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Please contact our Grand Knight Ed Sullivan at (540) 842-3276, 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.



September 24, 2023

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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
 Dogwood District
 Cub Scouts (ages 6-10)



LUMEN CHRISTI LEGACY SOCIETY

St. Timothy Lumen Christi Society Chapter

Our parish Lumen Christi Society Chapter was 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.

Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
 9/24/2023
 Isaiah 55:6-9; Philippians 1:20c-24, 27a
 Matthew 20:1-16a

Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
 10/1/2023
 Ezekiel 18:25-28; Philippians 2:1-11
 Matthew 21:28-32

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.



"He [the landowner] said to one of them in reply, 'My friend, I am not cheating you. Did you not agree with me for the usual daily wage? Take what is yours and go. What if I wish to give this last one the same as you? [Or] am I not free to do as I wish with my own money? Thus, the last will be first, and the first will be last.'"

Matthew 20:13-16

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Preparing and Voting as Virginia Catholics

September 2023

This year, voters will elect members to all 140 seats in the Virginia General Assembly – 40 in the Senate and 100 in the House of Delegates – as well as other offices in some localities. Early voting begins September 22. Election Day is November 7.

Much is at stake, and it is the sacred duty of each voter to form his or her conscience and participate in these critical decisions. To prepare:

First, register to vote if you are not registered already. A Virginia Catholic Conference bulletin insert explains how to register, eligibility and key dates. Registration ends October 16.

Second, locate your new districts. New General Assembly district maps are in effect for this year's elections. A VCC bulletin insert explains how to find your new state Senate and House of Delegates districts and who the candidates are.

Third, prayerfully form your conscience. The VCC's *Four Principles of Catholic Social Teaching* bulletin insert provides a helpful overview for reflection, in an easy-to-read format.

Visit www.vacatholic.org to view these materials.

As we have stated in previous pre-election letters, three foundational principles are essential to forming consciences and evaluating candidates:

- Many issues are important.
- Not all issues have equal moral weight.
- Protecting life is paramount.

Addressing the tragedy of abortion is the "preeminent priority because it directly attacks life itself, because it takes place within the sanctuary of the family, and because of the number of lives destroyed" (United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, *Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship*, Introductory Letter).

As a Catholic and a voter in Virginia, please respond to the call of faithful citizenship. Prepare and engage in these vitally important elections. Protect life to the fullest extent possible.

Faithfully yours in Christ,

Most Reverend Michael F. Burbidge
Bishop of Arlington

Most Reverend Barry C. Knestout
Bishop of Richmond

Parish Ministries

- Diana Campbell, Rel. Ed. Director: (804) 238-1279
- 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

Offertory Collection

September 9 - September 10, 2023

Offertory - \$2,802

Give Central - \$955

Candles - \$67

Religious Retirement - \$844

Religious Education - \$25

Mass Count: 5:00pm - 87, 9:30am - 74, 12 N - 91

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DEL PASTOR



Preparación y votación como católicos de Virginia

Septiembre de 2023

Este año, los votantes elegirán miembros para ocupar todos los 140 escaños en la Asamblea General de Virginia – 40 en el Senado y 100 en la Cámara de Delegados – así como para otros cargos en algunas localidades. La votación temprana comienza el 22 de septiembre. El día de las elecciones es el 7 de noviembre.

Hay muchas cosas en juego y cada votante tiene el deber sagrado de formar su conciencia y de participar en estas decisiones críticas. Para prepararse:

Primero, registrense para votar si no lo han hecho todavía. En un suplemento adjunto a los boletines parroquiales preparado por la Conferencia Católica de Virginia se explica cómo registrarse, quién tiene derecho a hacerlo y cuáles son las fechas clave. La inscripción termina el 16 de octubre.

Segundo, localicen sus nuevos distritos. Hay nuevos mapas de los distritos de la Asamblea General vigentes para las elecciones del presente año. En un suplemento adjunto a los boletines parroquiales preparado por la Conferencia Católica de Virginia se explica cómo encontrar sus nuevos distritos estatales del Senado y de la Cámara de Delegados y quiénes son los candidatos.

Tercero, formen su conciencia en espíritu de oración. El suplemento adjunto a los boletines parroquiales preparado por la Conferencia Católica de Virginia, titulado *Cuatro Principios de la Doctrina Social Católica*, ofrece una útil visión general para reflexión en un formato de lectura fácil.

Visiten www.vacatholic.org para ver estos materiales.

Como hemos afirmado en varias cartas previas a las elecciones, hay tres principios fundamentales que son esenciales para la formación de la conciencia y la evaluación de los candidatos:

- Hay muchos asuntos importantes.
- No todos los asuntos tienen la misma importancia moral.
- La protección de la vida es fundamental.

Abordar la tragedia del aborto es la "máxima prioridad porque ataca directamente a la vida misma, porque tiene lugar dentro del santuario de la familia y por la cantidad de vidas destruidas" (Carta introductoria publicada por la Conferencia de Obispos Católicos de los Estados Unidos titulada *Formando la conciencia para ser ciudadanos fieles*).

Como católicos y como votantes en Virginia, sírvanse responder al llamado a la ciudadanía fiel. Prepárense y participen en estas elecciones de vital importancia. Protejan la vida en la mayor medida posible.

Fielmente en Cristo,

Monseñor Michael F. Burbidge
Obispo de la Diócesis de Arlington

Monseñor Barry C. Knestout
Obispo de la Diócesis de Richmond

Campaña de Capital, Aprender a Liderar, Fin de Semana de Recaudación Especial: del 30 de Septiembre al 1 de Octubre

El Obispo Knestout le invita a participar en la Campaña de Capital: Aprender a Liderar. Esta campaña fortalecerá el extraordinario ministerio de nuestras escuelas católicas. Nuestras escuelas católicas moldean las vidas de más de 7,000 jóvenes, ayudándolos a reconocer su propósito de vida, a triunfar, servir a Dios, a sus familias, iglesias y comunidades. Si usted ha sido bendecido al recibir educación católica o cree en la importancia de su misión, haga una donación generosa. Para obtener más información sobre esta campaña o hacer una donación segura en línea en este momento, visite learntoleadcampaign.org o escanee el siguiente código QR. ¡Gracias!



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JOKE OF THE WEEK

Happy to See Him Go

A woman testified to the transformation in her life that had resulted through her experience in conversion. She declared, "I'm so glad I got religion. I have an uncle I used to hate so much that I vowed I'd never go to his funeral. But now, why, I'd be happy to go to it any time!"



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS



Charity Work

The Knights of Columbus are dedicated to charity, unity, and fraternity. The Knights work together nationally and internationally to help those in need. Below are some of the numbers that reflect this dedication:

- ◆ 49 Million Volunteer Hours
- ◆ 180,912 Coats Donated to Kids
- ◆ 1,225 Pregnancy Resource Centers & Maternity Homes Supported with Ultrasound Machines and Financial Support
- ◆ 8,891 Wheelchairs Distributed

Locally the Colin Cooke Council supports:

- ◆ St. Timothy Parish's Religious Education Program (we are currently raffling off a beautiful Flag Quilt with all proceeds going to Religious Education)
- ◆ Pregnancy Centers like Mary's Shelter and The Mother's Heart
- ◆ St. Timothy's Human Needs Events
- ◆ The Parish as Needed

If you would like to learn more about the Knights, or are a male who would like to join, please contact Ed Sullivan at desulliva@aol.com.

Please Pray For The Sick

For healing and good health:

Lois Nelms, 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, Carol Smith, Christopher Carcamo, Christina Brookbank, Janie Kwedar, Charles Palmeri, Lucille Palmeri, Chris Honenberger, Michelle Ward, Rita Nepomuseno Vazques, Michael Herlan, Kristen Kellett, and Linda MacDonald.



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.

| September 26 - October 1 / Mass Intentions/Mass Times | | | | |
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| Date | Mass | For | Liturgical Days | Requested By |
| 9/26 | 12:00N | Salvation of All Souls | Weekday | St. Timothy Family |
| 9/27 | 12:00N | Ed Sullivan | Memorial of St. Vincent De Paul | Family of Ed Sullivan |
| 9/28 | 9:00AM | †Peter Buckley | Weekday | Susan Buckley |
| 9/29 | 9:00AM | †Dorothy Powers | Feast of Saints Michael, Gabriel, and Raphael | Diane Kean |
| 9/30 | 5:00PM | †Joseph Martin | Vigil - Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time | Don and Sandi Grata |
| 10/1 | 9:30AM | †Konstantina Konstantinov | Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time | Ignat Konstantinov |
| | 12:00N | Para el Pueblo | Vigésimo Sexto Domingo de Tiempo Ordinario | Familia de San Timoteo |



Church News

Rosary before Mass

Please join us in praying the Rosary one-half hour before weekend masses during the month of October.

Need a Ride to Mass?

If you need a ride to ANY Mass, please call the office.

Religious Education Updates

The meeting for parents of children receiving sacraments will be held **this Sunday, September 24**. **September 24** will also be the first day of Sunday School. If you haven't already registered, you may complete the registration form on the table in the back of the Commons and place it in the manila envelope.

Learn to Lead Capital Campaign, Special Collection Weekend: September 30 - October 1

Bishop Knestout invites your participation in the *Learn to Lead* Capital Campaign that will strengthen the extraordinary ministry of our Catholic schools. Our Catholic schools shape the lives of more than 7,000 young people – helping them realize their greater purpose – in succeeding and serving God, their families, churches, and communities. If you have been blessed by a Catholic education or believe in the importance of its mission, please make a generous gift. To learn more about this campaign or to make a secure online gift now, please visit learntoleadcampaign.org or scan the following QR code. Thank you!



Divine Mercy Cenacle

Please join us in the Commons at **12:45pm**, after the noon Mass on **Tuesday, October 3**, to pray the *Divine Mercy Chaplet*, and learn about the revelations of Saint Faustina. This will be Week Number 61.

Give Central Online Giving

Remember that you have the option at St. Timothy's to sign up and go online to make your weekly donations to the Church. 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.



Triad Senior Health & Safety Fair - Tuesday, October 3 from 10:00am - 2:00pm at Beale Memorial Baptist Church

Free event offering lunch, door prizes, health screenings (blood pressure, blood sugar, balance assessments), and 30 exhibitors covering many aspects of health, senior living, home care, financial security, personal safety, and more. Featured speakers are Attorney General Jason Miyares and VCU Gerontologist Jenny Inker. Breakout sessions feature local law enforcement, cardio/strength demonstration, estate planning, Bay Aging, and music therapy. **Free transportation available through Bay Transit by calling 1-877-869-6046 no later than Friday, September 29.**

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.

Coat, Sweater and Blanket Drive

The Annual Coat, Sweater, and Blanket Drive will take place October 7 - October 29. Please bring all clean and gently used items to the church Commons. We will sort and deliver them to the Tappahannock Community Center.

Rosary Rally - Save the Date!

The Rosary Rally will be October 13 at 10:00am outside in front of the old Church.

Writing Poetry and the Creative Process Using Robert Frost's Life and Works - RCC Warsaw Campus, Instructor: **Joseph Swonk**, Mondays, October 9, 16, and 23, 1:00pm to 3:00pm, \$35

This class will focus on Robert Frost's life and the state of poetry in America during his lifetime. It will also include other poets prominent during that time, as well as a description of how poets write poetry and will close with some thoughts on the creative process. If interested, please contact Joe Swonk.

Friends of the Poor Walk

Join friends from around Richmond and beyond at 11am on September 30 for the 7th Annual Friends of the Poor Walk to benefit the work of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul. The walk is at the campus of St. Michael's Catholic Church, 4491 Springfield Road, Glen Allen, VA 23060. There will be music, fellowship, a silent auction, and lunch to follow the one mile walk around the beautiful campus. Visit www.fopwalk.org to register to walk or donate. Simply choose Virginia and then the Richmond Friends of the Poor Walk to register or to donate.

Cursillo

Want to Be a Friend, Make a Friend, or Bring a Friend to Christ, but don't know what to do or where to start? Consider participating in a Cursillo weekend. Cursillo is a three-day weekend that is fully sanctioned by the Catholic Church and Diocese of Richmond. The weekends are sponsored by lay Catholics with the assistance of ordained priests and deacons. Upcoming Cursillo weekend: Men's Cursillo – October 12-15, 2023. Click to download the [Application](#), or for more information about Cursillo visit: <https://philippians2foundation.org/cursillo/>.

From the Richmond Diocese's Office of Evangelization:

One of the great features of the Catholic Church is our ability to bring people together. From international events like World Youth Day to local parish gatherings, we know that the Catholic Church thrives when community is strong. The Office of Evangelization has many opportunities to grow as a community in all shapes and forms. Diocesan events like the pilgrimage to D.C. (October 21, 2023), the Young Adult Retreat (October 27-29, 2023 in Nags Head, NC), or our annual Busch Gardens Day (October 7, 2023) provide opportunities to grow and spend time together as members of the local Church. Know of our prayers, and God bless you in the work of evangelization. For more information on these and other upcoming events offered through the Office of Evangelization, please visit: <https://mailchi.mp/richmonddiocese/swshmcxirv-12203046?e=1aa22ee157>.

Marriage Retreat! Scripture says about married people that "Two shall live as one." How often do you find yourselves living as two? A Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend can help you get back to basics in this complicated day and age.


For more information or to register, go to WWME.org, click "Apply" and search for "Virginia" or your desired location. Only 25 couples per weekend so register soon! Feel free to contact Mark and Cathy Stangler at 703-378-4150 or mstang1987@aol.com with any questions. Here are the remaining local experiences for 2023: November 17-19, 2023 - Holiday Inn, Virginia Beach VA.

Career Opportunities with the Catholic Diocese of Richmond

The Office of Christian Formation is seeking an Associate Director of Christian Formation. For the full ad and how to apply, please go to <https://bit.ly/45hRORl>. The Office for Evangelization & Office for Social Ministry is seeking an Administrative Assistant. For the full ad and how to apply, please go to <https://bit.ly/3PoZzzk>. Any questions regarding either of these positions, please contact Kelly Shumate, HR Generalist/Recruiter at jobs@richmonddiocese.org.

Holy Land Pilgrimage Details

St. Timothy Catholic Church
Group Leader: Father Gerald Musaubire
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



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

Included

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 couples 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 Baha'i 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.