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## Parish of St. Timothy

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

# Mass Schedule LORD'S DAY:

Saturday at 4 pm Sunday at 9 am & 11 am

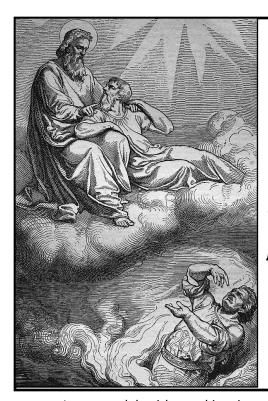
#### **WEEKDAY MASS:**

Tuesday - Friday at 9:30 am

#### **Parish Office Hours:**

Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday: 9 am - 5 pm (closed noon - 1 pm)

## 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time September 28, 2025



It is the Lord who keeps faith forever, who executes justice for the oppressed.

- Ps 146 -

Lazarus and the rich man, historic steel engraving, 1860

**Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession):** Half an hour before Mass, or you may make an appointment by contacting Fr. Brian.

**Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick:** By individual appointment. Contact Fr. Brian or the parish office.

**Baptisms:** Contact the parish office three months in advance.

**Weddings:** Contact the parish office *at least* six months in advance.

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**Bulletin:** Submit church-related announcements to Grace (bulletin@st-timothy.ca)

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#### **COMING UP AT A GLANCE**

#### Most Mondays at 7 pm

Fan into Flame Prayer Group Rosary - 6:30 pm in the chapel Meeting 7 pm - parish hall

#### **Tuesdays after Mass**

Exposition, Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament & Benediction (No Mass/Adoration this upcoming week)

#### Friday, September 26

Youth Group - 7 - 9 pm Parish Hall

#### Sunday, September 28

Children's Liturgy at the 11 am Mass



#### Wed., October 1

K of C Dinner Meeting 6 pm - parish hall

#### Thursday, October 2

Crib Club - 6:30 pm Parish Hall

#### Saturday, October 4

Pet blessing!
1 pm in the north parking lot

#### Monday, Oct. 6 & 20

SSVP - 7:30 pm St. Paul room



#### Sunday, September 28 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Amos 6.1, 4-7; Ps 146 1 Tim 6.11-16; Lk 16.19-31

#### Sunday, October 5 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Hab 1.2-3; 2.2-4 Ps 95; 2 Tim 1.6-8, 13-14 Lk 17.5-10

### **COMING UP AT THE PARISH**

#### Mass Intentions for September 27 - 28, 2025

Sat., Sept. 27	4:00 pm	†	Bob, Stacey & Karen Romanetz from the Romanetz family
Sun., Sept. 28	9:00 am		Needs and intentions of all parishioners from Fr. Brian Trueman
	11:00 am	†	Maria Elisa Fernandes Correia from William & Ninette Baetsen
Sat., October 4	4:00 pm	†	Ernie Cote from Lucienne Cote
Sun., October 5	9:00 am	†	Eileen Jones from Julian Jones & family
	11:00 am		Needs and intentions of all parishioners from Fr. Brian Trueman

#### Fr. Brian is away September 29 - October 3

Fr. Brian will be away in Calgary for the Vocation Directors' Conference. There will be no weekday Mass, however Anthony Hoang, our seminarian, will lead us in praying the Liturgy of the Hours next week, Tuesday - Friday, so please join us for that if you wish at 9:30 am.

There will be no First Friday Adoration on October 3.



#### Please Remember Your Prayers...

**+Marcel Fraser,** who passed away on Saturday, September 20, 2025. Funeral Mass will take place at the parish on Thursday, <u>October 30</u> at 11 am. Please also pray for Marcel's family and all who grieve his loss.

Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord, and let Your perpetual light shine upon him. May his soul and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace. Amen.

## Sharing Thanksgiving with the Poor

"Charity must never look to the past, but always to the future, because the number of its past works is still very small and the present and future miseries that it must alleviate are infinite". Frederic Ozanam



St. Tim's SSVP Conference is continuing to collect contributions of **granola bars**, **juice boxes**, **pudding cups and fruit cups from now until October 14**<sup>th</sup>. We ask that all food items be deposited in our SSVP food crate at the entrance to the church. You can drop food off on the weekend (before & after Mass) and during office hours.

We now have enough volunteers to make sandwich filling - thank you so much! Bring those 4 L pails of filling to the church on Wed., October 15 before Mass or between 9:30 -10 am.

We are still looking for a <u>few more volunteers</u> to help prepare lunch at Agape **Table** at 364 Furby Street on the morning of October 16<sup>th</sup>. Past volunteers have been greatly moved by the experience to serve those in need. If you are feeling called to serve in this way, please email <u>ssvpwinnipeg@gmail.com</u> or phone Carolyn at 204-781-5903 with your questions or for more information.



Thank you to everyone who has dropped off the food items so far! Thank you all for your always wonderful support.

From the St. Timothy Conference of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul (SSVP).

## September 27 is the Feast Day of St. Vincent De Paul

"How happy the man of means who uses his wealth and his life for the greater glory of God, from whom he has received them." ~St. Vincent de Paul

## "Do This in Remembrance of Me: A Step-By-Step Walk through the Mass" written by Fr. Luke Spannagel for the National Eucharistic Revival's website - used with permission



#### Do This in Remembrance of Me, Part 38: Incense

As we continue through the Offertory of the Mass, we now come to the point where incense can be used. Some of us may like the incense, and others may not. Do you know what incense is made of and why we use it?

#### What is incense, and where does it come from?

According to the Catholic Source Book, "Frankincense... is the main ingredient in the incense used in today's liturgies. A resin produced by a family of desert trees that grow in southern Arabia, it is derived from a sap that dries, forming crystalline lumps of an amber/gold color. For Christians, it has a rich prayer and purification symbolism. From the earliest Christian days, it has been associated with Christ, beginning with the Magi's gift (Matthew 2:10–11). Even before that, the Jews regarded its rich spicy scent as a pure offering, pleasing to God" (p. 307). Charles Belmonte adds, "Incense is a resinous substance which, when placed upon glowing charcoal, gives off a balsamic odor as it burns. It had a place in Israelite worship; in fact, the psalmist compares our prayers to the smoke of incense, rising up to heaven. In the Book of Revelation, it is seen as a symbol of the prayers of the saints" (*Understanding the Mass*, p. 50).

#### Where is incense mentioned in the Bible?

Besides the Book of Revelation, incense is mentioned in the Book of Numbers 7:14 as part of an offering for the dedication of the altar. Deuteronomy 33:10 makes reference to "the smoke of sacrifice." Exodus 30:34–38 describes blending aromatic substances with pure frankincense in equal parts, even describing how it should be ground into fine dust. In Revelation 5:8, St. John tells us the elders had "gold bowls filled with incense, which are the prayers of the holy ones." In another reference, Revelation 8:3–4 describes an angel with a gold censer: "He was given a great quantity of incense to offer, along with the prayers of all the holy ones... The smoke of the incense along with the prayers of the holy ones went up before God..."

Hopefully, it is clear from these passages that there is a connection between incense and prayer and sacrifice. When incense is used in the Mass, there are times when it is clearly used to reverence people and things, which is especially clear when incense is used during the Offertory of the Mass. Referring to this part of the Mass, The General Instruction of the Roman Missal says, after the bread and wine are placed on the altar, "the Priest may incense the gifts placed on the altar and then incense the cross and the altar itself, so as to signify the Church's offering and prayer rising like incense in the sight of God. Next, the Priest, because of his sacred ministry, and the people, by reason of their baptismal dignity, may be incensed by the Deacon or by another minister" (GIRM, 75). As the Diocese of Peoria teaches, "this particular incense shows a connectedness between the altar of sacrifice, those offering the sacrifice, and those uniting themselves to the sacrifice. Before being incensed we bow not only as a sign of reverence but as a sign of affirmation that, like the incense, we offer our lives to God and pray they be lifted up and transformed" (A Study of the Mass, p. 12).

#### Why is incense used at Mass?

One older priest once said to me that he loves using incense to honor holy people and holy things. As he sees the smoke rising, he is mindful that we are gathered together as God's people in the Mass, joining Jesus in offering the perfect sacrifice to the Father. In the Mass, our prayers are joined together, and the incense gives us a visual reminder of those prayers being offered to God. He also mentioned he places one, two, or three spoons of incense (from the little container called an incense boat) onto the burning charcoal in the censer (sometimes called a thurible). For him, one spoonful calls to mind the Oneness of God; two spoonfuls point to the two natures of Christ (human and divine); and three indicate the three persons of the Trinity. For that priest, this is a simple way to recall core truths about God as we pray together in the Mass.



To summarize for us, Fr. Oury notes that incensing "is a mark of honor paid to the offerings that are going to become the Body and Blood of Christ. The honor extends to all the people participating in the celebration and to their offerings, which represent their life and work. Incensing is also a kind of petition, a deeply meaningful one. Through it we pray that the Church's offering and the Church's prayer may mount to heaven, to the presence of God above, like a veritable cloud of incense" (*The Mass*, p. 87).

#### For Reflection:

- 1. Read and pray with one or all of the Old Testament uses of incense Father Luke cites (Numbers 7:14, Deuteronomy 33:10, and Exodus 30:34–38). As you reflect on what you read, allow the historical uses of incense to enrich your understanding of the role of incense in the holy sacrifice of the Mass.
- 2. Reflect on the role of incense in Revelation 5:8 and 8:3–4. As you pray, privately or liturgically, imagine your prayers rising to God like incense.

#### **RCIA/Adult Faith Formation**

Starting October 4th on Saturday mornings, our parish will be running an enjoyable social and spiritually nourishing program. This Fall, we'll be using the Alpha program's content and videos. Our parish ran the Alpha program a number of years ago and it sounded like it was an enjoyable time. The content is foundational for the Christian faith, which can serve as a great introduction for those interested in learning more about our faith, and



presenting it in a new way for those familiar with the message so they can appreciate it more and help share it with others. This will be great for the handful of adults who have reached out and expressed a desire to learn more about our Catholic faith as part of their spiritual journey and see if they might like to decide to continue that with us. **These sessions will be for those who are interested in the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults**, as well as **open to any fully initiated Catholics who love growing in their faith** and getting together with other disciples.

Our Saturday mornings will begin at 9:30 am in the parish hall for some light breakfast items and snacks, a time to gather and connect. We'll then watch a 30 minute video on a topic, and then have time to discuss and share together in small groups. We expect our sessions to go until about 11:30 am. In the New Year, we'll continue this same format, but with a new video series.

#### **Topics include:**

Is There More to Life Than This? • Who Is Jesus? • Why Did Jesus Die? • How Can I Have Faith? • Why and How Do I Pray? • Why and How Should I Read the Bible? • Who Is the Holy Spirit? • How Can I Make the Most of the Rest of My Life? • What About the Church? ...and more!

Let us know if you plan to attend October 4 so we can prepare food and seating. Please email info@st-timothy.ca or call the parish office at 204-949-3760.

Everyone is welcome! Bring a friend! Come to the first session and try it out!

### Pilgrims of Hope - That's Who We Are! - By Teresita and Anthony Chiarella



We began our "pilgrimage" in Rome in September of 2024, before the Holy Door of the *Jubilee Year* 2025 - *Pilgrims of Hope* was officially opened. We stayed at the Residenza Paolo VI hotel, which was literally across the street from St. Peter's Basilica. We walked nearly everywhere in Rome's old core, and every time we turned a corner or arrived in a piazza, there was a church open to visit, often with masses scheduled that day. We visited 22 churches during our informal 8-day pilgrimage, including three of the four Major Papal Basilicas: St. Peter's of the Vatican, St. John Lateran, and St. Mary Major. During a prior visit to Rome in 2007 we visited St. Paul Outside the Walls. We also visited the Dicastery for Evangelization Office located not far from our hotel, which is the InfoPoint and Welcome Centre for pilgrims. There we picked up booklets *On the Path Towards the 2025 Jubilee*.



Ukrainian Catholic Church of the Immaculate Conception & Grotto

Back home, our "pilgrimage" continued in and outside of Winnipeg this summer, as we visited several of the designated Jubilee sites listed in the diocese's booklet A Pilgrim's Guide to Jubilee Churches and Shrines, as found in our parish's Jubilee corner in St. Timothy's narthex. We visited several sites during their community's feast days and other special occasions. On May 31st at St. Boniface Cathedral we celebrated Peter Trans' ordination to priesthood. Then on July 26th we attended Ste-Anne-Des -Chenes Church for the Memorial of Ste Anne, the mother of Mary. On August 10th we headed out to St. Laurent Church and Grotto for the Feast of Saint Lawrence, Deacon and Martyr, from the 3<sup>rd</sup> century. On August 16th we participated in the Divine Liturgy at the Ukrainian Catholic Church of the Immaculate Conception and Grotto, near Birds Hill, for the Feast of the Dormition of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Then on September 13th we visited Our Lady of Lourdes Shrine and Grotto, in St. Malo, for Our Lady's Legacy, a visual performance of the Our Lady of Sorrows Chaplet.

Our faith has been enriched and deepened at these sites, celebrating Mass, praying the rosary, walking the Stations of the Cross, and especially adoring Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament. We joined the faithful of these communities, and were reminded that the Catholic Church is universal. There is hope in a world that often promotes otherwise. And, yes, our faith is alive and well!

Our home on earth is not our permanent home. We are pilgrims journeying to a final destination, which is our Loving Father in Heaven, where He will have prepared a banquet for us.

Two more opportunities to participate in feast day celebrations are coming up: the Jubilee site of **St. Andrew Bobola Church in Winnipeg** for the Memorial of St. Faustina Kowalska on October 5. St. Andrew Bobola Church is a designated Divine Mercy Shrine and is a



"Our Lady's Legacy" performance in St. Malo



St. Laurent Grotto

worthwhile visit. The other notable celebration is at **St. Francois Xavier Church,** for the memorial of St. Francis Xavier, Priest, on December 3rd. The conclusion of the Jubilee Year in our dioceses will be on December 28, 2025. The closing of the Holy Door of St. Peter's Basilica in Rome will be on January 6, 2026.

## PET BLESSING in honour of ST FRANCIS OF ASSISI

"All praise to you, Oh Lord, for all these brother and sister creatures."

Saturday, October 4th 1:00 pm in the north parking lot

Bring your furry, feathered & finned friends!
Invite your neighbours & their pets!

### **Prayer Shawl Ministry - OUR PRAYER SHAWL GIFT**



Do you know someone who is in need of a prayer shawl? A friend, a family member, maybe, yourself. Someone undergoing a physical or emotional challenge. Someone who has experienced a personal loss or needs a tangible reminder that God

continuously wraps each and every one of us in his endless love, and that there are people who care.

Maybe a Prayer Shawl would be a welcomed comfort. Pick up a Prayer Shawl Ministry pamphlet by the parish office for more information on how to request a prayer shawl. You may also email or call the parish office and we will forward your message to one of the Prayer Shawl Ministry Members.

## Collection for the Needs of the Church in Canada September 27-28, 2025

Each year, and with the generosity of Catholic faithful from coast to coast to coast, the Bishops of Canada continue their work on important doctrinal and ethical questions; ecumenical initiatives and interreligious dialogue; international relations; evangelization, education and catechesis; relations with Indigenous peoples; questions of social justice; and the development of a culture of life and family. In addition to their national Conference, the Bishops of Canada also meet in four Regional Assemblies (Atlantic, Quebec, Ontario and the West). The main purpose of the collection is to help the bishops pay their annual diocesan dues to the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops (CCCB), as well as any annual financial contribution to their regional episcopal assembly. In addition, any extra amounts collected can be used by the diocese for its own pastoral needs, although some bishops choose to give these extra amounts to the CCCB as a donation.

You will find envelopes for this collection in your box of donation envelopes.



# The Jubilee of Catechists September 26-28, 2025

'The Church was founded so that by

spreading Christ's kingdom throughout the world to the glory of God the Father, every man and woman may share in the saving work of redemption, and so that through them the entire world may be truly directed towards Christ" (Apostolicam Actuositatem, no. 2)

The Church teaches us that "in the building up of Christ's Body various members and functions have their part to play. There is only one Spirit who, according to his own richness and the needs of the ministries, gives his different gifts for the welfare of the Church" (Lumen Gentium, no. 7).

One of these roles, present in the Church from her earliest beginnings, is that of catechist. The call to be a catechist is rooted in a person's Baptism, strengthened by Confirmation and by regular participation in the Eucharistic Sacrifice. Originally the term catechist referred to one who taught by mouth, but soon the term came to refer to any person who "instructed in the Word." St. Paul, in his letter to the Galatians, writes that "One who is being instructed [lit. a catechumen] in the word should share all good things with his instructor [lit. a catechizer or a catechist]" (Gal 6:6).

Catechesis lies at the heart of the Church's mission to make disciples of all nations. Pope St. John Paul II called it a "sacred duty and inalienable right" of the Church (Catechesi Tradendae, no. 14).

Please pray for our team of catechists at St. Timothy as they prepare to share their faith and make disciples when catechism begins again the first week of October.

#### A Prayer for Catechists

Loving Father, we pray today for our catechists. We thank you for their gift of ministry in your Church. Grant them your wisdom that they may grow in the understanding and teaching of your Word. Grant them also your love that they may be fruitful heralds of your Word and lead others to love you. Pour forth your Holy Spirit upon them to grant them wisdom about what is important; knowledge of the truths of faith; understanding of their meaning; right judgement about how to apply them in life; courage to persevere even in the face of adversity; reverence before all that is sacred and holy; and that loving zeal which leads others to a transforming encounter with your Son. We ask this through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

## WEEKLY MARRIAGE TIP

Marriage responds to the deepest longings of the heart for love. How can you go out of your way to show your spouse love today?

#### **MOVING FORWARD with Grief**

#### From the "Companions in Grief" Team



The most beautiful people we have known are those who have known defeat, suffering, struggle, loss, and have found their way out of the depths. These persons have an appreciation, a sensitivity, and an understanding of life that fills them with compassion, gentleness, and a deep loving concern. Beautiful people do not just happen. - Dr Elisabeth Kubler-Ross

#### STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

#### September 28, 2025 - 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time



"My child, remember that you received what was good during your lifetime while Lazarus likewise received what was bad; but now he is comforted here, whereas you are tormented. Moreover, between us and you a great chasm is established..." Lk 16:25-26

When God created the world, He declared that it was good and He gave it to all mankind for us to enjoy. However, over the years we have created a chasm between those who have great gifts and those who do not. In today's Gospel we see that with our own stewardship we must bridge that gap between those who have much and those who have little, or we may find ourselves on the wrong side of the chasm in the next life.

## YOUTH GROUP NEWS

### Youth Group is for anyone in grade 7-12!



They meet most Fridays from 7 - 9 pm in the Parish Hall

If you're new, please contact
Vince Diestro,
Youth Ministry Coordinator
at youth@st-timothy.ca or 204-257-3723

Come for the FELLOWSHIP, GAMES, DISCUSSION & FOOD!

#### KNIGHTS KNEWS



#### CRIB CLUB is back!



We have games twice a month on Thursdays - alternating at 10:30 am and 6:30 pm. **The next Crib Club takes place** Thursday, Oct. 2 at 6:30 pm. In the parish hall. The cost is \$5 towards drinks and snacks. *Everyone is invited to come & play!* 

## See the Knights Sunday morning after Mass in the Narthex for:

**Grey Cup Pool tickets - \$5/ticket.** The are going fast so get yours from the Knights soon!

#### Trivia Night Tickets! So what is it all about??

Trivia Night is an evening of trivia, laughter, food and fellowship!

Trivia Night is made up of a 12-round fun and interactive trivia competition. Teams of 8-10 are formed and compete against one another on a variety of exciting topics. Friends full of useless knowledge, know-it-alls and trivia buffs are a team asset. But you don't know any of those? Come with a team of 8-10 regular friends or if you don't have a team, we'll get a team for you! Come for the fun! Everyone is welcome! Details below!



#### **COMMUNITY LIFE**

<u>SUNDAY!</u> Ado with Saint Carlo – September 28, 2025 You are invited to a special evening for youth and young adults filled with praise and worship, a powerful talk, and an inspiring multimedia presentation on the life of Saint Carlo Acutis—the "Saint in Sneakers." Discover how this millennial, who loved soccer, video games, and computers, lived a life deeply rooted in his love for the Eucharist. The evening will also feature a Eucharistic Miracles exhibit with a guided reflection, the opportunity to venerate a relic of St. Carlo, and a time of Eucharistic Adoration to encounter Jesus Himself. Come and be inspired by the witness of a modern saint and grow deeper in your love for the Lord in the Eucharist! This special evening takes place from 6 to 8:30 pm at Mary, Mother of the Church Parish at 85 Kirkbridge Drive. Doors open at 5:30 pm.

**TEC (To Encounter Christ Retreat): Oct 11-13, 2025:** The next TEC retreat will be held on the October long weekend (Oct 11-13) at the CSE in St. Malo. TEC is a unique experience in living out and growing deeper in the Catholic faith for adults and teens over 16. The central theme of TEC is the Paschal Mystery, a reflection on Christ's invitation to die to ourselves and rise to a new and fuller life. Eucharistic celebrations, sharing your faith with others, and the joy of being yourself make each weekend so meaningful. The cost for the weekend is \$150 and includes meals and accommodations. You can apply online at <a href="https://www.gbtec.ca/apply-now">www.gbtec.ca/apply-now</a> or visit <a href="https://www.gbtec.ca">www.gbtec.ca</a> for more information.

**Guiding Our Children in Truth and Love - October 24, 2025** As parents, one of the most important roles we have is guiding our children in understanding the beauty of their bodies, sexuality, and identity in light of God's truth. Yet, these conversations can often feel overwhelming, especially in today's culture. How do we begin? When is the right time? How can we ensure that what we share reflects both our faith and the love we hold for our children? The Archdiocese of St .Boniface is hosting an event at Mary Mother of the Church designed to support parents of both young children and teens, offering wisdom, tools, and encouragement for the journey. Dr. Julia Sadusky, a Catholic clinical psychologist, author, and speaker,

will be sharing her insights on how to begin age appropriate conversations with children about sex, the body, and identity. Rooted in Catholic teaching and compassion, this evening will leave you better equipped to foster conversations filled with both truth and love - helping your family grow together in faith and understanding. Join us on October 24, 2025 7:00 pm at Mary Mother of the Church Parish Hall. Registration required. Please scan the QR code. This event will be in English only. Please call Grace Dumont at 204-594-0275 if you have any questions. For poster, click here.



### THIS WEEK ON FORMED - The Week of September 28, 2025



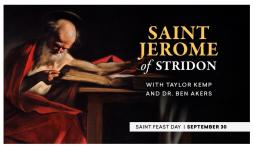
## St. Therese | Littlest Saints

Which flower in Jesus's garden is the best? The most beautiful? St. Therese gives us her "little" answer to these questions.



## St. Francis of Assisi: Sign of Contradiction

From 4PM Media and The Ministry of the Wild Goose comes a breathtaking film on the life of St. Francis of Assisi. A fool according to the standards of the world, St. Francis' life was a sign of contradiction, convicting others of the beauty of Christ and his Gospel.



## St. Jerome | Catholic Saints

An early Church Father from the 4th century, St. Jerome translated the Bible into Latin with the desire to make Scripture more accessible. St. Jerome is the patron of biblical scholars, translators, and archivists and famously said, "Ignorance of Scripture is ignorance of Christ."