

What's Happening at St. Timothy's



Friday, October 24th, 2025

**SERVICE
TIMES**

COME AND WORSHIP WITH US

Sunday, October
26th

10:00am

Service of Holy Eucharist

Monday,
October 27th to
Friday, October
31st

9:30am

Morning Prayer via Zoom
(<https://sttimothy.ca/services/upcoming-online-services/> for the links)

Wednesday,
October 29th

11:30am

Mid-Week Eucharist

Sunday,
November 2nd

10:00am

Service of Holy Eucharist –
All Saints & All Souls

Wednesday,
November 5th

11:30am

Mid-Week Eucharist – *All
Souls Service*



Sunday, October
26th

8:30am
Adult Education

Tuesday, October
28th

10:00 – 11:00am
ESL Reading & Career
Mentoring Groups

11:00am - 12:30pm
ESL Conversation Group

1:00 – 2:00pm
Open Church Drop-In Hour

Wednesday,
October 29th

10:00 – 11:00am
Contemplative Art

12:00nn
St. Andrew's Group
Meeting

1:00 – 2:00pm
Open Church Drop-In Hour

Thursday,
October 30th

1:00 – 2:00pm
Open Church Drop-In Hour

Sunday,
November 2nd

8:30am
Adult Education

From the Incumbent

Our fall season continues with wonderful energy across our parish life. Thank you to everyone who has contributed time, music, conversation, and care to make our community so vibrant and welcoming.



Our regular schedule continues:

- **Sunday Eucharist** at 10:00 a.m. with Children's message and educational programming for all ages
- The **Youth Group** for ages 12 and up gathers after the Sunday service for conversation, games, and community time
- **ESL ministry and Christmas Kitchen cooking on Tuesdays**
- **Wednesday Eucharist** at 11:30 a.m. in the chapel, preceded by the **Art Group** and followed by **St Andrew's Women's Group**; all three opportunities offering a space for creativity, contemplation, and fellowship
- **Morning Prayer on Zoom** every weekday at 9:30 a.m.—all are welcome to join for this brief and reflective start to the day.
- The **Little Pantry** remains an ongoing expression of our care for neighbours. Donations of non-perishable food are always welcome.

Last week's **healing service with anointing** was a moving experience for many, and we are pleased to continue offering **individual prayer and anointing during Communion** each Sunday in the side chapel. You are also welcome to light a taper there in personal prayer, either before the service or during Communion.

Spotlight: *Join the Choir*

Have you ever thought about singing with the choir? This is the perfect time to join. At St. Timothy's, our choir brings together both **professional section leads** and **volunteer singers**, creating an inspiring balance of guidance and participation. The presence of paid leads isn't meant to create a divide or discourage amateur singers—quite the opposite, it's there both to *enhance the sound, and help singers learn and grow together.*

You don't need to read music perfectly—just bring your enthusiasm and a willingness to listen and blend your voice with others. Rehearsals are held **once a month on a Thursday evening and on Sunday mornings before the service.**

Come and see how much joy singing together can bring. If you're interested, speak with me or **Ed**.

Help with Coffee Hour

We are looking for more **Coffee Hour volunteers** to help host our weekly fellowship after the service. The task is simple but meaningful: set up the coffee urns, put out cookies which we have on hand, buy milk and cream (reimbursed), and tidy up afterwards. You're welcome to bring some extra treats to share—but only if you wish.

Most volunteers serve just **once or twice a year**. It's a lovely way to support the community and meet others in the process.

Blessings,
Irina+
Incumbent

Wardens' Corner

Peanut/Tree Nut Policy

The parish has a Peanut/Tree Nut Policy in place to protect those who are vulnerable to very serious side effects from these products. With preparations for our annual Christmas Kitchen event on November 29th now underway, we wanted to revisit the topic.

Please be advised that there is to be no cooking, preparation nor packaging of any items containing nuts within the church building. We understand that a plan will be put in place to sell items containing nuts outside our entry doors.

For further information, please contact the Christmas Kitchen convenors, Anne DeGrasse or Marianne Cassin.

Michael, Mary, Bruce and Deb

Stewardship Announcement



A Joyful Giving program will soon be introduced at our parish. No gift is truly a gift unless it is freely given. Joyful Giving is sharing, in a planned, proportionate way, the wealth with which God has blessed us. It is a sign of our gratitude to God and is an expression of our faith, of what we say we believe.

"For your heart will always be where your riches are." (Luke 12:34)

We are called to model our giving after God's unconditional generosity to us. Our gifts become sacrificial when we give from what we feel we need - when we give something that we thought we needed for ourselves. Then we realize our security lies, not in material goods, but in God.

"Command those who are rich in the things of this life not to be proud, but to place their hope, not in such an uncertain thing as riches, but in God, who generously gives us everything for our enjoyment. Command them to do good, to be rich in good works, to be generous and ready to share with others." (1 Timothy 6: 17-18)

Christmas Kitchen – Saturday, November 29th

Advance Sale of Tourtières

Start your Christmas shopping early.

We will have St. Timothy's famous tourtières for sale this **Sunday, October 26th during coffee hour.**

Large frozen Tourtières available for \$30
(will feed 4 people)

Small frozen Tourtières available for \$15
(will feed 2 people)

Limit of two of each size per parishioner.

Cash or Visa will be accepted.



All Souls Service

We will be observing All Souls Day on **Wednesday, November 5th** at our Mid-Week Eucharist at 11:30am in the chapel.

If you would like to have a loved one who has died, prayed for at this service, please contact Ashani 416-488-0079 or office@sttimothy.ca by **Friday, October 31st.**



Christmas Kitchen - Young Shoppers' Room



Can you help?

The Young Shoppers' Room at the Christmas Kitchen is a place for children aged 12 and younger to buy Christmas gifts for their loved ones. Nothing costs more than \$6 and the children are assisted by elves when needed so their presents will be a surprise on Christmas Day.

There are a number of ways people can help make this room a success:

1. Contributions of gift items are needed. Popular items include soaps, candles, mugs, etc. Gifts for Dad are especially welcome as they are usually in short supply. Note that the maximum price for articles in this room is \$6, so please do not be too extravagant (although multi-item sets such as toiletry items can always be divided).
2. Contributions of gift bags, tissue paper and peel and stick gift tags are useful for wrapping purchases.
3. If you are a teenager and like helping younger children, consider volunteering as an elf. If you know a teenager who might like to help, please mention this opportunity to them. Volunteer hours can be counted towards Community Service Hours.

If you have any questions, please contact Rosemary Hendra 416-998-5795
rosemary.hendra@gmail.com

Donations should be handed in by **Sunday, November 23rd.**

They can be dropped off in the Church Office between 10am – 3pm on Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday, or handed to Rosemary Hendra or dropped in the Church Office on Sundays.

Please make sure that the items are marked Young Shoppers' Room or YSR.

Thanks for your help in making this room a success!



Registration Now Open for BREAKAWAY 2026

We are thrilled to invite you to our annual weekend retreat, taking place once again at Fair Havens Resort from **Friday, January 30 to Sunday, February 1, 2026.**

Registration is now open! Sign up online using the [Breakaway Registration Form](#) or by emailing Joanna Maplazi at joannamaplazi@gmail.com. The cost of the weekend is \$230 per adult or \$260 for an individual premium room. There is no cost for children. Cost should not be a barrier to attend. If it is for you, please reach out to Irina as subsidies are available.

Breakaway is a beloved winter retreat that invites our parish community to step away from the city's pace and reconnect in a peaceful, scenic setting. Whether you're a longtime attendee or considering it for the first time, this is your chance to rest, recharge, and enjoy meaningful time together after the holiday rush.

Here's what you can look forward to:

- Inspiring sessions for adults led by engaging speakers
- Fun, age-appropriate programs for children and youth
- Delicious buffet-style meals — no cooking required!
- Outdoor adventures at Fair Havens, from cross-country skiing to a wagon ride

We are excited to share that our guest speaker will be **Thomas Reynolds**. A professor at Emmanuel College and a jazz musician, his work explores disability, theology of care, and the healing miracles of Jesus, challenging conventional ideas of wellness, beauty and ability.

We'd love to share this experience with you. Come join us!

For any questions, contact Joanna Maplazi at joannamaplazi@gmail.com

OUTREACH CORNER

St. Timothy's Winter Clothing Drive Returns

*Keeping ahead of the Cold
One warm coat, boot and mitt at a time!*

The Winter Clothing Drive returns for Flemington Park Ministry, a multicultural community city bringing people together to break barriers of isolation and food insecurity in the Thorncliffe/Flemington Park area.

Seeking: NEW boots, hats, and water-resistant mitts or gloves for ages 4 to 14 (elementary school age). Our goal is to fully equip up to 30 snowsuits ready for Winter.

The opportunities to donate:

- **Saturday, October 4th** between 10:30am – 12nn.
- **Starting October 5th**, every Sundays into early November during the 10am service.
- **Weekdays** (Tuesday & Wednesday) between 10:00am – 2:00pm during the month of October. *(Please use the Ridley Boulevard entrance by the rainbow-coloured fence)*

Thank you! Please help by sharing this information amongst family, friends, and neighbours.

Wishing to donate instead?

Make cheque payable to Church of St Timothy, noting Winter Drive in the memo line and we will buy more snowsuits towards our goal of 30 complete sets.

Questions? Contact Cynthia at cyn.majewski@gmail.com

Donating to the Church

We encourage all of you to continue to give generously in support of the work that continues at St. Tim's. The needs are great.

- Pre-Authorized Giving (PAG) – If you are already on pre-authorized giving you do not need to do anything and we are very grateful for your continued support.

If you would like to shift to pre-authorized giving, even if only in the short term, please contact Jane Hutchinson, at envelopesecretary@sttimothy.ca

- Envelopes & Cheques – If you use envelopes, we encourage you to mail those envelopes in, addressed to The Envelope Secretary.
100 Old Orchard Grove, Toronto, ON, M5M 2E2
Cheques should be made payable to **Church of St. Timothy**.

- Online Donations – We are able to receive electronic transfers. To donate, **add** Church of St. Timothy to your payee list and e-transfer your donation to office@sttimothy.ca



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