

LIFE MINISTRIES**Charlie Reese**

The members of the Life Ministries are involved in organizing an essay contest for area students who want to write about their feelings on the sanctity of life. The essay contest is open to high school and college age students of any faith.

Why that age group? A few years ago, a study out of UCLA showed that college students are more influenced by their peers on issues like abortion than by their professors. The same researchers determined that high school students were mostly prolife. This age group brings significant influence to many people who are faced with difficult decisions, and we would like to give students an opportunity to express their views on life issues.

Life Ministries at St. Timothy's has teamed up with other churches in the Tampa Bay area to sponsor this essay contest. The students are free to express their opinions on the sanctity of life at all stages—from the womb to the tomb. Details about the contest are on a web site: <http://essaycontest.lutzpregnancy.org/>

We expect to wrap up this contest in October—Respect Life Month. If anyone would like to be a part of this, or if your group would like to provide a judge for the essays and be represented in this event, please contact Charlie Reese at creese@jc-audiology.com or at 813-787-3500.

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES**Carol Rhodaback****MEN'S CLUB****Jeff Carlisle****MINISTRY TO THE SICK AND HOMEBOUND****Frank Pennimpede****PARISH CORE COMMUNITY****Tony Gillman**

The St. Timothy's Parish Core Community is proposing to sponsor a small group study this Fall for Small Christian Communities (SCCs) in the parish. The study is based upon the upcoming translation changes to the Mass texts. The resource we are using is entitled *Lifting Up Our Hearts* and is published by Renew International. This resource was mentioned during the Diocesan workshop at St. Timothy's a few weeks back and is now being recommended for parishes by the Diocesan Core Community. Renew describes *Lifting Up Our Hearts* as "a six-session small group faith-sharing process (that) will renew parishioners' spiritual life and their appreciation of the liturgy. Through prayerful reflection on the changes to the people's parts of the Mass, this resource emphasizes the role of the assembly and leads Catholics into a deeper understanding of the meaning of the Mass and its significance in their lives." For more information about the resource, please see the attached flyer and Renew's link: <https://www.renewintl.org/RENEW/estore.nsf?OpenDatabase>. While the scope of the study is broader than the translation changes themselves, we intend to use the translation changes as a "teaching moment" about the Mass. The small group study will create an opportunity for our SCCs to do more than just learn the new words, but to also gain a deeper understanding and appreciation for the Mass through learning, praying, and faith sharing with other parishioners. We believe that this study will help SCC participants experience a more full, conscious, and active participation in the Mass. The study will be offered during the months of October and November, with a sign-up on a weekend or two in September. We intend to offer train to our SCC group leaders.

Secondly, the Parish Core Community is also planning a day of reflection on October 15th at the parish center. This will be open to all who may be meeting in SCCs of any type. We still being developed, we are intending to center the study around a recent French movie called *Of Gods and Men*. The trailer for the movie can be found at the

following link: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YWEIxzIKCgA>. The movie is about a group of French monks in Algeria who were martyred after refusing to abandon their monastery and their mission. The acts of the monks in the movie epitomize the strength of a small community. As a community, the monks prayed together, shared their faith in the context of their life experience, and lived out their mission without regard to the cost. The example of the monks was also uniquely Catholic, as the monks were led by the example of Christ's unconditional love for all humanity—no matter who they are or what religious tradition they follow.

Third, while still in the planning stage, the Parish Core Community wants to create more opportunities for outreach for the SCC members. Several options are being considered.

RCIA

Deacon Jerry Crall

RCIA Ministry currently involves:

Team Members = 13, Inquirers = 0, Catechumens = 2, Candidates = 4, Godparents/Sponsors = 6, Prayer Partners = 6, Neophytes = 17, Total = 48.

Inquiry Sessions are weekly on Tuesday evening from 7:30 - 9:00 p.m.

Catechumenate Sessions are weekly on Thursday evening from 7:30 - 9:00 p.m.

Dismissal Sessions are weekly on Sunday morning during the 9:00 a.m. Mass

Neophyte Sessions are on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays from 7:30 - 9:00 p.m.

2011 Rites and Retreats:

Saturday 10/8/2011 - Retreat Day 1

Sunday 10/9/2011 - Rite of Acceptance/Welcome - 11:00 AM Mass

Saturday 11/5/2011 - Retreat Day 5

Sunday 11/6/2011 - Initiation Into Full Communion - 11:00 AM Mass

SINGLES MINISTRY

Diane Elsen

SPANISH MINISTRY

Jerry Gimenez

School Supplies Collection begins August 23. Collection info will run in the bulletin Aug. 6/7 and 13/14, with collection Aug 20/21.

Harvest Fall Festival is scheduled for October 22/23. Members voted unanimously to continue working the Spanish Booth.

Spanish Ministry Annual Gala on Nov. 4. It was also suggested that both priests be invited as soon as possible to ensure they are not booked. Maggiano's was suggested as the restaurant.

All members should let Liliba know by October 21 if they and their spouse will attend. We will meet at 6pm for cocktails, with dinner 6:30pm.

Santa Maria Mission-Men's Club will supply is hoping to supply hot dogs and hamburgers to the Mission the last Tuesday of every month. Chip Burns is researching the possibility of getting ice cream donated. The Men's Club will supply the 6-8 volunteers needed to serve.

Diaper Daze Collection is set for October 15/16. The barrels will be decorated to include diaper supplies, school supplies, back packs, etc.

Back Pack Collection for the needy was a success. Once again, the members of the Parish showed their generosity. Taste of St. Tim's. Jerry & Liliba Gimenez, Chris & Connie Canedy, Larry & Cathy Summers, Stella Mazur stated they want pre-sale tickets. Liliba will contact Burnita, so she can come to next meeting with tickets.

Henry Alava wants to know if the Spanish Ministry would like to host a fundraiser dinner for the Parish. More info to come; idea was well received.

Next meeting is August 2, 2001.

ST. VINCENT DEPAUL

Angela Kent

Sign up sheets: Special Prayer Intentions, Ministry Fair Aug 21-22

President's report: District Council sponsoring Spiritual Renewal Day for active and associate members

Phone Message taken: 4 calls taken; 2 referred for home visits; 1 referred to other agencies

2 families served: 3 adults, 5 children; Total: 2 home visits; 0 food pickup; 0 church walk-in

Jail Visit

1 SVDP member 3 visits (8 hrs) to the Riverside Youth detention facility, 27 juveniles served.

Committee Reports

Pantry –Carolyn F. and Marie will attend to pantry in July

❖ **Casper's Cupboard** – PET Food Assistance to the needy; June collection 2,754 lbs. YTD total: 16,052 lbs

We have a new collection location in Brandon. St. Mark's held drive 6/18 & 19 and collected 900 lbs. Five members from St. Tim's SVDP helped collect, inventory and deliver the food to Casper's Cupboard. .

Old Business

a. HELP NEEDED at Nebraska Ave SVDP store and pantry Mon-Sat; interested call 977-7057

b. National Friends of Poor Walk, Saturday 9/24/2011

NEW BUSINESS

- Committee established for forming a Vincentian Youth group – Marie, Lori, Patty, and Angela.
- Ministry Fair Dates August 20 & 21; need people to man table at Sat 5:30, Sun 11 and 5:30 masses
- Serving In Hope 6.3 Part II "Our Service". Covered Social Justice, fix the root cause. Anne and Ed volunteered to check out Voice of Poor on National Site and local legislation. Will report at next meeting
- Seminole County – 1,000 homeless children. Carolyn M. will research helping out thru Twinning
- SPIRITUAL RENEWAL Day- July 30, 8:30 to Noon at St. Lawrence Church.

Next Meeting July 25 Jimmie B Keel Library, Room #2 7:00-8:30 pm

Future Meeting dates: Fourth Monday of the month at 7pm

July 25, Aug 22 - **Jimmie B Keel Library classroom #2**

VOCATIONS

WOMEN'S CLUB

Jodi Brennan

YOUTH MINISTRY

Judy Anderson Megan Forde

CHANGES IN LEADERSHIP

We welcome a new leader for the Reader Ministry. Meghan Deveau is replacing Susan Mohr, who married and moved away from our parish. We thank Susan for her untiring efforts for this wonderful ministry, and we welcome Meghan to our group!

Men's Club announces its new slate of leaders for the upcoming year.

President	Jeff Carlisle
Vice-president	Rich Domino
Secretary	Robert Foster
Treasurer	Henry Alava
Social Chair	Jim Porter
Spiritual Leader	Pat Paradiso
Communications/Membership	Jeff Stanislow
At Large	Marc Barhonovich
	Ron Roth
Sgt.-at-Arms Emeritus	Frank Breen
Sgt.-at-Arms	Bill Cook

NOTES:

- ❖ Remember to submit your meeting minutes and/or notes to the coordinator by the last Tuesday of every month. If you do not have anything to report, just send an email stating that you have nothing to report.
- ❖ If you have any questions, or need any help with anything related to your ministry, please let the coordinator know.
- ❖ Please remember to let the coordinator know if you change your email address, or if your ministry has a change in leadership, so we can update our records.



Web site:

Please check your ministry information on the web site to be sure it is accurate and up-to-date. Our new parishioners, as well as others, use this site for information. It is important that our ministry information, including contact information, is correct. You should check the web site regularly.

Special Note:

Thank you for all you do in His Name as Ministry Leaders at St. Timothy. You are amazingly generous and incredibly dedicated to your ministries! St. Timothy's is a special parish, in great part because of you and your ministries, and all you do.

As many of you know by now, I am stepping down as Coordinator of Ministries, after many years of working with you. I have been blessed beyond words with treasured friendships, meaningful relationships, and the opportunity to work with the best ministry leader!

God bless each of you, your families, and the blessed work you do in His Name. I will miss working with you, but will look forward to seeing you at Mass and at our parish functions.

Nancy Myers has graciously agreed to replace me as **Coordinator of Ministries**. Many of you know Nancy, who is active in many ministries, and sits on Parish Council. I know you will welcome Nancy as you did me, and that she will enjoy the many blessings I have enjoyed as coordinator.

Please send her your minutes and meeting notes from now on.

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Respectfully submitted by
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Coordinator of Ministries