January 15, 2017

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time (A) Is 49:3, 5-6 1 Cor 1:1-3 In 1:29-34

New Life

This fresco by Perugino, Michelangelo's art teacher, is found on the wall of the Sistine Chapel. Like the other frescoes in this sacred space, this panel contains multiple scenes. The central scene is the baptism of Jesus. The viewer clearly sees Jesus standing in the water, with John the Baptist next to him, pouring water over his head.

God the Father is above, ready to declare

that this is his beloved Son. The Holy Spirit comes down upon Jesus in the form of a dove. It was the Spirit who helped John know that this was the Messiah, the one sent by God to baptize with the Holy Spirit.

After his baptism, Jesus is sent out to preach and teach. The fresco reveals that Perugino has read his Bible: the scene to the right Jesus is shown preaching to the multitudes. John the Baptist's mission changes, too. He goes from preparing for the coming of the Messiah to following and testifying about him. This is what the baptized do: the new life we are given calls and strengthens us to offer that new life to others.

At our baptism, we were sanctified, forgiven our sins, incorporated into the body of Christ, and given



a mission to share this baptism with others. In fact, the last words of Jesus before his ascension were, "Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you" (Matthew 28:19–20).

—Fr. Mark Haydu, LC

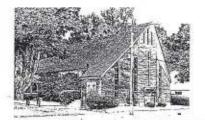
For Reflection

How willing am I to share about Jesus and what he means to me? Do I have family or friends in doubt about baptizing their child? How can I kindly encourage them?

"I saw the Spirit come down like a dove from the sky and remain upon him....

Now I have seen and testified that he is the Son of God"

(John 1:32, 34).







Holy Trinity - Cherry

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Mass & Confession Schedule Holy Trinity Catholic Parish

Weekend Masses

Sunday Vigil (Saturday) -Sunday Mass -

4:00 PM 8:30 AM

8:00 AM

Daily Mass (Weekdays) & Holy Days Tuesday & Thursday - 12:15 PM

Confessions

Saturday -3:15 - 3:45PM or By Appointment

Mass Schedule

St. Patrick Catholic Parish 106 Church St. Arlington, IL

Sunday Mass -

10:30 AM

Holy Days of Obligation

Refer To Schedule

Mass Schedule

St. Thomas More Church - Dalzell, IL.

Vigil Mass (Saturday)

5:30 PM

Weekday Mass (Wednesday & Friday)

Sunday Last Chance Mass 5:30 PM

Confessions Every 2nd & 4th Sunday - 4:45-5:15pm

Holy Day of Obligation Refer To Schedule

**First Saturday Mass - 8:30AM (Devotions Following)

Divine Mercy Adoration Chapel - Open 8am - 8pm (M-Sat)

Sunday - Open 8am until conclusion 5:30pm Mass **Divine Mercy Chaplet - Every Friday at 3 PM

Daily Mass Intentions for

Masses the Week of January 16, 2017

Offered For

Monday Tuesday

Holy Trinity, Cherry - 12:15pm

† No Mass † Dec. Members Justin Legner Family

Wednesday

St. Thomas More, Dalzell - 8:00am

† Angelica, Ricardo & Bill Orlandi

Thursday Friday

Holy Trinity, Cherry - 12:15pm St. Thomas More, Dalzell - 8:00am † Purgatorial Society † Mina DeAngelo

*** Divine Mercy Chaplet every Friday at 3PM in Divine Mercy Chapel at St. Thomas More

Next Weekend's Mass Intentions

Weekend of January 21-22, 2017

Saturday Vigil:

Holy Trinity, Cherry - 4:00 PM

† For The Parishioners

St. Thomas More, Dalzell - 5:30 PM

† Daniel & Madonna Mini

Sunday:

Holy Trinity, Cherry - 8:30 AM

† Lavern Eiten

St. Patrick, Arlington - 10:30 AM

† Lilley "Bonnie" Meyer

St. Thomas More, Dalzell - 5:30 PM

† Lena Deutsch

Ministry Schedule For Next Weekend

Holy Trinity

LECTOR

Saturday - 4:00PM - Kathy Pullam Sunday - 8:30AM - Jeff Pinter

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Saturday - 4:00PM - Tina Dominy Sunday - 8:30AM - Terry Templeton SERVERS

Saturday - 4:00PM -

Katelyn Pullam & Emily Robbins Sunday - 8:30AM -

Corey Pinter

St. Patrick

LECTOR

Sunday - 10:30AM - Bernice Keutzer EUCHARISTIC MINISTER

Sunday - 10:30AM - Joanne Oberheide SERVERS

Sunday - 10:30AM -

Dylan Hunter & Carter Cherry

St. Thomas More

ROSARY

Sat 5:30PM - Cheryl Stowe

LECTOR

Sat 5:30PM - Joelle Crockett

EUCHARISTIC MINISTER
Sat 5:30PM - Mary Ann Schoening

SERVERS

Sat 5:30PM - ?

UPCOMING CHURCH EVENTS

40-10-50 Raffle Raffle Winners

Ist Place
June Fixsen \$900
(Father Didn't Pick IT!!)

2nd Place
Steve Sondgeroth \$225

Last Sunday's Offering

Holy Trinity - \$1091.00 Needed Weekly - \$1700 St. Patrick - \$921.00 Needed Weekly - \$700

St. Thomas More - \$957.00

Needed Weekly - \$700

Weather Warning Notice

With the winter's unpredictable snowfall, it has been hard to plan or prepare for so be cautious. Please stay home if you have health or physical difficulties dealing with the extreme weather. If the roads are too icy or not plowed because of fresh snow, the immediate Mass to be celebrated will be cancelled and my parishioners will be dispensed. But please put into the collection the following week what you would have put in for the cancelled Mass. Unfortunately, the bills still keep coming in! A good rule is if the weather is good enough to go the store, sports event, or otherwise, you should go to Mass. Check with WLPO (1220AM) for cancellations.

Mass Ministry Help Is Needed At All Churches

We always have a need at all the Masses for all the churches for Eucharistic Ministers, Lectors and Servers. If you can help, please let Julie know in the office.

Hall Township Food Pantry

There is a constant need for baby wipes for mothers in this area. So if you see any on sale and would like to donate some, they would appreciate your help! They can be put in the vestibules of our three churches. Thank you!

Upcoming Area Events

For The Week

It seems like most often after celebrating the Epiphany the next weekend we celebrate the Baptism of the Lord. So this year, for a change, we begin after the Epiphany with the Second Week of Ordinary Time and we hear the Baptism of the Lord readings anyway. But we are still reminded that Jesus begins His public ministry after His baptism by John the Baptist. Just as we begin our witness to Christ after we are baptized.

May God, through Jesus Christ, help us to be His best of witnesses to our faith! May everyone have a very Blessed and a Happy New Year in 2017!

ADA Goals 2016-17

Holy Trinity - \$17,472.00 Pledges To Date \$10,965.00 (63%) St. Patrick - \$11,841.00 Pledges To Date \$11,841.00 (100%) St. Thomas More - \$9,262.00 Pledges To Date \$9,262.00 (100%)

Sacramental Preparation

Baptisms: Preparation is required for the first child in the family. Baptisms are scheduled on Sundays at noon or by special arrangement. Please contact Father to setup an appointment.

Marriages: Preparations need to be started one year before the Wedding date. Please contact Father for more information.

Rite of Christian Initiation: Per Canon Law of the Catholic Church, anyone over the age of seven years old is to observe the requirements of the RCIA, unless there is a danger of death. If anyone has not received all of the sacraments; baptism, First Communion or Confirmation, please talk to Father.

Calendar

Monday

January 16 Weekday Heb 5:1-10 Mk 2:18-22

Tuesday

January 17 St. Anthony, Abbot Heb 6:10-20 Mk 2:23-28

Wednesday

January 18 Weekday Heb 7:1-3, 15-17 Mk 3:1-6

Thursday

January 19 Weekday Heb 7:25-8:6 Mk 3:7-12

Friday

January 20 Weekday Heb 8:6-13 Mk 3:13-19

Saturday

January 21 St. Agnes, Virgin and Martyr Heb 9:2-3, 11-14 Mk 3:20-21

Sunday

January 22 Third Sunday in Ordinary Time Is 8:23-9:3 1 Cor 1:10-13, 17 Mt 4:12-23 or 4:12-17

Dear Padre,

This semester, my class adopted "the fruit(s) of the Spirit" as its theme. I have read Galatians 5:16-26 but am not sure what St. Paul means. How does the theme relate to daily life?

In that passage, notice how Paul distinguishes between the "flesh" and I the "Spirit" and says they are opposed to each other. Here, "flesh" does not refer merely to the human body nor to impure desires but rather to the

state of unredeemed human nature in its earthly or secular condition. The term "spirit" refers to the "new self" brought about by Christ's redemption and governed by the Holy Spirit (Ephesians 4:24; Colossians 3:10).

You can tell the difference between these two by looking at their results-their "fruits." The flesh gives rise to immorality, impurity, rivalry, selfishness,



and so on (Galatians 5:19-21). The Spirit gives rise to love, peace, kindness, self-control, and the like (Galatians 5:22-23). These fruits emerge from good works, manifest God's presence in the person doing them, and edify those who observe them. In other words, they are the visible ways in which the Holy Spirit guides and directs us and through which the Spirit touches others.

The Catechism defines the fruits of the Spirit as "perfections," "the first fruits of eternal glory" (CCC 1832). The more we renounce ourselves, our "flesh," in imitation of Christ, the more we can bear good fruit (CCC 736; see also John 15).

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A Word From Pope Francis

"The lay faithful, in virtue of their Baptism, are protagonists in the work of evangelization and human advancement. Incorporated into the Church, every member of the People of God is an inseparable disciple and missionary."

-Message, March 7, 2014

