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**Easter Sunday of
the Resurrection
of the Lord**

**Domingo de
Pascua de la
Resurreccion del
Senior**

April 5, 2026

Masses / Misas

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| Saturday: | English | 5:30pm |
| Sabado: | Espanol | 7:00pm |
| Sunday: | English | 8:30am 10:30am (Live-streamed Mass) |
| Monday, Friday, and Saturday: | English | 8:00am |
| Thursday: | English | 9:00am |
| Tuesday and Wednesday Communion Service: | English | 8:00am |

Click the link below to view a live-stream video of a St. Timothy's Mass.

https://youtube.com/@st.timothycatholicchurch7329?si=_dX5zjs-pD-SSXup

Sacrament of Reconciliation / Reconciliation:

Saturday at 4:30pm and by appointment

All Are Welcome at St. Timothy's



St. Timothy's Services and Events

- 4/3- **Divine Mercy Novena** at 3:00pm
4/12 See page 9 for more information
- 4/4 **Holy Saturday / Easter Vigil** at 6:00pm (Bilingual)
- 4/5 **Easter Sunday** with regular Mass schedule
- 4/6 **Parish Office Closed** Monday for Easter
See page 7 for more information
- 4/6 **Faith Study Group** Monday at 1:00pm in the Hall
- 4/7 **Young Adults Meeting** Tuesday at 7:00pm in the Hall
- 4/8 **Women's Guild "Spring Fling"** Wednesday at 5:30pm (Hall)
See page 8 for more information
- 4/9 **Memoir Legacy** Thursday at 3:00pm in the Church Office
- 4/10 **Eucharistic Adoration** Friday after 8:00am Mass
- 4/12 **Hour of Great Mercy Service & Potluck** Sunday at 3:00pm
See page 9 for more information



Faith Exposed:
Holy Mass, St. Peter's Square
Pope Francis on John 20:1-9
April 20, 2025

Mary Magdalene, seeing that the stone of the tomb had been rolled away, ran to tell Peter and John. After receiving the shocking news, the two disciples also went out and - as the Gospel says - "the two were running together" (Jn 20:4). The main figures of the Easter narratives all ran! On the one hand "running" could express the concern that the Lord's body had been taken away; but, on the other hand, the haste of Mary Magdalene, Peter and John expresses the desire, the yearning of the heart, the inner attitude of those who set out to search for Jesus. He, in fact, has risen from the dead and therefore is no longer in the tomb. We must look for him elsewhere.

This is the message of Easter: we must look for him elsewhere. Christ is risen, he is alive! He is no longer a prisoner of death, he is no longer wrapped in the shroud, and therefore we cannot confine him to a fairy tale, we cannot make him a hero of the ancient world, or think of him as a statue in a museum! On the contrary, we must look for him and this is why we cannot remain stationary. We must take action, set out to look for him: look for him in life, look for him in the faces of our brothers and sisters, look for him in everyday business, look for him everywhere except in the tomb.

We must look for him without ceasing. Because if he has risen from the dead, then he is present everywhere, he dwells among us, he hides himself and reveals himself even today in the sisters and brothers we meet along the way, in the most ordinary and unpredictable situations of our lives. He is alive and is with us always, shedding the tears of those who suffer and adding to the beauty of life through the small acts of love carried out by each of us.

For this reason, our Easter faith, which opens us to the encounter with the risen Lord and prepares us to welcome him into our lives, is anything but a complacent settling into some sort of "religious reassurance." On the contrary, Easter spurs us to action, to run like Mary Magdalene and the disciples; it invites us to have eyes that can

“see beyond,” to perceive Jesus, the one who lives, as the God who reveals himself and makes himself present even today, who speaks to us, goes before us, surprises us. Like Mary Magdalene, every day we can experience losing the Lord, but every day we can also run to look for him again, with the certainty that he will allow himself to be found and will fill us with the light of his resurrection.

This is the greatest hope of our life: we can live this poor, fragile and wounded existence clinging to Christ, because he has conquered death, he conquers our darkness and he will conquer the shadow of the world, to make us live with him in joy, forever. This is the goal towards which we press on, as the Apostle Paul says, forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead (cf. Phil 3:12-14). Like Mary Magdalene, Peter and John, we haste to meet Christ.

Easter invites us to renew the gift of hope within us, to surrender our sufferings and our concerns to hope, to share it with those whom we meet along our journey and to entrust to hope the future of our lives and the destiny of the human family. And so we cannot settle for the fleeting things of this world or give in to sadness; we must run, filled with joy. Let us run towards Jesus, and rediscover the inestimable grace of being his friends. Let his Word shine in our life.

“Lord, on this feast day we ask you for this gift: that we too may be made new, so as to experience this eternal newness. Cleanse us, O God, from the sad dust of habit, tiredness and indifference; give us the joy of waking every morning with wonder, with eyes ready to see the new colors of this morning, unique and unlike any other. [...] Everything is new, Lord, and nothing is the same, nothing is old” (A. Azrri, Quasi una preghiera).

Sisters, brothers, in the wonder of the Easter faith, carrying in our hearts every expectation of peace and liberation, we can say: with You, O Lord, everything is new. With you, everything begins again.

Dear Sisters and Brothers,
Let us pray for the inspiration to run and seek out the Risen Christ, wherever He may be. No longer in the tomb, we will find Him in our family, friends, and strangers we encounter everyday. He is risen.
In Christ, Fr. Gabriel





How to Pray the **Lord's Prayer** from the **Heart**



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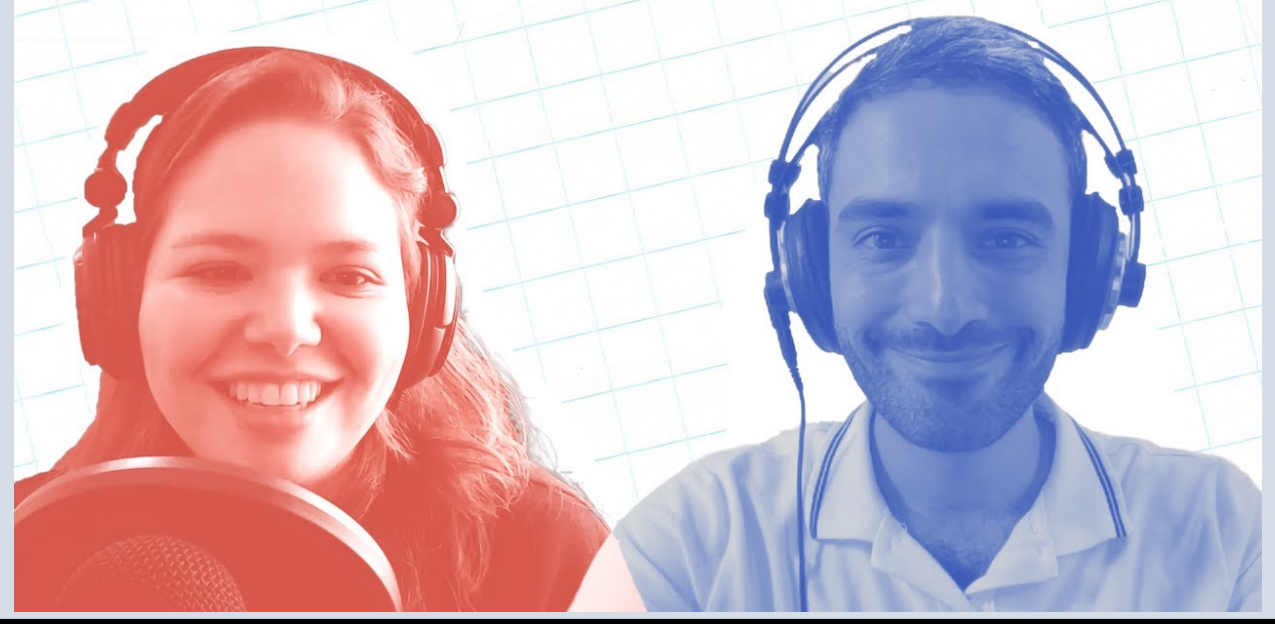
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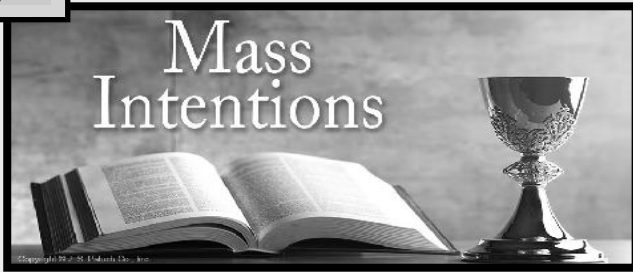
Let the words of the Lord's Prayer fill your heart, mind, and soul as you grow closer to God as Our Father.

Click on the picture above to see the video in English.

Click on the picture below to listen to the podcast in Spanish.

El Combate de la Oración





St. Timothy's Catholic Church
Mass Intentions

Holy Saturday, April 4, 2026 at 6:00pm

St. Timothy Parishioners

Easter Sunday, April 5, 2026 at 8:30am

St. Timothy Parishioners

Easter Sunday, Apr. 5, 2026 at 10:30am

St. Timothy Parishioners

Monday, April 6, 2026 at 8:00am

+ Marilyn Stevens

Tuesday, April 7, 2026 at 8:00am

Communion Service

Wednesday, April 8, 2026 at 8:00am

Communion Service

Thursday, April 9, 2026 at 9:00am

+ Raquel May Bermudez

Friday, April 10, 2026 at 8:00am

Manolo S. Bermudez

Saturday, April 11, 2026 at 8:00am

All Mass Intentions are \$10 per Mass.

Please call the office to request a Mass Intention.

To add a person to our prayer list: A member of the immediate family may request a person's name be added.



Prayer Requests

Fr. Alphonsus Afina

Meredith Bates

Joan Behrick

Emma Suitisang Bermudez

Rina Bermudez

Debra Gardner

Catherine Grace

Charlotte Koss

Michael R. Law

Fernando Macias

Lourdes Magallanes

Aldo Mauro

Edgar Perez

Benjamin Ramage

Tom and Maria Sears

Stephanie Seely

Jean Smith

Rick Smith

Emily Sozinho

Annie Rohrbach-Walker

Our Extended Family at:

Bayside Care Center

Casa de Flores

Garden House



Holy Week Schedule

- Holy Saturday: Easter Vigil on April 4th at 6:00pm (Bilingual)
- Easter Sunday: April 5th with regular Mass schedule

Parish Office Closed:

- * April 2nd (Holy Thursday) - Office closes at 12:00pm
- * April 3rd (Good Friday) - Office closed
- * April 6th (Easter Monday) - Office closed

Let us go forward
with the joy of
Jesus' Resurrection,
knowing He is always
by our side!

Pope Francis



young-catholics.com

The Young Adults Group

April meeting dates are Tuesday, April 7th and Tuesday, April 14th
at 7:00pm in the Hall.

**Women's Guild April Evening
"Spring Fling"
April 8, 2026
5:30pm in the Parish Hall**

Please bring a \$10 or less wrapped gift for exchange. A garden theme or a white elephant would be wonderful. There will also be a raffle for a black Kate Spade satchel purse.

Dinner, consisting of heavy appetizers and dessert, will be provided by the WG Board.

Bring a friend.
Let's gather together
for joy and connection!

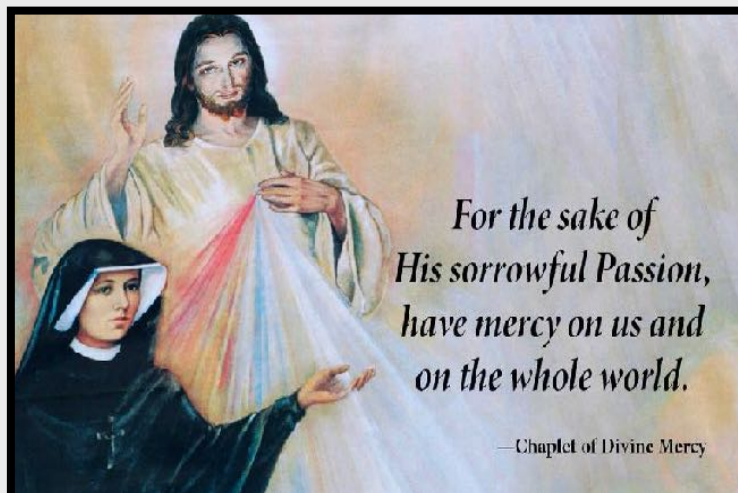


Divine Mercy Novena and Mass

Our Lord is calling us to celebrate His Mercy and to be merciful!!!

Novena : April 3rd-12th with recitation of Novena prayers at 3:00 pm beginning April 3rd

Hour of Great Mercy Service: April 12th
St. Timothy's Parish will celebrate The Divine Mercy with Recitation of The Divine Mercy Chaplet, Adoration and Veneration at 3:00 pm followed by a Potluck. More information to follow.





Easter Sunday

of the Resurrection of the Lord

"Set your minds on things that are above,
not on things that are on earth."

- Colossians 3:2

Do you put God first in all things? Possessions, money, power, and ego can easily become gods to many of us. Do a quick check of what is important to you because of your stewardship. Is God at the very top of the list? If not, your priorities need to be re-adjusted. Don't let earthly things become a god before God. This is also the first commandment - I am the Lord your God, you shall not have any strange gods before me.

Happy Easter! He has risen! Let us welcome Jesus even more into our marriages by participating in a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience on April 10-12, 2026 in Zephyr Point NV; May 1-3, 2026 in San Juan Bautista, CA or July 10-12, 2026 in Danville, CA. Go to wwme.org to find the Experience that is just right for you!



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Click the **Online Giving** Icon, then click on the **Green \$** and you can get started!

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The Pope's Monthly Intentions for 2026:

Each year, the Holy Father asks for our prayers for a specific intention each month. You are invited to answer the Holy Father's request and to join with many people worldwide in praying for this intention each month.

April

For Priests in Crisis

Let us pray for priests going through moments of crisis in their vocation, that they may find the accompaniment they need and that communities may support them with understanding and prayer.

