

Is Christ Divided?

"You're breaking the back of the body of Christ!" Saint Paul might have said this to members of the Corinthian community who rival each other, claiming that the leader who baptized them is greater than the one who baptized others: "I belong to Paul...I belong to Apollos...I belong to Cephas" (1 Corinthians 1:12). This suggests that, based on their baptizer, the members themselves are superior. Such rivalry sounds so petty. We should be careful here, because some of this rivalry still exists in the Church.

In any healthy group there will be diverse opinions. We all have our own tastes, preferences, cultural habits, and so on. This is true in church music, preaching style, and religious devotion. The uniformity of the Church prior to the Second Vatican Council has given way to great diversity. What is different is not necessarily bad. Nor is our preference necessarily superior. Such diversity need not pit us against each other, but sometimes it does. Is Christ divided over points of preference?

We are all part of the body of Christ; we are all God's beloved. The diversity among us challenges us to work toward the common good, to "be united in the same mind and in the same purpose" (1 Corinthians 1:10). Let us not divide Christ.

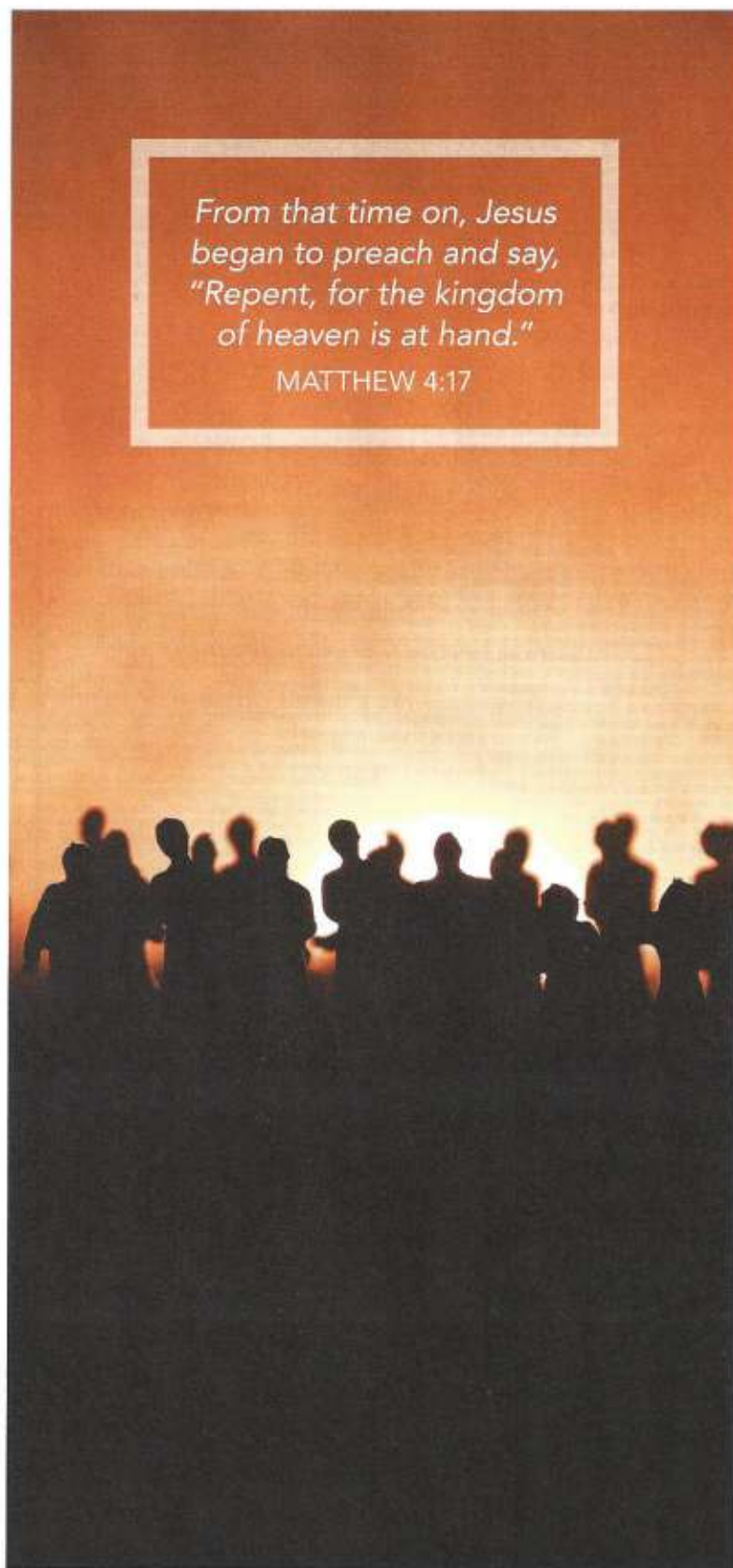
—Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

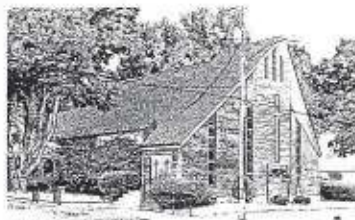
FOR *Reflection*

- ★ *How do you act toward someone who understands faith differently? Do you respect their viewpoint or automatically ignore them?*
- ★ *Which religious voices do you listen to? Why?*

From that time on, Jesus began to preach and say, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand."

MATTHEW 4:17





Holy Trinity - Cherry

St. Patrick - Arlington

St. Thomas More - Dalzell

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Mass & Confession Schedule

Holy Trinity Catholic Parish

Weekend Masses

Sunday Vigil (Saturday) - 4:00 PM

Sunday Mass - 8:30 AM

Daily Mass (Weekdays) (Holy Days - See Schedule)

Tuesday - 12:15 PM & Thursday - 8:30 AM

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) - 8:00 AM*

Sunday Last Chance Mass 5:30 PM

Confessions By Appointment

Holy Day of Obligation Refer To Schedule

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 27, 2020

Offered For

Monday

Holy Trinity, Cherry - 5:30pm

† No Mass

Tuesday

Holy Trinity, Cherry - 12:15pm

† For The Sick

Wednesday

St. Thomas More, Dalzell - 8:00am

† Richard Guerrini

Thursday

Holy Trinity, Cherry - 8:30am

† Purgatorial Society

Friday

St. Thomas More, Dalzell - 8:00am

† Memb Ray & Tom Pigati Fam

Next Weekend's Mass Intentions

Weekend of February 1-2, 2019

Offered For

Saturday Vigil:

Holy Trinity, Cherry - 4:00 PM

† Bruna Wiltse & Carol Bodnum

St. Thomas More, Dalzell - 5:30 PM

† Dennis & Lori Domkuski

Sunday:

Holy Trinity, Cherry - 8:30 AM

† Joseph & Della Shevokas

St. Patrick, Arlington - 10:30 AM

† Laurence Nuco Fonderoli

St. Thomas More, Dalzell - 5:30 PM

† For The Parishioners

Ministry Schedule For Next Weekend

Holy Trinity

LECTOR

Saturday - 4:00PM - Tina Dominy

Sunday - 8:30AM - Gerald Schlenz

SERVERS

Saturday - 4:00PM -

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Sunday - 8:30AM - ?

COUNTERS

Sunday - 8:30AM -

Lisa Clinton & Nancy Lowry

St. Patrick

LECTOR

Sunday - 10:30AM - Linda Beattie

SERVERS

Sunday - 10:30AM -

? & ?

St. Thomas More

ROSARY

Sat 5:30PM - TBD

LECTOR

Sat 5:30PM - TBD

SERVERS

Sat 5:30PM - ?

Visit Venerable Fulton Sheen At Cathedral in Peoria

Monday - Friday 12pm - 2pm

Saturday 3pm - 6pm

Sunday 9am - 2pm

UPCOMING CHURCH EVENTS

January 29 - Rosary Against Evil - Holy Trinity (Cherry)

February 2 - Blessing of Candles at beginning of Mass - Each Church

February 17 - Mass for Reparation of Sins - St. Thomas More (Dalzell) - 5:30PM

Last Sunday's Offering

Holy Trinity - \$788.00

St. Patrick - \$360.00

St. Thomas More - \$976.00

The Rosary Against Evil

The rosary that we continue to pray on Wednesday nights at 6PM will be prayed at Holy Trinity Church during the month of January in Cherry. The weeks where Mass and Rosary is prayed together on Monday there is no Wednesday rosary. It is our time to show God, Jesus, Mary how much we need their help to fight the evil around us. Praying as a community has great strength to get God's attention for our needs and His help. And the rosary is and always has been our greatest weapon against evil! So please come and join us!

Mass for Reparation of Sins

Every Third Monday

Coming up on February 17th at 5:30PM at St. Thomas More in Dalzell, there will be the celebration of Holy Mass followed by the recitation of the Creed and praying of the Holy Rosary. With the rosary prayed on Monday we will not meet that week on Wednesday for rosary. It repeats every third Monday at whatever church we are praying the rosary for that month. Our Blessed Mother wants this from us so people 9 months out of the year can receive the following gifts; we will receive peace, consolation from pain, stopping of hiding sins, not being arrogant, more humility, and the blessing of our homes. Please come!

Weather Warning Notice

With the winter's unpredictable snowfall, it is always hard to plan or prepare for, so just 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 could 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), WZOE (1490AM) and BCR Alerts for cancellations. If you aren't signed up for BCR alerts, check with Julie in the office.

Special Event In Area

February 4th - Cherry Pie & Coffee - HT Hall - 1-3PM (weather permitting)

For The Week

Pope Francis has instituted this Third Sunday of Ordinary Time as "Sunday of the Word of God". It is one of the two major parts of each Mass that are the Liturgy of the Eucharist and Liturgy of the Word. During the Liturgy of the Word, we hear from God and Jesus Christ about how we can make our lives more holy. And then it is up to us if we choose to bring our lives closer to Christ. Now quite often we hear things that are challenging, maybe even daunting, but if we truly love God we will make the necessary changes in our lives to live more like Christ And it is always up to us!

This next weekend we have the rare occasion to celebrate the Feast of the Presentation of Jesus in the Temple. We pray it in the Joyful Mysteries. But it is the one time during the year we bless candles to remind us of the Light of Christ in our lives. SO IF YOU HAVE ANY CANDLES TO BE BLESSED, PLEASE BRING THEM TO MASS AS THEY WILL BE BLESSED AT THE BEGINNING OF MASS!

ADA Goals 2019-20

Holy Trinity - \$17589.00

Pledges To Date \$9210.00 (52%)

St. Patrick - \$9902.00

Pledges To Date \$9989.00 (100%)

St. Thomas More - \$12554.00

Pledges To Date \$9265.00 (74%)

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.

Dear Padre,

What are deacons' duties? Can they preside at wedding ceremonies? What about baptisms and other duties usually reserved for priests?

The Catholic Church has two kinds of deacons: transitional deacons, seminarians in the last stage of their studies for the priesthood, and permanent deacons, men who will remain deacons.

Transitional and permanent deacons can baptize, give homilies at Mass, give blessings (for example, the blessing of throats on St. Blaise's feast day), perform the Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament, and preside at wedding and funeral services where there is no Mass.

Neither type of deacon can administer the sacrament of reconciliation. They can visit and bless the sick, but they cannot anoint them. Deacons can distribute holy Communion, but they cannot consecrate the bread and wine.

Unlike transitional deacons, permanent deacons can be married. If a deacon's wife dies, he may not remarry except in certain circumstances, for example, if his children are still very young. Unmarried permanent deacons must remain unmarried.

Deacons are vital to the life of the Church. Many permanent deacons have families and full-time jobs in addition to their Church work. We don't thank deacons and their families enough for the many sacrifices they make for the people of God.



DEACON, AT LEFT / CNS PHOTO SEAN GALLAGHER, THE CRITERION

—Fr. Donald Kirchner, CSSR
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A WORD FROM *Pope Francis*

It deeply troubles me when I see a timetable in a parish: "From such a time to such a time." ...Don't worry about the timetable: have the courage to look past the timetable. In this way, dear deacons, if you show that you are available to others, your ministry will not be self-serving, but evangelically fruitful.

—JUBILEE OF DEACONS, MAY 29, 2016

Calendar

Monday

JANUARY 27

Weekday

2 Sm 5:1–7, 10

Mk 3:22–30

Tuesday

JANUARY 28

St. Thomas Aquinas,
Priest and Doctor of
the Church

2 Sm 6:12b–15, 17–19

Mk 3:31–35

Wednesday

JANUARY 29

Weekday

2 Sm 7:4–17

Mk 4:1–20

Thursday

JANUARY 30

Weekday

2 Sm 7:18–19, 24–29

Mk 4:21–25

Friday

JANUARY 31

St. John Bosco,
Priest

2 Sm 11:1–4a, 5–10a,
13–17

Mk 4:26–34

Saturday

FEBRUARY 1

Weekday

2 Sm 12:1–7a, 10–17

Mk 4:35–41

Sunday

FEBRUARY 2

Presentation
of the Lord
Mal 3:1–4

Heb 2:14–18

Lk 2:22–40

or 2:22–32