

**Ministry Coordinator's Report
Parish Council Meeting
May 3, 2011**

BEREAVEMENT AND FUNERALS

Brenda Covini and JoAnn Pilawski

Bereavement will resume in September. This month we conclude with our last two sessions on April 4 and April 18.

Funerals

Brenda Covini and Bev Roy

We have had two funerals this month: Adriana Thomas and ("Gigi") Elena Capobianco. Please keep the families in your prayers.

BIBLE STUDY

Bill Lynn and Lori Barhonavich

Bible Study will conclude April 12. We will resume in September with the study of Mark.

CATHOLICS CAN COME HOME AGAIN AND PRAYER LINE MINISTRY

George Armenia

Prayer Line is always open; we continue praying.

FISHERS OF MEN

Tony Gillman

Having completed the Lenten Longings study, the Fishers of Men Ministry is embarking on a four-week course to specifically study and reflect upon the second person of the Trinity, Jesus. This study was created by one of the members of the ministry, Tom Kochansky, and will be considered for use by other Small Christian Communities if they so desire. In the first week of the study, we examined our images of Christ and studied the Gospel story in Luke where Christ healed the woman who had been hemorrhaging for twelve years (who feeling unworthy to talk to Jesus, found a way to touch the tassel on his cloak).

Men's Retreat

Tony Gillman

Planning continues for the 2011 (November 11-13) St. Timothy Men's Retreat. The theme of the retreat is "Come with Me" and is designed to offer the men of the parish a weekend of contemplation and prayer on a particular issue that may be pressing upon him personally. While retreats are often packed with information sessions, this retreat is specifically designed to offer more time for individual prayer and reflection with God as a fellow traveler on the weekend journey. The retreat will offer the men specific exercises to facilitate their reflection, while affording them plenty of flexibility to enable the Holy Spirit to take hold. We have drafted a tentative schedule, which includes a presentation on Friday night, two on Saturday, and one on Sunday. The retreat will have Reconciliation as well as Mass on Sunday morning, where the spouses and families will be invited. The committee has been working with Deacon Peter, who has been a great advisor to the committee in its planning.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Joe Gengo

LIFE MINISTRIES

Charlie Reese

In April Charlie Reese attended an event at Espiritu Santo Parish for St. Petersburg Diocese Respect Life coordinators in which the movement called "The Gabriel Project" was introduced by Dr. Marcella Colbert, who is the director of the Respect Life Office in the Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston, Texas.

The Gabriel Project is a successful ministry in other dioceses throughout the United States, and Bishop Lynch is considering implementing this program in the St. Petersburg Diocese. It is part of the mission of the Gabriel Project to "encourage collaborative ministry working in solidarity with all other ministries and apostolates in the parish and Diocese.

We wait to hear if Bishop Lynch will implement this program in our diocese so every parish can grow in its commitment to life issues, and provide opportunities for the faithful to put their faith into works in this magnificent ministry.

Essay Contest

In addition to the Gabriel Project, we are planning to work in conjunction with other parish ministries and another neighboring parish to hold a Respect Life Essay Contest open to local youth of high school and college age. We hope to award an iPad as a grand prize, which should get the attention of youth who are enamored by these technological gadgets. We are considering having this contest wrap up in October, which is Respect Life Month. A study released by UCLA a few years back indicated that youth are more influenced by their peers on issues like abortion than by their professors. Since we know there are many pro-life youth in our community, we thought that this would be a great way to help them share their passion for life with their peers, with our church, and even to their parents and professors. Stay tuned for more on this project as it develops in the months ahead

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

Carol Rhodaback

MEN'S CLUB

Jeff Carlisle

The Men's Club held their monthly General Membership meeting on April 4, with Rick Peckman, the 'Voice of the Tampa Bay Lightning, as the guest speaker. Rick gave the group the history and rise of the Lightning, as well as a behind the scenes look at how Jeff Vinik became owner of the team and how he built the coaching and front office staff. Following Mr. Peckman's discussion, we reviewed the activities the Men's Club supports, and the distribution of the 2010-2011 Men's Club Directory and

the upcoming Golf Tournament.

Pancake Breakfasts continued in the month of April, with great support from our tireless volunteers and numerous customers. We will also be supporting those receiving their First Communion with a breakfast at their Family Feast/Reconciliation on Saturday, April 29. Bingo resumes on Friday April 29. The next Pancake Breakfast is scheduled for May 8 and Bingo is scheduled for May 6, 13, 20, and 27.

Henry and GiGi Alava hosted the Men's Club Board of Directors meeting at their home on April 19. Discussions included quick reviews of the Lenten Fish Fry and Golf Tournament, both of which have been completed, and the Men's Club Board of Director nominations/elections for the May General Membership meeting.

The next Men's Club General Membership meeting will be on May 2 at 7pm in the Parish Hall.

MINISTRY TO THE SICK AND HOMEBOUND
Frank Pennimpede

PARISH CORE COMMUNITY

Tony Gillman

The Parish Core Community sponsored a *Movie Night at St. Timothy's* for all parishioners who are meeting in a Small Christian Community. About 45 parishioners attended the movie night. After eating (all were asked to bring food to eat), we watched the movie *Bella*, which is a story of a young server who is dealing with an unwanted pregnancy with the help of a friend and co-worker. The movie demonstrated how an unconditional Christian love could transform us and give us the courage to follow the right path (in this case to have the baby). As a faith-sharing community, we all broke in small groups after the movie and addressed three discussion questions. We had plenty of food left over and donated it to the St. Timothy Spanish Ministry. As for the future, we intend to have a day a reflection in the fall and are looking to offer outreach opportunities. Later this year, we will also offer a six-week small group study on the translation changes to the Mass. While the six week course is not be limited to the wording changes themselves, the course uses the translation changes as a "teaching moment" to offer parishioners an opportunity to study, reflect upon, and discuss our celebration of the Mass. As the changes will go into effect in Advent, the study will be held before then.

RCIA

Deacon Jerry Crall

RCIA Ministry currently involves:

Team Members = 12, Inquirers = 4, Catechumens = 4, Candidates = 14, Godparents/Sponsors = 15, Prayer Partners = 14, Neophytes = 5, Total = 68.

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:

Sunday 4/12/2011 - Penitential Rite - 7:00 PM Parish Penance Service
Saturday 4/23/2011 - Retreat Day 3 - 8:00 AM Clearwater FL
Saturday 4/23/2011 - Initiation - 7:30 PM Easter Vigil Mass
Saturday 6/25/2011 - Retreat Day 1
Sunday 6/26/2011 - Rite of Acceptance/Welcome - 9:00 AM Mass
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

ST. VINCENT DEPAUL

Angela Kent

We discussed an overview of SVDP organization, our association with National Council and twinning with other SVDP conferences and decided that the Ozanam Orientation date is to be decided. The next district council meeting is May 17, at which a district spiritual advisor will be commissioned.

Our Easter Food Drive collected 4,000 lbs; served 18 families (39 adults & 14 children) with 2 weeks supply; stocked our pantry and sent 1055 lbs to the SVDP store and 600 lbs to Santa Maria Mission

Seven families served 14 adults, 8 children; Total 2 home visits; 1 church walk-in

Jail Visit: Two SVDP members two visits one member 1 visit (15 hrs) to Orient Jail, Communion Service 21 women served.

One SVDP member, 6 visits (17 hrs) to the Riverside Youth detention facility, 62 juveniles served.

Angela worked with the Diocese Prison Ministry office to obtain an outdoor statue of St. Francis of Assisi for the T.R.A.I.N. (Teens Reaching Animals in Need) dog memorial garden at Riverside jail. Fr. Mic O'Neal from St. Francis of Assisi Church in Seffner generously donated a 3ft cement statue. Angela delivered the statue to the jail on Holy Thursday along with Catholic study bibles. Riverside is not a faith-based facility; however, the directors realize that faith-based initiatives work. The juveniles at Riverside are 'on the edge', and it takes the combined talents of many, and the gifts of the Holy Spirit, to reach these kids before they are lost in the corrections system. As part of the faith based component of their work with the animals, they have learned who St. Francis of Assisi was, and they have received prayer cards to keep as part of the dedication of this sacred, peaceful place, dedicated to the gentle care and rehabbing of the animals. For some of these boys, this is the first time they have engaged in healthy, selfless care of someone other than themselves.

Casper's Cupboard – PET Food Assistance to the Needy- April Collection = 2,279 lbs. (YTD total is 10,843 lbs)

Megan has made contact at the county and has permission to put our donation boxes at several county locations.

Currently we pick up weekly at five locations that are community drop points for donations.

- Meeting guest - Nancy Myers member of the Parish Council
- New member - Carolyn Filippone
- All Active Members - Training Session "Serving in Hope Module VI" Section 6.3 "Our Service"
- What happen to signage for poor box?
 - Need to find ways to involve young people in SVDP. If interested in coordinating this effort please call Angela.

Prayers requested for: Lynette Arlotta, Linda's Aunt Mary who is ill, Patty's son Bill and his family, Ed's nephew Alexander, Nancy, Harold's granddaughter, Krystal, and for all of those new to the Catholic Church
Next Meeting May 23 in Parish Center Room #1 at 7:00-8:30 pm

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

June 27, July 25, Aug 22

Jimmie B Keel Library classroom #2

If you know a family in need in our parish area, have them contact SVDP at 813-968-1077, ext. 261.

VOCATIONS

WOMEN'S CLUB

Emily Klein

We met on April 18, 2011, in the Parish Center.

Emily advised the membership that this is our last business meeting of the year. She thanked everyone for allowing the board to serve him or her this year and for their support. Gerri Tenerelli said that the Men's Club has a practice of purchasing small pavers for the courtyard for deceased members of the Club, and she asked if the Women's Club would consider this as well. After much discussion, it was decided that more information is needed as to how many names and what other information can be put on each paver. This will be discussed again at the May dinner.

Emily then presented the slate of officers for the 2011-2012 year:

President: Jodi Brennan

Vice President: Burnita Wilder

Recording Secretary: Liliana Gimenez

Corresponding Secretary: Michelle Barry

Treasurer: Joanna Stomski

Hospitality: Catherine Cherniak, with assistance from Ann Rees and Marilyn Gengo

Emily called for nominations from the floor; there were none.

Emily advised the Club that we have a Holiday Boutique chair: Maura Weins. Maura spoke briefly and advised that she has already met with some of the people who were involved last year. She is very excited to chair the Holiday Boutique and very happy that so many people are willing to help. If you want to volunteer or need more information, contact Maura at bmweins@aol.com. Emily asked those who had made an Easter Bonnet to come to the front. The women voted on the best hats and prizes were awarded to First Place- Diane Tousignant; Second Place-Stella Mazur and Third Place-Marie Basta.

The Club was advised that Catherine Cherniak would become a full member of the Catholic Church at the Easter Vigil, including baptism. Catherine was given a warm round of applause. Nancy Myers advised that we would be decorating the church for Easter on Saturday, April 23 beginning at 9 a.m.

The next General meeting will be our end-of-year dinner at the Bethany Center on Monday, May 16, beginning at 6:30 p.m. Emily then introduced our guest speaker for the evening, Donna Silagi, who gave a demonstration on scarves.

YOUTH MINISTRY

Judy Anderson

Megan Forde

Middle and High School will resume after spring break for our final meetings in May.

First week in May- covering the Beatifying of Blessed Pope John Paul II and the *Devine Mercy* Second week - Crowning of Mary

Third week- End of the year parties will wrap up our year, but the summer calendar with 10 Wed gatherings will be published on the website with permission forms required and handed out to the youth on the end of the school year party days for Middle and High school youth. We are bringing back this summer, (by request of our teens; we gathered requests from both groups for what they wanted in the summer when gathering), a couple of Bible study dates on the beach.

CHANGES IN LEADERSHIP

Our Women's Club announces its new slate of officers:

President:	Jodi Brennan
Vice President:	Burnita Wilder
Treasurer:	Joann Stomski
Recording Secretary:	Liliana Gimenez
Corresponding Secretary:	Michelle Barry
Hospitality:	Catherine Cherniak, Ann Rees, Marilyn Gengo
Boutique Chair:	Maura Weins

We thank Emily Klein and the outgoing officers for a productive and very successful year! Your efforts, time, and dedication make the Women's Club an active and involved ministry for the women in our parish as well as for those less fortunate.

NOTES:

- ❖ Remember to submit your meeting minutes and/or notes to me by the last Tuesday of every month. If you do not have anything to report, just send me 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 me know.
- ❖ Please remember to let me know if you change your email address, or if your ministry has a change in leadership, so we can update our records.

Ministry fair dates will be announced in our next report.



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.

Thank you for all you do in His Name as Ministry Leaders at St. Timothy.

Respectfully submitted by
Beth Sawyer
Coordinator of Ministries