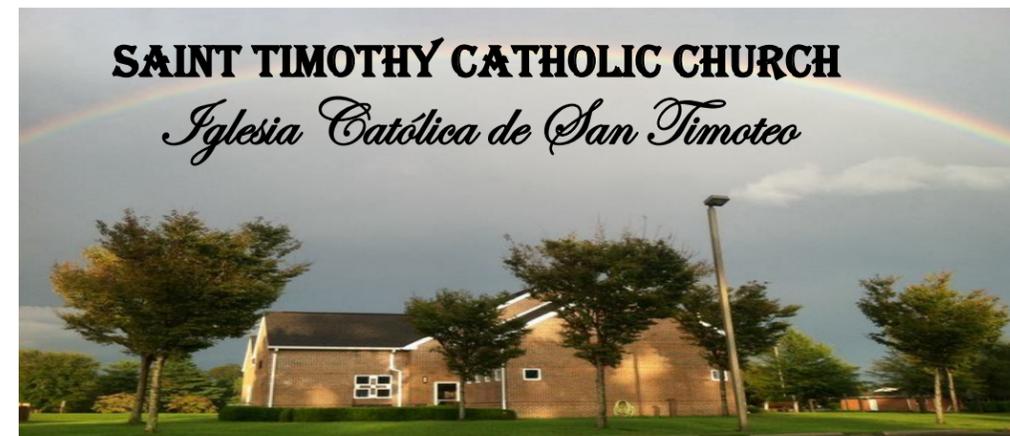
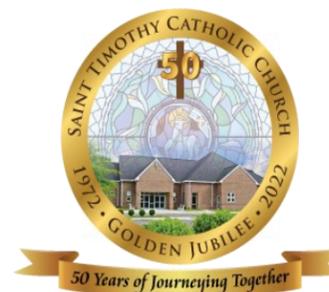


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St. Timothy Lumen Christi Society Chapter

Our parish Lumen Christi Society Chapter was created to honor those who have named the parish as a beneficiary with a legacy gift. 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.

First Sunday of Advent
 12/1/24
 Jeremiah 33:14-16; 1 Thessalonians 3:12 - 4:2
 Luke 21:25-28, 34-36

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Second Sunday of Advent
 12/8/24
 Baruch 5:1-9; Philippians 1:4-6, 8-11
 Luke 3:1-6

MASS SCHEDULE

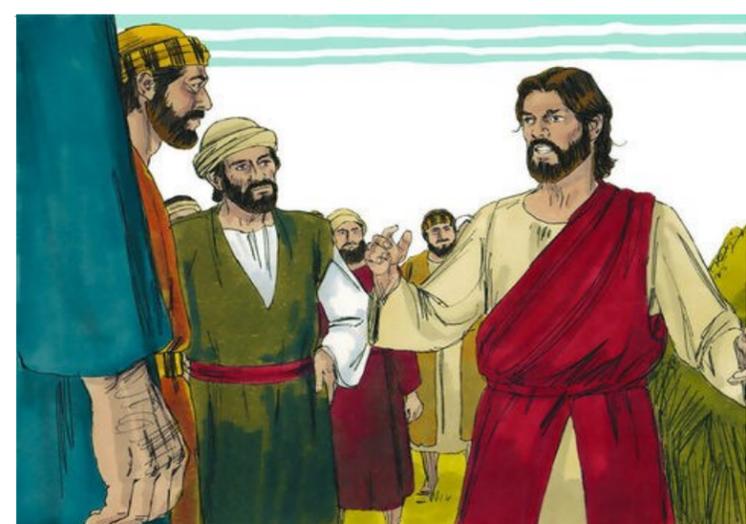
Saturday 5:00pm (English)
 Sunday 9:30am (English)
 Sunday 12:00pm (Spanish)

CONFESSIONS

45 minutes before Mass or
 by appointment.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Please contact the Parish Office or
 Rectory to schedule an appointment.



"Be vigilant at all times and pray that you have the strength to escape the tribulations that are imminent and to stand before the Son of Man."

Luke 21:36



A warm welcome is extended to new parishioners and guests.

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December 1, 2024 - Tuesday, December 24, 2024

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Hospital Visits: Call Parish Office or Rectory

Homebound: Call Parish Office to schedule Communion

**This weekend's second collection is for Retired Religious
The next second collection is December 8 for Capital Improvements**

Offertory Collection November 23 - November 24, 2024

Offertory - \$2454
Give Central - \$558
Capital Improvements -\$365
Christmas Flowers -\$1265
Candles -\$37
Mass Intentions -\$20
Religious Ed -\$25

**Mass Counts: Saturday 5:00PM - 58
Sunday 9:30AM - 98, 12:00N - 103**

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Fiesta de Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe - 12 de Diciembre, 19:00H

Fiesta de Navidad de la Parroquia

Todos están invitados a la fiesta de Navidad en St. Jude Hall después de la misa de las 5:00 p. m. el Sábado 14 de Diciembre. Habrá juegos y premios para todas las edades, ¡y además Santa Claus vendrá de visita! La iglesia proporcionará sándwiches y pollo frito con bebidas. Inscríbese en el Commons, indicando cuántos pueden venir y qué guarnición o postre puede traer. ¡Esperamos pasar un buen rato!

**La segunda colecta de este fin de semana es para los Religiosos Jubilados
La siguiente segunda colecta es el 8 de Diciembre para Mejoras de Capital**

JOKE OF THE WEEK

Shirt over the wings

Grandma Martha was scolding her little grandson on his failure to go to church on a Sunday. “You will never get into Heaven the way you are going today,” she told him.

“Well, Granny, the reason that I don’t go is I got a problem. I can’t for the life of me figure how I’m gonna get my shirt on over those wings I’ll have on my way to Heaven.”

“Never mind about shirts,” said the grandma. “The question in your case is how are you gonna get your hat on over those horns which the bad boys get when they are taken to hell?”



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS



Save the Date:

The Knights of Columbus’ annual Christmas Party will be held on Saturday, December 7, 2024, at 6:30PM (after the Saturday, 5:00PM

Mass), at Roma Ristorante Italiano,

Tappahannock, Virginia.

Knights, their spouses, family, and friends are invited,

\$20.00 per person / \$40.00 per family.

There will be a gift exchange;

suggested value of the gift is \$10 to \$15 per gift.

Please RSVP by contacting Charlie MacDonald or Lou Spencer

Please Pray For The Sick

For healing and good health:



Mary Green.

Lois Nelms, Susan Lewis, Andrew Mallory, Lloyd Samuels, Dick Byrne, Becky Tobler, Frank Castanon, Nancy Sanchez, Jim Conway, Sue Byrne, Joan Copen, Sally Henley, David Packett, and

Names will be kept on the prayer list for one month from the time they are requested. If you need someone to be on the list longer, please reach out to the office



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; COL Rod Dwyer, USA; FSO Mary O’Brien; SGT John Streat III, USA; 2nd LT Christopher Selig, USA; Morgan Martin, USN; and Ty Brown, USCG

Pray God keeps them in His care.

Time				
Date	Mass	For	Liturgical Days	Requested By
12/3	12:00N	†Arlene Somers	Memorial of St. Francis Xavier	Katelyn Mazzochette
12/4	12:00N	†Barbara Nannery	Weekday (Adoration before Mass)	Cynthia Pyle
12/5	9:00AM	Salvation of All Souls	Weekday	St. Timothy Family
12/6	9:00AM	†Deborah Burke	Weekday First Friday	Jordan Tippett
12/7	9:00AM	Father Tony Marques	First Saturday	Pat Hirsch
	5:00PM	†Patricia Brenzovich	Vigil - Second Sunday of Advent	Joe Brenzovich
12/8	9:30AM	†Tom Gill	Second Sunday of Advent	Rod Dwyer
	12:00N	José Luna y María León y Para el Pueblo	Segundo Domingo de Adviento	Ken y Elsie Mangano y Familia de San Timoteo

December 1, 2024

Church News

Calendar

- December 6, 8:00AM First Friday Adoration
- December 7, 8:00AM First Saturday Adoration
- December 9, 12:00N Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary, **Holy Day of Obligation**
- December 12, 9:00AM Our Lady of Guadalupe
- December 12, 7:00PM Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe
- December 14, 6:00PM Parish Christmas Party
- December 14-15 Pantry Sunday
- December 17, 6:00PM Advent Penance Service
- December 24, 6:00PM Vigil - Nativity of the Lord (English)
- December 24, 8:00PM Vigilia - Natividad del Señor (Español)
- December 25, 10:00AM Nativity of the Lord, **Holy Day of Obligation**
- December 31, 7:00PM Vigil - Mary, the Holy Mother of God (bilingual/bilingüe)
- January 1, 12:00Noon Mary, the Holy Mother of God, **Holy Day of Obligation**

Please note that there will be a **Mass at noon, on Monday, December 9, for the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary, a Holy Day of Obligation.**

In addition to the special Masses listed above, there will be daily Masses at the usual times on December 17, December 24, and December 31. **There will be no 9:00AM Mass on January 1.**

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

If you are without family in the area and the office or Father can be of assistance, please let us know.

Please keep the office updated on your location should you move or go to the hospital or other facility.

Parishioner in Healthcare

Richard Byrne is at Heritage Green, 7080 Brooks Farm Rd., Mechanicsville, VA 23111. Cards and visits are welcome!



Pantry Sunday

Pantry Sunday is next weekend, December 7-8. Donations of canned fruit, vegetables, and soup are *always* needed. Please place your donations in the designated area to the left of the door as you enter the Commons. Thank you for your continued support of this valuable ministry for people in our community.

Hurricane Helene Relief



On Thursday, November 14, a combined team from the Richmond Region Order of Malta and St. Timothy Catholic Church responded to a critical need by delivering a truckload of urgently needed donations to the Catholic Charities office in North Wilkesboro, NC. The delivery, which included over 60 coats, 30 fleeces, 50 cold-weather boots, hats, gloves,

socks, and miscellaneous clothing items, was a timely and much-appreciated support. Understanding the situation's urgency, the locals expressed their heartfelt appreciation for this gift.

Thank you to everyone at St. Timothy's who supported this relief effort!

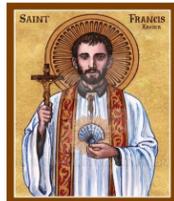
Give Central Online Giving

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



Saint of the Week – St. Francis Xavier

St. Francis Xavier was born in Xavier Castle in what now is Spain in 1506, died in 1552, was beatified in 1619 and canonized in 1622. He is the patron saint of Catholic missions, missionaries, foreign missions, and parish missions. At 22 years old, St. Francis met Ignatius Loyola at the University of Paris and became one of seven who founded the Society of Jesus (Jesuits) in 1534. He was a prolific missionary who helped establish Christianity in Japan, India, and the Malay Archipelago. It has been said that he worked against many difficulties, from language barriers to limited funds and resistance. Yet he overcame these with his passion for mission. He is buried in Goa, India. Many Jesuit schools, universities, missions, and centers are named after him. Francis Xavier Quote: "I want to be where there are out and out pagans. Many, many people hereabouts are not becoming Christians for one reason only: there is nobody to make them Christians."



It's Angel Tree Time!

Thank you for picking up all the angels! The unwrapped gifts are to be returned to the church no later than the weekend of **December 8**. Check off your name on the list when you return your angel. Thank you for participating in this wonderful ministry!



December 1, 2024

Breakfast With Santa Next Saturday



All are invited to join Santa on **December 7, from 9-11 AM** at Beale Memorial Baptist Church. You \$5 per person ticket (at the door is okay) helps Essex Churches Together raise money for Operation Inasmuch next April. Children can visit with Santa, create crafts with Ruthe Tobey, and enjoy pancakes, sausages, fruit and juice with family and friends. Wear your red and green and come to enjoy a wonderful beginning to the Christmas season.

Email Prayer Group

We are starting an e-mail prayer group within St. Timothy's Parish to support each other with our prayer needs and requests. If interested, please email Elsie Manganò at ecm08@live.com.

Baby Shower for Mary

St. Francis de Sales Catholic Church warmly invites you to a Baby Shower for Mary on Saturday, December 14, 11:00AM – 3:00PM in the Parish Hall located at 217 East Church St., Kilmarnock, VA. Gifts will support The Mother's Heart Pregnancy Resource Center in Warsaw, VA, and every expecting mother who attends will receive a gift to help welcome their new bundle of joy. The most needed items for local mothers include: unscented/sensitive baby wipes, diapers (unscented/sensitive, sized preemie, newborn, 4, and 6), pull-ups (2T-3T and 3T-4T), baby clothes (winter, any size, boy and girl), sensitive/organic baby wash and lotion, baby powder, and diaper cream. The following new or gently used items also make great gifts: diaper bags, swings, bouncers, strollers, pack 'n' plays, high chairs, and car seats (this item must be new in box). Monetary donations are always welcome! If you are unable to attend, but would like to support this ministry, donations can be made directly to The Mother's Heart or dropped off in the vestibule of St. Francis de Sales Church between 9:00AM – 4:00PM, December 9 – 13.

Rosary in a Year

First they brought us *The Bible in a Year* with Father Mike Schmitz. Then, they brought us *The Catechism in a Year*, also with Father Mike. In 2025, Ascension Press brings us *The Rosary in a Year* with Father Mark-Mary Ames, CFR.

If you've ever struggled to build a habit of prayer, this podcast is for you. In Ascension's Rosary in a Year podcast, Father Mark-Mary Ames, CFR, guides listeners in a step-by-step journey that will change the way you pray – no matter where you are in your spiritual life. By starting small and adding on over time, listeners will find themselves falling more in love with this powerful Marian devotion, becoming a source of grace for the whole world.

To learn more, or to download the prayer plan, visit [Ascension Press Rosary in a Year](#).



The Holy Spirit brought the early Church to life by giving individuals gifts that would sustain the Church. By sharing your gifts, you can keep the church alive for years to come. If you're at least 70 ½ years old, you can make a "tax-reducing" gift today through an IRA Qualified Charitable Distribution (QCD). It doesn't create taxable income for you, but it can count towards your required minimum distribution. Plus, it will help you feel good about giving to our parish because we can put your gift to use right away in providing financial support to our ministries.

Parish Christmas Party

All are invited to the Christmas party in St. Jude Hall after the 5:00PM Mass on Saturday, December 14. There will be games and prizes for all ages along with Santa coming to visit! The church will provide sandwiches and fried chicken with beverages. Please sign up in the Commons, indicating how many can come and what side dish or dessert you can bring. Looking forward to having a great time!

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