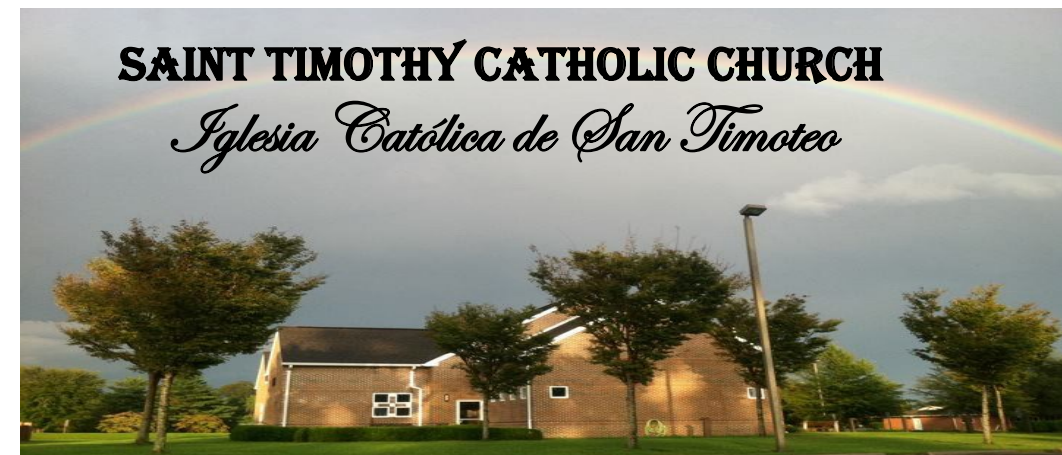


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March 2, 2025

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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.*

**Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

3/2/25  
 Sirach 27:4-7  
 1 Corinthians 15:54-58  
 Luke 6:39-45

**First Sunday of Lent**

3/9/25  
 Deuteronomy 26:4-10  
 Romans 10:8-13  
 Luke 4:1-13



"How can you say to your brother, 'Brother, let me remove that splinter in your eye,' when you do not even notice the wooden beam in your own eye? You hypocrite! Remove the wooden beam from your eye first; then you will see clearly to remove the splinter in your brother's eye.

Luke 6:42

**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  
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A warm welcome is extended to  
 new parishioners and guests.

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2025 Annual Diocesan Appeal:  
*Sharing His Love with Others*

Dear Parishioners,

Next weekend we will be conducting the 2025 Annual Diocesan Appeal – *Sharing His Love with Others*. The Appeal not only provides an opportunity for you to support important ministries that impact many programs outside of our parish boundaries, it also supports the services the Diocese provides directly to our parish such as *Fuel and Hunger Fund grants, Respect for Life grant, youth and young adult ministry*.

In addition, our parish receives back a portion of the funds collected. This year, the funds returned will be used to repaint and putting a new carpet in our Church.

I want you to know that the Appeal is making a real difference in the lives of others. It is my hope that every household in our parish contributes to this year’s effort.

Our portion of the overall goal here at St. Timothy, is \$14,880.00. Every gift, no matter the amount, makes a difference.

The collective spirit we bring to this effort today will be a major step to our success with this year’s Appeal. Keep in mind: the more we collect, the more we receive back through the parish sharing formula of the Appeal.

This year, there are two ways you can complete your gift intentions. The first is online. And we will guide you on how to do it. And if you would prefer to contribute through a hard copy pledge card, those are attached to the brochures you will find in the pews (they are located in 2025 Appeal envelopes).

On behalf of Bishop Knestout, myself, and our parish leadership, thank you for supporting the 2025 Annual Diocesan Appeal. We look forward to updating you on our Appeal progress soon. God bless.

**Parish Ministries**

- Diana Campbell, Rel. Ed. Director: (804) 238-1279
- Roy Fontane, Finance Council Chair: (804) 443-1363
- Becky Tobler, Pastoral Council Chair: (757) 897-4840
- 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**

**February 22 - February 23, 2025**

- Offertory - \$8801
- Give Central - \$510
- Votives - \$22
- Fuel and Heat - \$65
- Mass Intentions - \$10
- Capital Improvements - \$60

**Mass Counts: Saturday 5:00PM - 48  
Sunday 9:30AM - 117, 12:00N - 84**

**The next second collection is March 9 for Capital Improvements**

**DEL PASTOR**

Campaña Diocesana Anual 2025:  
*Compartir su amor con los demás*

Queridos feligreses,

El próximo fin de semana llevaremos a cabo la Campaña Diocesana Anual 2025: Compartiendo su amor con los demás. La Campaña no solo le brinda la oportunidad de apoyar ministerios importantes que impactan muchos programas fuera de los límites de nuestra parroquia, sino que también apoya los servicios que la Diócesis brinda directamente a nuestra parroquia, como las subvenciones del Fondo Fuel and Hunger, la subvención Respect for Life y el ministerio para jóvenes y adultos jóvenes.

Además, nuestra parroquia recibe una parte de los fondos recaudados. Este año, los fondos devueltos se utilizarán para repintar y poner una alfombra nueva en nuestra Iglesia.

Quiero que sepas que la Campaña está marcando una diferencia real en las vidas de otras personas. Espero que todos los hogares de nuestra parroquia contribuyan al esfuerzo de este año.

Nuestra porción de la meta general aquí en St. Timothy es de \$14,880.00. Cada regalo, sin importar el monto, marca la diferencia.

El espíritu colectivo que aportamos hoy a este esfuerzo será un paso importante para el éxito de la Campaña de este año. Tenga en cuenta: cuanto más recaudamos, más recibimos a través de la fórmula de participación parroquial de la Campaña.

Este año, hay dos formas de completar tus intenciones de regalo. El primero está en línea. Y te guiaremos sobre cómo hacerlo. Y si prefiere contribuir a través de una tarjeta de compromiso impresa, ésta se encuentra adjunta a los folletos que encontrará en las bancas (se encuentran en los sobres de la Campaña 2025).

En nombre del obispo Knestout, el mío y el de nuestro liderazgo parroquial, gracias por apoyar la Campaña Diocesana Anual de 2025. Esperamos poder informarle pronto sobre el progreso de nuestra apelación. Dios los bendiga.

**La próxima segunda colecta será el 9 de Marzo para Mejoras de Capital**

## JOKE OF THE WEEK

### Judgmental husband

There's the story of the conscientious wife who tried very hard to please her ultra-critical husband but failed regularly. He always seemed the most cantankerous at breakfast. If the eggs were scrambled, he wanted them poached; if the eggs were poached, he wanted them scrambled. One morning, with what she thought was a stroke of genius, the wife poached one egg and scrambled the other and placed the plate before him. Anxiously she awaited what surely this time would be his unqualified approval. He peered down at the plate and snorted, "Can't you do anything right, woman? You've scrambled the wrong one!"



## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS



### Lenten Preparation

The Knights of Columbus offers many resources to help the men and women of your council and our parish grow in their spiritual lives this Lent, including:

**Born of Fire** — A Lenten daily devotional for men written by Father Innocent Montgomery of the Franciscan Friars of the Renewal. Father Montgomery offers daily reflections for each day of Lent and the octave of Easter, asking men to consider their masculine identity in the light of their baptism. Each week addresses a different identity — son, brother, spouse, husband, mystic — and invites men to take on the spiritual discipline of Lent in a serious and mature way. This is an ideal Lenten companion for every Knight. Use code BornOfFire for 25% off.

**Vivat Jesus 2024** — The *Vivat Jesus* spiritual planner and prayer book is a helpful tool for any man who wants to maintain his Lenten practices. This pocket-sized book has monthly sections with the liturgical calendar, suggested devotions and space to make notes. It also includes a treasury of prayers, an examination of conscience, a guide to *lectio divina* and more. Available at discounted rates through Supplies Online; ask your grand knight to order.

**The Way of the Cross** — This booklet includes both St. Alphonsus Liguori's traditional meditations on the Stations of the Cross and a set of meditations by Father Stefano Penna. Available in both English and Spanish; bulk discounts apply.

**Guide to Confession** — Available in English and Spanish, this guide to confession is available at a low cost through the Knights of Columbus Catholic Information Service.

**Into the Breach: The Mission of the Family** — The new K of C video series about the family would be a great tool for faith formation throughout the season of Lent. Discuss it during a *Cor* gathering or even show it as part of a parish fish fry.

**Prayer Time** — This booklet is perfect to help families build prayer into their home life throughout Lent. Available in English, French and Spanish; bulk discounts apply

### Please Pray For The Sick

*For healing and good health:*



Lois Nelms, Susan Lewis, Andrew Mallory, Dick Byrne, Frank Castanon, Jim Conway, Franki Dahlgren, Elaine Packett, Ed Bucker, and Margaret Bucker.

*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 prior to the end of the month.*

### 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.*

March 4 - March 9 / Mass Intentions / Mass Times				
Date	Mass	For	Liturgical Days	Requested By
3/4	12:00N	Salvation of All Souls	Weekday	Parish Family
3/5	12:00N	†Diane Kean	Ash Wednesday	Brion & Laura Kean
3/6	9:00AM	All Souls in Purgatory	Thursday after Ash Wednesday	Parish Family
3/7	9:00AM	†Jonathan Gwathney	Friday after Ash Wednesday	Gabrielle Gwathney
3/8	5:00 PM	†David Good	Vigil, First Sunday of Lent	Bud & Pat Hirsch
3/9	9:30AM	Kelly Fidler	First Sunday of Lent	Jean Sanford
	12:00N	Para el Pueblo	Primer Domingo de Cuaresma	Familia de San Timoteo

March 2, 2025

# Church News

## Calendar

March 5, 12Noon & 7PM Ash Wednesday Masses  
 March 7, 8:00AM First Friday Adoration  
 March 7, 6PM Stations of the Cross  
 March 7, 6:45PM Lenten Fish Fry  
 March 8-9 Pantry Sunday  
 March 29, 9AM-2PM Lenten Day of Recollection  
 March 30, 11AM-12 Día de Recogimiento de Cuaresma Española

There will be a Holy Hour prior to Masses on Wednesdays during Lent. La adoración en español es el último jueves del mes.

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.

## Palms Needed

Please bring your palms to Church so that we can burn them for Ash Wednesday.

## Mass Intentions

Would you like to have a Mass said for a family member or another loved one? It's as easy as calling the office!

## Parishioner in Healthcare

Richard Byrne is at Heritage Green, 7080 Brooks Farm Rd., Mechanicsville, VA 23111.

## Women's Luncheon

Many thanks to Sue Wilkinson for hosting the February luncheon on Tuesday at her home on the Rappahannock. All had a great time and a few of us braved the cold weather to go out on her deck! Trips, bake sales, and Lenten events were planned! Next luncheon will be on March 18, place to be announced!



*Dedicated to helping you heal*

Virtual Support Group for those who have suffered abuse by clergy or lay personnel residing in the Catholic Diocese of Richmond.

We invite you to join the group on the second Monday of each month at 7:30 p.m. These gatherings, led by an independent facilitator, will offer a safe environment for participants to connect, share experiences, support, and heal. Spouses and affected community members are also welcome.

Questions or to join please email Paula Kaempffer at [kaempfferp@archspm.org](mailto:kaempfferp@archspm.org) or call 763-688-3978.



## Operation Inasmuch: Keep Bringing Animal Shelter Items

Any time between now and March 23, place items in one of the boxes by the Operation Inasmuch table in the Commons. We need:

- Cat toys
- Small cat beds
- Cat/kitten food – wet and dry
- Canned dog food – no huge bags, please!
- Dryer sheets
- Bleach
- Detergent (for washing animal towels/blankets)
- Monetary donations

If you have questions, contact Shari Dwyer (804-443-1503; [skdwyer@va.metrocast.net](mailto:skdwyer@va.metrocast.net)) or Dan Bowden (804-246-9353; [dbowden81@hotmail.com](mailto:dbowden81@hotmail.com)).

**MARRIED COUPLES:** A Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend is like Spring-time. It's a weekend of fresh air, the rebirth of romance and new beginnings. If you'd like to make your Sacrament of Marriage or Holy Orders even more special than it already is – join us on an upcoming experience and learn how to **live your best life in love.**

March 21-23 Emerald Isle, NC

May 16-18 Hampton VA (non-residential)

May 2-4 Hickory NC

For more information please call 757-690-1369 or to register, go to [WWME.org](http://WWME.org), click "Apply" and search for your desired location.



March 2, 2025



As you may already know CCC has been greatly impacted by the new administration. I implore you to include the information below in your weekly bulletins.

The new administration has indefinitely paused refugee resettlement and suspended payment on current contracts that enable CCC and other resettlement providers to serve refugees who have recently been authorized to come to the United States. With millions of dollars in federal funding gone, recently arrived refugees are deeply impacted. Since October 1, CCC has welcomed 378 refugees who have been legally authorized to enter the country to communities across Eastern, Central, and Southwest Virginia. Most are still in their first 90 days when the need for support is the most critical. We need help providing families with housing, temporary hotel stays, rental assistance, emergency food supplies, bedding, dishes, coats, and diapers, etc.

## Meeting Ismail's Family

Just one week after Ismail and his family arrived in the United States, the federal government halted payments on contracts to refugee resettlement organizations—including CCC. Ismail, his wife, and two children had fled their home in Sudan. After enduring years of violence and war they were finally granted legal refugee status. They had high hopes for their new lives in the United States—they dreamed of safety, education, and endless opportunities for their children.

Monetary donations are best way to help at this time, we have a direct giving link you can use. You can also read more stories Ismail's on our site using the donation link.

<https://www.cccofva.org/donatotccc>

## Gifts of stock—avoid capital gains tax!

If you own appreciated stock, you may wish to consider giving the stock to the parish rather than cash. You are able to deduct the full value, avoid the capital gain tax and make a substantial gift to the parish. A good steward uses his or her assets in a way that does the most good.

Giving appreciated stock you have held for more than a year is better than giving cash. If you donate stock that has increased in value since you bought it more than a year ago – and if you itemize deductions -- you can take a charitable deduction for the stock's fair market value on the day you give it away. To donate a gift of stock, please contact the parish office.



## Saint of the Week - St. Katharine Drexel



Katharine Drexel, November 26, 1858 – March 3, 1955, was an American Catholic religious sister, and educator. In 1891, she founded the Sisters of the Blessed Sacrament, a religious congregation serving Black and Indigenous Americans. Canonized by Pope John Paul II in 2000, Drexel was the second person born in the United States to be declared a Saint and the first who was born a U.S. citizen.

She was born Catherine Marie Drexel in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, on November 26, 1858, to Francis Anthony Drexel and Hannah Langstroth. She had an older sister, Elizabeth. Her family owned a considerable banking fortune. Her uncle, Anthony Joseph Drexel, was the founder of Drexel University in Philadelphia. Katherine's mother Hannah died five weeks after her birth, and Anthony Joseph and his wife Ellen cared for Catherine and Elizabeth for the next two years. Her father married Emma Bouvier in 1860, brought his older children home, and had a third daughter, Louise, in 1863. The girls grew up in a wealthy and religious household with charitable principles. Emma regularly distributed food and clothing at her home to people.

In 1876, Katharine was awakened to the plight of Indigenous American people during a family trip to the Western United States and was inspired. Drexel traveled extensively, both in her home country and abroad. In 1886, during an audience with Pope Leo XIII, she was urged to become a missionary and to realize her desire to assist the Indian and African American population in the country. In 1889, Katharine Drexel fulfilled that wish by entering a convent of the Sisters of Mercy and in February 1891, she founded the Congregation of the Sisters of the Blessed Sacrament for Indians and Colored People. Drexel decided to establish the congregation to address the needs of Native Americans and African Americans in the southern and western United States, as well as the poor black communities. She served as the first Superior General of the congregation and held that position until 1937, when illness made it necessary that she retire from active administration.

## Memorial Bricks



Remember and memorialize a departed family member or friend in the Memorial Garden. The price of a brick 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.

## Volunteers needed!

Any one or any number of people that would like to sing in the choir, particularly Saturday night, would be greatly appreciated!!

Contact the office or Ken Mangano at either Mass to sign up! Thank you so much!!!