

The Roman Catholic
Parish of St. Timothy

Archdiocese of St. Boniface

135 John Forsyth Road Winnipeg Manitoba R2N 1R3
204-949-3760 info@st-timothy.ca

Sunday Mass Times:

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

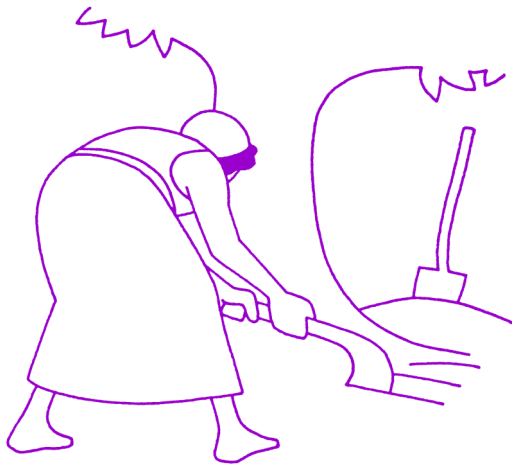
Weekday Mass Times: Tues/Wed/Thurs at 9:15 am

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

March 24, 2019

THIRD
Sunday of LENT

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.



A man had
a fig tree
planted in his
vineyard....

Luke 13.6

March 24 Readings:

Ex 3:1-8, 13-15 I AM sent me to you. This is my name forever

Ps 103 The Lord is kind and merciful

1 Cor 10:1-6, 10-12 Do not be unaware; take care not to fall

Lk 13:1-9 If you do not repent, you will perish

March 31 Readings:

Jos 5:9a, 10-12 They ate what they had grown in the land of Canaan

Ps 34 Taste and see the goodness of the Lord

2 Cor 5:17-21 God entrusted to us the message of reconciliation

Lk 15:1-3, 11-32 Father, I have sinned against you and against heaven

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 call Fr. Chrys at 204-257-3723 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.

Parochial Administrator:

Fr. Chrys Obinna Agu

Phone: 204-257-3723

Email: Fr.Chrys@st-timothy.ca

Parish Coordinator: Grace Grindean

Phone: 204-949-3760

Email: Grace@st-timothy.ca

Database Coordinator: Nicole Nicholson

Phone: 204-949-3760

E-mail: Nicole@st-timothy.ca

Business Manager: Vicky Rombough

Phone: 204-949-3768

Email: Vicky@st-timothy.ca

Coordinator of Religious Education:

Michelle Coyne Phone: 204-949-3764

Email: Michelle@st-timothy.ca

Catechism Supervisor & Pastoral Care:

Maria Castellano Phone: 204-949-3764

Email: Maria@st-timothy.ca

Facility Manager: Dave Guidry

Phone: 204-515-7407

E-mail: Dave@st-timothy.ca

Parish Pastoral Council (PPC):

email renewal@st-timothy.ca

Liturgy Committee: liturgy@st-timothy.ca

Society of St. Vincent de Paul:

Leave a message at 204-949-3766

or email ssvpwinnipeg@gmail.com

Find us on:



INSTAGRAM
parishofsttimothy



st-timothy.ca
to read the
bulletin on-line



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



TWITTER
parishofsttims

Celebrations of the Eucharist for March 23 - 31, 2019

Sat. Mar. 23	4:00 pm	† Sister Pat Laliberte from the Laliberte & Quennelle families
Sun. Mar. 24	9:00 am	† Rachel Marie Rousseau from the Rousseau family
	11:00 am	In Thanksgiving from Maricel Villegas
Tues. Mar. 26	9:15 am	† Gabriel Desaulnier
Wed. Mar. 27	9:15 am	† William Dion
Thurs. Mar. 28	9:15 am	† Thérèse Olivier from her family
Sat. Mar. 30	4:00 pm	† Irene Gregoire from Madeleine Maher & family
Sun. Mar. 31	9:00 am	Special Intention from Michael & Hilary Rajotte
	11:00 am	† Ed Hudek from the Melling family

Third Sunday of Lent *Exodus 3:1-8, 13-15 - God Answers*

We all want to have our prayers answered. We think it would make life easier. But sometimes God answers them in a way that makes life more challenging.

Young Moses was minding his own business, tending the flock of his father-in-law, when God decided it was time to answer some prayers. For years the chosen people had been held in Egypt in conditions of slavery. They longed to return to their own land, the land that God had given them. They prayed for release.

God answered their prayers by appearing to Moses in a bush that was flaming but not consumed. God asked Moses to lead the people out of slavery into freedom.

This was probably not the answer Moses had in mind. Moses would have been content to let someone else lead the people to freedom. He wanted an end to slavery as much as anyone else. But he never envisioned that he would lead the exodus. God was answering his prayers, but in a way that caused anxiety for Moses.

When we want something done, God hears from us. When God wants something done, we hear from God. It may come as a surprise, but God may have us in mind to answer someone else's prayer.

Written by Paul Turner. Copyright © Resource Publications, Inc., 888-273-7782, www.rpinet.com. All rights reserved. Reprinted with permission from Lectionary Bulletin Inserts, Year C: First and Second Readings.

Bringing Communion to Dakota House

We have a small group of dedicated parishioners who take turns bringing Communion each Sunday to our extended Parish Community at Dakota House Assisted-Living Residence. We'd like to grow this group of volunteers to include others who could have that same awesome privilege to minister to our cherished members at Dakota House.

If you feel called to be a caring presence to our extended community, and could commit to one Sunday a month (or less), please contact Grace at the parish office at grace@st-timothy.ca or 204-949-3760.

FROM DAKOTA HOUSE "THANKS, ST. TIMOTHY!"

A recording of St. Timothy's 9:00 am Mass is delivered each Sunday to Dakota House for celebration at 10:30 am. Our Faith Group is grateful to Fr. Chrys, the videographers, the ministers who bring and distribute the Eucharist, and anyone else who helps out. Thanks sincerely for all your kindnesses.

-- Anne Yanchyshyn, convener

SAVE THE DATE:

**The Parish Pastoral Council (PPC)
and the
Finance & Administration Committee**
invite all parishioners
to a presentation called
"Celebration of Gifts and Talents"
on Sunday, April 28 at 12:30 pm
in the parish hall.

*Check upcoming bulletins
for more details.*

Coming Up @ a gl@nce

Monday Evenings

"Fan into Flame"
Prayer Group - 7:00 pm
ALL WELCOME!

Fridays, March 22/29 & April 5 & 12*

Stations of the Cross
7:00 pm (April 12 at 6pm)

Saturday, March 23

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

Sunday, March 24

*Mass at Golden Links
Lodge for residents*
2:30 pm

Tues/Wed March 26 & 27

*No Catechism due
to Spring Break*

Wednesday, March 27

Parish Pastoral Council

Thurs. Mar. 28 April 4 & 11

Lenten Video Series
7 - 8 pm Parish Hall
ALL WELCOME!

Monday, Apr. 1 & 15

SSVP - 7:30 pm

Tues/Wed Apr 2/3

LAST Catechism
Café/6:30 pm

Tuesday, Apr. 2

Knights of Columbus
7:45 pm

Monday, April 8

Women's Auxiliary
7:00 pm - Library
New members welcome!

Tues/Wed, April 9/10

*Catechism WIND-UP
Celebration*

Wed, April 10

Finance - 6:30 pm

LENTEN VIDEO PROGRAM

Join us **THURSDAY** Evenings from 7 - 8 pm
in the Parish Hall on March 28, April 4 & 11
for **SHORT 8-minute VIDEOS** by Fr. Mike Schmitz

The videos will focus on the three things pillars of Lent:
PRAYER, FASTING & GIVING ALMS

EVERYONE IS WELCOME!

Come to watch, reflect...
and for fellowship & refreshments!

THIRD SESSION:

Thursday, March 28 - 7 pm to 8 pm

Last week our videos focused on *The Power of Prayer* and *3 Steps to Unceasing Prayer*; this week we learn **WHY** we should fast.

Video#1: *What's the Point of Fasting During Lent?*
Video#2: *4 Reasons for Fasting*

The engaging videos are less than 10 minutes long
and each are followed by a short but lively discussion!

 ***The Pretzel:** Brought to you by LENT!

Pretzels come in many flavors, shapes, and sizes — not unlike us. These treats are great for cheese or other dips or just by themselves. But have you stopped to consider they actually have a historical place in Lent?

Pretzels were developed as an option to satisfy abstinence and fasting laws of the time. Eggs, fat, and milk were forbidden during Lent. So, the remaining ingredients that one could use included water, flour, and salt. A young monk baked the first pretzel — making a Lenten bread of water, flour, and salt, forming the dough into the prayer position of the day and baking it as soft bread.

From *bustedhalo.com*



SSVP NEWS

Our SSVP conference is embarking on an exciting adventure which we would like any of you to join us on if interested. We will be twinning with a conference in St. Lucia. Twinning is an

activity of solidarity and sharing with our Brothers and Sisters in need. It also provides a means for a community to improve its living conditions by realizing small projects such as access to potable water. We hope to establish a familial union with them through fellowship and support. Through communication by emails, Facetime, social media and perhaps even visits, our goal is to educate ourselves about their culture and their needs so that we may best assist them.

If you would like to be part of this very cherished activity of the Society, please contact Nannette at 204-995-3813. Together we can make a difference!

JOIN US TO PRAY THE STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Fridays: March 22, 29, April 5 & 12

Please note changes to the April 5 & 12 events:

Friday, April 5 beginning at 7:00 pm

*First Friday Adoration and Benediction
will include praying the Stations of the Cross*

Friday, April 12 beginning at **6:00 pm**

Stations of the Cross will begin at **6 pm** on Friday, April 12
(see below)

LENTEN CELEBRATION OF THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

**Friday, April 12 - Confession
beginning at 7:00 pm**

We will have several priests
available in the parish for the
Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)
on Friday, April 12 at 7:00 pm
(following Stations of the Cross at 6:00 pm)



Spring Tea! Sunday, May 5, 2019

The Women's Auxiliary will be hosting a Spring Tea and Raffle for our parishioners on Sunday, May 5, 2019 and we are asking for your help.

We are looking for parishioners who would be willing to assist us in anyway. Specifically, we need people who can spend a few hours serving food, selling tickets, working in the kitchen, washing dishes, or cleaning up after the event. We are also looking for individuals who would help us in planning a short entertainment segment during the Tea. Any assistance you can provide would be appreciated.

Please join us in making this endeavour a success for all our parishioners. **Our next planning meeting will be held on April 1st at 1:00 pm in the Parish Library and you are welcome to attend.**

If you cannot join us at the planning meeting, but are able to volunteer in any capacity, please contact one of the following members of the Women's Auxiliary:

Bea Vincent — Phone: 204-415-7916

Email beavinc87@gmail.com

Mary Wersch— Phone: 204-257-3935

Email newersch@yahoo.com

Paulette Spencer — Phone: 204-254-6800

Email paulettespencer18s@gmail.com



Many Hands Make LIGHT Work

FINANCE NEWS

Weekly offering to our Parish - 2019

Collection date	Envelopes	Loose Cash	Total	Children's Collection for SSVF
March 10	\$4,023.00 (157 env)	\$194.15	\$4,217.15	\$25.85
March 17	\$4,825.00 (173 env)	\$132.40	\$4,957.40	\$14.25

Donations made to the church by Direct Debit for February was \$14,935.00 (184 direct debit users)

CHRISTIAN STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

March 24, 2019 - 3rd Sunday of Lent

"He said to the gardener, 'For three years now I have come in search of fruit on this fig tree but have found none.'"
(Luke 13:7)

We can all be like the barren fig tree at times. Do you cling to what you have, or do you generously share with others? How will you respond when God asks you what you have done with all the gifts He has given you? Remember, not only are we called to be generous, we are called to develop and nurture our gifts and return with increase.



This Share Lent, let's Create a Culture of Encounter

Week 3: Share the Journey with the Rohingyas of Myanmar

Facing persecution and violence, 723,000 Rohingyas have fled Myanmar since August 2017 and taken refuge across the border, in neighbouring Bangladesh.

Development and Peace's long-time partner Caritas Bangladesh is working hard to restore some dignity to these people who simply yearn to live in peace. Thanks to your donations, Caritas Bangladesh has been able to provide temporary shelters, access to clean water, safe latrines and showers for women and girls, and hygiene kits, and to raise awareness among refugees about safety issues. Your generosity makes a difference in the lives of the Rohingya! devp.org/give

St. Boniface Diocesan High School is still accepting applications for the 2019/2020 school year! We welcome students from grade 9 to 12 in an English, Catholic, Co-Educational environment. At SBDHS, students are offered an array of opportunities from University Courses, music and arts programs, competitive athletics and a place to genuinely express and deepen their faith. All of our admission information is available on our website at www.sbdhs.net/applications or you can call us at 204-987-1560.

WEEKLY MARRIAGE TIP

Where and when is the best time for you to pray? In your room? In a chapel? Outside? In the morning? Before bed? Discuss with your spouse and encourage each other to pray daily.



St. Timothy Knights of Columbus Charity Golf Tournament 2019

Join us for the St. Timothy Knights 10th Annual Charity Golf Tournament on Thursday, June 6th at the Oakwood Golf Course in Ste. Anne, Manitoba in support of the St. Amant Foundation. The cost is \$120 per person.

Pick up a registration form by the office or register on-line at www.stamant.ca/koc. If you have any questions, please call Denis Tremblay at 204-253-2227 or Bryan Vandale at 204-791-7138.

Thank you to the Knights of Columbus for their recent \$500.00 donation to the parish. Thank you for your service and commitment to our parish, good Knights!



Please see the bulletin insert regarding the **2019 National Week for Life and the Family Tri-Diocesan Family Conference on Saturday, April 6, 2019**

at the St. Boniface Cathedral

Listening to the Gospel - Renewing the Family Bond
inspirational presentations by Leah Perrault



FREE for the WHOLE FAMILY

LUNCH Provided
(donations gratefully accepted)

*** Please register by Wednesday, March 27 ****
Register on-line at bit.ly/familyconference1

Questions? Contact Nadine Fetherston at mfl2@archsaintbonface.ca or 204-594-0295

A LENTEN Reflection

"Perhaps the word 'surrender' should be enough for my prayer... Not the surrender of submission to an enemy, but the opposite, the laying down of resistance to the One who loves me infinitely more than I can guess, the One who is more on my side than I am myself."

Dwelling on this thought of letting go, and handing myself over to the Spirit will bring me much closer to the experience of Jesus than the word 'discipline' which so many of us have been trained to invoke at the beginning of Lent. It should help us smile at our anxious attempts to bring our life under control, the belt tightening resolutions about giving up this or taking on that. What we are called to give up in Lent is control itself!"

-Martin L. Smith, A Season for the Spirit