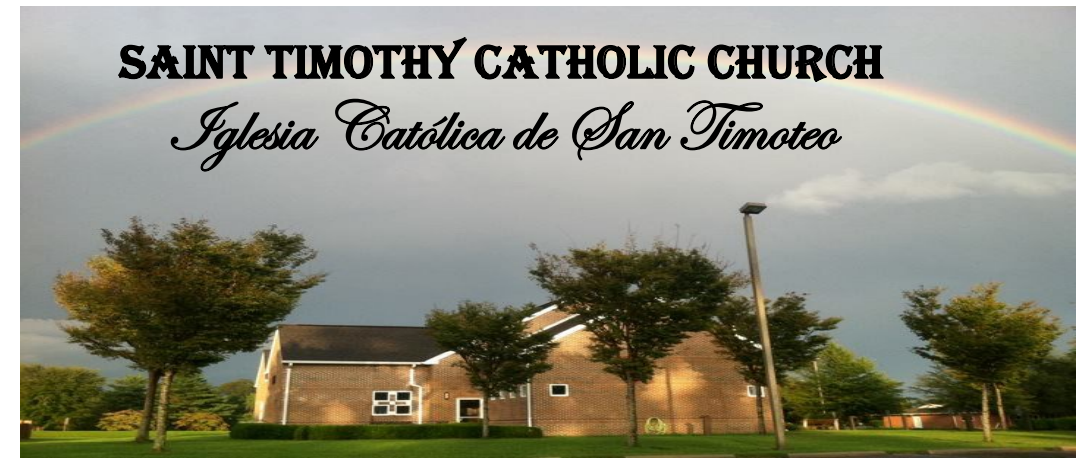




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April 30, 2023

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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)



**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.

**Fourth Sunday of Easter**  
 4/30/2023  
 Acts of the Apostles 2:14a, 36-41; 1 Peter 2:20b-25  
 John 10:1-10



**Fifth Sunday of Easter**  
 5/7/2023  
 Acts of the Apostles 6:1-7; 1 Peter 2:4-9  
 John 14:1-12



*"I am the gate. Whoever enters through me will be saved, and will come in and go out and find pasture. A thief comes only to steal and slaughter and destroy; I came so that they might have life and have it more abundantly."*

John 10:9-10

**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



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### Praying for Vocations on Good Shepherd Sunday

This Sunday is called “Good Shepherd Sunday,” and, appropriately, this day is also the *World Day of Prayer for Vocations*. This Sunday is designated as a day of prayer for Vocations. The different vocations of marriage, single life, religious or consecrated life, and priesthood all influence, contribute to, and support each other, and together they help to build up God’s kingdom. However, in a special way let us pray more for the vocation to the priesthood.

As the family is the primary location for transmitting the Christian faith, it is hardly surprising then that many priestly vocations originate in families where the example of a Christian life is being lived generously and in a self-giving manner. In other situations, quite frequently the spark of vocation to priesthood is ignited in young men as a result of the joyful witness of priests who are happy in their relationship with Christ, who work with and support one another, and are dedicated in their service of the people of God. Many discover the call to priesthood after they have had the experience of becoming involved in voluntary, charitable work.

We know that there is a need for more priests. As parents, godparents, and grandparents, let us support and encourage our children and grandchildren to think about the vocation to the priesthood. Here is a beautiful prayer for vocations:

#### Prayer for Vocations

O God, Father of all Mercies,  
 Provider of a bountiful Harvest,  
 send Your Graces upon those  
 You have called to gather the fruits of Your labor;  
 preserve and strengthen them in their lifelong service of you.

Open the hearts of Your children  
 that they may discern Your Holy Will;  
 inspire in them a love and desire to surrender themselves  
 to serving others in the name of Your son, Jesus Christ.

Teach all Your faithful to follow their respective paths in life  
 guided by Your Divine Word and Truth.  
 Through the intercession of the Most Blessed Virgin Mary,  
 all the Angels, and Saints, humbly hear our prayers  
 and grant Your Church's needs, through Christ, our Lord.  
 Amen.

### 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 Rectory

**Homebound:** Call Parish Office to schedule Communion

**Mass Count 5:00pm - 60 9:30am - 106 12 N 74**

**The next second collection is May 14th for Capital Improvements**

## DEL PASTOR

### Oración por las vocaciones en el Domingo del Buen Pastor

Este domingo se llama "Domingo del Buen Pastor" y, apropiadamente, este día es también el Día Mundial de Oración por las Vocaciones. Este domingo está designado como día de oración por las Vocaciones. Las diferentes vocaciones del matrimonio, la vida de soltero, la vida religiosa o consagrada y el sacerdocio se influyen, se contribuyen y se apoyan mutuamente, y juntas ayudan a construir el reino de Dios. Sin embargo, de manera especial oremos más por la vocación al sacerdocio.

Siendo la familia el lugar primordial para la transmisión de la fe cristiana, no sorprende entonces que muchas vocaciones sacerdotales se originen en familias donde el ejemplo de vida cristiana se vive con generosidad y entrega. En otras situaciones, con bastante frecuencia la chispa de la vocación al sacerdocio se enciende en los jóvenes como resultado del testimonio gozoso de sacerdotes felices en su relación con Cristo, que trabajan y se apoyan mutuamente, y se entregan al servicio de el pueblo de Dios. Muchos descubren el llamado al sacerdocio después de haber tenido la experiencia de involucrarse en el trabajo caritativo voluntario.

Sabemos que hay necesidad de más sacerdotes. Como padres, padrinos y abuelos, apoyemos y animemos a nuestros hijos y nietos a pensar en la vocación al sacerdocio. He aquí una hermosa oración por las vocaciones:

#### Oración por las Vocaciones

Oh Dios, Padre de todas las Misericordias,  
 Proveedor de una abundante cosecha,  
 envía Tus Gracias sobre aquellos  
 Tú has llamado a recoger los frutos de Tu trabajo;  
 presévalos y fortalécelos en su servicio de por vida para ti.

Abre los corazones de tus hijos  
 para que discernan Tu Santa Voluntad;  
 inspirar en ellos el amor y el deseo de entregarse  
 a servir a los demás en el nombre de tu hijo, Jesucristo.

Enseña a todos tus fieles a seguir sus respectivos caminos en la vida  
 guiados por Tu Divina Palabra y Verdad.  
 Por intercesión de la Santísima Virgen María,  
 todos los ángeles y santos, escuchad humildemente nuestras oraciones  
 y concede las necesidades de tu Iglesia, por Cristo, nuestro Señor.  
 Amén.

### Directorio de la Iglesia

Hemos asegurado fechas para que un fotógrafo tome fotografías para nuestro nuevo directorio. Son Miércoles 3 de Mayo y Jueves 4 de Mayo. Las citas se realizarán de 14:00 a 20:30 ambos días. Las citas se pueden hacer en: <https://instant-scheduling.com/sch.php?kn=3534502&typId=64781&step=2>. Si no se siente cómodo haciendo su cita en línea, habrá alguien en los comunes después de la misa para ayudarlo. Marque sus calendarios y, si aún no lo ha

**La próxima segunda colecta es el 14 de Mayo para Mejoras de Capital**

## JOKE OF THE WEEK

### “I Guess You must be a Sheep Dog”

A pastor was teaching the 23rd Psalm in the Sunday school. He told the children about sheep, that they weren't smart and needed lots of guidance, and that a shepherd's job was to stay close to the sheep, protect them from wild animals and keep them from wandering off. He pointed to the little children in the room and said that they were the sheep and needed lots of guidance. Then the pastor put his hands out to the side, palms up in a dramatic gesture, and with raised eyebrows said to the children, “If you are the sheep, then who is the shepherd?” He was pretty sure that all the kids would point out to him as the shepherd. A silence of a few seconds followed. Then a young girl said, “Jesus! Jesus is the shepherd.” The young pastor, obviously caught by surprise, said to the little girl, “Well then, who am I?” The girl frowned thoughtfully and then said with a shrug, “I guess you must be a sheep dog.”



## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS



### Supreme Knight Kelly and Supreme Chaplin Bishop Lori meet with Pope Francis

On April 20th, Pope Francis received Supreme Knight Patrick Kelly and Supreme Chaplain Archbishop William Lori of Baltimore in a private audience during which they discussed the Order's activities in service to the Church, including efforts to strengthen the faith of men and their families and charitable initiatives in Ukraine and throughout the world.



Later that evening, the Pontifical North American College in Rome honored Supreme Knight Kelly as well as Bishop William Murphy, bishop emeritus of Rockville Centre, N.Y., with the Rector's Award, given each year to persons who have been instrumental in the life of the college and the Catholic Church.

If you are interested learning more about what the Knights are doing please contact Ed Sullivan at [desulli-va@aol.com](mailto:desulli-va@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, Catherine Mallory, Linda and David Taylor, Tom Schroeder, James Morris, Susan Lewis, Andrew Mallory, Owen Liddic, Barbara Taylor, John Ciffo, Kevin Sullivan, Lloyd Samuels, Michelle Sadloch, Les Sisson, Jocelyn Boily, and Carol Smith.



### 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.*

May 2 - May 7 / Mass Intentions/Mass Times				
Date	Mass	For	Liturgical Days	Requested By
5/2	12:00N	Kelly McCray	Memorial of St. Athanasius	Greg Woodson
5/3	12:00N	Ashanti Caesar	Feast of Sts. Philip and James	Beatrice Howard
5/4	9:00AM	Advocates of the Unborn	Weekday	Ken and Elsie Mangano
5/5	9:00AM	Salvation of Souls	Weekday	St. Timothy Family
5/6	5:00PM	†JoAnn Darlington	Vigil Fifth Sunday of Easter	Burley Darlington
5/7	9:30AM	†Stuart Nalls	Fifth Sunday of Easter	Carl and Kathy Hayden
	12:00N	Para el Pueblo	Quinto Domingo de Pascua	Familia de San Timoteo



### Children's Liturgy - May Dates

Children's Liturgy will be the **first and third Sundays in May, May 7th and May 21st.** We will resume our normal schedule of second and fourth Sundays in June.

### Rosary before Mass during May

The month of May is dedicated to Mary and in recognition of this, Rosary will be said at 4:30pm on Saturday and 9:00am on Sunday before each Mass. Please join us in honoring the mother of our Lord.

### Church Directory

We have secured dates for a photographer to take pictures for our new directory. They are **Wednesday May 3rd** and **Thursday May 4th.** Appointments will be made from 2:00pm to 8:30pm on both days. Appointments can be made by going to: <https://instant-scheduling.com/sch.php?kn=3534502&typId=64781&step=2>. If you're not comfortable making your appointment online, there will be someone in the Commons after Mass to assist you. Please mark your calendars and if you haven't already, please sign up today so that we can meet our quota. The sign-up sheet is in the Commons on the wooden ambo.

### Pantry Sunday

Pantry Sunday is the weekend of May 13th - 14th. 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!



### 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.



### 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, May 2nd, to pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet**, and learn about the revelations of Saint Faustina. This will be Week Number 56.



Religious Education News

### Religious Education Updates

*Sunday May 14* - FIRST COMMUNION (also Mother's Day) - **NO CCD CLASSES.**  
*Sunday May 21* - last class.

**SAVE THE DATE:** Saturday June 24 - Vacation Bible Day

### 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](mailto:ciovino@hotmail.com) or 804-443-7179 cell phone.



### Blood Drive

The next American Red Cross blood drive will be held on **Tuesday, May 16<sup>th</sup> from 1-7pm at the fire house in Tappahannock.** This drive is sponsored by The American Legion Post 64. All donors will receive a \$10 gift card to a merchant of their choice via email. Appointments are highly encouraged, and may be scheduled at <https://www.redcrossblood.org/give.html/drive-results?zipSponsor=essex>

**Thank you** to the parishioners of Saint Timothy Parish in Tappahannock, VA for Sharing His Love with Others and for exceeding the 2023 Annual Diocesan Appeal goal! Your generosity is a true reflection of your trust in the Lord.



**Thank You!** You have exceeded the parish goal for the 2023 Annual Diocesan Appeal!

### Parishioner's Request for Assistance

Dear Friends from St. Timothy's,

After so many days/nights in the Riverside VCU Hospital, my mother-in-law Liliyana will soon be back home. I promised Konstantina that her Mom will not be in a nursing home. She is in a serious condition and will spend the rest of her life in a medical bed. Please, help me to find out if there is anyone from the congregation who can offer some help, a retiring nurse perhaps (not for free of course). You can share this email with everyone you need.

With love and hope to you all.

Sincerely yours in Christ,  
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Upcoming dates:  
September 22-24, 2023 - Crowne Plaza Hotel, Herndon VA  
November 17-19, 2023 - Holiday Inn, Virginia Beach VA

### Diocesan Pilgrimage October 21, 2023

Join Bishop Kneestout and faithful from across the Commonwealth at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception for a pilgrimage focused on the source and summit of our faith, the Eucharist. Pilgrims will be invited to talks, tours, Eucharistic Procession, Adoration, Music and Mass with the Bishop all surrounded by the awe-inspiring beauty of the largest Catholic Church in North America. Registration for this free event opens in late summer and transportation will be offered from each vicariate. For additional information visit: <https://evangelizerichmond.org/events/diocesan-pilgrimage/>

**Lebanese FOOD FESTIVAL**

Saint Anthony Church | Sadler Rd | Glen Allen, VA  
4611 Sadler Road, Glen Allen, VA 23060  
Plenty of facility parking available. Overflow parking is located in the adjoining subdivisions.

**MAY 19<sup>th</sup> - 21<sup>st</sup>**  
**FRI 11am-10pm**  
**SAT 11am-10pm**  
**SUN 10am-8pm**  
**2023**

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**Holy Land Pilgrimage Details**  
 St. Timothy Catholic Church  
 Group Leader: Father Gerald Musu bire  
 November 7-16, 2023 - 10 Days/8 Nights  
 Price per person: \$3,700  
\* Price is based on double occupancy. \* Single Supplement/Private Room - Additional \$495

- Included**
- Round-trip airfare
  - Airline taxes and fuel surcharges
  - Accommodation for 8 nights at 4-5 Star Hotels including service charges
  - Breakfast and Dinner Daily
  - Professional Catholic tour guide
  - Sightseeing and admissions fees as per itinerary
  - Modern air-conditioned motor coaches + WIFI
  - Daily Mass
  - Farewell Dinner
- Not Included:** Lunch and drinks with meals, Tips and Travel Insurance.

**Itinerary**

**Day 1 | Departure**  
Depart for your overnight flight to the Holy Land. Meals will be served on board.

**Day 2 | Arrival**  
Arrive at Tel Aviv Airport. Meet your guide, drive to your hotel in Nazareth for dinner and overnight.

**Day 3 | Nazareth, Cana**

Start the day in Nazareth at the Basilica of the Annunciation where we will celebrate a Mass. Walk to the Church of St. Joseph's workshop. Continue to the site where Jesus performed His first miracle, Cana, where the married couple would renew their wedding vows at the wedding church. In the afternoon, climb Mt. Tabor, site of the Transfiguration of Jesus. Experience the views where Peter, James and John saw the Glorified Lord with Moses and Elijah.

**Day 4 | Tiberias, Sea of Galilee, Mount of Beatitudes**

On this day, we will start with a visit to the Mount of Beatitudes, where Jesus preached the Sermon on the Mount. Continue to Tabgha for a visit to the church of the Multiplication of the Loaves and Fish. Take a memorable boat ride across the same lake Jesus walked, the Sea of Galilee. After Lunch, visit the Church of Peter's Primacy where Peter declares his love for Jesus three times. Continue to Capernaum the home town of Jesus to see the ruins of the ancient synagogue and St. Peter's house.

**Day 5 | Caesarea Maritima, Haifa**

After Breakfast, we drive to Caesarea, capital of the Roman province, where we visit the Roman and Crusader remains and the harbor from which St. Paul was taken prisoner to Rome. Continue to Haifa where we visit Mount Carmel and Cave of Elijah. Enjoy panoramic views of the Mediterranean Sea and Haifa City including the Bahá'í Shrine and gardens. Drive to Bethlehem, check in to your hotel and gather for dinner.

**Day 6 | Bethlehem, Shepherd's Field, Ein Karem**

Start our day in Bethlehem at the Church of the Nativity where we will celebrate a Mass. Visit the cave - the birthplace of Jesus - beneath the church. After lunch, drive to the town of Beit Sahour where we find the Shepherd's Fields to see the place where the Shepherds saw the star of the Nativity. Continue to Ein Karem, the birth place of St. John the Baptist. Drive back to your hotel for dinner and overnight.

**Day 7 | Jericho, Qumran, Dead Sea**

After breakfast, continue your journey to the real site of Jesus' Baptism by the Jordan River. Visit Jericho the oldest city in the world, view Mount of Temptation where Jesus was tempted by the devil. Celebrate Mass at the Good Shepherd Parish in Jericho. Drive to Qumran where the Dead Sea Scrolls were first discovered. We will have a dip in the Dead Sea salty water. Enjoy shopping in Bethlehem, buy souvenirs for you and your family. Drive back to your hotel for dinner and overnight.

**Day 08 | Old City of Jerusalem**

Start the day very early, praying the Stations of the Cross as we walk the true way of the Cross (Via Dolorosa). Then we will visit the Church of the Holy Sepulcher, where Jesus was crucified, buried, and then rose again. View the Convent of Zion Sisters and visit St. Ann's Church (birthplace of the Virgin Mary).

**Day 09 | Western Wall, Mt. Zion, Mt of Olives, Gethsemane**

Drive to the Mount of Olives for a wonderful view of Jerusalem. Visit Pater Noster Church where the Lord's prayer "Our Father" was first taught. Walk the Palm Sunday way. At the foot of the mountain, see the Garden of Gethsemane with its ancient olive trees and the Church of All Nations (with the rock where Jesus prayed in agony). Visit the Walling (or Western) Wall, with views of the Al-Aksa Mosque and Dome of the Rock. See the site known as David's memorial. Visit the Caenaculum, the place where the Last Supper occurred as well as the Descent of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost. Visit Church of St. Peter in Gallicantu where St. Peter denied Jesus.

**Day 10 | Return to USA**

Today our Holy Land pilgrimage comes to an end. We will head to the airport for our return flight, carrying all these unforgettable memories walking in the footsteps of Jesus.