

*The Roman Catholic*  
**Parish of St. Timothy**

Archdiocese of St. Boniface

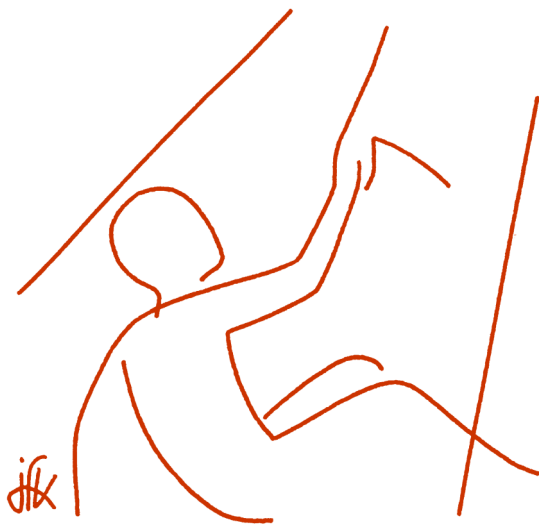
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**Sunday Mass Times:**

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

**Weekday Mass Times:** Tues/Wed/Thurs at 9:15 am

**Office Hours:** Tues/Wed/Thurs 9:00 am - 5:00 pm



Now he is  
**GOD**  
not of the dead  
but of the  
**LIVING**  
for to him  
all of them  
**ARE ALIVE.**

Luke 20:38

**Readings for November 10:**

2 Mac 7.1-2,7, 9-14; 2 Thes 2.16 - 3.5; Luke 20.27-38

**Readings for November 17:**

Mal from 4.1-2; 2 Thess 3.7-12; Luke 21.5-19

**Baptisms:** Please call the parish office three months in advance.

**Weddings:** Please call the parish office one year in advance.

**Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession):** After weekday morning mass or please contact Fr. Chrys at 204-257-3723 or Fr.Chrys@st-timothy.ca for an appointment.

**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.

***Our vision is to be a life-giving community committed to welcome, to worship, to grow, and to serve.***

November 10, 2019

**32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time**

*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.*

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## Celebrations of the Eucharist for November 9 - 17, 2019

Sat. Nov. 9	4:00 pm	† Ernest Rousseau from the Rousseau family
Sun. Nov. 10	9:00 am	† Jose Maia from the Maia and McKenzie families
	11:00 am	† Deceased members of the Women's Auxiliary from the St. Timothy Women's Auxiliary
Tues. Nov. 12	9:15 am	† Etienne Grenier from Doreen Grenier
Wed. Nov. 13	9:15 am	† Roland Le Gal
Thurs. Nov. 14	9:15 am	† William Horodyski from the Grindean family
Sat. Nov. 16	4:00 pm	† Ernest Rousseau from the Rousseau family
Sun. Nov. 17	9:00 am	† Deceased members of the Senez family from Julie Senez
	11:00 am	Special Intention from the Johnstone family

Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

### 2 Thes 2:16—3:5 - Rock Solid Paul

St. Paul seems invincible. He authored a series of letters of towering importance for Christianity. He devoted his entire life to the gospel. He traveled amid great hardship, endured shipwreck and imprisonment, and debated the truth with friend and foe alike. Throughout it all, it seemed as though nothing could stop him.

We all know people like that. They are great leaders, committed to a cause, who persevere in the midst of natural and human obstacles to obtain the prize they seek. Solid as a rock, they invite admiration.

St. Paul was like that. But once in a while, we see a different Paul, a more human Paul, one who needed help to stay the course. The Second Letter to the Thessalonians comes from Paul and some of his companions. They had success in Thessalonica, and they hoped it would repeat elsewhere. But there were obstacles. "Brothers and sisters, pray for us, so that the word of the Lord may speed forward and be glorified, as it did among you, and that we may be delivered from perverse and wicked people, for not all have faith."

"Not all have faith." In those few words hide a world of sorrow, disappointment, and pain. Not all have faith. Not everyone believes as we do, and it is sometimes hard to persevere. Paul seemed invincible, but only because he relied on the help of others, who prayed for him in his distress.

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Thank you to all those who have already donated to the Good Shepherd Campaign. If you have not yet made your donation, please consider making it now. Your gift will make a real difference.

Extra donation pamphlets/envelopes are by the parish office.

*Please continue to pray for vocations in our archdiocese, for our seminarians, for our clergy, our volunteers and all our missionary disciples.*

## Coming Up

### Monday Evenings

"Fan into Flame" Prayer Group  
7:00 pm - Parish Hall

### Monday, November 11

Women's Auxiliary - 1:30 pm

### Tuesday, November 12

Liturgy Meeting - 6:30 pm

### Wednesday, November 13

Grief Seminar - 10:30 am

Finance Meeting - 6:30 pm

Marriage, Family & Life - 6:30 pm

### Friday, November 15

Illuminate - 7:30 pm

Everyone welcome!

### Sunday, November 17

SSVP Hamper Delivery - 12:30 pm

### Saturday, November 23

Mass at Vista Park Lodge  
for residents - 10:30 am

### Sunday, November 24

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Communion Service at Golden Links  
Lodge for residents - 2:30 pm

### Monday, November 25

SSVP - 7:30 pm

### Thursday, November 28

Mass of Remembrance - 7:00 pm  
All welcome

## ILLUMINATE at St. Timothy - THIS Friday, November 15 at 7:30 pm

### What is *Illuminate*?

Illuminate is an evening of **PRAYER** and **MUSIC**

**SHARING** by a guest speaker

**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION** with times of **PRAISE & WORSHIP MUSIC**

times of **SILENCE** and **PERSONAL PRAYER**

The **SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION** (confession)

will be available throughout the evening.

The night will end with a time of a **FELLOWSHIP** in the parish hall

Each month, Illuminate travels to a different parish throughout the city, and this month we very excited to be hosting it here at St. Timothy. If you've had the opportunity to attend Illuminate in the past and enjoyed it, we encourage you come again and tell your friends about it. If you haven't, we'd like to invite you to take this opportunity to experience something new and beautiful in your faith. For more info, go to [www.illuminatemb.com](http://www.illuminatemb.com) or at [facebook.com/illuminatemb](https://facebook.com/illuminatemb).

\*\*\* Incense will be used during Eucharistic Adoration \*\*\*

## Greetings from SSVP!

We are all called to commemorate **World Day of the Poor on Sunday, November 17**. SSVP will be handing out prayer cards with your bulletin on November 16 and 17.

We are also prepared to put together 10 hampers of food for specific families in need on November 17. **If you would like to deliver a hamper, there is a sign-up sheet in the narthex after mass this weekend.** You sign up, you pick up and we will give you cards with all the information that you need to successfully make a delivery. Our hampers will be very small in comparison to our Christmas hampers and will have you visit outside of the St. Vital region. What a difference you will make that day for a struggling family!!! Hamper delivery begins at 12:30 pm

We would also like you to consider sharing your experience with us afterwards with either a short conversation, an email or even a drop in at one of our meetings. Any questions? Call Nannette at 204-257-3813.

*You pray for the hungry. Then you feed them. This is how prayer works.* Pope Francis

## Share Christmas with Families in Winnipeg

With your help, the Parish of St. Timothy will prepare Christmas Hampers for 35 needy families with children identified by the *Christmas Cheer Board - Winnipeg*.

Next weekend, **November 16 & 17**, Toy and Food Tags will be distributed after each mass by our Confirmation candidates and their families. Please take a tag (or two or more!), purchase the suggested items that are on the tags and return the items to one of the SSVP bins in the narthex. New unwrapped toys should be placed in the "TOY BOXES" in the narthex along the parish hall.

Cash donations will also be accepted to stock the hampers with fresh food and purchase special toy requests. Special envelopes marked "CHRISTMAS HAMPER DONATIONS" will be available by the parish office. Please enclose cash or a cheque made payable to the Parish of St. Timothy and return it to the collection basket. (Income tax receipts will be issued.)

**Please have your food, toy or monetary donations brought to the church by Sunday, December 8th.** Hampers will be delivered on **Sunday December 15<sup>th</sup> in the afternoon.** Thanks to all of you for your generous support!

*"The two symbols of the religion of Jesus are the manger and the cross, two moments when Jesus shows his weakness. The hope for Christians is a child in a manger! A weak and tiny child needing to be loved, fed, changed, and dressed by his mother. And this same hope also comes from Jesus rejected, brought low and finally crucified. On the cross, Jesus cries out his abandonment by the Father. He shouts his thirst for love. Weakness is the sign of a cry for love."*

- Jean Vanier -

## - November -

### Remembering our Dearly Departed



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 strips of paper on a table near 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 vessel in front of the altar.** Throughout the month of November, we will together pray in our intercessions at mass for all those deceased.

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

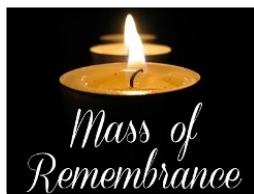
### Grief Seminar

**Wednesday, November 13 at 10:30 - 11:30 am  
in the Parish Hall**

#### "Grief, Loss and Bereavement"

Mike Goldberg from Palliative Manitoba will speak on "Grief, Loss and Bereavement". Mike will talk about all the different losses that we may experience in life and the many ways that we grieve those losses. He'll cover some of the fundamentals of grief and talk about some ways that we can communicate more directly and be more compassionate with those who are grieving in our lives. Everyone welcome.

*Brought to you by the St. Timothy Grief Support Ministry*



### Mass of Remembrance

**Thursday, November 28, 2019  
at 7:00 pm**

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.

As you enter the worship space before this mass, you will be invited to carry a votive candle to the front of the altar. It will be placed beside the vessel containing the names of our loved ones whom we have been praying together for throughout November. The lit candle is another visible sign of our prayer intention for our loved ones.

After mass, there will be an opportunity for fellowship at a reception in the parish hall. Please join us and invite your family and friends.

\*\*\* INCENSE will be used at this Mass \*\*\*



## FINANCE NEWS

### *Weekly offering to our Parish - 2019*

Collection date	Envelopes	Loose Cash	Total	Children's Collection for SSVP
November 3	\$7,331.00 (196 env)	\$355.55	\$7,686.55	\$26.50
Donations made to the church by Direct Debit for October was \$15,405.00 (189 direct debit users)				

**THANK YOU** to those of you who have responded to the need and have increased their parish donations. If you'd like to make a change to your direct debit donations, simply email Vicky at the parish office with the information at [vicky@st-timothy.ca](mailto:vicky@st-timothy.ca). If you are not already using direct debit for your parish donations, please consider it. It's easy! "Pre-authorized Debit" forms are by the parish office or can be printed from our website [st-timothy.ca](http://st-timothy.ca)

## CHRISTIAN STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

### November 10, 2019 - 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

"May our Lord Jesus Christ himself and God our Father, who has loved us and given us everlasting encouragement and good hope through his grace, encourage your hearts and strengthen them in every good deed and word."  
(2 Thessalonians 2:16-17)

There are two important lessons here. First, we are called to be generous with our encouragement and hope. As God shows us mercy, we must be merciful to others. Second, joy is contagious! The joy we receive from doing good works not only strengthens us, it encourages others as well. Share the joy of living your faith whenever you can.

## Are you THINKING about becoming CATHOLIC?

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 204-257-3723 or [fr.chrys@st-timothy.ca](mailto:fr.chrys@st-timothy.ca).



### Low-Gluten Communion Hosts

As an option for parishioners who are unable to consume the regular hosts, the parish has low-gluten hosts for our celebrations of the Eucharist. **If you are unable to consume the usual hosts and would like to be receive the low-gluten hosts at Communion, please register at the parish office by contacting Grace at 204-949-3760 or [info@st-timothy.ca](mailto:info@st-timothy.ca).** If you'd like more information about the low-gluten hosts, visit the low gluten communion bread producer website: [parishcrossroads.com](http://parishcrossroads.com).

## WEEKLY MARRIAGE TIP

Pope Francis recently said, "If love is real, then peace is made quickly." Reflect on how you argue with your spouse. How can you be more patient and understanding?

**12 Word Concepts**  
*from the St. Timothy*  
**Marriage, Family, & Life Team**

**Spirituality**  
Anchored in our deepest values, determining our behaviours toward spouse, families & others

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

The Women's Auxiliary has been planning our Parish Bake Sale, Silent Auction, etc. to be held on November 30<sup>th</sup> & December 1<sup>st</sup>. In the past, our parishioners have been very generous, and again this year we are hoping for everyone's support to help make this annual fund-raiser a great success.

We are asking for baking/food items and cash donations. The Silent Auction will have a new 'twist' this year - the prizes will be purchased. Also new, in addition to the baked goods, there will be a jam/pickle/preserves pantry. **If you can help us, you may stop at the sign-up table today and on the next two weekends after each one of the masses.** Please sign up to let us know if you plan on donating food items. All donations will be greatly appreciated.

The proceeds from this event will go to support our parish and other approved charities. Thank you!

## BIG BREAKFAST Event!

Fresh Grade A Scrambled EGGS,  
PANCAKES & BACON!!!  
Plus Coffee & Orange Juice

**Sunday, November 24, 2019**  
**after the 9 am & 11 am masses!**

**Suggested donation: \$6/person**  
**All donations welcome!**



Net proceeds to  
**JOCELYN HOUSE HOSPICE**

Brought to you by the St. Timothy Knights of Columbus



# Parish of St. Timothy WELCOMING POTLUCK Dinner - Saturday, October 26, 2019

## 150+ parish friends at a sharing supper!

"Ice Breaker" games on the tables helped us to get to know each other better!



A little note of thanks to the PPC! Hear Hear!



"Saintly" crafts for the kids!

re: Year of Welcome Potluck  
 @ [a truly communal experience  
 - fine linens  
 - beautiful decorations  
 - enticing aromas  
 - delicious, abundant food  
 - contributed by all  
 - volunteers who served with joy  
 - parishioners of all ages  
 - people from all masses  
 - new and old members  
 - an opportunity to get to know one another better  
 ☺ a grass roots idea!  
 Family of God!  
 Well done!  
 Thank you,  
 Theresa Rysztupa



Thank you to Quintex for use of the lovely table linens!



Here are some of the members of the Potluck Team led by Mary Barrett and the Parish Pastoral Council (PPC)



Lots of smiles!



# Communion of Saints

*Our beloved dead are with us now*

By PEG EKERDT

It was dress-down-and-clean-out day at our parish office. Once a year, the staff sets aside a morning to clean out files, sort through books and, in general, get rid of “stuff.” It is interesting to look back at the year through the lens of accumulated piles of paper and files, and to wonder how it all got done and remember that much of it will be repeated in the coming year. Church calendars have cycles after all, both liturgical and sacramental, and much of what we do comes round again from year to year.

This year I focused on thinning out the bookshelves, skimming the pages of seldom-used texts to make sure it was time to part with them. As I relegated a tome to the giveaway pile, I removed any cards or papers and, rather absentmindedly, put those on my desk. I finished the morning satisfied that I had made a good start.

After lunch, I nearly threw that little pile of salvaged papers into the recycling bin. If I had not looked at them all year — or for several years — why look now? But I did look and immediately opened a two-page letter from my dad, written in his own hand on his office stationery. The letter was in mint condition, the paper as white as the day it was written. Which was 28 years ago. The letter was Dad’s account of a summer day in 1986 — his day, running errands with my mom, making chili sauce with tomatoes he had “stolen” from my sister’s garden, and chasing my brother’s runaway dog through the neighborhood. Dad dressed in his usual bedtime apparel of boxer shorts and pajama top. And then there was the closing signature: “Love, Dad.”

My dad died in 1988. I don’t know why this letter moved me so, but I felt as if it just appeared and I had been given the gift of a visit with my dad that transcended time and element. In that moment, my dad, whose love formed me and forever gave me the sense of God’s own unconditional love — in that moment, my dad was with me.

This past year, we heard a remarkable eulogy at our parish. It was given by the husband of a woman whose sudden death saddened the entire community. As he walked to the ambo, the assembly was expectant. What would this quiet man who typically shied away from the parish

limelight say to us? How could he speak in the midst of his own grief? But who better, really, than a beloved spouse?

John told us that when he searched for legal documents at the time of his wife’s death, he discovered a forgotten letter that he had written to her. He had placed the letter in the legal files, confident that she would find it when he died. As he read the first words of the letter, “Dear Beatrice,” we knew that we were being invited into a

very personal exchange that had been intended for her eyes only. In the letter, John unequivocally stated his belief in the resurrection and in the promise of eternal life. He admitted that he had no idea what heaven would be, but he was confident that they would one day be reunited. He specifically told her to trust in that hope and to believe they would see each other again. It was a letter he had intended to console his grieving wife. Instead it became a profound statement of faith that consoled an entire community.

When a loved one dies, we often long for one more conversation, one more hug, one more loving look at the other. We wonder where they are and sometimes question our belief in eternal life. The days often feel difficult without them, and admittedly, they are. But I would suggest, and you would no doubt agree, that our beloved dead are still with us. Not in the ways they once were, or even as we would love to see them, but they are with us because they are with God.

We may have to listen carefully. We certainly have to pay attention. But they come to us in dreams and insights and in seeming coincidences. They come

to us in memories of the past or in unexpected moments of conversation that are pure grace. And they come to us in letters.

In this month of November, the month when we honor the communion of saints and our faithful departed, let us pay attention a bit more to the movement of the Spirit and the presence of God’s saints in our midst. Their love for us remains with a bond that death cannot break. And their power to intercede, to lead and guide us, is testament to our belief in God’s communion of saints.

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