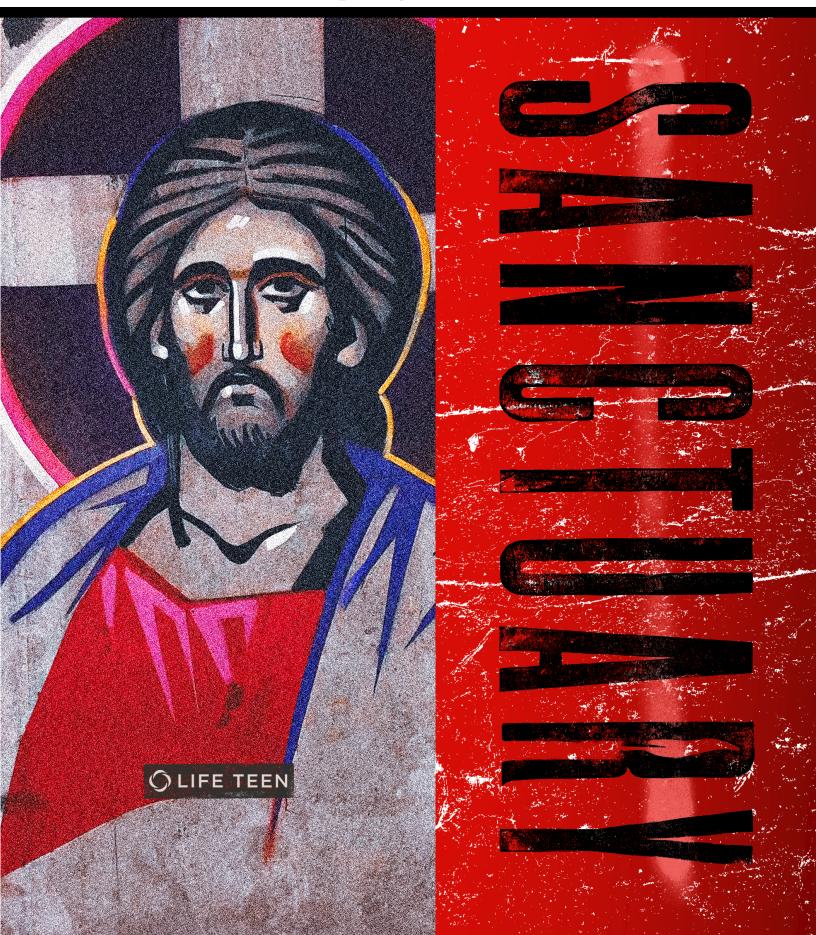
Youth Ministry Update

Fall/Spring 2024-2025



Covecrest & Sanctuary

As soon as all 80 of us hop off the bus at the gates of Covecrest, we hear loud roars from the missionaries cheering us on, making us feel welcome and shouting the words, "Welcome Home!!" Before we even started our journey to Covecrest, missionaries were praying for us. This place does nothing but pour love and care into the hearts of teens, and it's no wonder that so many students can't wait to attend year after year. In fact, St. Timothy had the largest group of all the churches attending.

So, what is it that really makes this place home? Is it the mud pits, the Spikeball tournaments, the obstacle course, the white-water rafting, the incredible music, and powerful guest speakers? Sure, all of those things have an impact, but ultimately what students are seeking is sanctuary. That was the theme at camp this year. That's what camp tries to instill. Sanctuary is where God's presence resides. It's a safe place where students are seen, known, and loved. When we hear, "Welcome Home!" it's not just a cliché greeting; it's an authentic invitation into a place where relationships are formed—relationships with God and with each other.

In this environment, students give up their phones for a week. Most of the teens were okay with that because they recognize the source of much of their anxiety and withdrawal from others is their phone. "Phones are just white noise," our speaker, Deacon Chris Turner, explained. With all our distractions, we are losing the ability to hear God's voice. Deacon Chris, who now was just ordained a priest, taught us that "God doesn't speak over our white noise because He is so close." He is whispering His "still small voice" (1 Kings 19:12). God is always saying something, but He communicates in His own way. He's not limited to communicate by the ways we know. So, without our phones, students were more open to this voice, to hear God speak through Scripture, the talks, Mass, and each other. Naturally, without these distractions, students made new friends and spent time outdoors playing. Our group bonded immensely.

There is so much pressure on our students during the academic year with schoolwork, sports, extracurricular activities, and the unintended pressures that social media incurs. One of the greatest joys of Covecrest is its ability to let students release all that anxiety on the first day by throwing themselves in the mud, trekking through a wet obstacle course, and working together as a team to get through to the finish line, which is a huge bonfire dance party under the stars. From the first night at Covecrest and discovering true sanctuary, an authentic joy erupts.

As beautiful as the Covecrest waterfall is, and as breathtaking as our rafting on the Chattooga River was, it doesn't compare to Sanctuary. God puts Sanctuary in us, to dwell in the deepest parts of our hearts. Students spent significant time in silence reflecting on this, and in that sanctuary, God is saying, "Rest in

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me," "I've got this," "You don't have to do this on your own," and "I am with you always." Sanctuary is about trust and surrender to God's presence. Surrendering to your peers to catch you on the trust fall at the ropes course is one thing, albeit a very scary thing, but surrendering your whole life to God is another.

So many students this year embarked on this Covecrest journey to make some friends, play some games, white-water raft, and hike in the North Georgia mountains, but many took on a greater journey of faith. Students paired up one afternoon to pour out their hearts with brutal honesty on an Emmaus walk around the beautiful Covecrest campus. They discussed what areas of their life are the most difficult to live out their faith. Where have they abandoned that sanctuary? These are constant questions of every disciple of Jesus, and just as Jesus meets the men of Emmaus and goes into their home to make Himself present in the Eucharist, so too did our students open the home of their hearts to allow Jesus to reside there in powerful times of Confession, Mass, and Adoration.

If you have ever been to the 5:30 pm Sunday Mass at St. Timothy, you hear the congregation chant the song "Sanctuary." In that chant, we hear, "Lord prepare me to be a sanctuary, pure and holy, tried and true. With thanksgiving, I'll be a living sanctuary for you." As our students launch into this theme of Sanctuary this year, we invite you all to do the same and pray we can carry the light of Christ to all.





Our Youth Ministry programs have expanded and grown throughout the years in so many ways, not just in the size of Life Teen and EDGE but in the spiritual depth that our students are striving for. In the last year as we have tapped into the Eucharistic Revival and many of our students have reached out for a desire to go deeper in their faith, in particular when it comes to discerning God's will and purpose for their life. So we have partnered up with Fr. Penn to develop "Open Space". This is a community of High School teens to open the space of their hearts for God's purpose through Ignatius prayer, tools and meaningful discussion. This fall "Open Space" will most 6 weeks. We have many

"Open Space" will meet 6 weeks. We hope many of our High School Students who are mature in their faith and ready to go deeper can commit just 6 weeks to journey with Fr. Penn. There is limited space for this group. Scan the QR Code to Sign Up. Please keep these students in your prayers.



Serving At Mass

Student Ushering, Student Lectoring & Student Eucharist Minister Training *TBD*

We need your help at 5:30pm Mass. Email jen.linder@sainttims.org for more info.

Jr. Mentors

Our Jr. Mentors are made up of mostly 11th and 12th grade students on fire for the Lord who help lead middle school, retreats, testimonies, and are peer leaders. Apply today to join the Jr. Mentor Team and email jen.linder@sainttims.org.

Do you need Confirmation?

In order for our students to be Confirmed in 2025, they must have attended Catholic Faith Formation the previous year (2023-2024) and be entering at least 10th, 11th or 12th Grade. There is a mandatory Parent/Student Confirmation Orientation in September. Confirmation Candidates and a parent are required to meet for a 20minute meeting to go over the expectations, dates and paperwork for this important sacramental year. Please register for Confirmation as well as sign up for your Orientation meeting in the Youth Century In Codes below.



Confirmation Registration





Confirmation Orientation

LIFE TEEN Alumni Retreat & College Students

The majority of our students in Youth Ministry move to college campuses all over the United States. Keeping them engaged in their faith and continuing to journey with them as a Parish is one of our biggest goals. We deliver care packages to them, send them texts and emails, visit them and also provide an incredible Life Teen Alumni Retreat. Parents be sure to tell them about our upcoming Alumni Retreat December 20th 2024. We are also looking to bring college students this year to SEEK 2025 in January. Email us your college students name and contact info to jen.linder@sainttims.org and ask about the retreat and the SEEK Conference in Salt Lake.

RETREATS

High School LIFE TEEN "Ultimate Playlist" Retreat

Saturday, September 28th-29th at Bethany Center (Overnight Retreat)

Our Confirmation students are required to attend at least one weekend retreat. This is also a good way for students who are not in Confirmation to come and get to know other teens, have lots of fun, and grow in their faith. Every day, we are inundated with words, written and spoken. In an age where we can instantly seek out words that conform to our thoughts and feelings, what is the role of God's Word? Cost is \$100, registration due September 11th. Scan the QR Code.



Middle School EDGE "Awakening" Retreat Saturday, October 5th 10am-9pm at Mary Help

Canoeing, swimming, sports, games, lots of fun and prayer on this retreat. It can be challenging to distinguish Jesus' voice from the many voices that tell us what to wear, what to listen to, what to watch, and even who to be. Students are reminded to follow Jesus the Good Shepherd by listening to His voice. Cost is \$60 and located at Mary Help of Christians. Scan the QR Code.



High School LIFE TEEN "EPIC" Retreat

Saturday-Sunday, November 2nd-3rd at Bethany Center (Overnight Retreat)

St. Timothy retreats are the highlight of students time in Youth Ministry. They are fun. They help students make new friends and are exciting weekends to jumpstart their life of faith. Lights, camera and action! In this retreat students will get the red carpet treatment as they take a journey into the scene that God has set for their lives. Registration due October 20th. Scan QR Code.



High School Chosen Series Retreats

November 16th-17th, 9am-9am & February 15th-16th, 9am-9am

We are going to binge watch the Chosen Series and discuss for this amazing retreat/lock-in at the St. Timothy Youth Center in November and at St. Pauls in February. Scan the QR Code.



Middle School EDGE Lock-IN

Friday, January 10th-11th, 6pm-9am at St. Timothy Youth Center

Students come join us for the fun and prayer in our Youth Center. Scan the QR Code



High School LIFE TEEN "Joyful Noise" Retreat Saturday, March 1st, 2025 at Mary Help (Day Retreat)

This retreat will look at the power of music as well as the honest prayer given to us in the Psalms. The goal of this retreat is to bring teens into intimate and honest relationship with God through the Sacraments, Scripture, prayer, worship, and community. Cost is \$65. Scan QR Code.



Confirmation Day Retreat & Rehearsal

Saturday, May 3rd 8:30am-12:30pm at St. Timothy Mandatory day retreat & rehearsal for parents, sponsors,



HIGH SCHOOL FALL & SPRING 2024/2025 CALENDAR LIFE TEEN Ministry 9th-12th Grade Sunday Nights 6:30pm Beginning With A Meal In The Hall & 8:30pm Pick Up At Youth Center

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Date	Time	Event	Location
Sunday, 8/18	6:30-8:30p	HS Mentor Meeting/Training	Youth Center
Sunday, 8/25	6:30-8:30p	HS Parent Meeting	Hall
Saturday, 8/31	12:30-9p	HS Youth Rally	St. Lawrence
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Sunday, 9/1		•	
Wednesday, 9/4	7:00-8:15p	ENCOUNTER! (Adoration Praise & Worship)	Sanctuary
Sunday, 9/8	6:30-8:30p	LIFE TEEN KICK-OFF, Confirmation & Catholic School Stud.	Youth Center
Sunday, 9/15	6:30-8:30p	LIFE TEEN Night & PARENT LIFE KICK-OFF	Youth Center/Hall
Sunday, 9/22	6:30-8:30p	LIFE TEEN	Youth Center
Sunday, 9/28-29	9am-11am	UFE TEEN Retreat	Bethany Ctr
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Sunday, 9/29	6:30-8:30p	LIFE TEEN	Youth Center
Wednesday, 10/2	7:00-8:15p	ENCOUNTER! (Adoration Praise & Worship)	Sanctuary
Sunday, 10/6	6:30-8:30p	LIFE TEEN, Confirmation & Catholic School Students	Youth Center
Sunday, 10/13	6:30-8:30p	LIFE TEEEN	Youth Center
Saturday, 10/19	·	FALL FESTIVAL	
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Sunday, 10/20	6:30-8:30p		Youth Center
Sunday, 10/27	6:30-8:30p	LIFE TEEN & PARENT LIFE	Youth Center
Sat, 11/2-Sun 3	9am-11am	LIFE TEEN Retreat	Bethany Ctr
Sunday, 11/3	6:30-8:30p	LIFE TEEN	Youth Center
Wednesday, 11/6	7:00-8:15p	ENCOUNTER! (Adoration Praise & Worship)	Sanctuary
Saturday, 11/16-17	9am-9am	The Chosen Series Retreat	Youth Center
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Sunday, 11/17	6:30-8:30p	LIFE TEEN, Confirmation & Catholic School Students	Youth Center
Sunday, 11/24		No LIFE TEEN- Thanksgiving Break	
Sunday, 12/1	6:30-8:30p	LIFE TEEN	Youth Center
Wednesday, 12/4	7:00-8:15p	ENCOUNTER! (Adoration Praise & Worship)	Sanctuary
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Fri, 12/6- Sun 8th			
Sunday, 12/8	6:30-8:30p	LIFE TEEN, Confirmation & Catholic School Students	Youth Center
Sunday, 12/15	6:30-8:30p	LIFE TEEN- Christmas Party	Youth Center
Sunday, 12/22		No LIFE TEEN- Christmas Break	
Sunday, 12/29		No LIFE TEEN- Christmas Break	
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Sunday, 1/5	6:30-8:30p		Youth Center
Wednesday, 1/8	7:00-8:15p	ENCOUNTER! (Adoration Praise & Worship)	Sanctuary
Sunday, 1/12	6:30-8:30p	LIFE TEEN, Confirmation & Catholic School Students	Youth Center
Sunday, 1/19	6:30-8:30p	LIFE TEEN	Youth Center
Fri, 1/24-Sun 26th	4:30p-2pm	Rock The Universe	Orlando
Sunday, 1/26	6:30-8:30p	LIFE TEEN & PARENT LIFE	Youth Center
Sunday, 2/2	6:30-8:30p	LIFE TEEN, Confirmation & Catholic School Students	Youth Center
Wednesday, 2/5	7:00-8:15p	ENCOUNTER! (Adoration Praise & Worship)	Sanctuary
Fri, 2/7-Sun 9th	6pm-11am	Family Camping Trip	Good Counsel Camp
Sunday, 2/9	6:30-8:30p	LIFE TEEN Superbowl Party	Youth Center
Saturday, 2/15-16	9am-9pm	The Chosen Series Retreat	St. Pauls
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Sunday, 2/16	6:30-8:30p	LIFE TEEN	Youth Center
Sunday, 2/23	12-2, 6:30-8:30p	YC 10 Year Anniversary & LIFE TEEN	Youth Center
Saturday, 3/1	9am-9pm	LIFE TEEN Retreat	Mary Help
Sunday, 3/2	6:30-8:30p	LIFE TEEN	Youth Center
Saturday, 3/8	7am-3pm	Mulch Delivery Day	Youth Center
		LIFE TEEN, Confirmation & Catholic School Students	
Sunday, 3/9	6:30-8:30p	·	Youth Center
Wednesday, 3/12	7:00-8:15p	ENCOUNTER! (Adoration Praise & Worship)	Sanctuary
Sunday, 3/16		No LIFE TEEN- Spring Break	
Mon, 3/17-21		Spring Break Mission Trip	
Sunday, 3/23	6:30-8:30p	LIFE TEEN	Youth Center
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Sunday, 3/30	6:30-8:30p		Youth Center
Mon, 3/31- 4/2	7:00-8:15p	Lenten Parish Mission	Sanctuary
Sunday, 4/6	6:30-8:30p	LIFE TEEN, Confirmation & Catholic School Students	Youth Center
Wednesday, 4/9	7:00-8:15p	ENCOUNTER! (Adoration Praise & Worship)	Sanctuary
Sunday, 4/13	6:30-8:30p	LIFE TEEN	Youth Center
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Sunday, 4/27	6:30-8:30p	LIFE TEEN & PARENT LIFE	Youth Center
Saturday, 5/3	8:30am-1pm	Confirmation Day Retreat & Rehearsal	Sanctuary
Sunday, 5/4	6:30-8:30p	LIFE TEEN	Youth Center
Wednesday, 5/7	7:00-8:15p	ENCOUNTER! (Adoration Praise & Worship)	Sanctuary
Sunday, 5/11		No LIFE TEEN- Mother's Day	
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Sunday, 5/18	6:30-8:30p	No LIFE TEEN- Memorial Day	Youth Center
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Sunday, 5/25 Sunday, 6/1	6:30-8:30p	SUMMER NIGHTS BEGIN	Youth Center

MIDDLE SCHOOL FALL & SPRING 2024/2025 CALENDAR

EDGE Ministry 6th-8th Grade

Wednesday Nights 6:45pm-8:15pm In The Youth Center

Date	Time	Event	Location
Wednesday, 8/21	6:30-8:30p	MS Mentor Training	Youth Center
Wednesday, 9/28	6:30-8:00p	MS Parent Meeting	Parish Hall
Wednesday, 9/4	6:30-8:15p	EDGE & Parents- ENCOUNTER!	YC/Sanctuary
Wednesday, 9/11	6:45-8:15p	EDGE Kick-Off	Youth Center
Wednesday, 9/18	6:45-8:15p	EDGE	Youth Center
Wednesday, 9/25	6:45-8:15p	EDGE	Youth Center
Wednesday, 10/2	6:30-8:15p	EDGE & Parents- ENCOUNTER!	YC/Sanctuary
Saturday, 10/5	10am-9:00p	EDGE Day Retreat	Mary Help
Wednesday, 10/9	6:45-8:15p	EDGE	Youth Center
Wednesday, 10/16	6:45-8:15p	EDGE Parent/Student Night (Bunko Night)	Youth Center
Wednesday, 10/23	6:45-8:15p	EDGE	Youth Center
Wednesday, 10/30	6:45-8:15p	EDGE	Youth Center
Wednesday, 11/6	6:30-8:15p	EDGE & Parents- ENCOUNTER!	YC/Sanctuary
Wednesday, 11/13	6:45-8:15p	EDGE	Youth Center
Wednesday, 11/20	6:45-8:15p	EDGE Thanksgiving Dinner Celebration	Youth Center
Wednesday 11/27		NO EDGE- Thanksgiving Break	
Wednesday, 12/4	6:30-8:15p	EDGE & Parents- ENCOUNTER!	YC/Sanctuary
Wednesday, 12/11	6:30-8:15p	EDGE	Youth Center
Wednesday, 12/18	6:45-8:15p	EDGE Christmas Party	Youth Center
Wednesday, 12/25		NO EDGE- Winter Break	
Wednesday, 1/1		NO EDGE- Winter Break	
Wednesday, 1/8	6:30-8:15p	EDGE & Parents- ENCOUNTER!	YC/Sanctuary
Fri, 1/10-Sat. 1/11	6pm-9am	EDGE Lock-In	Youth Center
Wednesday, 1/15	6:45-8:15p	EDGE	Youth Center
Wednesday, 1/22	6:45-8:15p	EDGE	Youth Center
Wednesday, 1/29	6:45-8:15p	EDGE	Youth Center
Wednesday, 2/5	6:30-8:15p	EDGE & Parents- ENCOUNTER!	YC/Sanctuary
Fri, 2/7- Sun, 2/9		Family Camping Trip	Good Counsel Camp
Wednesday, 2/12	6:45-8:15p	EDGE	Youth Center
Wednesday, 2/19	6:45-8:15p	EDGE	Youth Center
Wednesday, 2/26	6:45-8:15p	EDGE	Youth Center
Wednesday, 3/5		NO EDGE- Ash Wednesday	
Saturday, 3/8	7am-3pm	Mulch Delivery Day	Youth Center
Wednesday, 3/12	6:30-8:15p	EDGE & Parents- ENCOUNTER!	YC/Sanctuary
Wedensday, 3/19		NO EDGE- Spring Break	
Wednesday, 3/26	6:45-8:15p	EDGE	Youth Center
Wednesday, 4/2		NO EDGE- Lenten Mission	
Wednesday, 4/9	6:30-8:15p	EDGE & Parents- ENCOUNTER!	YC/Sanctuary
Wednesday, 4/16	6:45-8:15p	EDGE Live Stations	Youth Center
Friday, 4/18	Noon	Families, Stations Of The Cross	Outdoor Stations
Wednesday, 4/23	6:45-8:15p	EDGE	Youth Center
Wednesday, 4/30	6:45-8:15p	EDGE	Youth Center
Wednesday, 5/7	6:30-8:15p	EDGE & Parents- ENCOUNTER!	YC/Sanctuary
Wednesday, 5/14	6:45-8:15p	EDGE	Youth Center
Wednesday, 5/21	6:45-8:15p	EDGE 8th Send-Off	Youth Center
Wednesday, 5/28		NO EDGE- Summer Break	
Wednesday, 6/1	6:30-8:30p	Summer Night Kick-Off	Youth Center

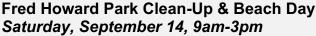
ENCOUNTER NIGHTS: We encourage all of our students and families to participate in our ENCOUNTER nights. These are nights of praise & worship, prayer, adoration and a lesson for the family. These nights begin earlier to give students some extra free time in the gym before we walk over to the Church together for prayer at 7pm. We also feed our students pizza on these nights beginning at 6:30 in the gym Youth Center. These nights are important because we know "a family that prays together, stays together!"

SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

Sign up to help in any one of these opportunities on our web site under Service Links or email jen.linder@sainttims.org for more information. http://www.sainttims.org/youth

Country Breakfast (Hosted By The Knights Of Columbus) Dates TBD

We need 12 High School or Middle School youth to help set up and serve our Country Breakfast. This is an opportunity to raise money for any Youth Ministry trip or receive community service hours.



Service and fun all in one event. We are linking up with Pinellas Clean Up. Come out with us to clean up Fred Howard Park and then enjoy the day in the sun and surf.



St. Timothy Fall Festival Saturday, October 19

We need students to help serve snow cones, popcorn, help set up, clean tables, trash duty. This is an opportunity to receive community service hours. Sign up links will be coming out in parent emails.

Santa Maria Mission (Soup Kitchen)

Tuesday, Nov. 26 + 9:30am-12:30pm &

Tuesday Dec. 17th 9:30am-12:30pm

We need 12 students to help us serve 150 meals for our brothers and sisters at Santa Maria in Tampa. We will be asked to do many things: give out food, move food boxes, serve hot plates of food, sweep and organize. Sign up using the QR codes.



November



December

Holiday Hugs Caroling

Thursday, December 19 • 4:00pm-8pm

We will gather in the youth center, go out in cars to sing Christmas Carols to the homebound and nursing homes. Please dress festive to cheer up our homebound! Sign up using the QR code.



Fish Fry

Fridays, March 7, 14, 21, 28, April 4, 11 • 4:00pm-8:00pm

We need 20 volunteers to come bus tables, serve food, help with trash and take out orders. Money that is earned will help students pay for their summer trips. Sign up using QR Code.









SPECIAL EVENTS

LET'S DO THIS

IN REMEMBRANCE OF ME LUKE 22:19

High School Youth Rally

Saturday, August 31st 12:30pm-9pm

Join us for the inspiration "Let's Do This- In Remembrance Of Me" High School Youth Rally based on Luke 22:19! The Diocesan Youth Rally is designed to empower high school teenagers to live out the Eucharistic Revival. Get ready Tampa Bay for an incredible day featuring Vocation Director and Tampa Bay Buccaneers Chaplain Fr. Chuck Dornquast, along with renown Catholic speaker Noelle Garcia. Experience uplifting praise & worship, games, and encounters with the love of Jesus Christ. The first 50 studentsare FREE!



St. Timothy Fall Festival Saturday. October 19th

We are excited to be able to host again our annual fall festival at St. Timothy. Lots of live entertainment, activities, contests, and food trucks. We are looking forward to this special event. Sign up links will be available in Septmber emails.

40 Hour Adoration

Friday, Dec. 6th- Sunday, Dec. 8th

We are excited to be able to participate in a parish wide 40 Hour Adoration. In this year of the Eucharistic Revival the Church is calling us to united in prayer in front of the Blessed Sacrament to renew our yearts. We will encourage all our students to participate in this wonderful event. More info will be available in October.

Rock The Universe

Friday-Sunday, January 24-26

Rock, Ride and Rejoice! Raise Your Hands. Raise Your Voice. Raise Your Spirit. Rock the Universe is an unforgettable weekend of faith and fun. Experience powerful beats from Christian Music's brightest stars and thrilling rides at Universal Studios Florida. This weekend of fun begins when we take a bus from St. Tims on Friday evening and get back on Sunday afternoon. Scan QR Code for more information and to register.



Family Camping Trip

Friday-Sunday, February 7-9 • Good Counsel Camp in Floral City

Need a chance to unwind with the family and at the same time have a spiritual retreat. Fishing, canoeing, hikes, archery, games, and prayer. This is the place to be for your family. Many of the families who come say that it's better than any vacation they have planned and your kids will thank you too! More information will be available in October.

John Paul II Youth Center 10 Year Anniversary Celebration Sunday, February 23rd + 12pm-2pm

Following our 11am Mass we will invite all our parishioners to come visit the JPII Youth Center to celebrate it's 10 Year Anniversary. Young and Old are encouraged to come out, join the fun, get some lunch and get a special walk through tour of our Youth Center. Come find out the exciting plans we have to continue to minister to our growing young population at St. Timothy.

Mulch Madness Fundraiser Saturday, March 8th ◆ 7am-3pm

This is our biggest fundraiser of the year for students to raise money towards our trips delivering much.

Confirmation Mass Tuesday, May 6th • 6:30pm Join Us
Sep 4, Oct 2, Dec 4,
Jan 8, Feb 5, Mar 12,
Apr 9, May 7

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SUMMER TRIPS

La Victoria, Dominican Republic Mission Trip Dates To Be Determined Summer 2025

The total cost is \$1400 that includes flight, room, food, shirt, and some project expenses. There is limited space on this trip. Students 15 years old and under at the time of the trip must have a parent go with them. Because of the limited space students must apply to be accepted at the Parent Meeting on August 25th



Middle School Hidden Lake EDGE Camp Dates To Be Determined Summer 2025

Summer Camp with EDGE Life Teen in Dahlonega, GA is an incredible opportunity to bring your teens into an incredible experience of life. Middle school teens are able to be free and confident in themselves, develop new friendships with other teens from our parish, and encounter God working in their lives. The cost of this trip is \$900. Because of the limited space, students must apply to be accepted at the Parent Meeting on August 28th.



High School Covecrest Life Teen Camp Dates To Be Determined Summer 2025

Life Teen Summer Camp in Tiger, GA is an amazing opportunity to allow teens to be free and confident in themselves, develop new friendships with other teens from our parish, and encounter God working in their lives. This trip includes a white-water rafting experience they will never forget. The cost of this trip is \$1,000. Because of the limited space, students must apply to be accepted at the Parent Meeting on August 25th.



Good Samaritan Project (GSP) Dates To Be Determined Summer 2025

This is a local Mission Trip week at Bishop McLaughlin High School. The vision of the Good Samaritan Project is to bring youth to the poor and underprivileged members of the Tampa Bay area through service and prayer. Students travel every day from Bishop McLaughlin to a different location to serve those in need around our Diocese. Registration will open in January.



World Youth Day- Seoul, South Korea August 2027- Must be 16 by Aug. 2027

St. Timothy Youth Ministry and Young Adults has a long history of attending World Youth Day. We are excited to announce that we will embark again for the upcoming World Youth Day in Seoul, South Korea. It's not until 2027 but we want to be sure everybody has time to begin planning now, this trip will not be cheap and will require a large commitment. We also encourage a parent to attend this amazing pilgrimage with their child. Students must be 16 by August 2027 to attend. Estimated Cost: \$5,000. Application link will be available at Parent meeting on August 25th.





Parents who have a student registered in our Youth Ministry program receive an abundance of resources and access to online tools through our Parent Life Ministry. It's all to support and help you as a parent. Parent Life is just for parents run by parents. They have gatherings once a quarter on Sunday nights from 6:30-8:30pm (same time as High School Life Teen) in the Church courtyard as well as receives digital resources that allow you to bring your family into a deeper relationship with Christ. This is a community for parents of Middle and High School teens. Be sure to attend our first Parent Life Kick-Off gathering on September 24th at 6:30pm in front of the hall for drinks and Hors d'oeuvres followed by session. Come and you may be the winner of our free drawing for a "Parents Night Out Date Night" Gift card.

- Parent Life gatherings led by other parents
- Builds friendships with other parents
- Digital resources monthly in your inbox
- Digital online community to share with other parents
- Will include food, adult-level large group and small group discussion on parenting, and applications that will empower you to go home to help you and your family flourish in your relationship with Christ.



Adults Get Involved

Food Ministry

On Sunday evenings we intentionally feed our High School students before we start on Sunday night. This is not done just to get food in their stomachs, but we recognize the need for them to sit around a dinner table together with their mentors as an important part of the ministry to build relationships. Food is prepared by a group of parents or other parish ministries, such as our Men's Club, Womans Club and Knights Of Columbus who help provide dinners. We ask parents to sign up online two times a year to help serve or provide the meal. Use the QR Code to sign up. We also need help with snack for Middle School EDGE nights on Wednesday. Use QR to sign up.



Life Teen Meals



EDGE Snacks

Becoming A Mentor

Youth Ministry is predominately made up of our mentors. Our mentors develop and plan our Youth Ministry Nights and are part catechist, part cheerleader, and part sympathetic ear for the students. Mentors commit to eaither Sunday nights with High School Students or Wednesday nights with our Middle School Students. We are always in need of adult and parent mentors to commit each year for our fall and spring semesters. In the summer we invite our college students to join the mentor team for the summer semester.





Other Ways To Help

We are always looking for helping hands who are good doing behind the scenes set up, clean up meals, build environments, send out birthday cards, retreat team and help in the Youth Center office.

Prayer

Most importantly, we need committed volunteers to pray for our students. Anybody can do this from wherever you are. Please contact Youth Minister, Justin Lantz at <u>justin.lantz@sainttims.org</u> or our Youth Coordinator Jennifer Linder at <u>jen.linder@sainttims.org</u> for more info. We are always looking for willing hearts to join us!





STAY CONNECTED

Parents and students, join our text reminders and our GroupMe chat groups. Our primary form of communication is by email, however, we have set up direct text for reminders as well as GroupMe App chat groups for more continuous dialogue. We hope all our students and parents will take advantage of receiving texts alerts and reminders as well as join our GroupMe App Chat Groups. Scan QR Codes below to join or update your information.













