

The WORD

November 2025

Dear St. Timothy's Family,

This year, Halloween falls on a Friday—with children and parents rejoicing that it's not on a school night. The Feast of All Saints, then, technically falls on a Saturday in 2025—with most clergy then quickly transferring it to Sunday (November 2nd). That puts All Souls Day on Monday, November 3rd.

These holidays form a curious “Triduum” (a three-day observance) in the calendar, best described (perhaps in an overly strident manner) by the graphic below.



THE TRIDUUM OF HALLOWTIDE

<p>All Hallows' Eve <i>Violet Vestments</i></p> <p><i>The souls of the just are in the hand of God, and the torment of malice shall not touch them.</i></p>	<p>All Saints Day <i>White Vestments</i></p> <p><i>Blessed are the clean of heart, for they shall see God: blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called children of God.</i></p>	<p>All Souls Day <i>Black Vestments</i></p> <p><i>May eternal light shine upon them forever, O Lord, with Thy saints forever, for Thou art kind.</i></p> <p><small>ancillapress.com</small></p>
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Only the largest churches (and maybe only those with a “High” Church bent) indeed celebrate all of these. For St. Timothy's, by the time you receive this, we will have already celebrated Halloween with our Spooktacular Organ Concert in late October and the annual trick or treating last night. On November 1st, we will host a wedding in the sanctuary, as well as our Parish Birthday (157 years!). Then, on Sunday

November 2nd, St. Tim's will celebrate the Feast of All Saints, with a Baptism and chanting at the 10 am service, and the reading of the Necrology.

Confused yet?

I want to say a little bit about that last item, the "Necrology." I know that St. Timothy's has done a Necrology—literally "names of the dead"—in the past (2015 to be exact) and, despite my "Low" church bent, I wanted to introduce it again this year and see how it goes.

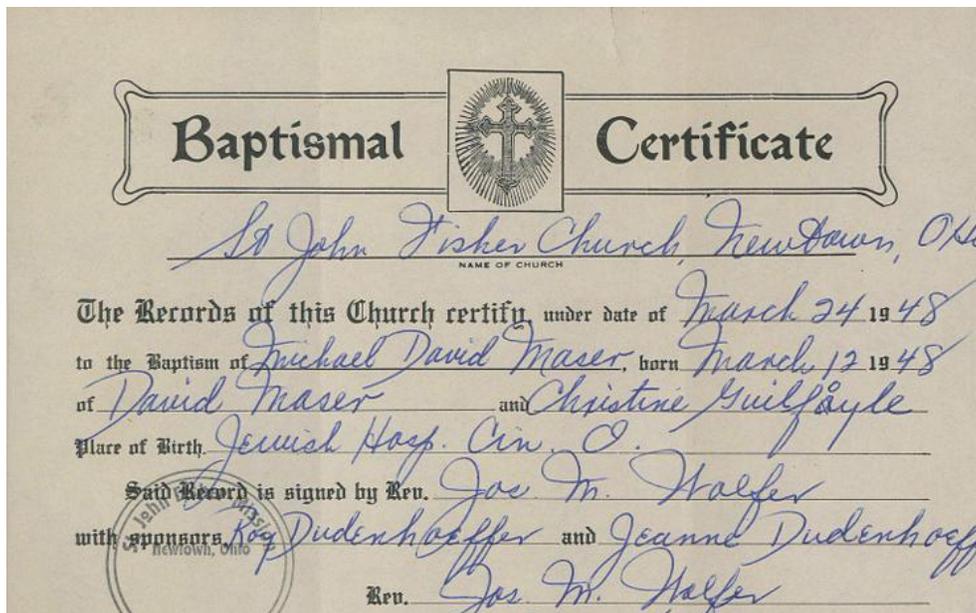
On November 2nd, at both Sunday services¹, there will be a reading of the necrology (see the list below after my message). We will remember by name "All the Saints" who we have said goodbye to over the past year. We will mourn their loss, celebrate their place with God, and affirm our belief that we will be reunited with them on the last day.

Theologically, at least in my "low" church heart, that is why we say their names. We do not "pray for _____" in the sense that they need our prayer, or that God does not know what to do with them, or because we believe that they are in some intermediary state (Purgatory?) that requires effort on our behalf.

Beyond that deeply metaphysical question, I wanted to read the Necrology this year for a more pastoral reason. In 2025, we lost (is that ever the right word?) our Rector Emeritus and former spiritual leader, the Reverend Brad Rundlett. A service honoring his life was held over the Summer and he has been inurned in our Columbarium (located on the half-wall on the "pulpit" side of our sanctuary.) A Remembrance project that collected memories about Father Brad has been finished, and will be presented to the Rundlett family, and be shared with the congregation.

Yet his absence, and those of so many saints like him, make the Necrology such a faithful way to remember both our losses and all of God's blessings.

Many of you knew another such saint whom we have "lost" this year: Michael David Maser. I remember Mike once presenting his Baptismal certificate to me on one of his *many* unannounced drop-ins in my office.



Mike was so proud of this certificate and rejoiced in sharing it with me. His stated wish to me, and many others at the church, was that he would be buried on the St. Tim's grounds, near the remains of his late

¹ One more item to add to the 'soupy cauldron' that is this weekend: our Spanish-speaking brothers and sisters will have an *ofrenda* at the Saturday service that will be left up for Sunday in the Sanctuary. This custom in Latino culture traditionally features an altar decorated with pictures and gifts ("offerings") to remember deceased loved ones from the world of the living.

wife who had died in 2017. I worked with his family around the disposition of his ashes (and his assets—many might remember Mike’s beat-up Chrysler sedan in our parking lot for months.) Unfortunately, despite a good faith effort, we could not determine where Mike’s late wife Kathy had been buried on our church property. After some deliberation, the family eventually decided to bury his ashes in the Clooney family plot in their [ancestral cemetery](#) in Maysville, Kentucky.

“Clooney? Did he say?” Yes, that Clooney family. Mike would often tell me about his famous cousins Rosemary and George. Likewise, he was equally proud that another cousin (whom I spoke with after his death) was the CEO of the Museum of the Bible in Washington, D.C. I could go on and on about Mike, or Brad+, or any of the others in our Necrology. But the hymn says it best “For ALL the Saints…” On All Saints, we celebrate ALL of them—from “Rundlett” to “Maser.”

This year, the Necrology will include those church members who died in the last year, as well as all those who are buried at St. Timothy’s—both those in the Columbarium and those whose ashes are in our Memorial Gardens. I have assiduously been updating our records to make sure that we have an accurate historical accounting of those burials. If your loved one is not listed or you might have some information that I would find interesting (and I find it all interesting), please contact me.

It will be a busy Triduum indeed. We will join in holy matrimony, we will welcome into the Body of Christ, we will celebrate our own parish history. And we will name those whom we have lost, those whom God loves and has drawn near to him, from A to Z, and from now until the end of time.

Yours in Christ,
CHARLES+

Saint Timothy’s, Herndon: A Necrology

On this All Saints’ Day, we bless your Holy Name for your great goodness in calling men and women of good will to found and preserve the ministry of this Parish, and to lay the foundation for the many benefits we now enjoy

And, as in special duty bound, let us pray for the souls of our founders and benefactors now departed, among them:

Our founders: David Johnson and William Aldrich

Our departed rectors: John McGill, Frank Page, S. S. Moore, William Meade, Robert Castleman, J. J. Clopton, John McNabb, George Tolson, Lorenzo Vaughn, William Bradshaw, William Torrence, Alexander Galt, Arthur Ribble, Marshall Milton, A. Lyon-Vaiden, Lloyd Bell, Edmund Stevens, Charles Sheerin, John Henry, and Brad Rundlett.

For those who are buried on our Church Grounds:

Ida Wagner, Priscilla Fuller, John Fuller, Kathleen Maser, Caroline Arlington, Hugh Masters, Alan Birdsall, Gloria Birdsall, Madeleine Thomas, and Gary Birdsall.

For those buried in our Columbarium:

Joseph Scherger, Robert Maul, Sing Lew, Anna Lew, Sarah Showalter, Paul Conroy, Judy Conroy, John Paul Marinenko, John Marinenko, Joseph Oden Hutchison, Christine Popovich Hutchison, Dale Wright, Irene Sanger, Bill Sanger, Glenn Pfenhauer, Charles Clattenburg, Eugene Cowan, Stuart Maxson, Jesse Van Evera, Carol Clarke, Gerry Wiczorek, Robert Guest, Joan Bayfield, Bill Outerbridge, Dorothy Outerbridge, Robert Eek, Sue Van Meers, and Mary Stewart.

For all those of our Parish who have died in the past year:
Jerold Pfadenhauer, Judy Conroy, Joan Gbenyon, Anthony Collins, Mike Maser.

May their souls rest in peace, and may light perpetual shine upon them. Increasing in knowledge and love of you, may they go from strength to strength in the life of perfect service in your heavenly kingdom.

Grant us, with all who have died in the hope of the resurrection, to have our consummation and bliss in your eternal and everlasting glory, and with the Blessed Virgin Mary, Blessed Timothy, and all your saints, to receive the crown of life which you promise to all who share in the victory of your Son, Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

MEMORIAL GIFTS at St. TIMOTHY'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH in HERNDON, VIRGINIA

A plaque at the back of the sanctuary humbly lists those who have given gifts to the parish. Another list exists in the Narthex between the two archival cabinets. We are trying to digitize these lists; if your gift is not featured there on the aforementioned plaque, please contact the church office. Two recent gifts are highlighted below.



Given by Jill Norcross and Amy Georgeadis in memory of Judy and Paul Conroy (their parents), this portrait of the Washington National Cathedral hangs in the Welcome Area outside the Parish Administrator's office. Originally a gift from Paul to Judy, it is the work of Randy Peyton.

Randy Peyton was born in San Antonio, Texas, in 1958. As a teenager he began his quest to paint the endless landscapes of Texas, favoring the bluebonnet. Peyton went to college in California, where he studied Computer Science, but he dedicated himself to art full time in 1980. In 1981, he moved back to San Antonio. Peyton considers himself a self-taught artist, having meticulously studied the paintings of Robert Wood, Porfirio Salinas, Don Warren, William Slaughter and many other regional landscape masters.



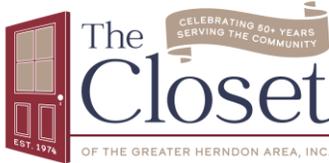
Another painting, by Mary Grigonis, and given by Bette Goglia, now hangs outside the Music Office and greets our choir as they head out to offer glory to God through song.

Entitled, *Procession of the Choir*, a 1996 review in the *Washington Post* described this painting and other works by Grigonis:

"In some two dozen small, solemn works, (Mary Grigonis) presents a vision of Washington in which Metro stations resemble cathedrals and commuting is a pilgrimage. While not overtly religious, her impressionistic cityscapes draw parallels between our secular urban architecture and the more explicitly spiritual monuments that we construct. In "Black Metro Waterfall," a row of silhouetted travelers ascends an escalator from the Dupont Circle station into a halo of blinding light. On the opposite gallery wall (and echoing the former painting's composition) hangs "Procession of the Choir," a view from the balcony of a majestic church: Below, a stream of worshipers makes its way up the aisle toward a glowing altar. The local roads that Grigonis paints -- New Hampshire Avenue, New York Avenue, I-395 and the Beltway -- seem to point to more than the destinations written on their signs."

November Birthdays

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDS	THUR	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
						1 Chrissa Mankin
2 Ted Mankin	3	4	5 Loy Bate Bill Burke	6 Michael Miller Hal Hallett	7	8 Judi Kane
9 Beth Hwoschinsky Julie Gray-Roller	10	11 Michael Kuchler Ernaldo Sanchez	12 Leslie Brown	13 Jack Hauslein	14	15 Carolyn Hamm
16 Jennifer Boysko	17	18 Mabel Tetteyfiio Mariana Kuchler	19 Karina Ponce	20 James Burke	21	22
23	24 Mark Cowherd	25 Laura Dendtler Alejandra Kuchler	26 Oliver Jonass	27 Henrietta Amos	28 Emma Spence Daniel Kuchler	29
30 Carol Van Evera Mary McLenigan Lee Bissell						



News from The Closet

The quarterly Board meeting of the Member Congregations of The Closet met on October 15, 2025. During the meeting, it was voted to give grants to the following non-profit organizations in the Greater Herndon community:

Food for Neighbors, Haven of Northern Virginia, Herndon Senior Center, Herndon Village Network, Mobile Hope, Herndon-Reston FISH and *Vecinos Unidos*.

Volunteer Days for St. Timothy's are: November 4, December 1 and December 20. If you wish to volunteer, go to the store between 10 and 4 and staff will show you what to do. Volunteers are asked to commit to a 3-hour shift, but it can begin any time. If you have not volunteered before, you will be welcome. If you have questions about The Closet, or volunteering, please contact one of The Closet Board members listed below.

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Respectfully submitted by Holly Hartge

Preschool Corner

October has been a delightfully busy month for the a new class for 3-year-old students, clearing our wait list for more students to join. We hosted families of students at an Open House/Back to School Night that coincided with our weeklong Scholastic Book Fair. parents organized and ran our 5th Annual Trunk-or-for interested families (school, church, or community); this article is published, we will have had our annual Parade and Festival. Much more fun to come in



preschool! We opened and creating room currently enrolled conveniently Our homeroom Treat fundraiser and, by the time Halloween November and December.



We church want to thank the members who helped with the Book Fair – setting up, helping children pick out books, buying books for the young people in their lives, donating books to our teachers, and packing up afterward. It is always fun seeing young people get excited about books, and there was a lot of excitement during the Book Fair. For that reason alone, it can

be counted as a huge success. It was sales; the school earned over \$1200 in can be used to buy educational Scholastic catalog.

As we go into November, we start register students for the 2026-2027 This is a great time of year to start preschools for next year. Or touring year: we have limited spaces available for year as well. If you know anyone who is preschool or will be looking for a preschool for next year, St. Timothy's Pre-School to take a tour and find out what we have to offer.

Respectfully submitted by Allyson Showalter



also a success in terms of Scholastic Bucks that materials from the

preparing to school year. touring preschools for this the current school currently looking for a please encourage them to contact



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Service Times

Saturday: 7 pm Spanish Service/Rite II
 Sunday: 8 am Rite I (English)
 Sunday: 10 am Rite II (English)
 Also available via Zoom
 (Livestream on
 YouTube/
 Facebook/Website)

Please check the website for up-to-date information about opportunities to worship

Welcome New Members

To transfer your membership to St. Timothy's or to find out if you are a registered member, contact the church office (office@saint-timothys.org) or fill out the Parishioner Information Form.

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Prayer for the Season of Pentecost

Spirit of God

Spirit of God, be for us joy, healing gift of love, creating a new heart. Longing to be spirit alive: very life of God, be rooted within us.

Voice which calls us beyond scattered dreams, barren days to receive and give of God's love.

May you kindle our hope in the morning of life; may you bring us peace with day's end.

'Though exalted our hopes no less real shall they be; in compassion faithfulness thrives.

Spirit of God, be for us joy, healing gift of love, creating a new heart, healing gift of love creating a new heart.

- The Monks of Weston Priory

