



To Our St. Timothy's Parish Community,

Due to the recent passing of Robbie Raaen, a long-time staff member and life-long parishioner at St. Timothy's, there has been an outpouring of support to create some sort of memorial in her honor. For over 30 years Robbie's passion, dedication, and commitment to our parish and the programs she cared for are beyond words. She touched many lives both young and old. So much so, that many of the young people she taught have come back to volunteer or teach in the programs they were a part of while they were here at St. Timothy's.

With the support of Robbie's family, we are looking at a two-stage approach, both short term and long term, to keep Robbie's memory alive within our community:

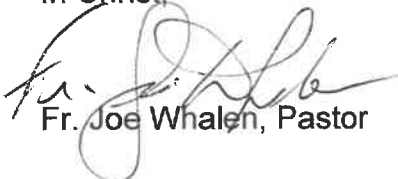
1. Short Term: Some of Robbie's work and dedication came with her love of the environment and the creation of our Food Shelf garden which is the vegetable garden near 89th Ave and our Peace garden which is located in front of parish office building. Discussions have been brought forth to bring funding together to continue the care and to make improvements to these areas in her honor. We would like to in some way involve both the preschool and elementary age children in this project as well. A small volunteer working group will be established to work with current volunteers to decide what improvements should be made.
2. Long Term: In providing a more long-term approach, we are looking at establishing a memorial fund in Robbie's memory. This is envisioned as offering additional financial support for the ministries and outreach programs that Robbie was involved with here at St. Timothy's. More information will be provided through the summer and fall as plans are evaluated for the potential long-term memorial fund.

If you would like to contribute to the short term garden fund, donations can be made in three ways:

- Checks – on the memo write Robbie Raaen
- Cash – on the envelope write Robbie Raaen
- Credit card – On our website click online giving. Choose Gifts and Memorials. Type in the amount and in the empty box to the right type Robbie Raaen.

If you have any further questions, please contact Cathy Sullivan, Director of Administration and Finance, at 763.784.1329 or csullivan@churchofsttimothy.com.

In Christ,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Fr. Joe Whalen".
Fr. Joe Whalen, Pastor