

What's In a Name?

Every year, on January 1st, our secular society celebrates New Year's Day, while on the same day the Church is celebrating the Feast of the Holy Name, Jesus. As we heard on the Sundays leading up to Christmas, the name Jesus literally means, "God saves." So the name Jesus is lifted up for us on this day, not because the word itself is special, but rather because it is a constant reminder of the promise: God saves.

But I want to talk about a different name: Janus. Janus was the Roman god of beginnings and endings, gates, transitions, time, doorways, and passages. It is thought that our month January gets its name from Janus, and you can see why. When the odometer of the calendar rolls over, it's a beginning, and an ending, and a doorway, and a gate, and so on.

The god Janus is always depicted as having two heads: one facing forward, and one facing backward. Seeing the future, and looking at the past. And how fitting this is for how we view the start of the new year. We look back at the past year, and we also give some thought to how things will be in the new year. And—more often than not—we look back in judgement, and make resolutions about how we will be better. And this is also one of the reasons why so many people feel dispirited at the turn of the calendar: because when they look backwards, they are disappointed in themselves and others. And thanks to the Romans, we have Janus, who is *always* looking backward, always judging. Just the kind of god human beings would make up, when you think about it.

But then we have Jesus, always looking forward. When we confess our sins together, we hear in the Absolution that God forgives all our sins through our Lord, Jesus Christ. ALL our sins. But we still see them, don't we? We still lie awake at night with regrets over something we said to someone in third grade, or whatever. We can see all our mistakes and failures and disappointments clear as day, because just like Janus, we are always looking backward.

But when God looks backward, God sees nothing: all your sins have been erased. They're not there. When God looks back there is nothing but Jesus: God saves. Your sins, your mistakes, your regrets, those are no longer known to God. They are only known to you. God's hindsight sees nothing but goodness and forgiveness and Jesus. Because God saves.

May God give us all the grace to see our lives as God sees them, because of the Holy Name of Jesus: God saves.

Faithfully,

Fr. George



SALUTATIONS FROM THE SENIOR WARDEN

I can't believe it, but St. Timothy's 183rd year has come to an end. I believe 2019 has been banner year for St. Tim's. We have enjoyed so many new and wonderful programs and activities this year here at church. Music, fellowship and outreach have all hit new plateaus. The wonderful people of St. Timothy's never cease to amaze me with your generosity, your thoughtfulness and your kindness in all the activities we undertake. It was very gratifying to hear so many wonderful comments about our church and our people by the hundreds who came through during the Candlelight Walk. This is a truly amazing parish.

It has been my absolute pleasure to serve as your Senior Warden during the past year. While I am sure everyone has a list of things they enjoyed this year and things they thought could be better, the one thing I know for certain is that no Senior Warden in any parish had so many wonderful people to help me do the job. I appreciate all the suggestions and ideas that each of you shared with me this year. While I know there are a lot of things we hoped to accomplish this year and just didn't get done, all in all it was a fabulous year. As we begin the new year and all the exciting things that lie ahead for us, thank you for allowing me to work with you, the best people in any parish in the Diocese. May God bless each and every one of you this year and in the years ahead. Happy New Year.

FELLOWSHIP AND OUTREACH ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS January/February

January 5, 11 AM- Epiphany Tea. The ECW will present our annual Epiphany Tea immediately after the 10 AM service. Please enjoy the fellowship, good food and some tea.

January 5, 4 PM- Lessons and Carols. Our wonderful choir will sing while we enjoy the readings during this very special service.

January 19, 11:30 AM- Annual Parish Meeting and election of new Vestry members. See all that has gone on here over the last 12 months and plans for the next year.

January 26, 11 AM- Saint Timothy Sunday. Celebrate our patron saint with our annual Swiss Steak Dinner in the Parish Hall. No charge, but free will donations will be accepted to offset costs.

January 26, 6 PM- Evensong. Our last Sunday Evensong service will be held on this evening, because it is beautiful and because it is the last Sunday.

February 23, 6 PM- Evensong. Our last Sunday Evensong service will be held on this evening, because it is beautiful and because it is the last Sunday. If that sounds familiar, it is. Be sure to join us.

February 25, 5:30 PM- It's Mardi Gras. Fat Tuesday arrives with all the fun we always have at the annual Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper. It is time to eat and enjoy ourselves before Ash Wednesday.

The Gardens at St. Timothy's

"It is a good day when we get to express our faith by sowing seeds, no?" -Margaret Roach, plantswoman and leading garden writer

St Timothy's is growing, inside and out! And for those of us who love growing things, the new year is the perfect time to dream about the garden. For generations, seeds have been sown (and trees and shrubs and bulbs and annuals!) on the grounds here at St Tim's; as I dream about what could be, I'd like to know what has been. If you've ever planted, planned, trimmed, pruned, or mulched at the church, please keep an eye out for a brief survey coming soon. If you have memories or photos of our grounds from 'back in the day,' your input is needed, too. I'd like to create a log of who has planted what, and where, and move forward planting on your foundation.

Let's then continue sowing seeds in the St Timothy gardens as another expression our faith, and of our Worship, Hospitality, and Outreach. -Cristin Baum

ARE YOU READY TO SERVE?

At the annual meeting on January 19, we are looking for two or more individuals to serve on Vestry. The Vestry meets on the fourth Monday of each month and tackles the business of St. Timothy's. The function of the Vestry is to act on behalf of the parish, always looking to serve our congregants. The term is three years and we are looking for folks who are willing to serve in this capacity and be involved in the direction of St. Timothy's. If you are interested, please let the nominating committee members Grover Buhr, Bob Meyer or Chael Brady know.

Treasurer's Corner November2019

November 2019 Contributions (4) Sundays \$15,007.06

Thank you so very much for your continued support. When your out and about, remember St. Tim's and keep up your pledge. Together we can keep our church a thriving church.

Dave Coltrin, Asst. Treasurer Thank you so much!!!!!!!

The EPIPHANY TEA will be celebrated on Sunday, January 5 after the 10:00 service. Everyone is invited to stay & partake of cakes, finger sandwiches & other goodies provided by your ECW. All are welcome.

Annual Parish Meeting

Annual Parish Meeting will be held in the Parish Hall immediately following the 10:00 AM service on January 19th. We will review the past year at St. Timothy's and look forward to 2020 as well. Lunch will be served.

January 26 is St. Timothy Sunday

Celebrate the patron saint of our church with a Swiss Steak Luncheon in the Parish Hall at approximately 11:30 AM. The food is great and the company is even better. Don't miss it. More information to follow.

Epiphany Lessons and Carols January 5- 4pm

Come join The Choir of St. Timothy's for a festive celebration of the Feast of the Epiphany.

One last chance to sing all your favorite carols as we celebrate the revelation of the Incarnation to the world.

January Birthdays

Holly McCalla 1/1 Jason Smith 1/5 Evan Smith 1/7 Jill Strodtbeck 1/13 James Bower 1/16 David Strodtbeck 1/20 Christine Lane 1/29

January Anniversaries

Matt and Reena Kurian 1/2/78 Dave and Ann Renkert 1/25/69 Catherine Ripich 1/3 Katie Miller 1/5 Brian Fichter 1/8 Jav Bomze 1/15 Patrick Streb 1/16 Olivia Regula 1/23 Jon Silvis 1/30

2 CENTS-A-MEAL

The 2 Cents-a-Meal Program collects your loose change for the purpose of buying food vouchers for the hungry. Look for the money box in the Parish Hall.

We collected \$72.86 in the month of December. Thanks for all your support!

No need to roll the coins.

Pounds of Pennies for People in Need

Congratulations! We are a caring congregation indeed!

Two years ago, Wanda Hann inspired the rekindling of our Two Cents a Meal project. This year, Jeanne Glick was kind enough to take over counting the coins by using the counting machine at her place of employment, Friends and Family Credit Union. (Remember, there's no need to roll your coins—a plastic bag works just fine if you have a handful of pennies.)

Last January I challenged us to gather \$1000 in the penny box in 2019, and we did it! Because of the pennies (and bigger coins, dollars, and checks) we dropped in the box every Sunday, Fr. George was able to assist dozens of people who came to him with food and transportation emergencies throughout 2019.

I think we can do it again! In fact, let's try for \$1100 in 2020! Margy



Jim Jobe 1/3 Doreen Pennington 1/6 Erick McCalla 1/10 Doug Miller 1/16 Maureen Wood 1/18 Marilyn Croasdaile 1/27

Jonathan and Anna Schroeder 1/20/07

Were given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of.....

My parents by Donna Baer Jack Armour by Kristie Baker Ellen Stuhldreher by The Bomze's Mr. and Mrs. W. Laurie Edwards and Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Cornell by The Bomze's Freddie Cornell and Don Cornell by The Bomze's Mr. and Mrs. Edwin S. Rice by Bonnie and Michael Burns Mr. John F. Burns by Bonnie and Michael Burns Steve Smith by Nancy Baker Cazan Her grandparents, Helen and Pete Neidert and Hazel and Earl Schlouch by Nancy Baker Cazan Her parents, Jean and Bob Neidert by Nancy Baker Cazan Mabel (Marker)Cazan Faulk by Nancy Baker Cazan Nancy (Cazan) and Raymond Livery and Richard Livery by Nancy Baker Cazan Barry Busse by Nancy Baker Cazan George Cazan by Nancy Baker Cazan Chris Yeager by Nancy Baker Cazan Daughter-in-law, Kathryn Croasdaile by Marilyn and Dick Croasdaile Mr. and Mrs. Fred Perkins and Jennie Perkins by Sarah H. Douglas Mary S. Harkey by Sarah H. Douglas Beverly Frye by Sarah H. Douglas Dr. and Mrs. J. Mace Harkey by Sarah H. Douglas Herbert C. Douglas by Sarah H. Douglas Dr. and Mrs. Kenworthy M. Hoge, Jr. by Christine Hoge Eckhauser, M. D., Carrie & Ken Husband, Jay Flamm by Carolyn Flamm Parents, Edward and Helen Holschuh by Carolyn Flamm Edward and Claire Holschuh by Carolyn Flamm John and Carol Holschuh by Carolyn Flamm Michael and Helen Isula by Robert and Mary Ann Fulton Robert and Peggy Fulton by Robert and Mary Ann Fulton Carl and Marie Wertz by Lawrence and Wanda Hann George and Burdella Hann by Lawrence and Wanda Hann Mr. and Mrs. Robert T. Hise by Caroline Hoge Dr. and Mrs. Kenworthy M. Hoge, Jr. by Caroline Hoge James McComas by Jim and Nancy Jobe Betty Jobe by Jim and Nancy Jobe Ruth Cleaver by Jim and Nancy Jobe Delmar and Arlene Jarvis and John and June Scott by Keith and Betty Jarvis Mr. and Mrs. David A. Atwater and Mr. and Mrs. Ben W. Schrader by Nancy Kerr. Mr. and Mrs. N. Preston Kerr by Nancy A. Kerr Braden Ehmer by Ehmer and Kester Family Ken Kester by Gerry Kester Horace and Mary Wertz by Bob and Mary Lou Long Harold and Dorothy Young by Bob and Mary Lou Long Raymond and Evelyn Long by Bob and Mary Lou Long Oliver Mazzaferri by Bronwyn and Marianne Dr. and Mrs. Kenworthy M. Hoge, Jr. by Muffy and Will Miller Mike O'Donnell and Cindy Breig by Sue O'Donnell Their son and brother, Mark by The Pennington Family Their husband and father, Carl by The Pennington Family Gisela Postlethwait by Floyd Postlethwait

His brother, James Schroeder by Ellin and Bob Schroeder Her father, Ralph E. Oberlin, Jr. by Ellin and Bob Schroeder His parents, Ted and Evelyn Schroeder by Ellin and Bob Schroeder Macel D. and Thomas R. Schumacher by Greg Schumacher Rick Sherer by MaryAnn Sherer The Richard Sherer Family by MaryAnn Sherer The Jay Wilson Family by MaryAnn Sherer Her husband, Joseph by Anne Smith Violet Clark by Carol Smith Mildred and "Pic" Barwick by Carol Smith and sons Stephen Smith by Carol Smith and sons June and Burtney Smith by Carol Smith and sons Our Sisler and Miller Relatives by Carol Smith and sons F. Jeanne Miller by Patsy and Barb Cindy Reese by Pat Cindy Ross by Pat Their grandparents, Paul and Nancy Streb by Patrick, Katie, Mike and Julie Streb My brother, Stephen Smith by Christine Streb Their grandparents, Burtney and June Smith by Patrick, Katie, Mike and Julie Streb His parents, Paul and Nancy Streb by Christine and Michael Streb Her parents, Burtney and June Smith by Christine and Michael Streb John and Mildred Wigginton by David and Judy Wigginton Jack and Virginia Roesch by David and Judy Wigginton

Were given to the Glory of God and in memory of.....

Loved Ones by Caroline Hoge Floyd and Katherine Postlethwait by Floyd Postlethwait Leola Pittman by Ellin and Bob Schroeder Gladys and John Dittmer by Lisa Smith

Were given to the Glory of God and in thanksgiving for..... Andrew, Levi, and our Small But Mighty Choir by Fr. George and Cristin Baum The People of St. Timothy's Church by Fr. George and Cristin Baum Wonderful family and friends by Bonnie and Michael Burns The St. Timothy Family by Nancy Baker Cazan Family by Carolyn Flamm A loving family by Lawrence and Wanda Hann Our families and friends by Keith and Betty Jarvis Janice Mazzaferri by Bronwyn and Marianne This beautiful season by Larry and Barb Muschat Their beautiful granddaughters, Madeline and Blakely Schroeder by Ellin and Bob Schroeder Wonderful friends and family by Anne Smith Maeghan, Danielle, Aleigha, Quintin, Aria, Brynleigh by Lisa Smith Wonderful family and friends by David and Judy Wigginton

Were given to the Glory of God and as a family memorial.....

Bower Family by Jim and Donna Bower Ripich Family by Jim and Donna Bower F. Jeanne Miller by The Family By Doug and Fran Miller The Schumacher Family by Greg Schumacher

In Jesus' Name...... By Malinda Goss

PATRONS OF THE PARISH



James Duncan, Founder of Massillon

A New Hampshire orphan, young James Duncan ran away to the sea to escape the domineering aunt who was raising him. At the age of twenty-four, he abandoned his seafaring career when the War of 1812 stagnated merchant shipping. Three years later he arrived in Kendal (now part of northeast Massillon), purchasing land known as Estramadura, south of the village along the Tuscarawas River. (Massillon Cemetery now occupies part of that land.) Using water power generated by Sippo Creek, he constructed a flour mill, a woolen mill, a sawmill, and a tannery. When wheat prices dropped in the aftermath of the war, he opened a distillery to transform wheat into a better profit. Seeking higher prices, he launched a flatboat filled with his produce on the Tuscarawas headed for New Orleans, but he

sold both boat and cargo in Cincinnati and walked home.

He successfully lobbied to have the state road straightened to pass his mills instead of curving north through Kendal. And he cemented Massillon's future, when he influenced the canal commission to route the Ohio and Erie Canal through his property on the east bank of the river. Duncan signed the canal contracts and recorded the town of Massillon in 1826. He had the foresight to design three blocks of green space in the center of his town.

In 1827 James Duncan provided Massillon's first school building; five years later he and two associates set aside one square of newly acquired property "for literary purposes." Longfellow was the fourth school to stand on that land (now the site of Massillon Salvation Army).Duncan founded Massillon Iron Company in 1832, the inception of Massillon's iron and steel industry. He soon was president of the new Massillon Rolling Mill, and he helped establish the community's first financial institution, The Bank of Massillon, serving as its first president.

Historian Robert Folger described James Duncan as a man of "indomitable energy which never knew restraint." He said that Mr. Duncan "sought money as a means and not as an end," adding that he was "liberal and generous to a fault and a spender as well as a promoter."Duncan built his home on the Main Street (now Lincoln Way) facing west overlooking his town. We know that building today, with a significant addition, as Massillon Public Library. The first Episcopal service in Massillon, the wedding of Duncan's niece, took place in the Duncan home in 1832, officiated by The Rev. Intrepid Morse of Steubenville. Duncan designated Lot Number Four for St. Timothy's Church when he platted the town. He was one of the signers of the Articles of Incorporation in 1836 and served on the first vestry.

The financial panic of 1837, which stalled construction of the church building, was the financial ruin of the town's leading entrepreneur. He filed bankruptcy and moved in 1846 to the Lake Superior region, where he helped found the iron industry in that area. James Duncan is buried in Graceland Cemetery in Chicago, but the nearly illegible and broken headstone of his eleven-year-old son, James, can be found in the St. Timothy's lot at Massillon Cemetery.

Flower and Candle Memorials - January 2020

<u>January 5</u>

The Chancel Flowers were given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Elizabeth Chapin Greer by the family of Dean and Jane Lauritzen.

The Chapel Flowers were given by Nancy Kerr to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Mr. and Mrs. Ben Schrader and Mr. and Mrs. David Atwater.

The Sanctuary Candle was given to the Glory of God and in celebration of the birthdays of Evan and Jason Smith by Anne Smith.

The Eucharistic Candles were given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of my wife Beverly G. Hess. **The Five Branch Candles** were given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Stephen G. Smith by Carol, Charles and Matthew Smith.

January 12

The Chancel Flowers: OPEN

The Chapel Flowers were given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of our son, Robert M. Hess, III by his mother and father.

The Niches were given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Oliver Mazzaferri by his wife Janice Mazzaferri.

The Sanctuary Candle was given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Duffy Eisenbrie by The Lewis and Hartman Families.

The Eucharistic Candles were given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of my wife Beverly G. Hess. **The Five Branch Candles** were given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Stephen G. Smith by Carol, Charles and Matthew Smith.

<u>January 19</u>

The Chancel Flowers were given by Nancy BakerCazan and Kristie and Kyle Baker to the Glory of God and in loving memory of George Cazan.

The Chapel Flowers were given to the Glory of God and in celebration and honor of Betsy Jo and Terry Conner's 35th wedding anniversary.

The Niches were given by Nancy BakerCazan and Kristie and Kyle Baker to the Glory of God and in loving memory of George Cazan.

The Sanctuary Candle was given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Betsy Jo Conner's wedding anniversary by her loving husband Terry Conner.

The Eucharistic Candles were given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of my wife Beverly G. Hess. **The Five Branch Candles** were given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Stephen G. Smith by Carol, Charles and Matthew Smith.

January 26

The Chancel Flowers were given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of our son, Robert M. Hess, III. **The Chapel Flowers** were given to the Glory of God and in celebration of the birthday's of Jon and Brad Silvis by Wendy Silvis.

The Niches were given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of my mother, Peggy Prentiss and sister Nancy Roberts and in celebration of my daughter, Kathleen Lauber's birthday by Ginger Sorg.

The Sanctuary Candle was given to the Glory of God and in celebration of the birthday's of Jon and Brad Silvis by Wendy Silvis.

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St. Timothy's Misson Statement

The Mission of St. Timothy's Episcopal Church is to spread the Gospel through Liturgical Worship, welcoming hospitality, and community outreach.