

## 02/21/21 Parish Announcements

### The Prayers of the People

We pray for the special needs, concerns, and thanksgivings of this congregation. *(please pray out loud or silently)*

- In thanksgiving for the many blessings of this life, including: health, joy, the kindness of strangers and the love of those who are dear to us.
- For all affected by coronavirus here and around the world.
- For those who are ill, anxious, lonely, and all who are brought low.
- For those who care for the sick, the hungry, and the destitute.
- For all in schools and places of learning.
- For The Food Basket, our parish church St. Timothy's and for our Rector Search.

We pray especially for Mary Jane, Janet, Bill, Carla, Shannon, Keeth, Doug, Roy, Jocelyn, Renee, Bruce, Lorie, Linda, Kyle, Leon, Eric, Oliver, Darline, Gayle, Kelly, Sherry, and Claire.

For our men and women serving in the Armed Forces: Brad, Lucas, Annie, Justin, Brian, Joseph, Caleb, Ed, Brian, Sean, Brett and Thia.

For the diocesan cycle of prayer: St. Mark's in Austin, St. Mary Magdalene in Manor, and St. Mary's in Lampasas.

### Birthday and Anniversary Prayer

*O God, our times are in your hand: Look with favor, we pray, on your servants as they begin another year. Grant that they may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen their trust in your goodness all the days of their life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

**Birthdays:** Samuel Madariaga, Alex Schockmel, Mathias Weeks, and Beth Mathis.

### This Sunday's Schedule:

- **8:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist (Indoors)** In the Nave. Masks and distancing required.
- **9:30 a.m. Timothy's Troop** (via Zoom)
- **10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist** (Indoors in the Nave) Masks required and distancing required.
- **11:45 a.m. Virtual Coffee Hour** (via Zoom)
- **On-Line Worship** – Available starting at 10:30. YouTube. Details are on our website at: <http://www.stimothy.org/web-based-worship.html>.

**Christian Formation** - Our Lenten formation classes start this week! There are still openings for the classes. If you missed the deadline to register on-line, please contact the church office.

#### - Mondays at 7 pm — The Way of Love: A Practical Guide to Following Jesus

[Join on Zoom](#)

Meeting ID: 820 7700 2311

Passcode: Love

Feb. 22, March 1, 8, 15, 22

#### - Wednesdays at 7 pm — Gardens of the Bible

Feb. 24, March 3, 10, 17, 24

#### - Thursdays at 7 pm — Walk in Love: Episcopal Beliefs & Practices (Confirmation Class)

[Join on Zoom](#)

Meeting ID: 889 4787 0731

Passcode: confirm

Feb. 25, March 4, 11, 18, 25, April 15, 22, 29

**Lent Madness** - Lent Madness began in 2010 as a way during Lent to learn about the men and women who have inspired generations of Christians. It's a straightforward bracket: 32 saints are in a tournament-style, single-elimination bracket. Each day you have an opportunity to vote for your favorite at [lentmadness.org](http://lentmadness.org). Sixteen saints make it to the Saintly Sixteen; eight advances to the Elate Eight; four make it to the Faithful Four; two to the Championship; and the winner is awarded the Golden Halo!!

During a time of inward reflection and self-examination, this Lenten Devotional gives us time to learn about saints who fall into four categories:

- Hermits and Healers
- Sundry Saints
- Confusion Corner
- Mostly Modern

Some suggestions to join in Lent Madness:

- Join Lent Madness on its website, [lentmadness.org](http://lentmadness.org) and subscribe "via email" so you never miss a match-up
- Pick up a Saintly Scorecard and study up before you vote
- Like Lent Madness on Facebook
- Follow Lent Madness on Twitter at [@lentmadness](https://twitter.com/lentmadness)
- Watch Lent Madness videos at [youtube.com/lentmadnesstv](https://youtube.com/lentmadnesstv)

### **More Lenten Resources:**

#### **- Children's Lenten Learning Kit**

For use at home during this season of Lent. Pick up at the church office or in the Narthex on Sundays until supplies are gone.

#### **- Come, Pray - The Prayer I Need This Day: Lent 2021**

The Society of St. John the Evangelist Brothers invite you to "***Come, Pray.***" Join us in the receiving the daily gift of prayer – at home or wherever you find yourself. Across the weeks of Lent, listen in as Brothers discuss the rich and varied ways we pray, together in church and in our personal prayer. Then join us for worship, exploring a rich array of live-streamed services, culminating in the glories of Holy Week. "*Come, pray in me the prayer I need this day.*"

To sign up for the weekly email: [SSJE.org/subscribe](https://SSJE.org/subscribe) and select "*Monastic Wisdom for everyday living*".

#### **- Episcopal Relief & Development Lenten Meditations**

As Lent approaches this year, we lament. For, it has been a year in which we have experienced all kinds of loss. You are invited to meditate on these reflections daily and to engage the "[Four Steps of Lament](#)," by resting, reflecting, repenting and ultimately being restored to God and to one another. Many of the authors share deeply personal and painful experiences related to a variety of issues including disease, violence, racial injustice and poverty. You are invited to come to these meditations with an open heart. What you read may challenge you and give rise to unexpected or uncomfortable feelings. If you would like to subscribe to receive these meditations daily in your inbox, please [subscribe here](#). This Lent, may God restore your soul by bringing you into the bright new life that is our Easter promise. And may you continue to know that you are loved now and always.



**Bring us your (used) Towels!** Do you have old towels you no longer need? Please donate them to the SPCA of Brazoria County. The towels are used at the [Spay & Neuter Clinic](#). The clinic is here to ensure that every family can afford to spay or neuter their pets.

Drop off your towels in the laundry basket in the hallway. Contact Kathy Hutchison for more information.

**Timothy's Troop** - On Valentine's Day Sunday, we learned that God's love is constant and He will never disappoint us. We then played several rounds of Conversation Heart Bingo. For more information, contact Jane Power.

**Zoom Coffee Hour** – Join us for some social time at the Zoom Coffee Hour! Coffee hour will now start at 11:45, so more people can join following the late service.

Join us on Zoom at 11:45.  
Meeting ID: 856 9816 2596  
Password: coffee



**Breathe & Be Better via Zoom** - Please join us each Tuesday at 10:30 a.m. on Zoom for Breathe & Be Better. Cheryl Tirtowidjojo will be teaching deep breathing, relaxed stretching, slow flowing movements and meditation. The class is open to everyone of all ages, at any fitness level and can be done standing or sitting down.

Meeting ID: 875 4418 1609  
Password: 577182

**Silent Prayer in the Church** - All are welcome to kneel and silently pray in the church on Wednesdays. The doors will be open at 11:00 am and the last entry is at 1:00 pm. Prayer books have been removed during this time, so you may wish to bring your own devotional materials. Social distancing and mask wearing are in place to protect your health.

**Facebook Live Weekday Prayer** - Join us on the St. Timothy's [Facebook page](#) for our weekday prayer offerings.

Available service times are:

- Wednesdays at noon
- Wednesdays at 9:00 PM
- Fridays at 5:15 PM



**Helping our Neighbors** - Want to donate to The Food Basket? Here are their current food needs.

- canned fruit - cocktail, peaches, pears, pineapple
- diced tomatoes
- canned beans - not green
- carrots or carrots/pea mixture

Your food donations can be dropped off in the baskets in the hallway, and will be delivered ever 2-3 weeks.

Thanks for your support of our neighbors in need!

**Tithe Under Social Distancing** - If you are able, please continue to support St. Timothy's during this unusual time. If you prefer to write a check, please mail it to the office, or drop it by during office hours. We also offer e-giving using SimpleGive. Go to <https://my.simplegive.com/App/Giving/sttims>



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