



## Newsletter

May 3, 2018

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### From the Rector

This Sunday we have a big announcement as a parish family. It's exciting and good news that will both inspire and challenge us. And so, it's good that we continue to hear from the first letter of John this Sunday about God's presence and love in our lives. It's helpful to know that the community to whom 1 John was written was at an important moment in its life together. If you've spent some time thumbing through the letters of the New Testament you'd sense something is going on for the community of 1 John because the author talks about one thing a lot—and I mean, a lot: love. We Christians return to first things, to our priorities, our bedrock during important times; in particular, the love of God, the love of Jesus. Our reading from 1 John this Sunday reminds us to always stay focused on the love of God, stay connected to living our faith and trust that God is with us. Remember who and whose you are—it's a consistent theme. We are reminded that we are all intimately linked together as sisters and brothers in Christ, as children of God. This Sunday we'll be reminded that each of us is connected to Jesus and so just as love connects us to Jesus, so do our pains, sufferings, and hurts (even those we commit). It's a way of reminding us that everything is connected to the God who comes to us in the Word made Flesh. It's why we are told, time and time again in 1 John: love one another; keep my commandments; God is love; we love because God first loved us. Everything is held in love; or another way of saying: nothing is lost to God's love. We are in this love life together as a family growing in faith, hope and love.

I hope you can be with us on Sunday to hear the promise of God's love and how we, at St. Tim's, are working to grow in God's call of love to us in our mission to embrace all people with the love of Jesus. We have big news to share with you and we are thankful, before all else, to God for God's goodness and faithfulness and that God has called you, all of us, here, together in Jesus' name.

See you Sunday,



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## **This week at St. Tim's:**

### **Friday, May 4**

Centering Prayer Group, 9am

### **Saturday, May 5**

Rocky Mountain Rug Braiders Guild, 10am

Ladies Out-to-Lunch Bunch, 11:30am

### **Sunday, May 6**

Worship Services, 7:45 and 10am

Newcomers Lunch, 11:30am

### **Monday, May 7**

Scouts Meeting, 7pm

### **Tuesday, May 8**

Brotherhood of St. Andrew, 6:30am

AA Meeting, 7:30pm

### **Wednesday, May 9**

Morning Prayer, 7am

Study Brunch, 11:30am

**Thursday, May 10**

Choir Rehearsal, 6:30pm

AA Meeting, 7:30pm

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## Other News & Events

### Ladies Out-to-Lunch Bunch

The next gathering is Saturday, May 5 at 11:30am at He-Xing Garden located at 7500 S. University Blvd., Suite 103-D (in the strip mall with the Dollar Tree, facing Dry Creek). To make your reservation or if you have questions, call JoAnne Sherlock at (785) 250-9573. All ladies are welcome!

### Newcomers Lunch

On Sunday, May 6 we are hosting a gathering for newcomers at 11:30am downstairs in the Library. We will have a light lunch and provide an opportunity for you to hear about our ministries and programs and also meet the leadership of St. Tim's.

### Graduation Sunday and Pentecost

On Sunday, May 20, we will celebrate Pentecost and also our graduating seniors and those kids moving up in Sunday School with a strawberry shortcake reception following the 10am service.

### Communal Garden

**Grocery Cards** will be available following both services on Sunday, May 6.

### Samaritan Outreach

On an ongoing basis we collect and deliver food, clothing, toiletries and school supplies to a variety of charities, including the St. Francis Center and House of Hope. Please bring any of these items and put them in the collection area outside the Parish Hall and we will make sure they are put to good use! If you have questions, contact Bob Fullerton at [bobfullerton@gmail.com](mailto:bobfullerton@gmail.com).

### Church Calendar

If you want to know about all the events happening in our parish community, check out the church calendar [on our website by clicking here](#). Just click on the CALENDAR tab at the top of the home page to view upcoming events. Click on a specific event for details.

### Journeying Through the Lectionary

Because there have been questions about how the garden is organized it was suggested that we call the garden a communal. The thought behind this is that the garden is not individual plots, but a garden cared for by many hands and is part of St. Tim's Outreach program. We do this work to support various food banks in the area. We aim to feed as many of our hungry neighbors as we can. With this mission in mind, the Garden Team invites anyone interested in supporting this work to join us in early June to plant the garden. In the meantime, Carol Murphy is working with irrigation gurus to make the watering less of a challenge. If you have questions, please contact Carol Murphy (303-587-8693) or Margaret Utter (meutter@earthlink.net, 303-906-9997).

### **2018 St. Tim's Holiday Bazaar**

Due to the overwhelming response from our first bazaar, the Women's Ministry Committee has decided to continue the tradition in 2018. Plan to have your crafts, wood-work, knitting, sewing, hand-hooked rugs, quilted items, or whatever you create, ready for a November 11th bazaar. It is a wonderful way to showcase the many creative gifts of our St. Tim's family and provide a unique holiday shopping experience for our members and guests. If you have questions, please contact someone from

In next Sunday's Gospel, Jesus speaks of friendship with his disciples and love among them. How are the two concepts related? Certainly, a parent/child can love a child/parent, but can they be friends? Read the Biblical texts, wrestle with our take on them, and, for a bonus, reflect on why Jesus didn't stick around to wow the Roman emperors, simply by [clicking here](#) (for the [mobile version click here](#)).

### **Good Book Club Readings This Week**

Sunday, May 6	Acts 16:16-40
Monday, May 7	Acts 17:1-9
Tuesday, May 8	Acts 17:10-34
Wed., May 9	Acts 18:1-28
Thurs., May 10	Acts 19-20:16
Friday, May 11	Acts 20:17-38
Sat., May 12	Acts 21:1-26

### **Did you miss the sermon last Sunday?**

You can [listen to an audio recording by clicking here](#).

**Contemplative Prayer Group** meets on Friday mornings at 9:30 in the D'Zone. The group responds to St. Paul's admonition to "pray always." Beginners are always welcome. For more information, contact Nancy at [NancyBattilega@gmail.com](mailto:NancyBattilega@gmail.com).

**Do you have something you'd like to include in the weekly announcements or newsletter?** Send the information to

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