# Easter Blessings

GIVE THANKS TO THE LORD, FOR HE IS GOOD, HIS MERCY ENDURES FOREVER.

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## St. Timothy Church

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#### St. Timothy Church

**St. Timothy Parish Mission Statement:** "United in the Body of Christ, we strive to promote the greater glory of God through a spirit of welcome and willing service to our brothers and sisters."

April 24-30

#### MASS INTENTIONS

<b>Monday, April 24</b> 9:00 a.m.	Barbara Kramer
<b>Tuesday, April 25</b> 9:00 a.m.	Lea Guarasci
Wednesday, April 26 9:00 a.m.	Floyd Miller
<b>Thursday, April 27</b> 9:00 a.m.	Jon Francis Foley
Friday, April 28 9:00 a.m.	Rita Flanagan
Saturday, April 29 5:00 p.m.	St. Timothy Parishioners
<b>Sunday, April 30</b> 9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	The Lalli & DiRienzo Families Rob Delap

#### **SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK**

Monday, April 24

Tuesday, April 25

Wednesday, April 26

9:45 a.m.

Saint Vincent de Paul *Mercy Bags* in the Teacher's Lounge

Thursday, April 27 Friday, April 28

Wedding

#### Saturday, April 29

Sunday, April 30

9:30-11:00 a.m. CGS in the Teachers' Lounge 6:00-8:00 p.m. Rescue Project in the Gym

#### LITURGICAL MINISTERS

April 29-30

#### USHERS AND GREETERS

5:00 p.m.	Lori Walker, Robert Walker
9:00 a.m.	Joyce Nobile, Lou Nobile
11:00 a.m.	Matt Peppercorn, John Steller
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#### LECTORS

5:00 p.m.	Kathleen Dunn, Ralph Conone
9:00 a.m.	Joe Boeckman, Jack Jenny
11:00 a.m.	Mark Hauenstein, Jim Klun, Su Klun

#### ALTAR SERVERS

5:00 p.m.	Natalie Restuccio, Brady Devlin
9:00 a.m.	Tommy North, Amelia Miller,
	Imani Snelling
11:00 a.m.	Genevieve Peppercorn,
	Colette Peppercorn,
	Vivian Peppercorn

### EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

5:00 p.m.	TBD
9:00 a.m.	TBD
11:00 a.m.	Ron Benjamin



#### PASTOR'S DESK Dear Brothers and Sisters,

My mother always looks forward to "tuning in" on the computer for our parish LiveStream and seeing me at the 11:00 a.m. Sunday morning Mass. Because of her immobility to get around, it is one of the highlights of her day. In all my years growing up, mom never missed going to

Sunday Mass. Never. It was as regular as breathing. Mom (and Dad) were like many of you, the 34% who always came to Mass regularly in 1998.

According to a recent *Wall Street Journal* article and report, churches face new challenges in this post Covid-19 era. A study by Pew Research found that 22% of Christians now watch online or televised services. Bishop Zubik of Pittsburgh described the mindset of "online" Catholics: "I can stay in my jammies and have my cheerios and listen to father's homilies." The sad part of this is that many are not receiving Holy Communion, something that Mom misses every week as well as other homebound Catholics.

Dan Cellucci, CEO of the Catholic Leadership Institute estimates that only 17% of baptized Catholics now attend Mass weekly, as required by the church, down from 22% in 2019. Can you imagine running your business or workforce with only 17% capacity? Our LiveStream capabilities are a blessing for those who cannot drive to Mass, but that won't keep our churches open. New strategies and planning are needed in an increasingly irreligious environment.

So, a big thank you to you 17% who are reading this bulletin which means you came to Mass today. **Have a good week!** 

Father David

#### STEWARDSHIP & OUTREACH

April 16th Offering Total: \$ 5,292.00

#### Through Electronic Transfer:

EFT Contributions: March: \$ 10,895.00 WE SHARE Contributions: March: \$ 11,303.00

**Don't forget that you can give online more regularly through... EFT:** The Parish Office will assist you to arrange monthly stewardship. Contact the Parish Business Manager, Dottie Cocola, at <u>dcocola@sttimchurch.org</u>. To arrange this, you will need a voided check and the amount you would like to have withdrawn monthly from your account. (No service fee will incur for the parish for this service.)

**OR WESHARE:** <u>http://sttimothyoh.weshareonline.org</u> (This method also allows for contributions to special collections. There is a fee connected to using WESHARE.)

#### SCHOOL NEWS



#### Book Fair

The Book Fair begins Sunday, April 30, 2023, following the 9:00 a.m. Mass and goes on until 1:00 p.m. It runs the rest of the week, Monday-Friday, May 1-May 5, 2023, from 7:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. It is in the school library and all benefits go to the library.



#### GRADUATION MASS ATTENTION, ALL GRADUATES

Fr. David invites all **High School and College Graduates** to celebrate your graduation at the Second Annual Graduation Mass being held Sunday, May 21st at 11:00 a.m. Please pick up your invitation from the back of the church. If you will be able to attend, please call the Parish Office by Friday, May 12th to be included in the program. Join us in the school cafeteria 30 minutes prior to Mass and bring your cap and gown!



#### Saint Timothy's 2nd Annual Baseball Game

Thursday June 8th, 2023, The Cincinnati Reds will host the Los Angeles Dodgers.

The cost of the trip is \$50.00. To reserve your seat on the bus, you will have to put down a \$25.00 deposit. For more information,

please see the sign-up sheet in the back of church or call the office. Only 15 seats left!

#### Career Day We need your help to make it a success! St. Timothy School Friday, May 19, 2023 11:30 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

If you, or someone you know, would be interested in sharing information regarding his/her career with our 5th-8th grade students, please let us know. Contact Leslie Jordan at St. Timothy School at 614-451-0739 or ljordan@cdeducation.org.

#### AROUND THE TOWN & BEYOND

#### **BWHS Youth Baseball Night**

Bishop Watterson's baseball team will be holding a Youth Night when the Eagles take on Columbus Academy on May 4 at 5:00 p.m. Bishop Watterson is located at 99 East Cooke Road in Columbus. All are welcome!

#### **Catholic Family Night with The Clippers**

MAY 24TH: CLIPPERS VS. INDIANAPOLIS INDIANS at 7:05 p.m. For questions, contact Matthew Harrison, Director of Group Sales, at 614-462-5252 or <u>mharrison@clippersbaseball.com</u>.

#### WEEKEND WORKSHOP – Grieving with Great Hope

Friday, May 19 (7:00-9:00 p.m.) and Saturday, May 20 (9:30 a.m.-4:00 p.m.) St. Francis De Sales, 45 Granville Street, Newark, Ohio, 43055 740-345-9874 – <u>www.goodmourningministry.net</u> Register online at <u>stfrancisparish.net/register</u>. Seating is limited.



#### SOCIETY OF SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL NEWS Mercy Bags for the Homeless

Homelessness has developed into an epidemic in many parts of the United States. The problem is distinguishing between the homeless that really need help and the con artists who prey on human kindness and compassion. Some people are pretending to be homeless as they promote their drug addiction.

The Christian way is to respond to the need. A speaker at the Women's Prayers Breakfast a few years ago, who was herself homeless, said it is not a good idea to give money to the panhandler. Instead, she suggested providing attention such as a smile and a reassuring word.

One way that you can help homeless people find shelters and other resources is carrying around contact "street cards" for homeless service agencies in Columbus. These cards can help homeless people access information to find shelters, free meals and clothing, healthcare, mental health and substance abuse services. The street cards can be found and printed out at <u>https://columbushomeless.org/</u>.

On Wednesday, April 26 after the 9:00 a.m. Mass, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul (SVDP) will be making "Mercy Bags" for the homeless in the Teachers' Lounge. The Mercy Bags will be stuffed with food items such as Slim Jims, tuna meals, granola bars and bottled water. Each Mercy Bag will have the street card described above listing the additional resources for the homeless. SVDP members will pass out the Mercy Bags to interested parishioners after Mass to keep in your car to give to those who approach you at street corners. Thank you for your financial support which helps SVDP

Thank you for your financial support which helps SVDP continue in our mission to help the suffering and those in need in our community.

