

## *This Week at St. Timothy's*

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### **Sunday, December 7, 2008**

7:00 a.m. - Brotherhood of St. Andrew  
**7:30 a.m. - Holy Eucharist, Rite I**  
**8:30 a.m. - Holy Eucharist, Rite II**, with the Joiful Noyse  
9:30 a.m. - Advent Event  
9:40 a.m. - First Sunday Class, Library  
**10:45 a.m. - Holy Eucharist, Rite II**, with organ and Senior Choir  
4:00 - 6:00 p.m. - Episcopal Youth Community (grades 5-8)  
5:00 - 7:00 p.m. - Episcopal Youth Community (grades 9-12)

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### **Monday, December 8, 2008**

10:00 a.m. - Brown Bag Bunch  
3:45 - 5:30 p.m. - The Hall, LJI Students Welcome  
6:43 p.m. - High School Bible Study at the Nagle's

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### **Tuesday, December 9, 2008**

8:30 a.m. - Army of Retired Men (ARM)  
3:45 - 5:30 p.m. - The Hall, LJI Students Welcome

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### **Wednesday, December 10, 2008**

3:45 - 5:30 p.m. - The Hall, LJI Students Welcome  
4:15 - 5:00 p.m. - Coventry Choir (K-4)  
5:00 - 5:30 p.m. - Centering Prayer, Guild Room  
5:30 p.m. - Parish Supper  
6:00 p.m. - Bible Study, Guild Room  
6:00 p.m. - The Rector's Class, Soundings Room  
6:00 p.m. - Joiful Noyse Rehearsal  
7:00 p.m. - Senior Choir Rehearsal

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### **Thursday, December 11, 2008**

Salvation Army Bell Ringing  
3:45 - 5:30 p.m. - The Hall, LJI Students Welcome

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### **Friday, December 12, 2008**

9:00 a.m. - Healing Prayer Group, Guild Room  
7:00 p.m. - Living Nativity  
7:30 p.m. - Living Nativity

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### **Saturday, December 13, 2008**

Salvation Army Bell Ringing  
7:00 p.m. - Living Nativity  
7:30 p.m. - Living Nativity

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### **Sunday, December 14, 2008**

**7:30 a.m. - Holy Eucharist, Rite I**  
**8:30 a.m. - Holy Eucharist, Rite II**, with the Joiful Noyse  
9:30 a.m. - Children's Christian Formation  
9:40 a.m. - Christian Formation for adults  
**10:45 a.m. - Holy Eucharist, Rite II**, with organ and Senior Choir  
4:00 - 6:00 p.m. - Episcopal Youth Community (grades 5-8)  
5:00 - 7:00 p.m. - Episcopal Youth Community (grades 9-12)  
7:00 p.m. - Living Nativity  
7:30 p.m. - Living Nativity

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## ***Parish Announcements***

**We pray especially for:** Penny, Patricia, Kristin, Liz, Sharon, Margaret, Helen, David, Sandra, Colin, John, Emily, Phyllis, Slade, Jim, Cheryl, Ken, Charlene, Larry, Laura, John and for Bradley, Jake, Chris, Mark, Travis and other service men and women who risk their lives.

**We give thanks for those celebrating birthdays this week:** Charlene Hall, Anna Essington, Margaret Jones, Pam Overman, Dave Robinson, Jim Overman, Anne Elizabeth Brown, Sabra Ehrhart, Larry Jablecki, Bill Leathers.

**Altar flowers** today were given in memory of Phyllis and Charles Guffy by Michael and Joyce Gay.

**First Sunday Class Today** - A Class for newcomers to learn more about St. Timothy's Episcopal Church. This one-time class meets on the first Sunday of every month. It is a class to tell you about our Church and to answer any questions you might have. Please join us if you are new to St. Timothy's. We want to welcome you and introduce you to our Church! The class will meet in the Library from 9:40 to 10:30 a.m., with Dianne Connelly.

**The Living Nativity**, a 52 year living tradition at St. Timothy's, will run three nights, December 12, 13, and 14, with performances at 7:00 and 7:30 pm. This is an all parish undertaking and we give thanks, in advance, for all you will be doing to support this beautiful retelling of the incarnation of our Lord, Jesus Christ. If you're not working the event this year, don't forget to come and bring young relatives and friends!

**The Advent Event** Today, December 7th 9:30-10:30 in the Parish Hall. Come celebrate the Advent season by making an Advent wreath and crafts, decorating St. Nicholas cookies, and writing Christmas cards to people in prison. We will also be distributing St. Timothy's Alternative Gift List for those of you who want your Christmas gifts to benefit the poor. What a great way to honor Christ who gave all of himself for us! The Advent Event is always an intergenerational event - all are invited. There will be no regular Sunday School classes, but all teachers and catechists will be on hand to help at the craft tables or in the kitchen during the event.

**Zachary Odenweller's Boy Scout Eagle Court of Honor** will be held on December 13th at 1:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall. Zachary's Eagle Project was restriping the parking lot of St. Timothy's. Refreshments will follow the ceremony. Please join us in celebrating Zachary. Thank you.

**Help For St. Vincent's House Preschool** St. Vincent's House, whose mission is to help the working poor on Galveston Island, lost it's preschool to Hurricane Ike. They are now rebuilding and St. Timothy's is collecting both money and materials

(there is a list on the M&M board) to help them! You can bring your donations to the church Narthex or drop a check in the offering plate made out to St. Timothy's with " St. Vincent's preschool" on the memo line. The money will be used to buy some of the bigger ticket items. Please make your donations before December 15th. Thanks for your help! Call or email Liz Parker ([lparker@sttimothy.org](mailto:lparker@sttimothy.org)) if you have any questions.

**Looking for a small group?** The Healing Prayer Group meets Fridays from 11:00 - 12:30 in the Guild Room. Join us for fellowship, prayer and study.

**Weight Loss Support Group** If you are interested in the weight loss support group call Bunny Schockmel at 265-6154.

**Holding a meeting or small group?** Please be sure to notify Mary in the Parish office of all meetings, small groups, etc. that are meeting at the Church. This will get it onto the events calendar and assure you of the space being available in the room you think you want to use, and Mary being able to answer questions of where and when.

**Kroger Neighbor to Neighbor** Customer Letters are available at the M&M table. Take the letter, along with your Kroger Plus Card, next time you go shopping. Present the letter to the cashier when you check out. After they have scanned your Kroger Plus Card and St. Timothy's barcode from the letter, you will be enrolled in the Kroger Neighbor to Neighbor Donation Program. St. Timothy's will receive a percentage of the total earned contributions; we in turn donate that money to Brazosport Cares and Home Delivered Meals. Complete directions are included on the Customer Letter. If you would like to print out your letter at home, visit [www.krogerneighbortoneighbor.com](http://www.krogerneighbortoneighbor.com).

**E-Giving at St. Timothy's** Electronic Giving has come to St. Timothy's for those who would like to give electronically on-line. It can be by Credit or Debit card, or bank draft. It can be a one time gift or automated so that transactions occur throughout the year. You can pay your annual pledge and capital pledge along with several special gifts such as: Youth Missionary, Honduras, Christmas, Easter, Flowers, etc. In addition, you can keep up with your giving through reports. You can print out a giving receipt to put in the offering if you like. Click on the icon on the web page and sign in. You can call Jim Cutshall, Heather Doughty or Clyde Neal if you need help or have questions.

**The CONGREGATION is the Evangelism Team"**- Just a reminder to place names and information about your new neighbors or new colleagues (Family, Occupation, Recreation, etc., such as phone number and address) in the box that has a house on it and sits at the end of the receptionist's desk in the office. We will send your new neighbor a customized WELCOME PACKET containing information about what's going on at St. Tim's and information about the Brazosport area. "The Congregation is the Evangelism Team"!!!! Questions? Want to help? Contact Marianne Essington (979-299-3001) or Lela Seay (979-480-0604)