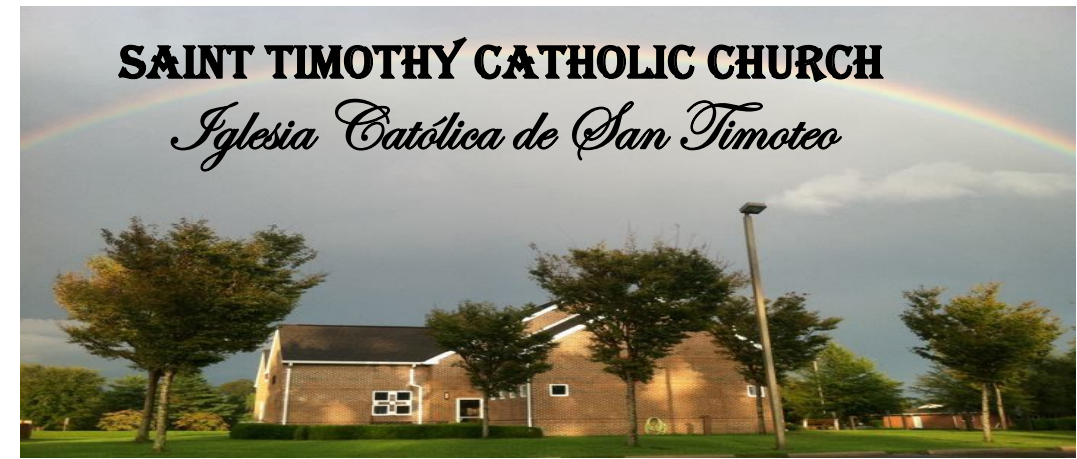




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Ready to join the Knights of Columbus and be part of the world's largest Catholic fraternity and charitable organization?

Please contact our Grand Knight Ian MacDonald 804-814-9002, Father Gerald or any of our Knights here at St Timothy's. We need catholic men to help us serve our church and community. Please join today.

December 11, 2022

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PARISH OFFICE

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Mission Statement
We are called to serve as one family, through corporal and spiritual works of mercy.

Estado de la misión
Estamos llamados a servir como una sola familia, a través de obras de misericordia corporales y espirituales.




Join Scouting!

St. Timothy Charters the Boy Scout Troop #304B & #304G
 Do you have a son or daughter between the ages of 6 and 17? Now is the perfect time to sign them up for Scouts. The Scouting program helps youth develop academic skills, self-confidence, ethics, leadership skills, and citizenship skills that influence their adult lives.

For more information contact:
 Scout Master Chris Fisher 804-366-8326

Or
 Angel Boily 229-630-3952

Rivers District
 Cub Scouts (ages 6-10):



**LUMEN CHRISTI
 LEGACY SOCIETY**

St Timothy Lumen Christi Society Chapter

Our parish Lumen Christi Society Chapter is being created to honor those who have named the parish as a beneficiary with a legacy gift. Take this into mind: Your generosity during your lifetime has enabled your parish to serve the people of God in this community. Continue to be a part of this community by making a bequest in your will.

St Timothy Church is formulating an endowment fund from legacy gifts to perpetuate financial security for our beloved church.

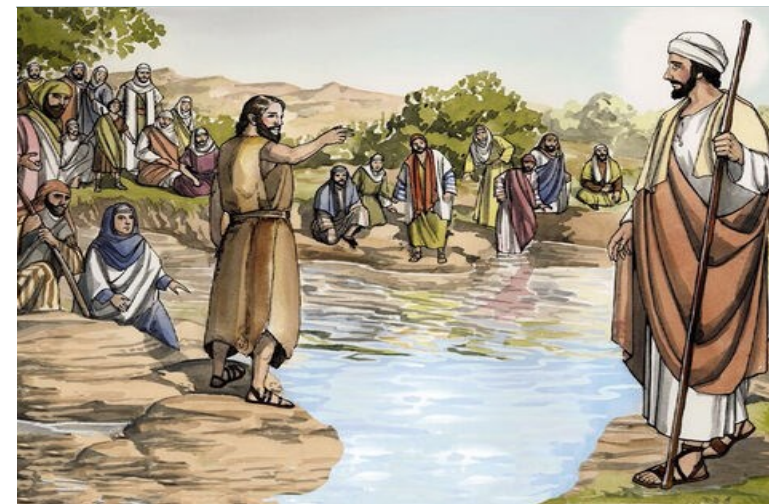
Third Sunday of Advent

12/11/22
 Isaiah 35:1-6a, 10; James 5:7-10
 Matthew 11:2-11



Fourth Sunday of Advent

12/18/22
 Isaiah 7:10-14; Romans 1:1-7
 Matthew 1:18-24



"This is the one about whom it is written: 'Behold, I am sending my messenger ahead of you; he will prepare your way before you.'"

MASS SCHEDULE

- Saturday 5:00pm (English)
- Sunday 9:30am (English)
- Sunday 12:00pm (Spanish)

CONFESSIONS

45 minutes before Mass or
 by appointment.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Please contact the Parish Office or Rectory to schedule an appointment

Roger R. Sethmann, BMC, MM

Piano Tuning / Repair / Consulting

rsethmann@gmail.com (804) 445-6983





Advent Penance service

As we prepare for Christmas this Advent season, the sacrament of reconciliation is one the final part of our conversion. 12/16/2022 at 6:00PM we will have our Advent Penance Service. In preparation for that you can make use of this Examination of Conscience

First Commandment: “I am the Lord your God, you shall have no strange gods before Me.”

Have I denied God? Am I ashamed of or denied my faith in front of others? Have I ridiculed the teachings or practices of the Church? Have I neglected my prayers? Have I used witchcraft, Wicca, or other Occult practices? Have I practiced various forms of superstition such as fortune tellers, mediums, ouija boards, tarot cards?

Second Commandment: “Do not take the name of the Lord in vain.”

Do I use God's name carelessly, in anger, or in surprise? Have I called down evil upon anyone or anything? Do I get angry with God?

Third Commandment: “Keep holy the Sabbath Day.”

Have I, through my own fault, failed to come to Mass each Sunday and every Holy Day of Obligation? Do I arrive at Mass late or leave early without good reason? Do I allow myself to be distracted at Mass?

Fourth Commandment: “Honor your father and mother.”

Have I disobeyed my parents or treated them with disrespect? Am I disrespectful, impolite, or discourteous toward my family? Have I neglected my work or my studies? Have I been helpful in my home? Have I missed an exam at school because of laziness or work or house work? Am I disrespectful toward the elderly? Am I disobedient to the civil law or to those in authority such as the police?

Fifth Commandment: “You shall not kill.”

Did I have an abortion or help another to have an abortion? Have I mutilated my body or another's body? Did I attempt suicide or seriously consider thoughts of suicide? Do I act violently by fighting or hitting others? Have I had thoughts of hatred toward another? Have I taken illegal drugs or abused prescription drugs? Have I sold or distributed illegal drugs? Do I neglect to take proper care of my body? Do I eat too much, or sleep too much? Do I drink beer or other alcoholic beverages in excess? Have I allowed myself to become intoxicated? Am I too concerned about my health or appearance? Do I deliberately harbor unkind and revengeful thoughts about others? Have I taken revenge? Have I used harsh or abusive language toward another? Do I act rudely, impolite, or ridicule others? Have I been guilty of the sin of Racism?

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Parish Ministries

Elizabeth Fowler, Rel. Ed. Director: (540) 903-2100

Roy Fontane, Finance Council Chair: (804) 925-6223

Lois Ann Bonhaus, Pastoral Council Chair (804)445-1006

Becky Tobler, Human Needs Chair (757) 897-4840

Kathy Hayden, Safe Environment Chair: (804) 450-4207

Gonzalo Ramirez, Hispanic Ministry, (804) 313-5119

Hospital Visits: Call Parish Office or Rectorry

Homebound: Call Parish Office to Schedule Communion

Mass Count 5:00pm–57, 9:30am–112, 12 N-85

Our next second collection is December 25, 2022 for Catholic Charities

Offertory Collection December 3-4

Offertory-\$5873

Give Central - \$575

Christmas Flowers - \$105

Capital Projects-\$85

Catholic Charities- \$50

Candles- \$181

Mass Intentions- \$50

Human Needs- \$205

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Sixth & Ninth Commandments: “Do not commit adultery. Do not covet your neighbor’s wife.”

Have I desired or done impure things? Have I taken pleasure in entertaining impure thoughts or desires? Have I read impure material, listened to music with impure lyrics, or looked at impure images, whether in photos or on television or in movies or on the Internet? Have I aroused sexual desire in myself or another by impure kissing, embracing, or touching? Have I committed impure actions alone, i.e. masturbation? Have I committed homosexual acts or other unnatural acts? Do I use artificial contraception or other birth-prevention methods? Do I dress immodestly or been too concerned with the way I look? Do I use vulgar language or tell or listen to impure jokes or stories? Have I given into desires of adultery even in my imagination? **Seventh and tenth Commandments:** “You shall not steal. Do not covet your neighbor’s goods.”

Have I taken anything that was not my own? Have I damaged private or public property or defaced it by vandalism? Have I been guilty of shop-lifting? Have I accepted or bought stolen property or helped someone to steal? Have I bribed someone? Do I gamble excessively? Have I borrowed something without the owner's permission? Have I failed to return something I borrowed? Do I waste money or spend it extravagantly? Have I harbored a greed for money or worldly possessions? Have I made of money, or any possession, a false god? Do I waste goods or food? Have I cheated on tests or schoolwork? Have I cheated in games or sports?

Eighth Commandment: “You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.”

Have I lied deliberately? Have I sworn to do something sinful or illegal? Have I slandered others by attributing to them sins they did not commit or of which I had no evidence? Do I gossip about others or listen to gossip? Have I told a secret I was asked to keep? Have I betrayed someone's trust? Have I criticized anyone uncharitably? Do I make rash judgments and harbor false suspicions about others? Have I deliberately misled or deceived anyone? Have I refused to forgive someone or held a grudge against him or her? Have I failed to apologize or make amends to someone I offended?

Nuestra próxima segunda colecta es el 25 de diciembre de 2022 para Caridades

Católicas

JOKE OF THE WEEK

“Your mother and I are getting a divorce”

An elderly man in Oklahoma calls his son in New York and says, "I hate to ruin your day son, but I have to tell you that your mother and I are getting a divorce; 45 years of marriage... and that much misery is enough!" "Dad, what are you talking about?" the son yells. "We can't stand the sight of each other any longer," the old dad explained. "We're sick of each other, and I'm sick of talking about this, so you call your sister in Hong Kong and tell her!". Frantic, the son calls his sister, who explodes on the phone. "Like heck they're getting divorced," she shouts, "I'll take care of this." She calls her elderly father immediately, and screams at him, "You are not getting divorced. Don't do a single thing until I get there. I'm calling my brother back, and we'll both be there tomorrow. Until then, don't do a thing, you hear me?" she yelled as she hung up the phone. The old man hangs up his phone and turns to his wife. "Okay", he says, "it's all set. They're both coming for Christmas and paying their own air-fare."



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS



MARCH FOR LIFE

Supreme Knight Patrick Kelly invited Knights of Columbus and their families to join him at the annual March for Life in Washington, D.C., on Friday, Jan. 20, 2023 — not only to celebrate the reversal of Roe v. Wade, but also to send a clear pro-life message to lawmakers and resist efforts to codify legal abortion in federal law. The supreme knight also encourages Knights across the United States to support and participate in pro-life events at the state level: “Every Knight has a part to play, and every council should get involved.

The Knights and parishioners at St Timothy’s Church are trying to get a group together to journey to Washington to participate in this years March. Please consider joining us in this event. For more information see the poster in the church commons or please contact Ed Sullivan at desulliva@aol.com

Please Pray For The Sick

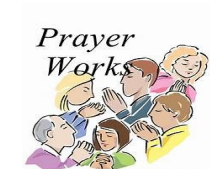
For healing and good health:

Lois Nelms, Phillip Nuar, Anne Glancy, Liliyanna Kotzeva, Ken Pollack, Dorothy Sponder, Joseph F. Mercurio, Beth Schools, Peggy Shaughnessy, Luke Heller, Theresa Berens, Kelly Liddington, Margaret Bell, Connie and Ed Malloy, Beatrice Howard, Kathie Mendez, Michelle and Anthony Macaluso, Joe Patton, Chloe Fordham, Patricia Brenzovich, Daniel Murchison Lytjen, Amber Davis, Lorraine Jester, Anna Dalton, Charlie Allen, Jerry Simpson, Jr., Robert Davenport, Valarie Roberts, Carolyn White, David Rousseau, Patrick Finn, Rebeca Moreno, Maria Foster, Thomas Hampton, Ed Sullivan, Dan Dean, and Barbara Chandler, Catherine Mallory, Linda & David Taylor, Tom Schroeder, James Morris, William Sammons, Rodger Ginn, Susan Lewis, Andrew Mallory, Owen Liddic, Barbara Taylor, John Ciffo, Kevin Sullivan.



Mass Intentions

If you would like to have a family member or friend, living or deceased, remembered in a Mass, please call the parish office and schedule a Mass. We will send the family or person (if living) a card with all the details of the date, time and celebrant, and who scheduled the Mass.



Remember In Your Prayers

All those who serve our country, particularly . . .

LT Patrick Howlett, USAF; Ensign Jordan Gates, USN; LTC Rod Dwyer, USA; Lesley Clarke, USN; FSO Mary O’Brien; SGT John Streat III, USA; 2nd LT Christopher Selig, USA; Morgan Martin, USN, Ty Brown, USCG

Pray God keeps them in His care.

December 13-December 18 / Mass Intentions/Mass Times				
Date	Mass	For	Liturgical Days	Requested By
12/13	12:00N	†Ben Reville	Memorial of St. Lucy, Virgin and Martyr	Finon Family
12/14	12:00N	Rev. Lee Scripture	Memorial of St. John of the Cross	E.C. Mangano
12/15	9:00am	Salvation of Souls	Advent Weekday	St. Timothy Family
12/16	9:00am	Mangano Family	Advent Weekday	E. C. Mangano
12/17	5:00pm	†Joseph & Rae Mercurio	Vigil Fourth Sunday of Advent	Chris Iovino
12/18	9:30am	Ryan Brown	Fourth Sunday of Advent	Ken Brown
	12:00 Noon	Para el Pueblo	Cuarto domingo de Adviento	Familia de San Timoteo



Holiday Mass/Penance Service Updates

Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe Mass **Dec. 12th at 5pm.**

Advent Penance Service Friday **Dec. 16th at 6pm.**

Christmas Eve Mass on Saturday **Dec. 24th** will be at the normal Saturday time of **5pm.** Carols will be sung starting at 4pm.

Christmas Day Masses will be as normal at **9:30am & 12 Noon.** Christmas carols will be sung starting at **8:30am.**

Angel Tree

The unwrapped gifts are to be returned to the church this weekend December 11th. We will be delivering them on Monday. Check off your gift/name on the list when you return your angel. Thank you for participating in this wonderful ministry!



The Arts & Entertainment Committee is hoping you will join us on Saturday **Dec. 17th** to make **wreaths to decorate St. Timothy's** and other buildings on campus. Greens will be provided along with wreath forms and wire. Please bring pruners and gloves if you wish and join us at **8:30 am** in St. Jude Hall.

Give Central Online Giving

Remember that you now have the option at St. Timothy to sign up and go online to make your weekly donations to the Church. The website is updated on a weekly basis in house. You can get more information by calling the parish office, or go to <https://www.givecentral.org/location/1137/event/25198>, and follow the steps. Or you can scan the QR code:



Please mark your calendars with the following updates to the weekly **CCD schedule.**

Dec 25 & Jan 1 - NO CLASS - Christmas Break.



Church Directory

We are beginning work on a new Church Directory. If you would like to have your picture in the directory please sign up. There is a sign up sheet in the Commons.

Bible Study

The Bible Study group meets on Tuesday at 11:00am in the Religious Education Office. We welcome new members. Please contact Chris at ciovino@hotmail.com or 804-443-7179 cell phone.



Memorial Bricks

Remember and memorialize a departed family member or friend in the Memorial Garden. The Price is only \$100 and a duplicate for your home is available for an additional \$50. Pick up an order form from the Commons or contact the parish office.



Divine Mercy Cenacle

Please join us in the Commons at **12:45pm**, after the noon Mass on **Tuesday, January 3rd** to pray the *Divine Mercy Chaplet*, and learn about the revelations of Saint Faustina. This will be Week Number 53.

Pantry Sunday

Pantry Sunday is this weekend **December 11.** Please place your donations in the designated area to the left of the door as you enter the commons. Thank you for participating in this worthy event!



“Behold, I am sending my messenger ahead of you; he will prepare your way before you.” This Advent make the decision to grow in your marriage by attending the next **Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience on Jan 27-29, 2023** in NORTH MYRTLE BEACH, SC and **Feb 3-5, 2023** in Warrenton, VA. Early sign up is recommended. For more information visit our website at: <https://renewmarriage-vasouth.org/> or contact us at applications@renewmarriage-vasouth.org or 757-690-1369.

The **March for Life** will again happen on Friday, **January 20, 2023** in Washington DC! Even with the wonderful blessing of *Roe v. Wade* being overturned, which allows more freedom at the state level to enact pro-life laws, the necessary work to build a culture of life in the United States of America is not finished. Our most important work is changing hearts and minds. The goal of the national March for Life is to not only change laws at the state and federal level, but to change the culture to ultimately make abortion unthinkable.

Please use sign-up sheet in lobby to reserve your seat on the bus! Thank you for your support of this important cause!

Contact Ken or Elsie Mangano 804-514-4181 or church office for more information.

Christmas Music

Essex Churches Together (ECT) members invite the community to share Christmas music:

Dec. 10 (Saturday) 3 pm. Messiah sing-along. Add your voice, or just listen to four fabulous soloists with organ and harpsichord accompaniment. Refreshments afterwards. Tappahannock Presbyterian Church, 204 Kino Rd., across from Tappahannock Chevrolet.

Dec. 11 (Sunday) 3 pm. Musical concert at Memorial United Methodist Church. Offering will benefit Essex H.S. music department.

Dec. 18 (Sunday) 7 pm. Christmas cantata at Beale Memorial Baptist Church.

No. 1 Catholic App-Check it out!

The most popular and most comprehensive free Catholic App. available in English, Española, Daily Mass Readings (with Saint of the Day and Reflections): Liturgy of Hours: Latin Liturgy of Hours, Latin Mass, New American Bible, interactive Rosary and multiple Chaplets, multiple Stations of the Cross, searchable prayers and Latin prayers with English translation, Daily Prayer and Daily Bible Verse, Multiple podcasts for daily meditations and Rosary. Catechism of Catholic Church with ability to bookmark and share. My Prayers lets you store your own prayers and move them between iPad and iPhone. 5 Confession apps for different groups guides through sacrament of reconciliation. Vatican documents: 2nd Vatican Council, Code of Canon Law. Daily Mass live video stream and more....click below-
<https://apps.apple.com/us/app/laudate-1-catholic-app/id499428207>

To help seniors discover the most senior-friendly locations around the country, Caring.com conducted a new study. They rank 300 cities and 50 states on the quality of senior living in that area. If interested if finding out how Virginia rates you can find the report at:

<https://www.caring.com/senior-living/virginia>

Caregiver Support Group is presented by the **Alzheimer's Association** on the **3rd Wednesday** of each month at 2PM at the Essex Public Library. For more information about caregiver support groups call Jennifer at 1-800-577-0558.