn, I want to welcome home all who are visiting with us for the Christmas Season or are returning home to our Parish Family. You are truly a part of us in thought and prayer all through the year.

The years ahead will bring some wonderful celebrations for us to share. Personally, I will be reaching my 50th Birthday in August of 2009, and St. Timothy Parish will be celebrating its own Golden Jubilee in 2011, so I can say with some certainty that we will grow old together! Since I was ordained in 1985, I will be celebrating my 25th Anniversary of Ordination in 2010. I look forward to these benchmarks in my life and in our life together as a Parish Family.

We celebrate the wonderful Gift of God's Love present among us in the Person of Jesus Christ, the Baby of Bethlehem, Who is our Lord and Savior. May we grow ever more aware of the power of that Gift and of the Presence of God's Holy Spirit in our lives.

To all who are with us for Christmas, know that you are always welcome. St. Timothy is a community of Faith that has much to offer. It is yours for the asking. Join us as we seek to proclaim the Good News that God is with us through our lives.

A Blessed Christmas to all!

Rev. Timothy M. Hayes

Rev. Timothy M. Hayes, Pastor

THE COMMUNITY OF OUR PARISH

Our parish family gathers at many different times throughout the year for fellowship beyond our Sunday worship. We have times for prayer and social gatherings with other members of the parish through organizations such as the Men's Club, the Women's Club, the Knights of Columbus, the Serra Club and other organizations.

Men's Club:
John Davidson 614-442-0235
john@kyleshill.com

Women's Club: *Currently in need of leadership*

Knights of Columbus:
Bill Reinmann 614-459-8727
GK Council 14345
BRreinmann@columbus.rr.com

Serra Club:
Jim Reinmann 614-246-6711

Prayer Line:
Kitty Hoessly 614-451-2146

Tuesday Bible Study:
Ginny Leidheiser 614-451-2876

Sunday Night Women's Scripture Class:
Kate Connors 614-850-1454
KConnors713@aol.com

Parish Garden Club:
Tony Kanakannatt 614-457-6055
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Friends of Father Tim
Online Community of Support
Currently, this community assists with supplying meals at the Rectory. Other forms of service will be added as needs come to light.

<http://www.lotsahelpinghands.com/c/607122/>

You are most welcome to join us for any of these groups. If nothing fits the bill for you, then perhaps it is a call to start something new. God invites us to share faith and fellowship with our brothers and sisters in the Lord.

MINISTRY AROUND THE ALTAR

The Life of St. Timothy Parish includes many opportunities for service at and around the Altar. Ministries in the parish include:

Sacristy and Church:
Annette Kanakannatt 614-457-6055
akanakka@columbus.rr.com

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Bill and Elaine James 614-457-6024
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creston@columbus.rr.com

Lectors:
Lou Fabro 614-451-0396
mlfabro@wowway.com

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:
Jack Gibney 614-451-9798

Bereavement Ministry:
Joe and Leona Reinhard 614-457-2349

St. Vincent DePaul:
Mary Fabro and Andy Andracki 614-451-0396

There are many others.
Where is God calling you to serve?

THE ANGELUS

This is the prayer prayed in early morning, at noon, and in the evening, 6:00 p.m. Through this constant presence in the midst of every day, the Christian proclaims that all our time and all our human space is transformed by the Incarnation, the presence of God with us.

The angel of the Lord declared unto Mary.
Response: *And she conceived of the Holy Spirit.*
(Hail Mary)

Behold the handmaid of the Lord.

Response: *May it be done unto me according to Your word.*
(Hail Mary)

And the Word was made flesh.

Response: *And dwelt among us.*
(Hail Mary)

Pray for us, O holy Mother of God.

Response: *That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.*

Let us pray: O Lord, it was through the message of an angel that we learned of the Incarnation of Christ, Your Son. Pour Your grace into our hearts, and by His Passion and Cross bring us to the glory of His Resurrection. Through Christ, our Lord.

Amen.

THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

If you have been away from the Church for a while, perhaps you may wish to approach the Sacrament of Reconciliation to assist you in a renewal of your commitment to God and His Church.

The usual time for Reconciliation is Saturday afternoon at 4:00 p.m., and at Parish Penance Services scheduled in Advent and Lent. Feel free to approach any priest to request the Sacrament.

Here is a common form:

"Bless me, Father, for I have sinned.

It has been _____ (amount of time in weeks, months, years) since my last Confession.

These are my sins: _____

(begin to tell the priest the sins that you are confessing)."

An act of Contrition is part of the celebration. You may use any form you may remember. The simplest expression of sorrow may be "Lord Jesus, have mercy on me, a sinner." Or you may use a common form that you have memorized.

Here is another formula:

"My God, I am sorry for my sins with all my heart.

In choosing to do wrong and failing to do good, I

have sinned against You Whom I should love above

all things. I firmly intend, with Your help, to do

penance, to sin no more, and to avoid whatever leads me to sin. Our Savior Jesus Christ suffered and died for us. In His Name, my God, have mercy. Amen."

The priest will give you a "penance" to perform, an action or prayer to indicate your sorrow for your sins, and then he will give you absolution (forgiveness) from your sins. Don't worry if you are nervous about the Sacrament. Just ask the priest for his help and you will be fine!

FOR THOSE WHO ARE NOT CATHOLIC

We welcome you to our parish! If you have any questions or are interested in learning more about the Catholic Faith, give us a call. The process for adults who choose to join the Church is called the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (R.C.I.A.). Classes begin in September and run through May. Inquiries may be made at any time throughout the year. Contact Rita Feige at 614-451-3867 for further information.

