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.

September 17, 2017

24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

...How often should I forgive my brother or sister...? Matt 18.21-35

Sirach 27:30—28:7 - Letting Go of Anger

The oddest thing about being angry is that it feels good. Anger takes our opinions, our feelings, and our actions and unites them in one interrelationship. When we get good and angry at somebody, it feels so good that it is hard to change. Anger locks us up. It makes us afraid to let go. The longer we hold the anger the harder it is ever to change.

How else can we explain the comment by Sirach: "Wrath and anger are hateful things, yet the sinner hugs them tight"?

When you forgive someone, you are the one who becomes free. When you withhold forgiveness, you hurt yourself, not just the other. Often the person against whom we hold the anger pays little attention to our feelings. But the feelings remain strong within us, eating away at our ability to find peace.

Granting forgiveness does not have to mean approving of what an offender did. It does not mean you have to be best friends. It just means letting go of the hate. If you quit letting the offender control your feelings, you can regain some peace and enjoy the mercy of God.

Who have you not forgiven? Why? By remaining angry, are you helping anyone?

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UPCOMING READINGS:
Is 55.6-9; Phil 1.20-24,27: Matt 20.1-16

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.

INSTAGRAM
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FACEBOOK
Parish of St. Timothy
in South St. Vital

st-timothy.ca

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
(closed for lunch 12 noon - 1:00 pm)

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Celebrations of the Eucharist for September 16 - 24, 2017

Sat., Sept. 16	4:00 pm	† Deceased parents of the Bouchard & De Baets families from Joel & Linda Bouchard
Sun., Sept. 17	9:00 am	† Daman Savoie & Beaudry families from Chris & Marge Daman
	11:00 am	† Anthony & Alma Geoffroy from Michael & Callestra Marchan-Geoffroy
Tues., Sept. 19	9:15 am	† Mulvena Acheson from Gerry & Bev Seier
Wed., Sept. 20	9:15 am	† George Tough from Roberta & Walter Good
MORNING MASS IS CANCELLED THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 21st		
Sat,. Sept. 23	4:00 pm	† David Bouchard from Joel & Linda Bouchard
Sun., Sept. 24	9:00 am	† Johanne Desmarais from Yvonne & Phil Pelletier
	11:00 am	† Stan Kaskiw from Mary Kaskiw

Prayer Request

Please Remember in your Prayers….

All the sick in our parish community.

If you or someone you know within our parish is in urgent need of prayers due to serious illness or an upcoming surgery, for instance, please contact the parish office and we will include that person's name in the next bulletin.

We Welcome Through the Waters of Baptism…

Everly Kimberly Mesman

daughter of Daniel & Roxanne Mesman

who was baptized on September 10, 2017

Are you STILL Thinking about becoming CATHOLIC? Don't wait!

If you or someone you know is from another faith community or if you or someone you know has not been baptized and would like to find out more about being Catholic, contact Fr. Chrys at Fr.Chrys@st-timothy.ca or 204-257-3723. **The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) Program will begin soon so don't delay any longer!**

Blessing of Animals

in honour of the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi

Saturday, September 30 at 2 pm

in the Narthex

Bring your furry, feathered & finned friends to receive a special blessing from Fr. Chrys!

St Francis' deep love of God overflowed into love for all God's creatures—expressed in his prayers of thanksgiving for creation, his sermons preached to animals, and his insistence that all creatures are brothers and sisters under God.

MINISTRY SCHEDULE EXCEPTIONS

The fourth quarter Ministry Schedule will be generated very soon. If you know of any dates that will you not be available to serve from October - December, please log-in to the ministry schedule to mark those dates. **Please do so by TODAY, September 17.** Call the parish office at 204-949-3760 if you do not use the on-line system and leave us a message with the dates you are not available. Thank you!

WELCOME

Nicole Nicholson!

The Parish of St. Timothy is pleased to announce that **Nicole Nicholson** has joined the parish office as our new Database Coordinator. Nicole will be responsible for maintaining the parish database and donation records. *Welcome, Nicole!*

Nicole & Lynne

We wish Lynne Jonasson much success as she leaves her position of Part-time Parish Coordinator so that she may further her education to embark on a new career! *Good Luck, Lynne!*

Prayer Intentions

Praying for Others

Throughout the Gospel, Jesus reminds us that if we are to be his disciples, we must be always conscious of the needs of others. In fact, to love God is to love neighbour. When we consider the needs of another person, we are embracing Christ himself, who assures us that "just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me" (Matthew 25:40, NRSV).

The needs of others are an important part of Christian prayer. We do not simply pray for ourselves, but for loved ones, friends, strangers, and even our enemies (see Luke 6:27–35). In his first letter to the Thessalonians, Saint Paul reminds us of the importance of prayer as a Christian virtue—that we are to "pray without ceasing" (1 Thessalonians 5:17) and to pray for each other (see 1 Thessalonians 5:25, 2 Thessalonians 1:11).

Intercessory Prayer

Prayer consoles, heals, inspires, and strengthens our relationship with God and each other. When we pray on behalf of others, it is called intercessory prayer. We often ask people to "pray for us." We ask friends and family members to remember our needs in prayer. We even call upon the saints—those who have gone before us in faith and now stand before God— to pray for us. Intercessory prayer is an act of mercy. It is being compassionate toward others, putting their needs above our own. Intercessory prayer is rooted in the sacrificial love of Christ, who died and rose for the salvation of the world.

Prayer of the Faithful

When gathering for liturgy, whether for Mass, the Liturgy of the Hours, or other rites (for example, Baptisms, Marriages, funerals, other services), Christians petition to God on behalf of the needs of others. We pray for the living and the dead in the Prayer of the Faithful, which concludes the Liturgy of the Word. This prayer is also known as the General Intercessions or the Universal Prayer. The Prayer of the Faithful raises the needs of particular communities to God, petitioning that he will hear us and answer these prayers, as it is his will, to heal, and bring forth unity, peace, and justice. Intercessory prayer is an important part of the liturgy, which is never separate from the needs of the world.

Remember that there is power in prayer. Just as in last Sunday's Gospel, Jesus said, "If two of you agree on earth about anything you ask, it will be done for you by my Father in heaven. For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them" (Matthew 18:19–20, NRSV)

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Prayer Intentions for Our Faith Community of St. Timothy

You may notice a book displayed on a table in our parish's narthex area. This book is to be used to record the intercessions and prayer requests for the sick, the homebound, the suffering, the local and universal Church, the needs of the world, and anyone else in need of prayer. The prayers contained in this book will be among the petitions in the Prayer of the Faithful during Sunday Masses beginning next week.

Take the opportunity to record your intercessions. Remember in your own prayer the needs expressed on the pages of this book. Pray for them individually or when you gather with others for prayer. When remembering these needs you could use the following prayer when gathered with a group: *For all the prayers of this worshiping community and for all the prayers within our parish book of intercessions, we pray to the Lord.*

MONTH *at a glance*

Monday, Sept. 18 & October 2

SSVP - 7:30 pm

Wednesday, Sept. 20

Marriage, Family & Life 6:30 pm

Sunday, Sept. 24

Mass at Golden Links Lodge for residents 2:30 pm

Thursday, Sept. 28

Garden Care - 1:30 pm (Note: change in date)

Saturday, Sept. 30

Blessing of Animals 2 pm in the Narthex

Tuesday, October 3

Knights of Columbus 8 pm - Library

Fridays in October (6, 13, 20, 27)

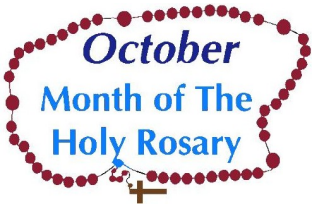
Rosary - 7 pm in the worship space

Tuesday, Oct. 10

Women's Auxiliary 1:30 pm - Library

Wed., October 11

Finance - 6:30 pm



To observe the month dedicated to the Holy Rosary, we will be praying the **Rosary every Friday evening in October at 7:00 pm in the parish.** All are welcome! More details to follow. Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus.

Date	Operations Fund (Env & Loose)	Building Fund (Env)	Total
Sept. 10/17	**$5,953.55**	**$133.00**	**$6,086.55**

- **Children's Collection for SSVP - $83.97**

CHRISTIAN STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

September 17, 2017 - 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

"For if we live, we live for the Lord, and if we die,
we die for the Lord; so then, whether we live or die,
we are the Lord's". Romans 14:8

This is the essence of stewardship – everything we have and everything we are is a gift from God. We aren't "owners" of anything, we are merely "stewards" of the gifts that God has given us, especially our very own lives. Pray to God, daily, and ask Him how He wants you to use the gifts He has given you.

St. Tim's Golf Tournament
Saturday, September 30, 2017
Maplewood Golf Course

Cost: $55.00 - includes golf, cart, lunch & prizes! Best ball, shotgun start at 12 noon. Register after mass in the narthex or phone Ray at 204-797-2948. Final registration date is September 24, 2017.

WEEKLY MARRIAGE TIP - www.foryourmarriage.org

Tip from a couple married 80 years) In disagreements, you've got to give in. Both of you have to give in. Once it's your turn and the next time it's the other's turn.

Volunteer Opportunity

You can make a BIG difference in the life of a Syrian newcomer by sharing 2-3 hours of your time per week. Meet one-on-one in the newcomer's home and work with him/her to learn English. Offer the gift of your friendship. Gain first-hand experience of a different culture. Help our new neighbours adjust to life in Canada. You do NOT need to be a certified teacher to take part in this volunteer opportunity. I'd be happy to share some "how to" ideas and materials appropriate to the level of the student you'd be mentoring. For more information, please call Theresa Prystupa, 204-256-9608.

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

Because of the generosity of our parishioners, 54 families consisting of 92 adults & 57 children received food assistance and visits to their homes during the month of August.

For a list of fall suppers, see the poster on the bulletin board or go to www.archsaintboniface.ca for more details!

Support Life's Vision & Attend a Bomber's game - Friday, September 22, 2017: Life's Vision Manitoba invites you to join them to watch the Blue Bombers host the defending Grey Cup champion Ottawa RedBlacks. Visit www.bluebombers.com/lifesvision, enter the promo code "lifesvision" during the ticket purchasing process and you will be able to purchase tickets to the game for $27.25. When you purchase the tickets by clicking the link and entering the promo code, the Winnipeg Football Club will donate $7.50 to Life's vision Manitoba. Not only will using this promo code help support Life's Vision, it will also waive many fees associated with your ticket purchase, thereby cutting the total cost of your purchase by 10%. For more information: Life's Vision: 204-233-8047, lifesvision@shaw.ca.

Holy Cross Parish: Theology of the Body – Tuesdays as of September 26, 2017: What Is the meaning and purpose of my life? How do I find happiness and fulfillment? A DVD and workshop study: An Introduction to the Theology of the Body: Discovering the Master Plan for Your Life, an adult faith formation program by renowned author and theologian Christopher West, will be given at Holy Cross Parish, on 8 consecutive Tuesdays, beginning September 26, 7 pm – 9 pm, Holy Cross Multipurpose Room, 252 Dubuc Street. For more information and to register: Marianne Savard, 204-237-0693 or bertsavard@yahoo.com.

TAKE A STAND FOR LIFE: From September 27 to November 5, our community will take part in 40 Days for Life … a groundbreaking, coordinated international mobilization. We pray that, with God's help, this will mark the beginning of the end of abortion in our city — and beyond. More information next week about our parish's opportunity to pray together on Saturday, October 7.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter Non-Residential Weekend: Oct. 13, 14, 15, 2017. Give yourselves the gift of rediscovering your hopes and dreams for your marriage and learn practical communication techniques to enhance your marriage. Where: St. Emile's School, 552 St. Anne's Road. Contact Mel & Rey Sangalang at wwme.wpg@gmail.com or call them at 204-599-6394 or 204-599-6342 for more information and application. Learn more about WWME by visiting wwme.org/

Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Celebration: November 12, 2017; Are you celebrating a milestone wedding anniversary this year (5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30 years or more)? Sign up to take part in the Annual Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Celebration. Registration deadline is Friday, October 27. Registration forms are by the parish office.