

The Roman Catholic

Parish of St. Timothy

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St. Timothy is a contemporary Roman Catholic parish called to "fan into flame the gifts God has given us" (2 Tim 1.6-7) so together ALL encounter and share the Living Christ.

1 Thessalonians 4:13-18 - Remembering the Dead

Our cemeteries contain the remains of the dead and give us a place to remember their lives. We all strive to live a life worth remembering, a life that has purpose. Some lives are shorter than others, but all lives have meaning, and each person is loved by God.

When we stroll through a cemetery, we see the names of many we do not know. We trust that someone still knows them, still remembers them, and still grieves their passing. We hope someone will remember the good we do and the life we lead.

In the First Letter to the Thessalonians, Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy console a new group of Christians about their dead. The Thessalonians wonder if their dead are lost forever. After all, Jesus was due to return shortly. Have they missed out? Has their belief gone for no good? Are they forever consigned to the grave, unable to rejoice in the Day of the Lord?

The missionaries answer that there is no cause to grieve. "For if we believe that Jesus died and rose, so too will God, through Jesus, bring with him those who have fallen asleep." The living have hope, and so do the dead.

Our cemeteries are reminders of the dead, and they are beacons of hope for the living. For no matter how long or short our lives, how many people we met, or who has remembered or forgotten our names, there is One who always remembers, who has the power to raise us to a new hope, a new life.

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NEXT WEEKS READINGS: Prov 31.10-31; 1 Thes 5. 1-6; Matt 25.14-30

Baptisms: Please call the parish at 204-949-3760 three months in advance.

Weddings: The Archdiocese of St. Boniface requires at least six months notice prior to the wedding. Please call the parish office at 204-949-3760.

Sacrament of Penance (Confession): Please call Fr. Chrys at 204-257-3723.

Bulletin: Please submit church related announcements to Grace in the office (bulletin@st-timothy.ca) by Tuesday morning in order to be included in the upcoming bulletin.

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November 12, 2017

32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time



Keep awake therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour. Matt 25.13

Mass Times:

Saturday at 4:00 pm
Sunday at 9:00 am & 11:00 am

Weekday Mass Times:

Tues/Wed/Thurs at 9:15 am

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Tues/Wed/Thurs 9:00 am - 5:00 pm
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Celebrations of the Eucharist for November 11 - 19, 2017

Sat., Nov. 11	4:00 pm	† For all those who gave their lives for our freedom
Sun., Nov. 12	9:00 am	† Malo Family from Marcie Kosman
	11:00 am	† All deceased members of the Women's Auxiliary
Tues., Nov. 14	9:15 am	Special Intention
Wed., Nov. 15	9:15 am	† Connie Belanger from M. Yusishen
Thurs., Nov. 16	9:15 am	† Sr Rita Olivier from her nieces
Sat., Nov. 18	4:00 pm	† Mary Martin from Jean & Michelle Beaulieu
Sun., Nov. 19	9:00 am	† Fr. Choiselat from Marcie Kosman
	11:00 am	† Charles & David Blayden from Joan Blayden

Women's Auxiliary Bake Sale, Silent Auction & More!



Saturday & Sunday, December 2 & 3, 2017

The Women's Auxiliary is in the process of planning our annual Parish Bake Sale to be held on December 2 & 3. In the past, our parishioners have been very generous, and we are hoping for everyone's support to make this event a success.

We are asking for donations for baking and for the Silent Auction (new items only please). If you can help us, please stop at the sign-up tables in the narthex after mass and let us know if you plan to make a donation. There will be sign-up sheets after every mass until Sunday, November 26.

There is a box in the Narthex marked "SILENT AUCTION". You may drop off your donations for prizes beginning this weekend. We would appreciate the donations no later than Sunday, November 26 to ensure we have time to prepare the gift baskets. Baked items can be brought to the parish hall before each mass on the weekend of the sale, December 2 and 3.

All donations will be greatly appreciated. Proceeds from the event will go to support our parish and other approved charities.

The NEW Sunday Missals

The NEW Sunday Missals are now available for \$5.00 in the parish office on Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday from 9 am - 5 pm. They will also be available for purchase at the Women's Auxiliary Bake Sale on December 2 & 3.

Blessed are those
who have died
in the Lord;
let them rest from
their labours for
their good deeds
go with them.

Revelation 14.13

Remembrance Day Prayer

Loving God,

***We honour the memory
and lives of our sisters
and brothers who have died
in the wars of our nation.***

***We thank the men and the
women who have served,
and are serving in the military
services of our country.***

***We remember, too, all women
and men who are peacemakers
in our own lives, and in the
lives of others.***

***We pray today for peace in
our hearts and minds.***

***God of peace, make us
instruments of your peace.***

***Give us loving hearts required
to be peacemakers and thus
your children.***

***We ask this through
Jesus Christ our Lord.***

Amen.



Share Christmas with Families in Winnipeg

It is that time of year once again when our spirit of giving comes to life and we seek to help families in need.

SSVP is once again preparing to put together approximately 35 Christmas food and toy hampers for families in our area. If you would like to help, please pick up toy or food tags from one of our Confirmation students stationed in the narthex after each mass starting **next weekend (November 18/19)** for three weekends. Please purchase the items on the tags and return the items to one of the SSVP bins in the narthex. Thank you.



If you prefer to make a financial donation, there will be SSVP Christmas Hamper envelopes available by the parish office beginning next week. Please make cheques payable to the Parish of St. Timothy and place your envelope in the collection basket. All monetary donations will be used for fresh produce and other items.

Please bring your donations to the church by Sunday, December 10. Your generosity has always made the gift of giving possible. We thank you in advance for your donations.

SUNDAY CONNECTION: For families to better understand Sunday's Scripture Readings and to help connect it to daily life in a meaningful way

In the daily activities of family life, we can easily find excuses for not attending to our spiritual lives. If not given top priority, prayer and reading Scripture risk becoming occasional activities rather than daily practices. In today's Gospel, Jesus reminds us that if we fail to give our spiritual life priority, we will find ourselves unprepared to receive Jesus. Daily prayer and spiritual practice keeps us ready to receive Jesus

Gather together as a family and talk about some of the things our faith calls us to do every day and every week to keep God first in our lives. Talk about what might happen if we don't do these things regularly. Explain to your family that Jesus taught us that it is important to keep ourselves ready to receive him when he comes again. Tell them to listen as you read the parable that Jesus tells in today's Gospel. Read aloud Matthew 25:1-13. Talk with your family about why Jesus says that it is so important to remain ready to receive the Kingdom of Heaven. Pray together that your family will always keep God first in your lives so that you will all be prepared to receive Jesus when he comes.

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Remembering our Dearly Departed

Together with the Church triumphant in heaven and the Church still in pilgrimage on this earth, we are asked to offer our prayers, acts of charity and sacrifices for our beloved dead particularly during the month of November.

As a parish community, we have an opportunity to commemorate our deceased loved ones, relatives, friends and even former enemies. Throughout the month of November, you will find slips of paper on the tables at the main entrance of the worship space for you to write the names of your deceased loved ones. **As you enter the worship space before mass, you may place the names of your deceased loved ones in the urn in front of the altar.** Throughout the month of November, we will prayer together in our intercessions at mass for all those deceased.

May the souls of the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace.



**Thursday
November 30 at 7:00 pm**

Mass of Remembrance
Thursday, November 30, 2017 at 7:00 pm
ALL ARE WELCOME

The Mass of Remembrance brings to conclusion the month of November when we have been remembering our deceased loved ones. At this mass we will pray as a community for all our deceased loved ones whether they died recently or long ago. We will look with hope at what our loved ones have gained, and seek strength as we continue our own journey of faith.

After, mass, there will be an opportunity for fellowship at a reception in the parish hall. Light refreshments will be served.

Some of the liturgical symbols you will experience at this Mass of Remembrance:

Water: Holy water is a sign of our baptism into Christ's death and resurrection.

Incense – used to symbolize our earthly prayers rising to Heaven.

Pascal Candle: Jesus, our Saviour and Light of the World.

Lit tea lights in clear glass votives: The lit candle is a visible, tangible sign of our prayer intention for our loved ones.

***** INCENSE WILL BE USED AT THIS MASS *****

**MONTH
at a glance**

Monday, Nov. 13 & 27

SSVP - 7:30 pm
ALL WELCOME!

Tues. Nov. 14

Women's Auxiliary
1:30 pm

Wed. Nov. 15

Finance meeting
6:30 pm

Thurs. Nov. 16

PASC meeting
6:00 pm Library

Tues. Nov. 21

Marriage, Family
& Life meeting
6:45 pm MPR

Sunday, Nov. 26

Mass at Golden Links
Lodge for residents
2:30 pm

Tuesday, Nov. 28

Liturgy - 6:30 pm MPR

**Saturday & Sunday,
December 2 & 3**

Women's Auxiliary
Bake Sale & more!
after each mass

When things don't go according to ***your plan*** doesn't mean that things aren't going according to **GOD'S PLAN.**

Financial Update

Date	Operations Fund (Env & Loose)	Building Fund (Env)	Total
Nov. 12/17	\$6,922.70	\$155.00	\$7,077.70

- Children's Collection for SSVP - \$49.95

CHRISTIAN STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time - November 12, 2017

"Therefore, stay awake, for you know neither the day nor the hour." Matthew 25:13

Many of us have put off doing something because we think we are too busy. We've all said, "I'll do it later when I have time." Unfortunately, too many of us apply this attitude to our Faith. Jesus' call is urgent, in the here and now, in your current circumstances. Don't delay, how is God calling you to use your gifts today?

Guided Retreat for Christian Couples February 9-11, 2018



**Are you looking to enrich,
re-energize or heal your marriage?**

The Service of Marriage, Family and Life at the Archdiocese of St. Boniface invites you to participate in an outstanding guided retreat for Christian couples, which will be taking place just before Valentine's Day next year, from February 9-11, 2018!

Couples will be invited to deepen their connection and create a more secure love relationships, by exploring 7 conversations for lasting love with the guidance of qualified facilitators including Vickie Enns, MMFT, RMFT. The retreat is based on the life-giving and highly effective method for helping couples: Emotionally Focused Therapy.

Location: The retreat will be hosted at the beautiful St. Benedict's Retreat Centre, which is located in West Saint Paul (just a few minutes outside of Winnipeg).

Cost: \$395/couple; \$350 early bird registration before 01/01/18. This includes the cost of the retreat, as well as meals and snacks.

We encourage you to consider making it a weekend away!

To register, contact Sophie Freynet-Agossa, Senior Co-Coordinator (Marriage Sector) at 204-594-0274 or mfl@archsaintboniface.ca.

Paul Piché in Concert (in French) – Thurs. Nov. 16, 2017
All are welcome to a Fundraising Evening for Morberg House, (St. Boniface Streetlinks) homeless shelter at the St. Boniface Cathedral. Opening performance by les Soeurs Bado and featuring a sneak peek at the Métis language play 1818 by Rhéal Cénéryni. Call 204-233-2556 for ticket information.

WEEKLY MARRIAGE TIP - www.foryourmarriage.org

Whether both you and your spouse work or one of you stays at home full-time, jobs can put a strain on family life. Talk to your spouse about time spent at work and home, and consider making family life even more of a priority.

Baby Room Use

We love to have the little ones with us at mass and we expect some joyful (and sometimes less joyful) sounds from them. However, if you feel the need to take your baby or youngster out of the worship space for a short time, the Baby Room (St. Bernadette Room) is available to use during mass when your wee ones require some extra comforting or a small space to explore. (Sometimes even a walk in the narthex will do the trick.) There is a speaker system in the Baby Room and large windows facing the worship space so you can still participate (as much as possible) in the mass. Please re-join the worshipping community when your youngster feels ready! Don't feel like you must stay in the Baby Room for the whole mass. Use the Baby room at your own discretion as you know your child's needs best, but we always encourage and invite everyone to join us in the worship space for mass.

Please note that baby bottles, bottles of water and dry plain cereal are allowed in the worship space and Baby Room.

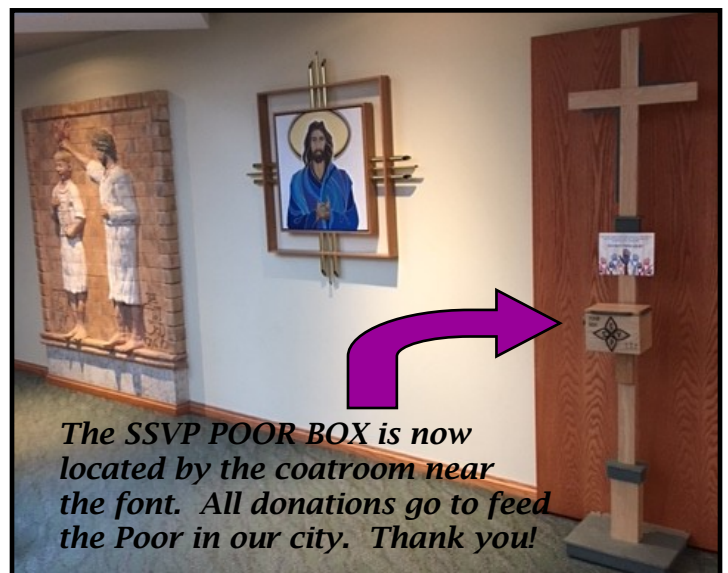
Library Use

Please note that the parish Library (St. Marguerite d'Youville Room) is available to check out books and other resources before and after mass. The Library will be closed during mass.

Society of St. Vincent de Paul (SSVP) MONTHLY UPDATE



Because of the generosity of our parishioners, 76 families consisting of 104 adults & 128 children received food assistance and visits to their homes during the month of October.



The SSVP POOR BOX is now located by the coatroom near the font. All donations go to feed the Poor in our city. Thank you!