

October 1, 2017

Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time (A) Ez 18:25–28 Phil 2:1–11 or 2:1–5 Mt 21:28–32

Say "Yes" and Go Out

We can really relate to God when he repeats the people's blame and accusations at him for not being fair. In moments of suffering or injustice, it's easy to pass judgment and blame it all on God. It's especially difficult when innocent and good people (ourselves included) suffer. We're tempted to ask, "Aren't you supposed to treat your friends better?"

We only need to look at Marco Palmezzano's painting Christ Bearing the Cross to reconsider our complaints. How have we treated God?

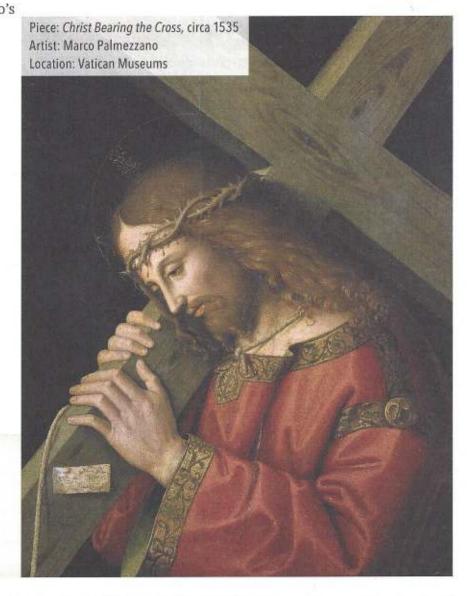
Jesus was and is the most innocent of souls; no other being was or is as good as Jesus. No one was asked to suffer like him, and he suffered not to gain for himself but to pay our debt. Relating it to today's Gospel lesson, Jesus is the son who, when asked to work in his Father's vineyard, promptly said "yes" and went. Always obedient, always docile, always loving.

Watching Jesus, we hear the echo of St. Paul's letter. Jesus humbly regarded his brothers and sisters as more than himself and was willing to go to the cross and win them back for the Father. Keep in mind, those siblings had destroyed family

unity, squandered away their inheritance, sold their birthright, sold him into slavery with their sin, and very often refused his love. Yet "God proves his love for us in that while we were still sinners Christ died for us" (Romans 5:8).

God knows his merciful justice well and can kindly and provokingly ask in Ezekiel 18:25, "Is it my way that is unfair? Are not your ways unfair?"

-Fr. Mark Haydu, LC



For Reflection

Am I fair to God by giving him thanksgiving, adoration, and obedience for his love? Am I fair to others by offering them gratitude and humble kindness?

"Do nothing out of selfishness or out of vainglory; rather, humbly regard others as more important than yourselves" (Philippians 2:3).







Holy Trinity - Cherry

St. Patrick - Arlington

St. Thomas More - Dalzell

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Weekend Masses

Sunday Vigil (Saturday) -Sunday Mass -

4:00 PM 8:30 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) 8:30 AM (Summer)

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 4 PM

Daily Mass Intentions for Masses the Week of October 2, 2017

Offered For

Monday † No Mass - Priest Retreat

> Holy Trinity, Cherry - **12:15pm St. Thomas More, Dalzell - 8:00am

† No Mass - Priest Retreat † No Mass - Priest Retreat

Thursday Holy Trinity, Cherry - 12:15pm Friday

† No Mass - Priest Retreat

St. Thomas More, Dalzell - 8:00am

† Dec. Memb. David Hunter Family

*** Divine Mercy Chaplet every Friday at 4PM in Divine Mercy Chapel at St. Thomas More

Next Weekend's Mass Intentions

Weekend of October 7-October 8, 2017

Saturday Vigil:

† Ann Dinges

Holy Trinity, Cherry - 4:00 PM St. Thomas More, Dalzell - 5:30 PM

† Dato & Marian Olivero

Holy Trinity, Cherry - 8:30 AM

Sunday:

Tuesday

Wednesday

St. Patrick, Arlington - 10:30 AM

† Mary Scott

St. Thomas More, Dalzell - 5:30 PM

† Bernard Schwamberger † For The Parishioners

Ministry Schedule For Next Weekend

Holy Trinity

LECTOR

Saturday - 4:00PM - Tina Dominy Sunday - 8:30AM - Gerald Schlenz <u>EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS</u> Saturday - 4:00PM - Bill Lauer

Sunday - 8:30AM - Terry Templeton SERVERS

Saturday - 4:00PM -Tanner Dominy Sunday - 8:30AM -

St. Patrick

LECTOR

Sunday - 10:30AM - Bernice Keutzer <u>EUCHARISTIC MINISTER</u> Sunday - 10:30AM - Ann Kapraun

SERVERS

Sunday - 10:30AM -Casen Cherry & Dylan Lovgren

St. Thomas More

ROSARY

Sat 5:30PM - Mary Ann Schoening LECTOR

Sat 5:30PM - Mary Ann Schoening EUCHARISTIC MINISTER

Sat 5:30PM - Judy Szymovicz SERVERS

Sat 5:30PM - ?

UPCOMING CHURCH EVENTS

October 1 - Fall Flu Shot - Holy Trinity after 8:30am Mass (\$30 plus Medicare card & SSN card)

October 4 - Rosary Against Evil - St. Thomas More (Dalzell) - 5:30PM

Last Sunday's Offering

Holy Trinity - \$1240.00 Needed Weekly - \$1700 St. Patrick - \$865.00 Needed Weekly - \$700 St. Thomas More - \$968.00

Needed Weekly - \$700

Holy Trinity Taco Night Thank You

A Huge Thank You to everyone at The Coal Company and The Holy Trinity Altar & Rosary Society plus some extra needed help for a successful event! Thanks to everyone who came to make it successful!

Hurricane Collection's

It was originally intended to have the Hurricane Irma Collection this weekend. But the decision was made to hold off for the Collection of Hurricane Maria and its total devastation of Puerto Rico.

The Rosary Against Evil

The rosary we continue to pray on Wednesday nights at 5:30PM will be prayed at St. Thomas More Church during the month of October in Dalzell. It is our time to show God, Jesus, Mary how much we need them to fight the evil around us. As we pray through Our Lady of Fatima, the rosary is and always has been our greatest weapon against evil! So please come and join us, it will be the most important time you spend. With the evil in the world the church should be full, so where is everybody!

Other Fatima Events

There will be a Penance Service with the Rosary, Benediction and Anointings on Friday, October 13th at Holy Family Church in Oglesby starting at 7:00PM. Our Lady of Fatima asked us to confess our sins and to help change the world towards God by our example.

Upcoming Area Events

October 14 - Public Square Rosary Crusade - Noon - Outside Church of Nativity of Our Lord

For The Week

We always have the choice between good and evil. If we let evil rule our lives without trying to change ourselves, then our lives are headed to ruin. The real problem today is we have accepted and supported so much evil, we don't know how to stop and turn away from it. The devil has us so very confused on what is really good for

Again if you missed it last week, confirmation sponsors and godparents need to be living the sacraments. Just think if a sponsor or godparent are not regularly living the sacraments, how can they be a good example for our youth. I can only approve sponsors and godparents for the sacraments who I see attending Mass. But if for some reason they are going to another church, I just need a letter from the Pastor of that church. May God always be with us and bless us!

ADA Goals 2017-18

Holy Trinity - \$16,569.00

Pledges To Date \$5,920.00 (36%)

St. Patrick - \$10,065.00

Pledges To Date \$4,815.00 (48%)

St. Thomas More - \$9,493.00

Pledges To Date \$5,100.00 (54%)

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

October 2

The Holy Guardian Angels

Zec 8:1-8

Mt 18:1-5, 10

Tuesday

October 3

Weekday

Zec 8:20-23

Lk 9:51-56

Wednesday

October 4

St. Francis of Assisi

Neh 2:1-8

Lk 9:57-62

Thursday

October 5

Weekday

Neh 8:1-4a, 5-6,

7b-12

Lk 10:1-12

Friday

October 6

Weekday

Bar 1:15-22

Lk 10:13-16

Saturday

October 7

Our Lady

of the Rosary

Bar 4:5-12, 27-29

Lk 10:17-24

Sunday

October 8

Twenty-Seventh Sunday

in Ordinary Time

Is 5:1-7

Phil 4:6-9

Mt 21:33-43

Dear Padre,

Why do we offer Mass for a specific intention? Aren't Masses offered for the intentions of all present?

The Eucharist makes present, in this moment, the memorial sacrifice ■ of Christ; the source of the Church's life and the focus of the Church's prayer (see the Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy [Sacrosanctum Concilium], 10). Mass always includes the intentions of a local community as well as the needs of all people throughout the world. In the eucharistic prayer, we pray for the community and those "scattered throughout the world."

What does a renewed liturgical practice mean for specific Mass intentions? Canon law speaks of applying the Mass for anyone living and dead (see Canon 901). The practice also has roots in history, especially during medieval times, when participation at Mass was at a low. Asking the priest to remember an intention kept people active and connected their needs to those of the wider Church. Vatican II stressed active participation in its liturgical renewal, so

asking specific intentions needs a renewed understanding.

Special intentions provide a valuewe become aware of others' needs and troubles. If we are aware of how these troubles affect a member of our parish, we can not only pray for that person but reach out and help. However, the Eucharist does not give grace only to those named in special intentions. The grace God gives through the Eucharist is meant for the

whole Church. God's grace builds us up in holiness. Since people find special intentions important, the response from pastors is important in helping people understand how God's grace affects everyone.

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A Word From Pope Francis

"Priestly joy is a joy which is sister to obedience. An obedience to the Church in the hierarchy which gives us not simply the external framework for our obedience...but also union with God the Father, the source of all fatherhood. It is likewise an obedience to the Church in service....The availability of her priests makes the Church a house with open doors, a refuge for sinners, a home for people living on

the streets, a place of loving care for the sick, a camp for the young....Wherever God's people have desires or needs, there is the priest, who knows how to listen and feels a loving mandate from Christ who sends him to relieve that need with mercy."

-Homily, Holy Thursday, April 17, 2014



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