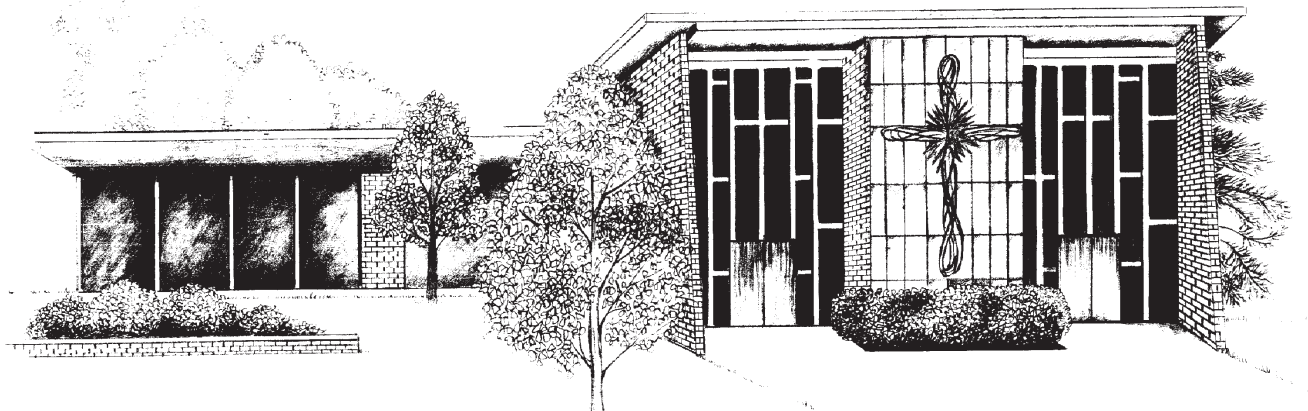


THE CHURCH OF SAINT TIMOTHY

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Jayne O'Donnell, Bobbi Moran, Directors of Religious Education
Justin Gilhooly, Facilities Manager

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

MASS SCHEDULE:

Saturday Morning: 8:00 a.m.
Saturday Vigil: 4:00 p.m.
Sunday: 8:30 and 10:30 a.m.
Monday - Friday: 7:30 a.m.
Holydays: 7:30 a.m.; 12:05 and 5:30 p.m.

RECONCILIATION (Confession):

Saturday: One hour before the Vigil Mass.

BAPTISM:

Sundays: 11:30 a.m. Please arrange in advance.
Preparation for 1st child is held on the first Tuesday of every month from 6:30-7:30 p.m. Please call Anthony Nwankwo at 243-2552.

MARRIAGES:

Please arrange at least six months in advance.

MEETINGS:

C.C.D. PROGRAM:

Four-year-old, Kindergarten and 1st grade - Sunday during the 10:30 a.m. Mass.
Grades 2-5: Monday - 3:45-4:45 p.m.
Grades 6-10: Sundays at 9:30 a.m.

CHOIR REHEARSALS:

Adult Choir - Wednesday, 7:30 - 9:00 p.m.

HOLY HOUR: First Tuesday of the month at 7:00 p.m.

PARISH COUNCIL:

Second Wednesday of the month at 7:30 p.m. in Milligan Hall.

PRAYER REQUESTS:

Call Birdie Delmonico: 233-8867

SCHOOL BOARD:

Last Monday of the month at 7:00 p.m. in Milligan Hall.

WEBSITE: www.sttimothywesthartford.com

Questions? e-mail us at rectory@sttimothywesthartford.com or call Pat Pruitt, 233-5131.

BULLETIN DEADLINE:

All items for the bulletin must be in by 2:00 p.m. on the previous Monday. Copy must be in writing.

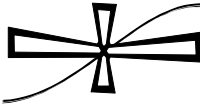
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**Fifth Sunday of Lent
March 9, 2008**



Saturday, March 8
4:00 PM Timothy McGunnigle
Sunday, March 9
8:30 AM Daniel Walsh
10:30 AM Kazimiera Zieba
Monday, March 10
7:30 AM Fr. Chester Bieluch
Wednesday, March 12
7:30 AM George Grosso
Thursday, March 13
7:30 AM Joseph V. Rosetta
Friday, March 14
7:30 AM Helen & Edward Clifford
Saturday, March 15
4:00 PM Loretta & John Matthews
-25th Anniversary
Sunday, March 16
8:30 AM Joseph Tracey
10:30 AM Rosemarie Flis

The Town Wide Penance Service will be held on Tuesday March 11 at 7:30 P.M. at St. Peter Claver Church.

Music for this Fifth Sunday of Lent

Processional: I Am the Bread of Life # 338
Offertory: You Are Mine # 469
Communion: Eat This Bread # 345
Song for Peace: Dona Nobis Pacem # 150
Recessional: There's A Wideness In God's Mercy # 416

Blood Drive

The 2nd Annual Knights of Columbus Blood Drive will be held on Good Friday, March 21st from 9 am to 2 pm. We need as many donors as possible. For appointment times, please call Mike Conway at 523-8725 or e-mail emdconway@comcast.net.

The Women's Auxiliary of The Intensive Education Academy of West Hartford is sponsoring a fundraiser IRISH NIGHT. The date is Tuesday, March 11, 2008 at St. Mark's Parish Center located at 467 South Quaker Lane in West Hartford. The time is from 6:00 PM to 9:00 PM. Donation is \$15.00 for adults and \$7.00 for students, and no charge for children age 6 or under. Please join us for an evening of fun, good company, entertainment, dinner and lots of door prizes. Food will include appetizers, beverages, corned beef sandwiches, home made Irish Bread, and dessert. For ticket reservations, please call Betty McCullagh, 860-521-7941 by March 3, 2008.

ONE CAN A WEEK REMINDER

Our ongoing One Can A Week drive supports the food pantry at Catholic Worker House. Your donations make a real difference and are greatly appreciated.

Deadline for the 50th Anniversary Dinner at Wampanoag Country Club with Special Guest John Mc Donough

Tables are filling up quickly and we will need all dinner selections and the appropriate funds in at the rectory by March 20, 2008 (Holy Thursday).

Reception 6:00: Passed Appetizers, Vegetable Dip Crudites, Cheese & Cracker Display

Dinner 7:00: Entree Choices: Grilled Fillet Mignon, Stuffed Fillet of Sole, Chicken Francaise or Vegetable Napoleon

Dessert/Coffee

Any questions please contact Paul Travers @ (860)523-0042 or paul-travers@sbcglobal.net

In his book, **Catholicism at the Crossroads: How the Laity Can Save the Church**, Professor Paul Lakeland of Fairfield University writes: "The lay-clerical relationship needs to move from one of child/parent to one of equality." Come and gain insight into being an adult within the church. Hear Prof. Lakeland speak at St. Peter Claver Church, West Hartford, on Thursday, March 13, 7:00 p.m. His book is available at local bookstores or over the internet. Co-sponsored by the Greater West Hartford VOTF and the Adult Education Committees of St. Peter Claver, St. Thomas the Apostle and St. Timothy.

The Catholic Graduates Club of Greater Hartford, Inc.

The Catholic Graduates Club of Greater Hartford, Inc. will award two scholarships of \$1000 each to Catholic students who are high school seniors and who plan to attend a four year college in the fall of 2008. The applicant must reside in Hartford County.

Our club has awarded over \$81,000 to 136 scholarship recipients during the past 56 years. Students are chosen on the basis of financial need, scholarship, character, leadership, and achievement.

Information can be obtained by contacting guidance counselors or principals in area high schools. If the local school does not have this information available, it may be obtained by writing to:

The Catholic Graduates Club of Greater Hartford, Scholarship Chairperson, P.O. Box 1501, Hartford, CT 06144-1501

Deadline for submittal of scholarship applications is March 15, 2008.

Mothers' Circle - Easter Egg Hunt

The Mothers' Circle is hosting the annual Easter Egg Hunt on Palm Sunday, March 16th after the 10:30am Mass. Children 10 and under are invited to participate. You can sign your children up after the 4:00pm and 10:30am Masses. We ask for a donation of \$4.00 per child (children under 2 are free). If you have any questions regarding this event, please contact Mary Zeman at 232-1018.

**Offertory Goal: \$ 7,000. Last weekend: \$7,840.12
Flowers: \$295. Thank you for your support!!**

Outreach Committee

Book Drive: Start your spring cleaning early by dusting off and gathering any gently used children's books for the **Church of St. Timothy Children's Book Drive on April 5 and 6.** All books will be given to needy youngsters in Hartford. Details to follow.

The Outreach Committee would like to thank all those who donated Easter Baskets last weekend - we collected 50 in all. They were beautiful and thoughtfully put together. It is through your continued support that we are able to make a difference. Thank You.

Old Palms: As we approach Palm Sunday many will be wondering what to do with their old palms...they are sacramentals, that means that they have been blessed. You can dispose of them by burning or burying them. You can also help us obtain our ashes for next Ash Wednesday by bringing them to the church for us to burn. There will be baskets in the back of the church marked palms from the weekend of February 24 through the weekend of March 9.

Becoming a Catholic: Are you thinking about getting married? Is the person you are intending to spend the rest of your life with united with you on issues of faith? Would you like more information about the process of becoming a Catholic? How can we be of help to you in matters spiritual? For more information, call Pat Piano, Pastoral Associate, at the rectory, 232-8594.

Thoughts about Stewardship & Evangelization: When Jesus asked the Samaritan woman for a drink of water, He opened the door for a life changing relationship with Him. Scripture says her testimony drew many others to Him as well. We, too, must be ready to respond whenever and wherever the Lord speaks to us and to be prepared for it to change our lives.

Eucharistic Ministers: Brief meeting of all Eucharistic Ministers at 9:30 in the Church today.

Lectionary Based Scripture Study: Would you like your Sunday Mass experience enriched? Join us on Monday Mornings at 9:00 A.M. and reflect on God's Word that will be proclaimed. See how your life and the gospels speak to one another.

Holy Week Symbols and Meaning: If you would like to have a deeper understanding of our holy week celebrations join us this Monday, March 10 either at 9:00 A.M. or 7:00 P.M. in Milligan Hall for an overview.

Archbishop Annual Appeal

This weekend marks the start of the 2008 Archbishop's Annual Appeal in our parish. Soon you will receive a letter from Archbishop Mansell asking for your support. Together we can make a difference. Our work as a Church in social services, education, healthcare, and pastoral services is exciting, challenging, and fulfilling. It is work we must do together out of love for one another and for God. Please respond as generously as possible.

From the Desk of our Pastoral Associate

Today is the Fifth Sunday of Lent. Over the past five weeks each liturgy has begun with a communal examination of conscience focusing on a sin that presented itself as particular to that Sunday's gospel message. Each week a band of color was placed on the cross as a reminder of that sin. On the First Sunday we placed a royal blue band representing sins of ingratitude. On the Second Sunday the tan band represented sins of spiritual laziness and neglect. On the Third Sunday the pea green band represented all those times we quench our thirst on anything other than the living waters of God's love and life. Last Sunday the black band represented our blind stubbornness as we refuse to let go of human assumptions and judgments. On this, the Fifth Sunday of Lent, we read of Jesus' raising his beloved friend, Lazarus from the dead. The focus for today is on the sins of death dealing patterns of violence in our lives as well as in our society, of which we are a part. And so, for the Fifth Sunday of Lent we pray:

Prince of Peace,
we acknowledge before you this day
that we ourselves participate in a culture of death and destruction.
we stress our physical bodies with overwork and overindulgence.
we daily exhaust the fragile resources of our earth.
we harden our hearts against the actual reality of war and urban carnage,
even as we brutalize our minds with fictional images of media violence.
we imprison our souls in self-destructive ways,
as we pursue resentment in place of forgiveness,
self-hatred in place of love, cynicism in place of hope.
Yet, as we place this flaming orange band representing our death-dealing patterns of violence on your cross, we affirm our faith that you are the Resurrection and the Life and that, like Lazarus before us, you can deliver us from death and liberate us for lives of grace and freedom. Amen.

It is our hope that taken together, our weekly reflections will have offered each of us an opportunity to reflect on areas in our lives we may not have thought of as places where sin resides, bringing us to a new level of contrition and repentance.

A practice that is time honored in the Catholic Church, the examination of conscience takes many forms: Here is a simple examination of conscience; a review of the day and our response to God and others, that just may be helpful.

- *Begin with a prayer for God's presence and guidance.
- *In quiet, review your day from beginning to the present moment.
- *Think about those people and situations for which you are grateful.
- *Recall those moments of weakness, for which you seek God's healing, forgiveness and release.
- *In the quiet of your heart ask God to change you, do something new in you.
- *Trust that God is indeed reconciling you.
- *Close with an Act of Contrition, found in most books of Catholic Prayers.



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