

## 11/15/20 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)*

- For protection in our parish and community from the Coronavirus.
- For all first responders.
- For medical professionals, healthcare workers, all essential workers on the front lines, and for those who are ill.
- For the Food Basket and all non-profits tending to the poor and vulnerable.
- For the lonely and for those who have lost work.
- For all who are in need of an extra measure of grace in their relationships.
- For expectant parents and grandparents, we pray for safe deliveries and health for all.
- For those living and working in assisted-living and nursing homes, and for their families.
- For all educators, school nurses, students, and parents as the school year unfolds.
- For the Rector Search Committee.

**We pray especially for:** Jim and family, Margo, Jackie M., Carolyn, Bill, Andrea, Kelley, Irene, Jacob, Kim, Mark, Carol, Mike, Darline, Bob, Norma, Chris, Bunny, Robin, Roy, John and Gayle, Kevin, Jocelynn, Karen, Kelly, Glenda, Martha, Debbie, Susan, Larry, Mark, Kelly, Kyle, Linda, Leon, DeLayne, Sherry and Ed, Alex, Janet, Griffin, Grayson, Patty, Helen, Jan, Claire, Jennifer, Cheryl, Sam, Levi, David, and for our men and women serving in the Armed Forces at home and abroad, Brad, Lucas, Annie, Justin, Brian, Joseph, Caleb, Ed, Brian, Sean, Brett and Thia.

**We pray for all who have died,** that they may have a place in your eternal Kingdom.

**For the diocesan cycle of prayer:** Ascension in Houston, Christ the King (Alief) in Houston, and Emmanuel in Houston.

### This Sunday's Schedule:

- **8:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist** (Outdoors in the courtyard). Masks required and distancing required.
- **9:45 a.m. Timothy's Troop** (via Zoom)
- **10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist** (Indoors and Live Streamed). Indoors in the Nave. Masks required and distancing required. This service is also available live on-line starting about 10:25 AM. Or, you can view it as a recording any time after the service. You can find everything you need at <http://www.stimothy.org/web-based-worship.html>
- **11:30 a.m.** Virtual Coffee Hour

**Be Part of Christmas Music at St. Timothy's** - Christmas at St. Timothy's will look a bit different this year, but we have an opportunity to make some ensemble music together again. We plan to feature our lovely collection of handbells!

You are encouraged to participate, even if you have never played handbells before. It can be a lot of fun! Yes, there is some skill involved, but you should be able to pick it up pretty quickly if you sing or play another instrument. Plus, it's great for building (or re-gaining!) your music-reading skills.

[View the details.](#) Contact Ben May to sign up or ask questions.

**Wanted: Search Committee Volunteers** - I would like to ask that you pray, and then submit names of who you recommend for the search committee to me. Please contact me with any questions.

*Susan Laver, Senior Warden*

[Click here](#) to read the characteristics for a Search Committee member.

**Living Nativity Drive-thru, Saturday, December 12<sup>th</sup>, 6-8 PM** – Angels and Shepherds are still needed. Call the office or Sandra Weir.

**Organ recital, November 22, 4:00 p.m.** - Please join us for an organ recital featuring Collin Boothby. As the Organist/Choirmaster at Trinity Episcopal Church in Midtown Houston, TX, Collin provides all the organ music for weekly worship services as well as directs the semi-professional choral ensemble. He recently completed a Master of Music Degree in Organ Performance at the Shepherd School of Music at Rice University. [Read more.](#)

As usual, we will adhere to safety guidelines such as distanced seating and masks.

**Christmas Food Drive** - St. Timothy's is again partnering with The Food Basket to provide a special Christmas food box. St. Timothy's has committed to provide 140 each of:

- 4lb bags of sugar
- Cans of fruit pie filling (any fruit)

Please place these items in the big red buckets in the hallway any time, or at the organ recital. **We need this by December 6<sup>th</sup>.**

As usual, The Food Basket is happy to accept any other healthy shelf stable foods and personal hygiene items you wish to donate. Their current needs are:

- small 8oz bottles of water for kids
- snack peanut butter crackers for kids
- canned corn
- canned spaghetti sauce (avoid glass jars)
- spaghetti 1 or 2 lbs.
- feminine hygiene products

Thank you for helping our neighbors celebrate our Lord's birth with a healthy enjoyable meal!

**Pastoral Care – Technology Team** – Having trouble connecting to our on-line services or coffee hour? Our Pastoral Care Technology Team is here to help. Many thanks to Alan Essington and Fran Hammond for volunteering!

**Food Basket Holiday Volunteers** – It is that time of year where we become extremely busy. Many people are dealing with COVID circumstances + impending corporate layoffs. In addition, we are preparing to provide holiday food, such as what was generously donated by St. Timothy's. Extra work means we need extra volunteers.

Here are the special holiday events that need volunteers.

- **Tuesday Nov 17 & Saturday Nov 21, 8-10am** - to help with the distribution of extra food for Thanksgiving.
- **Monday December 14, 1-4pm** - Share Your Holidays distribution. Expect more information in next week's Blast.
- **Tuesday Dec 15 & Saturday Dec 19, 8-10am** – extra food distribution for Christmas.

For questions, contact [Sondra Griner](#) or [Lisa Owsley](#). [Read the full letter from Lisa.](#)

**For All The Saints - Adult Formation Class, Mondays, 7:00 PM (Zoom)** - This course, "For all the saints" is being taught by the Rev. Mark Crawford and will cover some of the famous saints and their schools of spirituality. Many documents, letters and histories of these saints have survived to the present day and we'll see how they faced challenges in their lives that are remarkably similar to our own. [Read more.](#)

Each class stands on its own, so you are encouraged to join even if you missed the initial session. [Register!](#) Upon successful registration, you will receive an email with the Zoom meeting details.

**Join us for Timothy's Troop** – This week we continued our study of the Armor or rather Armor of God and learned about the helmet of salvation. Join us on Zoom this Sunday at 9:45 AM.

**Zoom Coffee Hour** - The Sacrament Series will resume this week with Ordination. If you have any photos you'd like to share, please send them to Kerry ahead of time.

Join us on Zoom at 11:30.  
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](#) or [group](#) for our weekday prayer offerings. Available service times are:

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

**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>  
**Amazon Smile Donations** - Did you know your purchases can make a difference? Amazon Smile donates to St Timothy's Episcopal Church when you do your shopping at [smile.amazon.com/ch/76-0005998](https://smile.amazon.com/ch/76-0005998). There is no added cost to you, and a percent of your purchase price goes to St. Timothy's.

**Did you know that St. Timothy's has an email prayer list?** It is called **St. Timothy's Prayer Partners**, and it's a great way to know who needs prayers, and to request prayers. Joining is easy – send an email to [sttimothysprayerpartners-subscribe@yahoogroups.com](mailto:sttimothysprayerpartners-subscribe@yahoogroups.com), and follow the instructions you get back. Already a member? Any member can send an email to [sttimothysprayerpartners@yahoogroups.com](mailto:sttimothysprayerpartners@yahoogroups.com). If you have any questions, contact Sondra Griner, our group moderator at [sttimothysprayerpartners-owner@yahoogroups.com](mailto:sttimothysprayerpartners-owner@yahoogroups.com).