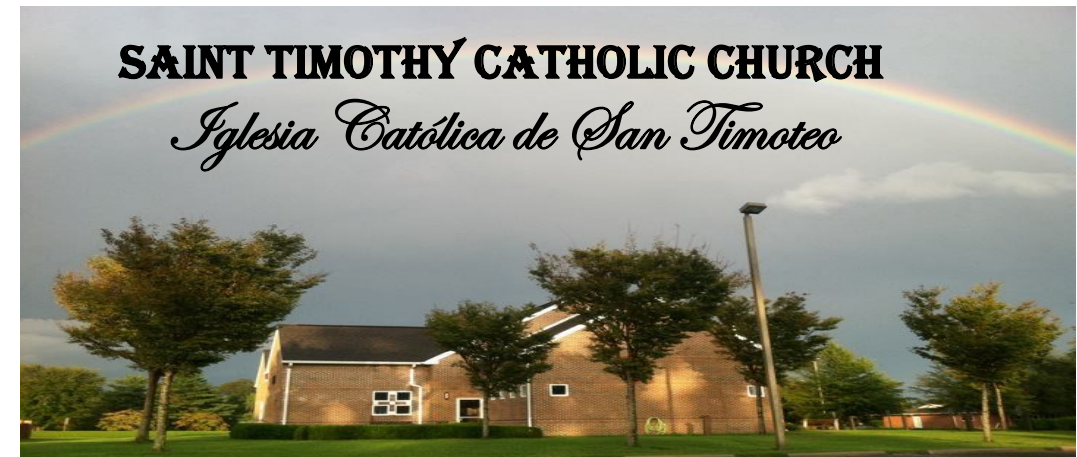


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January 28, 2024

413 St. Timothy Lane, Tappahannock, VA 22560



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.

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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.

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time
 1/28/2024
 Deuteronomy 18:15-20; 1 Corinthians 7:32-35
 Mark 1:21-28

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Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
 2/4/2024
 Job 7:1-4, 6-7; 1 Corinthians 9:16-19, 22-23
 Mark 1:29-39

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.



"Jesus rebuked him and said, 'Quiet! Come out of him!'"

Mark 1:25

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A warm welcome is extended to new parishioners and guests.



How Does the Magisterium Become Another Source of Authority?

Our final source of authority is the Magisterium, which is the teaching authority of the Church as an institution created by Jesus Christ and protected by the Holy Spirit. We see the Magisterium utilized for the very first time in the Acts of the Apostles, Chapter 15, as we read about the Council of Jerusalem. There was a disagreement among believers on whether or not Gentiles should be circumcised upon their conversion. Jesus had not given explicit instruction on the matter, nor was there Scripture beyond the Old Testament to direct them, so some understood it to be done one way, while others understood it another way. The Apostles, who we understand to be the first bishops, got together to discuss the issue. After debating different points of view and reviewing the Scripture they had, they came to an agreement and drafted a decree on official Church teaching. Shortly before this council was the feast of Pentecost, when the Holy Spirit descended upon the Church, protecting her work of salvation which, no doubt, included these first efforts of the Magisterium. The Apostles then distributed the decree to all of the other factions of the Christian Church.

We still see this practiced today, as we have throughout all of Church history. As issues and questions have come up in the Church regarding what we should do, how we should practice, what we should believe, and what Jesus intended – our bishops, cardinals, and popes have gathered under the protection of the Holy Spirit to discuss and debate God’s will for His Church under the guidance of Sacred Scripture. Then decrees are drafted and then promulgated by the Pope, enabling believers to know the official teaching on the issue. This is how the doctrine and dogmas have been developed and revealed to us over the years. Believing that the Magisterium (the teaching authority and not simply the men themselves) is protected by the Holy Spirit, believers are called to give their assent to the Church teaching, whether we fully understand it or not, because it has been determined to be true and God’s will.

Think of our three sources of authority as a three-legged stool. No single source is more important than any other and they all work together in a cohesive and unitive way. We should not cling to our pope more than our Scripture, nor do we ignore the beautiful smells and bells of liturgy that have been handed on to us in order to study Scripture day and night. Our Faith is dependent on all three, equally and simultaneously, which have been given to us as a gift of insurance from God, protecting the truth from our faulty human natures forever.

Parish Ministries

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

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

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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 January 20 - January 21, 2024

Offertory - \$3,392

Give Central - \$518

Candles - \$35

Capital Projects - \$40

Respect Life - \$711

Mass Counts: Saturday 5:00PM - 58

Sunday 9:30AM - 109, 12:00N - 75

The next second collection will be February 4 for Fuel and Heat

DEL PASTOR

¿Cómo se Convierte el Magisterio en Otra Fuente de Autoridad?

Nuestra fuente final de autoridad es el Magisterio, que es la autoridad docente de la Iglesia como institución creada por Jesucristo y protegida por el Espíritu Santo. Vemos el Magisterio utilizado por primera vez en los Hechos de los Apóstoles, Capítulo 15, cuando leemos sobre el Concilio de Jerusalén. Hubo un desacuerdo entre los creyentes sobre si los gentiles debían o no ser circuncidados al momento de su conversión. Jesús no había dado instrucciones explícitas sobre el asunto, ni había Escritura más allá del Antiguo Testamento para dirigirlos, por lo que algunos entendieron que se debía hacer de una manera, mientras que otros lo entendían de otra manera. Los Apóstoles, que entendemos fueron los primeros obispos, se reunieron para discutir el tema. Después de debatir diferentes puntos de vista y revisar las Escrituras que tenían, llegaron a un acuerdo y redactaron un decreto sobre la enseñanza oficial de la Iglesia. Poco antes de este concilio tuvo lugar la fiesta de Pentecostés, cuando el Espíritu Santo descendió sobre la Iglesia, protegiendo su obra de salvación que, sin duda, incluía estos primeros esfuerzos del Magisterio. Luego, los Apóstoles distribuyeron el decreto a todas las demás facciones de la Iglesia cristiana.

Todavía vemos que esto se practica hoy, como lo hemos hecho a lo largo de toda la historia de la Iglesia. A medida que han surgido cuestiones y preguntas en la Iglesia sobre lo que debemos hacer, cómo debemos practicar, qué debemos creer y qué pretendía Jesús, nuestros obispos, cardenales y papas se han reunido bajo la protección del Espíritu Santo para discutir y debatir la voluntad de Dios para su Iglesia bajo la guía de la Sagrada Escritura. Luego, el Papa redacta y promulga decretos que permiten a los creyentes conocer la enseñanza oficial sobre el tema. Así es como la doctrina y los dogmas se han ido desarrollando y revelando a nosotros a lo largo de los años. Creyendo que el Magisterio (la autoridad docente y no simplemente los hombres mismos) está protegido por el Espíritu Santo, los creyentes están llamados a dar su consentimiento a la enseñanza de la Iglesia, ya sea que la entendamos completamente o no, porque se ha determinado que es verdadera. y la voluntad de Dios.

Piense en nuestras tres fuentes de autoridad como un taburete de tres patas. Ninguna fuente es más importante que otra y todas trabajan juntas de manera cohesiva y unitiva. No debemos aferrarnos a nuestro Papa más que a nuestras Escrituras, ni ignorar los hermosos olores y campanas de la liturgia que nos han sido transmitidos para estudiar las Escrituras día y noche. Nuestra Fe depende de los tres, por igual y simultáneamente, que nos han sido dados como un regalo de seguridad de Dios, protegiendo la verdad de nuestra naturaleza humana defectuosa para siempre.

La próxima segunda colecta será el 4 de Febrero para Combustible y Calor

JOKE OF THE WEEK

Do You Know Who I Am?

When Christian Herter was Governor of Massachusetts, he was running hard for a second term in office. One day, after a busy morning chasing votes (and no lunch), he arrived at a church barbecue. It was late afternoon and Herter was famished. As Herter moved down the serving line, he held out his plate to the woman serving chicken. She put a piece on his plate and turned to the next person in line. "Excuse me," Governor Herter said, "do you mind if I have another piece of chicken?" "Sorry," the woman told him. "I'm supposed to give one piece of chicken to each person. "But I'm starved," the governor said. "Sorry," the woman said again. "Only one to a customer." Governor Herter was a modest and unassuming man, but he decided that this time he would throw a little weight around. "Do you know who I am?" he said. "I am the Governor of this state." "Do you know who I am?" the woman said. "I'm the lady in charge of the chicken. Move along, mister." [*Bits & Pieces* (May 28, 1992), pp. 5-6; quoted by Fr. Kayala]



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS



Protecting the Sanctity of Life

The Knights of Columbus thank all who marched in the National March for Life last week in Washington, D.C. The turnout was wonderful and as EWTN reported, there were large numbers of young people marching this year, which is encouraging.

The good news is, despite what feels like a fraught and polarized environment, there is still a consistent pro-life consensus among Americans. A new Knights of Columbus/Marist poll released this week shows that 66% of individuals support placing legal limits on abortion, while 83% of Americans support pregnancy resource centers. Also, two-thirds of Americans believe **healthcare professionals with religious objections to abortions should not be legally required to perform them.**

Still, there are many hearts to be changed and countless mothers who need our support. Here in Virginia we are facing these same challenges. The Knights will be helping Virginia organize their sixth annual March for Life on Wednesday, February 21, 2024. The morning will be spent talking individually with legislators, followed by a rally at 11:00am and the march which will kick off at 12:00 Noon. We urge you to consider joining your neighbors in Richmond to march for the life of the unborn.

If you would like to learn more about the Knights of Columbus, or have an interest in joining our local council, please contact our Grand Knight Ed Sullivan at desulliva@aol.com.

Please Pray For The Sick

For healing and good health:

Lois Nelms, Anne Glancy, 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, Jocelyn Boily, Carol Smith, Christopher Carcamo, Janie Kwedar, Charles Palmeri, Chris Honenberger, Michelle Ward, Michael Herlan, Kristen Kellett, Linda MacDonald, Sharon Hanshaw, and Pat Doane.



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.

January 30 - February 4 / Mass Intentions / Mass Times				
Date	Mass	For	Liturgical Days	Requested By
1/30	12:00N	Salvation of All Souls	Weekday	St. Timothy Family
1/31	12:00N	†Taylor Stuart Hayden	Memorial of St. John Bosco	Carl and Kathy Hayden
2/1	9:00AM	Katelyn Mazzochett	Weekday	Jordan Tippett
2/2	9:00AM	†Jack Snyder	Feast of the Presentation of the Lord	Diane Kean
2/3	5:00PM	Patricia Brenzovich	Vigil - Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time	Joe Brenzovich
2/4	9:30AM	†Lilyanna Kotzeva	Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time	Ignat Konstantinov
	12:00N	Para el Pueblo	Quinto Domingo en Tiempo Ordinario	Familia de San Timoteo



Need a Ride to Mass?

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

Upcoming Mass Times

February 2nd, 9:00AM First Friday
February 3rd, 9:00AM First Saturday

Altar Cleaning

St. Timothy's altar cleaning crew will next work on Saturday, February 3rd, after the 9:00AM Mass. Please come join the fun as we polish and shine the altar.

Divine Mercy Cenacle

Please join us in the Commons at **12:45PM**, after the noon Mass on **Tuesday, February 6th**, to pray the *Divine Mercy Chaplet*, and learn about the revelations of Saint Faustina. This will be Week Number 63.

Move to the Light

Move to the Light, St. Timothy's Mental Well-being Ministry is surveying to determine the best day and time to hold an informational meeting for interested parties. Please fill in the survey form located in the Commons. Thank you.

Fuel and Hunger Grant

St. Timothy has been granted \$5000.00 from the Diocesan Fuel and Hunger fund. Grants are made to parishes and Catholic organizations within the Diocese that provide emergency assistance to persons with fuel and hunger needs in their locality.

The parish or Catholic organization must be directly involved in assessing individual needs and providing assistance. All Diocesan Fuel and Hunger Funds are used for direct assistance and cannot be used for administrative costs.

If you know of anyone in need, please refer them to the Office.

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.



Parishioner in Healthcare Rehab

Anne Glancy will be in Three Rivers Health and Rehabilitation Center in West Point for about a month and would appreciate company. You can also send cards to 2960 Chelsea Rd., West Point, VA 23181, or call her at 804-313-1856.

Note of Thanks

St. Timothy's has received a very kind letter from the Essex County Christmas Mother Program thanking us for sponsoring twenty-five "Angels" during the Christmas season. Mrs. Deborah Ball (the Essex County Christmas Mother) stated, "It is the support and collective efforts of gracious people like you" that help children of families in need so that they may have a brighter and more meaningful Christmas. "We are forever grateful for your generosity!"



Confirmation has been set for May 19, 2024, at the Cathedral of the Sacred Heart in Richmond City at 2:00PM.

First Holy Communion will be June 2, 2024.

Vacation Bible School will be for Saturday, June 22, 2024, from 9:00AM – 2:00PM. The theme for this coming year is *Dive Into Your Faith*. We will be exploring water imagery and symbolism in the Bible and Christianity; this will involve playing with water, so be prepared!

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.

Married Couples! Is winter starting to get you down and you find yourself getting a little edgy with your spouse? Perhaps you deserve to get away to renew your relationship. Sign up today for a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend and get rid of the blahs. For more information or to register, go to WWME.org, click "Apply" and search for "Virginia" or your desired location. Feel free to contact Mark and Cathy Stangler at 703-378-4150 or mstang1987@aol.com with any questions. Here are a few upcoming experiences:

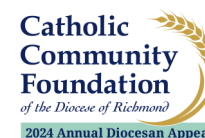
January 26-28, 2024 - Myrtle Beach, SC
March 1-3, 2024 - College Park, MD
April 12-14, 2024 - Herndon, VA

Scam Alert!

Scammers are at it again! If you get a call or text from someone claiming to be Father Gerald asking for money or gift cards, please DON'T respond to it, but call the office instead. Father will NOT ask these things of you.

Head Into the Heights This March

Looking at the mountains and reflecting on creation, you can find peace and perspective that comes from the Lord. As young adults, we have the opportunity to journey *into the heights* of God's love by taking a step *out* of our normal lives and *into* the Blue Ridge Mountains & Our Lady of the Angels Monastery. This one-day event will include two talks, an easy-to-moderate level hike, prayer with the Trappist-Cistercian nuns, and lunch. **Into the Heights: A Young Adult Lenten Reflection & Hike** is Saturday, March 16th, from 10:00AM - 6:30PM at Our Lady of the Angels Monastery in Crozet, VA. \$40/person includes lunch and other retreat supplies. *Limited space available - don't wait to sign up at <https://evangelizerichmond.org/events/into-the-heights-a-young-adult-lenten-reflection-hike/>!*



2024 Annual Diocesan Appeal: Sharing His Love with Others

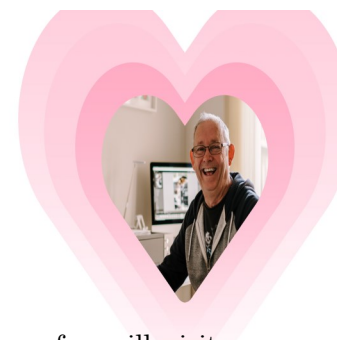
Over the past couple of weekends, you have been hearing about the 2024 Annual Diocesan Appeal.

With a goal of \$4,169,230, the 2024 Appeal will provide critical funding to many diverse and impactful ministries that affect the lives of thousands of people in our Diocese.

In early February, many of you will receive a letter from Bishop Knestout asking for your support of the 2024 Appeal. It is our sincere hope that you will answer our Bishop's request and make a generous commitment to this effort.

A leap of care for 2024

Gain peace of mind for the future by creating your will



For information on obtaining your free will, visit: https://www.freewill.com/richmondcatholicfoundation?utm_source=partner&utm_medium=eblast&utm_campaign=202401_richmondcatholicfoundation_resolution_legacy_leap

Caregiver Support Group is presented by the **Alzheimer's Association** on the **3rd Wednesday** of each month at 2:00PM at the Essex Public Library. For more information about caregiver support groups, call Jennifer at 1-800-577-0558.

FREE Catholic App

Laudate, one of the most popular and comprehensive free Catholic apps, is available in English and Español. Laudate includes 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 translations, Daily Prayer and Daily Bible Verse, multiple podcasts for daily meditations and Rosary, and Catechism of the Catholic Church (with ability to bookmark and share). This app allows you to store your own prayers in My Prayers and move them between your iPad or PC and your phone. Laudate also includes five Confession apps for separate groups that guide one through the Sacrament of Reconciliation, Vatican documents (Second Vatican Council, Code of Canon Law, etc.), as well as daily Mass live video stream and more! Check it out at <https://apps.apple.com/us/app/laudate-1-catholic-app/id499428207> or https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.aycka.apps.MassReadings&hl=en_US&pli=1.

Considering a Vocation?

"I will raise up for them a prophet like you." If you think that you may be set apart by the Lord to serve Him as a priest or as a consecrated sister or brother, talk to your priest or reach out to the Office of Vocations at (804) 359-5661 or via email: vocations@richmonddiocese.org.

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