YOU ARE INVITED TO OUR PARISH LENTEN MISSION

RETURN

Come and experience a return to the cross, a return to prayer, and a return to mercy.

All are welcome.

APRIL 1-3
9AM & 7PM

Details inside.
Since it is Lent...I will forgive you!

Lent, to me, means Living Entirely ‘n Truth. It is a reminder of God’s Truth which is mercy, peace and love. Lent is a time of highlighting prayer, fasting and almsgiving in my personal life while knowing the totality of the Catholic world has joined together during these forty days.

Because I know what truth is...God sent His only Son to suffer, die and resurrect from the dead for me...and for the world...and then, He sent an advocate to be with us always. I pray to keep my relationship with Jesus Christ alive and to remain cognizant of what keeps me away from Him and to give me the strength to fast because fasting is very difficult for me. Prayer helps soften my heart so I can let go of “things”, unhealthy ideas or habits and then; I can practice almsgiving gratefully and quietly.

Lent is a time to acknowledge my bad habits and sinful nature...habits and darkness that keep me from loving our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, with all my heart, soul and mind. Yet, I am grateful for how Jesus still wants me on His side, and always takes me back.

This brings me back to Living Entirely ‘n Truth...which is my goal during Lent. I strive to continue this way of living during the Easter season, Ordinary Time and the remainder of the liturgical year...knowing His Love and Mercy is always available to me, all I have to do is ask. This truth helps me try my hardest to share that mercy with everyone ...and Lord knows it can be very challenging sometimes...and sometimes, it can be very easy. His mercy is what motivates me during Lent, so it becomes my new habit...showing the love and mercy that was shown to me to others.

I can forgive because He forgave me.

Marya Wallace
Director of Children’s Faith Formation

Confessions During Lent

Local Parish Lenten Penance Services are:

- Wednesday, April 3: St. Timothy, Laguna Niguel, 7pm
- Thursday, April 4: Mission San Juan Capistrano, 7pm
- Monday, April 8: St. Edward, Dana Point, 7pm
- Tuesday, April 9: St. Catherine of Siena, Laguna Beach, 7pm
- Wednesday, April 10: Our Lady of Fatima, San Clemente, 7pm
- Thursday, April 11: Corpus Christi, Aliso Viejo, 7pm

Additional date for Confessions at St. Timothy: Saturday, April 13th at 10am

Parent Night: We will be offering a FREE parent session on Sunday, March 31 on technology and pornography from 6-8pm in the Hall, which will be given by Matt Zemanek, our Director of Adult and Youth Faith Formation. All parents are welcome, regardless of the age of your children or their participation in the upcoming Life Night series on the same topic. We want to provide an opportunity for you to be equipped with the language to talk about this issue with your families and the resources to protect them.
“Lent is the time to rediscover the direction of life. Because in life’s journey, as in every journey, what really matters is not to lose sight of the goal... Return to me, says the Lord. To me. The Lord is the goal of our journey in this world. The direction must lead to him.” - Pope Francis, Homily for Ash Wednesday 2019.

We spend so much of our lives looking for more, bigger, better, faster and stronger. We chase after these ideals, and if we eventually achieve them in the form of money, a career, a relationship, an achievement or an experience, the satisfaction never lasts. We chase after things to make us new, transform us, and make us whole, but what if God is calling us to do the opposite? What if, instead of chasing after our own ideas of “perfection”, God is asking us to simply RETURN to Him and become the people He created us to be. The Season of Lent is a season of repentance, and that word “repent” means “to turn.” We are being called to turn away from the things that lead us further away from being the best versions of ourselves. This Lent we invite you to our Parish Lenten Mission on April 1-3pm at 9AM and 7PM, to experience a RETURN:

**April 1st: Return to the Cross.**
9AM: Traditional Stations of the Cross
6PM: Soup Dinner in the Hall
7PM: A talk followed by Living Stations of the Cross

**April 2nd: Return to Prayer.**
9AM: Confessions in the Church and Hospitality in the Hall.
7PM: A talk followed by the Lent Taizé service with Exposition and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament

**April 3rd: Return to Mercy.**
9AM: Continental breakfast and Senior Spirituality with Fr. Rick Byrum
7PM: A talk followed by the parish penance service.

These three days are an opportunity to grow in your relationship with Jesus Christ, but also an opportunity to find a deeper, truer version of yourself. All are welcome!
**Easter Choir**

If you are a singer and would like to participate in the Holy Week Choir we will be having rehearsal on April 4 and April 11 at 7:30 in the church. We will be singing for the Holy Thursday 7pm mass and again for the Easter Vigil at 8pm. If you are able to read music it is a big plus but the most important thing is being willing to pray and lead our parish in sung prayer through the beautiful liturgies of Holy Week. You can email me at cantorbob2772@gmail.com if you are interested in singing with us this year.

**Become a Knight**

St. Timothy Knights of Columbus is having their Recruiting Drive after all the Masses on April 6-7 and 13-14 in the Courtyard - Stop by and say Hello! Since 1882 Knights have been leaders in charity and Catholic fraternity. Becoming a Knight will change your life and the life of your family. For questions or additional information contact either Terry Antonius, 280-7707 ter-ryantonius@sbcglobal.net or John Wolter, 495-4057 jwolter10@outlook.com.

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**Join us for a very special evening at St. Timothy Church for**

**Taizé Prayer**

Music provided by Bob De Carlo, Lauren McCaul and their Taizé Musical Ensemble.

**Tuesday, April 2, 2019**

7:00 pm - 8:00 pm

The Taizé Prayer Service is a peaceful, meditative, candle-lit service that centers around music, prayer, and silence in order to quiet the mind, open the heart, and feed the soul. It provides a time of quiet and solitude in the presence of God. A few words sung over and over again reinforce the meditative quality of prayer.

Join us and see why so many people are so impressed with this restful and beautiful prayer service.

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**Our World Famous Fish Dinner is BACK for this Lent... and it is better than ever!**

**Your choice of top quality:**
- Baked or Fried Tender Fish
- Fish Tacos
- Homemade Tartar Sauce & Cole Slaw
- Fresh Potato Chips

**Mar. 8th, Mar. 22nd, Mar. 29nd, Apr. 5th, Apr. 12th 5:30 to 7:30 (before Stations of the Cross).**

Tickets are for sale after each weekend Mass.

**Served in the Parish Hall!**
- Pre-sale: Adults $10, Family of four $25
- with each additional child $5 (Child under 12 years).
- Day of Event: Adults $12.50, Children $6.50.

We now accept credit and debit cards. Wine and Beer available for purchase.

“Net Proceeds Go to the Charities We Support”

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**Easter Lily Sale**

**Celebrate the Miracle of the Risen Lord with Beauty**

The Knights of Columbus will be selling fresh Easter Lilies after all Masses on April 6, 7 and April 13, 14, 2019.

Limited quantities: First come, first served.

All Proceeds will go to the Intellectually Disabled & Camp Recreation
CHECK OUT WHAT IS COMING UP IN YOUTH & YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY!

CONFIRMATION:

**Wednesday, 4/10:** Year 2 Confirmation meeting from 7-9pm in the Hall. *All Remaining Requirements Are Due!*

**Wednesday, 4/17:** Year 1 Confirmation meeting from 7-9pm in the Hall. *All Remaining Requirements Are Due!*

**Saturday, 4/27:** Year 2 Confirmation Rehearsal, Ritual Mass & Dinner from 4-7pm in the Hall.

**Sunday, 4/28:** Year 1 Confirmation Ritual Mass at 5pm.

**Saturday, 5/4:** Year 2 Confirmation MASS at 5pm. *Teens and sponsors meet at 4pm in the Hall.*

HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH MINISTRY:

**Sundays 3/31, 4/7 & 4/14:** Join us for a three-part series called “Unspoken” as we break open the Theology of the Body and talk about human dignity and sexuality, especially as it applies to technology, pornography and the hyper-sexualized culture we live in. This series is open to all high schoolers, especially those who desire life-giving relationships and a healthy relationship with technology. We hope to see you there!

**Drop-In is every Thursday from 3-5pm** in the Youth Room and is open to teens in high school. Come get help with homework, play pool or ping pong, eat food or just relax! FOLLOW US ON: INSTAGRAM: @sttimsyouthministry // FACEBOOK: http://facebook.com/sttimsyouthministry // TWITTER & SNAPCHAT: @sttimsym

Steubenville NORCAL Youth Conference from Friday, July 26th – Sunday, July 28th! Steubenville NorCal is one of about 30 different high school youth conferences that are put on by the Franciscan University of Steubenville in Ohio all around the country each Summer. These conferences are weekend retreat experiences with about 2,000 Catholic youth and leaders, which include Mass, adoration, confession, workshops, speakers, music and fellowship. These events are incredibly life-changing and have inspired the faith and vocations of thousands of young people. There are a limited number of spots available, to sign-up early. The event is $300, with a $100 deposit needed when the consent form is turned in. Participants must also participate in fundraising & the balance of $200 is due by Monday, April 1, 2019. For more information: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vSnKvk4Rwsc.

SENIORS!:

Every year, we have a **Senior Mass to honor our graduating Seniors. This year, that Mass is on Sunday, May 19th at 5pm.** You will receive a special blessing, be recognized by the congregation, share what your plans after high school are and receive a special gift from the parish. Please RSVP via e-mail (mzemanek@st-timsrc.org) if you are able to attend, and let us know what your plans after high school are: where you will be working or where you will be attending college and what your major will be. Please invite your families to this special Mass and know that we are praying for you!

YOUNG ADULTS:

THRIVE is every Thursday night from 7:30-9pm and is open to all Young Adults, 18+. Are you looking for a strong, consistent young adult community where you can meet new people and also enter into deeper prayer & learn about your faith? THRIVE is a weekly young adult ministry that seeks to build community and journey through Scripture, discuss our faith, and talk about current events, discussing how they all apply to our everyday faith lives. All are welcome and invited to come build solid relationships with one another in support as we seek to live out our Catholic faith in the world.
Children’s Faith Formation Schedule of Classes

Sun. 3/31 Tiny Tims 9:00 - 10:00 a.m.
   Tiny Tims 11:00 - Noon
Sun. 4/7 Tiny Tims 9:00 - 10:00 a.m.
   Tiny Tims 11:00 - Noon
Tues. 4/9 Elementary 4:00 - 5:15 p.m.
   Elementary 5:45 - 7:00 p.m.
   R.O.C.K. 5:45 - 7:00 p.m.
Wed. 4/10 Elementary 5:00 - 6:15 p.m.
Fri. 4/12 C.L.U.B. 6-7-8 6:30—8:00 p.m.
Sun. 4/14 Tiny Tims 9:00 - 10:00 a.m.
   Tiny Tims 11:00 - Noon
Tues. 4/16 Elementary 4:00 - 5:15 p.m.
   Elementary 5:45 - 7:00 p.m.
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Wed. 4/17 Elementary 5:00 - 6:15 p.m.

Please contact the Faith Formation Office with any questions 949/495-4126

Lent is a wonderful season during our liturgical year to share the concepts of prayer, fasting and almsgiving as a family. Listed are online Lenten resources for the family:

https://catechistsjourney.loyolapress.com/resources/40-ideas-for-40-days/
www.catholicicing.com/lenten-activities-for-children
www.symbaloo.com/mix/catholicsitesforkids
www.catholicfamilyfaith.org/lent
https://catholicmom.com/kids/lenten-activities-for-children/

Who?  This retreat is open to all 6-8th graders (2019-20). It is hosted by Holy Trinity, St. Kilian, and Mission Basilica. All parishes are welcome!
Where?  Drop off and pick will be at Santiago Retreat Center 27912 Baker Canyon Rd. Silverado, CA 92676.
When?  June 19-20, 2019. Wednesday 10:00am-Thursday 12:00pm.
How Much?  $80 includes lodging, food, and t-shirt. Forms & payment are due by May 19th. After this date, it will $100. Registration deadline is June 5th.
How to Register?  There is an Online Registration Form. Contact Marya Wallace for the link and permission forms.

For more information, contact Marya Wallace at mwallace@st-timsrc.org or 949/495-4126.

Guest speaker Cara Morales, Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist and Professional Clinical Counselor, will discuss the habits needed to build a strong relationship house so you can weather the storms well together.

Wednesday, April 10th, 7pm - 8:30pm
Fireside Room
St. Timothy Catholic Church
Childcare Provided, Please RSVP

May your week be filled with good thoughts, kind people and many blessings!
Children’s Faith Formation is joining other Catholic faith communities throughout the state to provide support to uniting children with their incarcerated mother and father. These children are innocent victims who long to see their parents. The Get On The Bus activity drive hopes you are able to donate supplies to make the children’s one day a year visit more enjoyable. Get On The Bus’ greatest need is Board Games which provides bonding opportunities for the children and their parents. The games must be new and some examples are Connect 4, Trouble, Guess Who, Scrabble Jr., Jenga, etc. Any board game that looks like family fun! The program would also benefit from donations of small toys, McDonald’s gift cards and money donations. Collection bins are available in the Faith Formation Office until April 19. Thank you for your generosity to those who bear so many burdens, “I was in prison and you visited me.” Mt. 25:37

For more information, please contact the Faith Formation Office at 495-4126.
**Pastoral Services Appeal Update as of February 28**

**Currently:**
- Our parish share of the overall diocesan goal is $155,000
- 308 households have given a gift/made a pledge (12% of the parish)
- They have given/pledged $228,906
- Once the fair share is paid and sent to the diocese, our parish keeps the rest

**What are we going to do with the money we raise?**
- 10% will be given to a parish in need here in Orange County
- We will re-carpet the church after 20 years of wear and tear
- We will refurbish the pews, adding kneelers to them

**What now?**
- All parishioners are encouraged, invited, and challenged to participate!
- Please fill out the PSA pledge/gift envelope and return it
- Last year there were 540 households that participated; can we get more this year?

Thanks to those who have already given…you encourage all of us to do the same!

**Weekend Mass Intentions**
- **Sunday, April 7**
  - 7:00 a.m.: Father Vincent Pham
  - 9:00 a.m.: Father Bernard Johnson
  - 11:00 a.m.: Benediction/Fr. Vincent Pham
  - 5:00 p.m.: Monsignor John Urell

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CATHOLIC SOCIAL TEACHING
From the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops

THE DIGNITY OF WORK AND THE RIGHTS OF WORKERS. The economy must serve people, not the other way around. Work is more than a way to make a living. It is a form of continuing participation in God’s creation. If the dignity of work is to be protected, then the basic rights of workers must be respected – the right to productive work, to decent and fair wages, to the organization and joining of unions, to private property and to economic initiative.

In 1892 Pope Leo XIII promulgated the first social encyclical, Rerum Novarum. He examined the condition of salaried workers, which was particularly distressing for industrial laborers who languished in inhumane misery during the period known as the Industrial Revolution. Pope Leo rejected socialism as a remedy but urged collaboration instead of class struggle as the fundamental means for social change and defined the rights of the weak, the dignity of the poor and the obligations of the rich. Forty years later, following the grave economic crisis of 1929, Pope Pius XI revisited the theme of social justice in his encyclical, Quadragesimo Anno. Rejecting both Marxist socialism on the one hand and “liberalism,” meaning unlimited competition between economic forces, on the other, his objective was to overcome the conflicts between classes and to arrive at a new social order based on justice and charity.

Where do we stand on these issues today? The plight of unskilled laborers is still very real. A new class referred to as the “working poor” has emerged. As the folks who work in our Pantry and the men and women in our St. Vincent DePaul Society can confirm, even many people with jobs today aren’t paid enough to buy enough food for their families and still pay the rent.

SOLIDARITY. We are one human family whatever our national, racial, ethnic, economic and ideological differences. We are our brothers’ and sisters’ keepers, wherever they may be. Loving our neighbor has global dimensions in a shrinking world. At the core of the virtue of solidarity is the pursuit of justice and peace. The Gospel calls us to be peacemakers. Our love for all our sisters and brothers demands that we promote peace in a world surrounded by violence and conflict.

What about our own beloved country? The Southern Poverty Law Center (www.splcenter.org), a nonprofit organization that fights against hate crimes in the United States, recently reported that there are now 1,020 hate groups currently active in our country, a record number and a 30 percent increase over last year. If anything, racist and anti-Semitic violence seems to be increasing. We must oppose bigotry in all its forms with all our strength and strive to eradicate all traces of bigotry from our own attitudes toward other of God’s children.

Lent is truly a time for an examination of our own conscience to see where God might wish to grow us in our own awareness, acceptance, valuing and love of all of our brothers and sisters. (by Bill Kramer, Life, Justice and Peace)

Help us feed those in need. Just bring donations to the carts outside the church at weekend Masses or to the church office during the week. This week’s wish list:

Tuna, pasta sauce, canned fruit, toilet paper
Chef Boyardee canned meals