

### The Most Wonderful Time of the . . . what was I saying?

Of all the months of the year, this is the one where you most likely have too much going on to keep track of what you were intending to do next. I don't have to tell you that there a million things going on this month, even without adding church stuff to the mix.

But church stuff is the reason for the season, as they say. Well, actually nobody ever says that. But it is true. The whole reason that you don't have enough time this month is because there's a big church event happening on the 25<sup>th</sup> of December, and everybody and every charity and every retailer wants to get in on the action.

Throw into it all the unpredictability of family relationships, and tax planning, and Fr. George telling you every day that it's not yet Christmas, and it's enough to send you around the bend, right?

So, here's the thing: The stuff at church this month is supposed to serve as a respite to all that other stuff. This month we have carved out times when you don't have to do anything but listen, in the form of six free concerts (three on Wednesdays, plus three others). And the other times of respite and refreshment are the 16 worship services this month. There's plenty going on in your life this month, and I hope you find yourself able to just stop for an hour now and then and join us for music and worship and fellowship.

Above all, remember that you are loved, and a valued member of this church community!

Fr. George

### **Christmas Eve Services**

6:30pm Family Service with Children's Sermon and Holy Communion 10:00pm Candlelight Service with Choir, incense, and Holy Communion

**Christmas Day Service** 

10:00am Rite II with Holy Communion



# SALUTATIONS FROM THE SENIOR WARDEN

As we roll toward the end of the calendar year, we celebrate two major holidays that are both secular and religious. Thanksgiving at the end of November allows us to take pause and embrace all that we are thankful for. This holiday is followed by Christmas, less than four weeks later. Many of us are thankful for family and friends, good times and better times, and sometimes insignificant events that have a huge impact on us. We celebrate by overeating on Thanksgiving, all the while saying we shouldn't be doing that but enjoying every minute of it. We enjoy Christmas by celebrating the birth of Christ and exchanging gifts with those we love and delighting in the sights and sounds of the season. All of these are important in our everyday lives.

Also important in our lives is to remember and celebrate those who have come before us as well as those who have had a significant impact in our lives. In the Parish Hall are plaques that celebrate just that sentiment. On those plaques are the names of dear ones who have paved the way for our happiness and those who have taught us the important things in life that make a difference. At this time of year, it seems appropriate for us to reflect on those individuals and remember them in a small, but significant, way by adding the names of those difference makers to these plaques. For only \$25, a name can be added and remembered for all time. It gives us the the opportunity to celebrate these unique people all year. Please take a minute and look at those names and then reflect on one or two people who have made a difference to us and add their names to this important list. Isn't remembering and celebrating what this time of year is all about? Merry Christmas Saint Timothy's.

# FELLOWSHIP AND OUTREACH ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS December/January

During December, we have many Outreach programs in which to participate. We are helping many families enjoy a Christmas they might not otherwise have through our Christmas Outreach program. Details are on the big bulletin board in the Parish Hall. Our scarf and mitten tree is up to gather hats, scarves and gloves for children.

December 4, 12:00 PM- First Wednesday Brownbag Concert . Organ concert by **Matthew Dion.** Free and open to the public, worship service to follow at 12:30.

December 8, 5:00 PM- **Massillon Candlelight Walk**. A truly exciting evening in Massillon visiting our great churches, ending at St. Mary's Catholic Church.

December 11, 12:00 PM- Second Wednesday Brownbag Concert, a vocal concert featuring **Heidi and Barbara Swinford**. Worship service to follow at 12:30.

December 13, 7:00 PM- Christmas concert featuring the **Sonnenberg Station Men's Choir**. No admission but free will donations are accepted.

December 15, 11:15 AM- Celebrate the 10th anniversary of **Father George's ordination** with a reception in the Parish Hall after the 10 AM service.

December 15, 3:00 PM- **Don Irwin Concert**. Mr. Irwin is a Steinway Artist who will work his magic on our piano. Free admission, free will donations accepted.

December 18, 12:00 PM- Third Wednesday Brownbag Concert. Organ concert featuring **Diego De La Fuente Duran**. Free and open to the public. Worship service to follow at 12:30.

December 21, 3:30 PM- A Chorus For a Cause Christmas Concert. Returning once again to perform in front of a standing room only crowd. No admission, free will donations accepted.

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.

### The Change Challenge

Pennies (and quarters, checks, and paper money) are stacking up successfully as we try to make our \$1000 challenge by the end of 2019. We're on track to make the mark! Thanks to everyone who contributes to the penny box on Sunday mornings. And thanks to Friends and Family Credit Union for allowing us free use of its mechanical counter so we don't need to roll the coins. Margy Vogt



### 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 \$70.51. in the month of November. Thanks for all your support.

No need to roll the coins.

### SUNDAY SNACKS

After the 10am Service, we invite everyone to the parish hall for coffee and snacks. While Ron kindly makes the coffee each week, those snacks don't make themselves. If you're interested in providing something on occasion, please sign up on the sheet in the parish hall. You'll be glad you did. (And so will we!)

#### Donut Sunday Choir/Fellowship Fundraiser

We will be having "Donut Sunday" the first Sunday of the month. \$1.00 a donut. The proceeds are going to the choir / fellowship fund.

#### PRAYER CHAIN

Carol Smith is the leader of St. Timothy's Prayer Chain. She can be reached at 330-854-2534 or by email at maplehillfarm@sssnet.com. Please submit any names for the Prayer Chain to Carol. If you would like to join this ministry talk to Carol. There can never be too many people praying!

### <u>Treasurer's Corner</u> <u>October 2019</u>

#### **October 2019 Contributions**

(4) Sundays

\$18,255.00

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

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

### AS OF JANUARY 2020 THE MEMORIAL FLOWER/CANDLES ARE GOING UP IN PRICE!!!!

Chancel \$55.00 Chapel \$40.00 Niches \$35.00 Eucharist Candles \$20.00 - for the month Five Branch Candles \$30.00 - for the month Sanctuary Candle - \$5.00



### STEWARDSHIP

A very special thank you goes out to all the people who helped with this year's Stewardship campaign; the scores of wonderful people who pledged their support for St. Timothy's for 2020, all the volunteers who helped get the word out of all the demands on the finances of St. Timothy's, the Vestry who diligently reminded everyone of the

need for their support and Debbie Williams, Candy Dickerhoof, Jeanne Glick and Dave Coltrin who kept track of our progress. Your generosity and support is deeply appreciated. Thank you very much.

The Stewardship Committee



December Birthdays Nancy Jobe 12/5 Sarah Douglas 12/11 Corey Culler 12/16 Dana Ehmer 12/19 Robert Long 12/25 Robert Schroeder 12/27 Lillian Baum 12/30



and Birthdays

Debbie Coltrin 12/6 Jack Williamson 12/11 Holli Moore 12/19 Carla Moore 12/20 Brendan Moore 12/25 Blakely Schroeder 12/28



Paul Doxsee 12/7 Kristie Baker 12/16 Paul Kaboth 12/19 Liz Susor 12/22 Diane Mizer 12/27 Donna Baer 12/28

<u>December Anniversaries</u> Jay and Laurie Bomze 12/16/89

Steve and Susan Merrill 12/17/77

# **Epiphany Lessons**

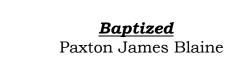
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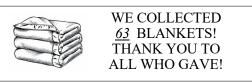
# 3pm, Sunday, January 5th

The Choirs of St. Paul's and St. Mark's in Canton will 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.







Don't forget to pick your offering envelopes up in the parish hall.



# Advent/Christmas/Epiphany Worship Schedule



Sunday, Dec. 9	8am and 10am Holy Communion
Weds, Dec. 11	12:00 pm Lunch Concert,
	12:30pm Holy Communion
Sunday, Dec. 15	8am and 10am Holy Communion
Weds, Dec. 18	12:00pm Lunch Concert, 12:30pm Holy Communion
Sunday, Dec. 22	8am and 10am Holy Communion
Tuesday, Dec. 24	6:30pm Family Service with Holy Communion
	10:00pm Candlelight Service with Holy Communion
Wednesday, Dec. 25	10:00am Holy Communion
Sunday, Dec. 29	8am and 10am Holy Communion
Wednesday, Jan. 1	12:30 Holy Communion
Sunday, Jan. 5	8am and 10am Holy Communion
	3:00pm Epiphany Lessons and Carols

### CHRISTMAS AT ST. TIMOTHY'S

Holy Ebenezer Scrooge. No Bah Humbug here. There are a lot of activities planned at St. Tim's this Christmas season. Here is the list:

December 8, 5:00 PM- Massillon Candlelight Walk. A truly exciting evening in Massillon visiting our great churches. December 11, 12:00 PM- Second Wednesday Brownbag Concert, fea-

turing Heidi and Barbara Swinford. Worship service to follow.

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These should certainly put everyone in the Christmas spirit, even Ebenezer himself.



### Christmas Outreach

St. Timothy's is privileged to again participate with the Salvation Army and has adopted five needy families with a total of 11 children for this year's Christmas Outreach. Please check the "Christmas Outreach Area" in the parish hall for the children's gift wishes and suggestions for adult gifts and stocking stuffers. Non perishable food items for Christmas dinner, Stockings and stocking stuffers and cash contributions are also welcome. <u>ALL CHRISTMAS OUTREACH GIFTS ARE DUE BY DECEMBER 17. THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROUS DONATIONS.</u>

### Outreach Christmas Tree

We are collecting hats, scarves, mittens and gloves to decorate our Outreach Christmas Tree in the Parish Hall. These items will be donated to the Salvation Army

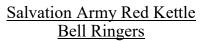


just in time for Christmas, please bring them in between December 1 - December 15. Thank you for your support.



<u>Memorial Poinsettias</u> for the Christmas Services can be ordered through December 22nd. The price will be \$9.00 per plant. When filling out the order forms please put only one order per form. You can pick up extra order

forms in the Parish Hall. If you are unable to pick one up please feel free to give Candy a call in the church office (833-3183) and she will be glad to send one out to you. Any questions can be directed to Judy Wigginton 330-854-3168.



We will be ringing the bell for the Salvation Army again this year. It will be at Giant Eagle,



Massillon from 4:00 to 8:00 p.m. WEDNES-DAY, December 11. There is a sign-up sheet on the Outreach board in the Parish Hall.





# Flower and Candle Memorials - December 2019

December 1

**The Chancel Flowers** were given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Caitlin Bradford Fellows by her grandmother, Jane Lauritzen and parents, Steven and Kristine Fellows.

**The Chapel Flowers** were given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Scott Adams Lauritzen by the family of Dean G. Lauritzen.

The Sanctuary Candle was given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Tootie Lewis by the Hartman and Lewis families.

The Eucharistic Candles were given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Robert M. Hess, III by his family.

The Five Branch Candles were given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of my wife, Beverly G. Hess.

**The Advent Candle** was to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Francis S. and Betty D. Clark by Deborah C. Coltrin, William Clark and Mary Tyler.

### December 8

**The Chancel Flowers** were given to the Glory of God and in celebration of Will Boyd's birthday by his parents, Ted and Cricket Boy.

**The Chapel Flowers** were given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Hans Peter Lauritzen by the family of Dean G. Lauritzen.

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

The Eucharistic Candles were given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Robert M. Hess, III by his family.

The Five Branch Candles were given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of my wife, Beverly G. Hess.

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### December 15

**The Chancel Flowers** were given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Betsy Jo Conner's birthday by her loving husband Terry Conner.

**The Chapel Flowers** were given by Mr. and Mrs. Will Miller to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Dr. and Mrs. Kenworthy Hoge.

The Sanctuary Candle was given by Tim and Carla Moore to the Glory of God and as a family memorial.

The Eucharistic Candles were given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Robert M. Hess, III by his family.

**The Five Branch Candles** were given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of my wife, Beverly G. Hess. **The Advent Candle** was to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Francis S. and Betty D. Clark by Deborah

C. Coltrin, William Clark and Mary Tyler.

December 22

The Chancel Flowers were given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Barry Busse by Nancy Cazan.

The Chapel Flowers were given to the Glory off God and in loving memory of Sandy Aegerter by Henry Aegerter.

**The Sanctuary Candle** was given by the Lewis Family to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Ike, Mary (Tootie) and Brin Lewis.

The Eucharistic Candles were given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Robert M. Hess, III by his family.

The Five Branch Candles were given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of my wife, Beverly G. Hess.

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### December 29

The Beautiful Christmas Poinsettias which adore the church were given by many members and friends of St. Timothy's to the Glory of God and also as a memorial to loved ones and in Thanksgiving for special gifts. The Sanctuary Candle was given to the Glory of God and in celebration of the birthday of Blakely Schroeder by Bob and Ellin Schroeder.

The Eucharistic Candles were given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Robert M. Hess, III by his family.

The Five Branch Candles were given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of my wife, Beverly G. Hess.

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### ST. TIMOTHY'S STAFF

Rector: The Rev. George R. Baum Accountant: Mrs. Debbie Williams Organist: Mr. Levi Muriuki Seminarian: Ms. Maureen Wood Administrative Assistant: Mrs. Candy Dickerhoof Sexton: Mr. Ron Johnson Choir Director: Mr. Andrew Bolden

### **VESTRY**

**Term Expiring January 2020** Chael Brady Grover Buhr Bob Meyer

Term Expiring January 2021 Jeanne Glick, Treasurer Connie Keplinger Bob Schroeder, Sr. Warden

Term Expiring January 2022 Terry Conner, Jr. Warden Sarah Emmert Christine Streb, Clerk

### 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.