October 2019, Life & Dignity Month

October is Life and Dignity Month, a time to remember what we believe, and an invitation to broaden our vision and expand our hearts. We honor and support the dignity of life, in all ages and stages. We treasure and steward all of God’s creation.

We at St. Timothy Church invite you to join us this October, as we pray and act.

September 25-November 3: 40 Days for Life Fall 2019 Campaign to abolish abortion. Pray that women of all ages who are facing an unplanned pregnancy will receive the support they need to welcome new life. Participate in a vigil at the corner of La Paz and Chrisanta in Mission Viejo. St. Timothy is assigned Tuesdays, but feel free to go any time you can. For more information, please see www.40daysforlife.com. On Life and Dignity Sunday October 5/6, we will distribute Pennies from Heaven baby bottles at all Masses. Your donations will help support local Respect Life shelters, clinics and centers that provide immediate and long-term care to Orange County women, men, and families in crisis. Baby bottles will be collected at all Masses the weekend of October 26/27.

September 28: NAMI Walks for Mental Health Persons with mental illness and their families are in need, and often come to the parish seeking help. Pray that the darkness of stigma, labels, exclusion and marginalization might be dispelled by the light of greater understanding, acceptance, and respect for the dignity of every person. Join NAMI Walks Orange County - Angel Stadium to raise awareness of mental illness, and raise funds to help individuals and families in Orange County.

September 29: World Day of Migrants and Refugees Pope Francis has chosen the theme “It is not just about migrants,” to remind us that migration is about the whole person, and all people. Pray that Jesus will help us to banish fear from our hearts, and welcome the members of God’s family who come to our land to escape oppression, poverty, persecution, violence, and war. For more information about World Day of Migrants and Refugees, go to media@migrants-refugees.va.

September 1-October 4/5: Season of Creation and Blessing of the Animals During the Season of Creation, we live our faith as stewards of creation in our families, parishes, neighborhoods, nation, and world. Pray with the California Catholic Bishops’ Pastoral Statement, God Calls Us All to Care for Our Common Home. Bring any animal to be blessed here in the courtyard on Saturday, October 5, 10 am.

October 12: Diocesan Ministries Celebration This year’s Diocesan Ministries Celebration (DMC) will be held at our new Christ Cathedral & Campus. Bishops will lead presentations on the direction of the Diocese and our increased focus on Evangelization and Faith Formation. Pray that God will deepen our experience of the Lord, our understanding of the faith, and our sense of community with others, so that our lives may become witnesses to Christ. ALL the faithful are invited to join in this historic DMC event!

October 14-18: Respect Life Week is a week-long celebration of what makes us Catholic - belief in human dignity; respect for human life; special protection for the poor and vulnerable; solidarity with our human family; dignity of work and rights of workers; care for God’s creation; equality; and nonviolence. Pray that each of us may come to appreciate and revere all life, from conception to natural death. Go to rcbo.org for more information.

October 19/20: World Mission Sunday There will be a special collection to help the poor around the world receive practical help, and to experience God’s love and mercy, His hope and peace. The collection supports the work of the Church to build up over one thousand local churches in Asia and Africa, the Pacific Islands, and parts of Latin America and Europe, who witness to Christ.

October 27: Domestic Violence Awareness Sunday Domestic violence is far too common, affecting women and men, teenage dating relationships, children, and the elderly. Within Orange County, domestic violence is occurring even in our parishes and centers, across all ethnic and economic backgrounds. Pray that our parishes are safe, healthy, healing, and hopeful places for those whose lives are touched by domestic violence, both the victims and the perpetrators.

For more information about Life and Dignity Month activities, and other Life, Peace, and Justice efforts at our parish, kindly contact Vicky Fershin at 280-1474, Pattie Mires at 933-0474, or Bill Kramer at 916-0168.
Welcome to Autumn

I must admit that this is my favorite season of the year. I delight in the coolness of the morning air, the changing of colors, the activities in the parish, and the turn towards holy days and holiday seasons. Here are a few autumn news items as October begins:

We will start having time for **Confessions every Tuesday evening** from 5:00 to 6:00pm beginning **October 1st**. We also continue to have Confessions on Saturday afternoons from 3:30-4:30pm. I am appreciative of those parishioners who gave input as to a good time for extra Confession hours. Of course, Fr. Joseph and I are available for appointments for Confession as desired. Both of us are aware of the increasing number of people coming to Confession and we are very grateful for that.

We will have **Mass on Thursdays** at 8:30am beginning **October 3rd**. With Father Joseph on staff, and with him having Wednesdays as his day off, we are now able to complete the weekday Mass schedule with daily Mass Monday-Friday.

The annual **“Blessing of the Animals”** will take place on **Saturday, October 5th** at 10am in the courtyard. Under the patronage of St. Francis of Assisi, all pets are welcome to bring their owners for this blessing. My Labrador, Serena, who is now 15 ½ years of age, will be there! Lord knows her owner needs a blessing.

Our **Elementary and Club 6-7-8** faith formation classes begin this month. Thanks be to God for our staff and our catechists and for our families who entrust their children and youth as we assist in their growth in faith and discipleship.

In conjunction with the Diocese of Orange Respect Life Month in October, Bishop Kevin Vann has designated Sunday, October 6, as our Diocese ‘s 25th Annual Pennies from Heaven Campaign. Since 1994, the Diocese of Orange has been collecting funds to support local Respect Life shelters, clinics, and centers that give immediate and long-term care to Orange County women, and families in crisis. Please consider your coins and dollars to help men, women, and children in such crisis in our community.

We will be distributing baby bottles after all the masses on October 5-6 to be returned October 26 & 27 with your donation. For more information, contact Vicky Fershin at 949-280-1474 or Patti Mires at 949-933-0474. Visit www.rcbo.org/penniesfromheaven to donate electronically.

Proceeds benefit: Obria Medical Clinics, Mary’s Path, Casa Teresa, Vietnamese Hot line, Life Centers, Precious Life Shelter and Horizon Pregnancy Clinic.
Are you, or somebody you know of, in need of a little financial help? Our St. Vincent de Paul Conference may be able to help. In addition to providing Thanksgiving dinners and backpacks to needy families, we can also help with occasional rental assistance, utility bill payments, medical bills, car repairs, etc. Call our office at (949) 249-4092 to make an appointment. All assistance is kept in strict confidence. We help members of our parish and those living in the city of Laguna Niguel.

Our ministry will be holding a special collection this week. Please be generous so we may continue to help those in need.

God bless you all for your continued support!

Women’s Bible Study
CONNECT COFFEE TALK
Bring a girlfriend and come learn how Jesus wants to help us through scripture to keep our lives in balance.
Wednesday, Oct. 9, 2019
10:00-11:30 am
In the Upper Room, St. Timothy Catholic Church
We will meet twice a month on the first & third Wednesday (except in Oct. & Jan.)
DVD Teachings & Small Groups
Order your book “Keeping In Balance” from:
www.walkingwithpurpose.com

TO REGISTER EMAIL OR CALL TERRI
BIBLESTUDYFORWOMEN@GMAIL.COM
(949)831-2308
Simplifying the World of Medicare
This is a free Medicare seminar offered on Wednesday, October 2 at either 9:30 am or 7:00 pm in the Fireside Room. Topics will include a Medicare overview, health plan options, and changes for the 2019/2020 enrollment season. This seminar offers an expert overview of options, valuable information and counsel for anyone enrolling in Medicare for the first time or for anyone who needs to know more about their current Medicare plans. For information or to enroll, please contact Sally Hotchkiss, 249-4096, shotchkiss@st-timsrc.org

A Reflection on Outcasts
When you were a child in grade school, did you ever have the experience of being excluded from a game by your classmates? Told to get lost or simply ignored as if you didn’t exist? If you did, you know how much it hurts to be an outcast. The truth is, we humans all hunger for community. We need to belong. It’s the way God made us. God also gave us compassionate hearts and so if you saw another kid ostracized that way you probably felt sorry for that kid.

I wonder if your reaction and mine is somewhat ambivalent, however, when we as grownups witness a whole class of people being excluded from our community. Every day we see image after image of migrant and refugee families detained at our country’s borders, of children separated from their parents, of hungry, frightened people desperately seeking sanctuary. This is different somehow, a lot more complicated. A huge national problem which we can’t seem to solve. If anything, it seems to cause more division and name-calling within our settled community. And even if we feel some pity for all these migrant families, don’t we sometimes wish they would all go away and leave us alone? Maybe our feelings get muddled when we only see “them,” a large, disorganized and unruly crowd of unfamiliar faces disrupting law and order. We fail to recognize a “him” or a “her,” a person unique like ourselves, with a name and a face and a story to tell. Just as we see the homeless population of Orange County (“No affordable housing in MY backyard, please!”), but don’t notice the person who needs a home. I bet the upright residents – not just the innkeepers -- of Bethlehem had no idea who Joseph and Mary were; they just wished all those outsiders would go way.

The trouble is, God keeps thrusting these faces into our lives. He needs food. She needs shelter for her baby. He needs medical care. She needs to be safe from predators. What do WE need? We need to pray for each of them, to support public and private efforts on behalf of the outcasts and if we can figure out what else we can do, to do it. Finally, here is a closing thought from St. Peter Claver, the patron saint of all enslaved people, whose feast day we celebrated earlier this month: “We must speak to them with our hands by giving before we try to speak to them with our lips.” (by Bill Kramer, Life, Justice and Peace)
NO LIFE NIGHT THIS WEEKEND

All high school teens are invited to join us next Sunday from 6-8PM in the Upper Room for "Detecting a Signal," the last night in our "Otherworldly" series on the Mass. Hope to see you there!

LIFE NIGHTS
SUNDAYS 6-8PM / UPPER ROOM
Questions? Contact Vanessa Serna: vserna@st-tims.org.

DROP-IN
Every Thursday from 3-5pm the Youth Room is open to teens in high school. Come get help with homework, play Smash on Nintendo Switch, play pool or ping pong, eat food & relax.

INSPIRATION @ 6 FLAGS
All high school teens are welcome for a day filled with roller coasters, food, fun. Mass and an XLT with 2,000 other Catholic teens at Six Flags on Saturday, November 2nd. Permission slips are in our Instagram bio link, contact Vanessa with any questions!

YEAR 2 RETREAT
Our Year 2 Confirmation Retreat. "Spoken" is on October 18-20. Please pray for our teens and their families as they prepare for this weekend and seek to hear God's voice in their lives!

YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY
@thrive_yam
THURSDAYS 7:30 - 9PM / Youth Room / 18+

Are you looking for a consistent young adult community where you can meet new people and grow in your relationship with Jesus? THRIVE is a weekly young adult ministry that seeks to build community through fellowship, prayer, lectio divina, and discussion about our lives, current events and our faith. All are welcome and invited to join us as we seek to live out our Catholic faith in the world.
Welcome to the 2019-20 Faith Formation New Year!
Save the following dates for Parent Orientation Meetings:

**Tiny Tims**
Coordinator: Andrea Marian
amarin@st-timsr.org

Sun. September 29
After 9:00 a.m. class
After 11:00 p.m. class
Located in Room 3

**Elementary**
Coordinator: Valerie Skaare
vskaare@st-timsr.org

Sun. September 29
12:15 p.m.—1:45 p.m.
Located in Upper Room

**C.L.U.B. 6-7-8**
Coordinator: Marya Wallace
mwallace@st-timsr.org

Fri. October 11
6:30 p.m.—8:00 p.m.
Located in Upper Room
(Both parent and child attend)

**Children’s Faith Formation**
**Schedule of Classes**

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Childcare will be available for the Elementary parent meetings. The Faith Formation Office is ready to reserve a spot for childcare or to answer any inquiries: 949-495-4126.

**Children’s Faith Formation Staff:**

949/495-4126

Marya Wallace: mwallace@st-timsr.org
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Andrea Marian: amarian@st-timsr.org
Coordinator of Tiny Tims

Valerie Skaare: vskaare@st-timsr.org
Coordinator of Elementary Faith Formation

Joshua Shaffer: jshaffer@st-timsr.org
Administrative Assistant for Faith Formation
Blessing of the Animals

Bring your cats, dogs, horses, birds, rabbits, snakes, lizards, turtles, and yes, even snakes to be blessed! The bond between a person and their pet is quite meaningful. This bond brings us closer to the beauty and broadness of God’s universe. All of God’s creatures will be blessed in honor of the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi.

JOIN THE FESTIVE TIME WITH FELLOW ANIMAL LOVERS!

Saturday, October 5 at 10 a.m. in the Courtyard

All animals are welcome!

For more information, contact the Faith Formation Office at 949/495-4126

Feast of the Guardian Angels

October 2

God loves us, His children, and He often sends out His angels to help keep us safe. The angels are “ministering spirits,” according to the book of Hebrews—beings of great power that carry out the will of God.

https://www.biblegateway.com/passage?search=hebrews+1%3A14-16
Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday, September 28
5:00 p.m. James & Theresa Nguyen,† & James Tormey, liv

Sunday, September 29
7:00 a.m. Vincent Yu Sam, Sr.,† and Ching Hok Oan,†
9:00 a.m. Marvin Weeks,† and Chip Weeks,†
11:00 a.m. Dulce Faria,† and The Nachreiner Family, living
5:00 p.m. For the People of St Timothy Parish

Monday, September 30
8:30 a.m. Arthur Krebs,† and Sadie Ann Abdenour,†

Tuesday, October 1
8:30 a.m. Martha Nguyen, living and Herb De Vries,†

Wednesday, October 2
8:30 a.m. Rosemary Sinacori, and Pamela Perry,†

Thursday, October 3
8:30 a.m. For the Healing of those who have been hurt by the Church

Friday, October 4
8:30 a.m. Dave & Olivia Kosmal, liv and Ben Manfre,†

Presider Schedule

Saturday, October 5
5:00 p.m. Father Joseph Truong

Sunday, October 6
7:00 a.m. Monsignor John Urell
9:00 a.m. Monsignor John Urell
11:00 a.m. Father Bernard Johnson
1:00 p.m. Benediction/Deacon Ken
5:00 p.m. Father Joseph Truong

Weekly Parish Offering

September 22, 2019

Cash/Checks $15,205
EFT $11,651
TOTAL $26,856

Thank you for your continued generosity!

Roman Catholic Diocese of Orange
Restorative Justice Detention Ministry

People who have lost a loved one to homicide or an act of violence often live in isolation and overwhelming grief. The immensity of such emotional suffering can seem unbearable, leaving loved ones feeling alone or abandoned, including within our church.

Restorative Justice seeks to help heal the relational harm caused by crime and violence that includes providing caring support for those suffering such a tragic loss.

If you are suffering the loss of your loved one due to homicide or another act of violence, the Diocesan Office of Restorative Justice would like to learn more about how our church can better serve and support you. We would like to invite you to come and share your personal experience, thoughts, and ideas with us in a safe and caring listening environment.

We will be meeting on October 17, 7–9pm, at Christ Cathedral Pastoral Center.

Refreshments will be served. Childcare available if requested at time of RSVP.

RSVP required at: 714-282-4261 or flapuzza@rcbo.org  Please feel free to contact us with questions.

Prayer for the Sick

Liza Schuman Aber
Javier Acuña
Luis R. Allende
Godofredo Armosado
Pam Ayers
Jerry Baker
George Berrett
Bob & Gina Berman
Urania Bottiler
Bill Brooks
Mary Casey
Shannon Castago
Toni Castango
Jerry Cara
Penelope Ceballos
Hunter Ciccarelli
Chavez Family
Maria Elena Conde
Roosevan Coons
Colleen Davidson
Leann Dentice
Declan & Heidi Dial
Riley Dockerty
Callen Douglass
Dave De Belius
Leonor De Castro
John Del George
Alicia Escobar
Monica Evans
Sammy Faltas
Charlene Fershin
Don Flood
Jackie Flynn
Robert Fraijo
Lavelle Froboese
Wayne Froboese
Steven Gamble
Jane Gannon
Joe Garcia
Lydia Garcia
William Gates
Geraldine Gaudivaud
Bodie Glasscock
Ken Glasscock
Helene Gorritti
John Grady, Sr.
Tommy Grzecka
Michael Griffith
David Halaas
Timothy G. Hassell, Jr
Jack Hayes
Suzan Hazard
Lily Hazbun
Leonidas Henoa
Ginny Horaney
Sue House
Diane Hurst
Lance & Amy Ishmael
Rebecca Jane
Pamela Johnson
Sharon Johnston
Kevin Keane
Kyle Kelso
Ernie Kosch
Dylan Kramer
Socorro Labit
Alfredo Lansangan
Patricia Lansangan
Rachel Lavine
Henry Lawrence
Pat Lister
Reynaldo Lim
Zenaida Loyola
Al Lubrano
Rose Mary Malak
Joseph Mangiapane, Jr.
V. Marie
Cody Marschak
Kim Marschak
Irene McCarthy
Patty McCarthy
Gary McCleverty
Darla McMullen
David Molta
Eddy Morales
Rebecca Moshenko
Kelley Munzing
Ma. Victoria Nacario
Ryan Nugent
Sandra Nunez
Joe O’Brien
Sr. Catherine O’Leary
Kathleen O’Regan
Luke O’Heiden
Richard Ornelas
Martha Paez
Russell Patrick
Adela Perez
Edgar Perez
Helen Perez
Lara Perez
Barbara Perrella
Maureen Petrone
Alan Pfister
Dennis Preston
Jessie Punzalan
Maximo Punzalan
Zachary Quick
Jojo Ramirez
Theresa Reves
Thomas Reyes
Donna Ricci
Judy Richardson
Kevin Riley
Fiorella Rivero
Linda Rose
Patrick Roux
Roland Rubalcava
Alma Ruszak
Amanda Samuels
Carolyn Sandore
Terry Scarleto
Anna Senkowski
Henry Shahinian
Rodney Shaffer
Carol Sheley
Barbara Smith
Howard Smith
Andrew Soto
John Timlin
Susan Thomas
David Troy
Vern Vallis
Anne Vitali
Bill & Barbara Wild
Christopher Walsh
Patty Walsh
Tim Walsh
Madelon Weinberg
Blair Wilkinson
Pat Wright
Krystal York
Devin Greer Zachry
St. Timothy Catholic Church in Laguna Niguel invites you to an exciting series to…

“STRENGTHEN YOUR MARRIAGE UNITY”

St. Timothy Catholic Church
29102 Crown Valley Parkway, Laguna Niguel, CA.
Sundays, October 6th, 13th & 20th, 2019
12:30pm – 3:00pm in the Parish Hall

Sunday, October 6th – Strengthen Your Marriage Unity
Sunday, October 13th – Boost the Resilience & Joy in Your Marriage
Sunday, October 20th – The Healing Power of Forgiveness in Your Marriage

$10 per person/ per talk (includes hospitality and childcare, if needed). ($60 for one couple for all three talks combined). Walk-ins are welcome, open to all couples!

For childcare, please also RSVP in advance with Marya Wallace at mwallace@st-timsrc.org, with names and ages. Childcare is available for children confident walkers at least 1 year old and older.

For more information or to RSVP, contact: Matt Zemanek, 949-973-9021, mzemanek@st-timsrc.org.

Guest Speakers:
Dr. John Yzaguirre & Claire Frazier-Yzaguirre, M.Div., M.F.T.

Dr. John & Claire Yzaguirre, are a licensed Psychologist and a licensed Marriage & Family Therapist, deeply committed to helping people achieve resilient, united and joyful marriages & families. With 30+ years of clinical & ministry experience, each year they teach thousands with their programs & assist churches from various denominations & dioceses in their marriage & family life programs. They are the co-authors of “Thriving Marriages: An Inspirational & Practical Guide to Lasting Happiness” also in Spanish, “Casados y Felices”. Co-directors of their counseling practice in Irvine (949) 851-1572 they’ve been happily married for 33 years & have a grown son, Paul. To learn more about John & Claire, please visit them at: www.ThrivingFamilies.com

Please send registration form & check payable to Saint Timothy Catholic Church
29102 Crown Valley Pkwy., Laguna Niguel, CA. 92677. Attention: Matt Zemanek

Name(s): _____________________________________________________________
What date(s) are you registering for?: __________________________________________
Phone: ___________________________ E-mail ________________________________
Child-care needed? ______ # of children & ages: _____________________________
Do you or your children for childcare have any dietary restrictions or food allergies? __________________________
If so, please list their name and allergies: ____________________________________