October 22, 2017

Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)
Is 45:1, 4-6
1 Thes 1:1-5b
Mt 22:15-21

Our Divine Mark

Have you ever wondered why so many ancient busts of emperors and gods still exist? In any major museum around the world, you'll see rows of these masterful sculptures. The Vatican Museums have one of the best of these collections. The photo was taken in one of the galleries.

Thousands of busts and statues of the emperors and gods were produced for civil use in ancient times. Just like the American president's portrait is in every US embassy, so Caesar's sculpted form was all over the Roman Empire. For example, a bust would be placed in the town squares of the outlying territories to indicate that a border population belonged to the Roman Empire. The sculptures of Roman gods

were also set up in public places around town so that a certain religious unity was preserved. Being within the empire obliged citizens to pay tributes and taxes, and it assured them of protection. Once the Caesars declared themselves divine, their statue also required sacrifice and worship.

The image of the Caesar marked what belonged to him: from land, to money, to people, to prayer. If you were under his image, you belonged to him.

We also carry the mark of a divine image that

indicates to whom we belong. Each human being is made in the image of God, to be his reflection. We are sculpted and formed to reflect the artist who made us. God gives humans dignity because we are an eternal reflection of God's free, intelligent, artful, and beautiful nature. Our inalienable rights, rooted in our spiritual and rational nature, come from our Creator, as do our duties. No government or individual can give or take them away.

It is proper to render unto Caesar what is his, but both Caesar and his subjects must render to God what belongs to God. —Fr. Mark Haydu, LC

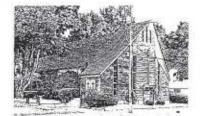
For Reflection

Do I realize my dignity and value doesn't come from others' opinions or even my opinion, but from God's gift?
Do I render to God what he deserves for all he has given me?



He said to them, "Whose image is this and whose inscription?" They replied, "Caesar's."

At that he said to them, "Then repay to Caesar what belongs to Caesar and to God what belongs to God" (Matthew 22:20–21).







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

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

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

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 October 22, 2017

Offered For

Monday Tuesday † No Mass

Holy Trinity, Cherry - **12:15pm

† No Mass - Diocesan Meeting St. Thomas More, Dalzell - 8:00am † No Mass - Diocesan Meeting

Thursday Friday

Wednesday

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

† Edmund & Kathryn Flaherty † William Adrian

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

Next Weekend's Mass Intentions

Weekend of October 28 - October 29, 2017

Saturday Vigil:

Holy Trinity, Cherry - 4:00 PM

† For The Parishioners

St. Thomas More, Dalzell - 5:30 PM

† Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Zollie & Louie

Sunday:

Holy Trinity, Cherry - 8:30 AM

† Paula Brown

St. Patrick, Arlington - 10:30 AM St. Thomas More, Dalzell - 5:30 PM

† Dec Memb Mercogliano Family † Eugene Weberski

Ministry Schedule For Next Weekend

Holy Trinity LECTOR

Saturday - 4:00PM - Heather Linnig Sunday - 8:30AM - Gerald Schlenz EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS Saturday - 4:00PM - Tina Dominy

Saturday - 4:00PM - Tina Dominy Sunday - 8:30AM - Jeff Pinter SERVERS

Saturday - 4:00PM -Payton & Berklee Linnig Sunday - 8:30AM -

St. Patrick LECTOR

Sunday - 10:30AM - Linda Beaatie <u>EUCHARISTIC MINISTER</u> Sunday - 10:30AM - Richard Pommier <u>SERVERS</u>

Sunday - 10:30AM -J Vander Meersch & T Schroeder

St. Thomas More

ROSARY

Sat 5:30PM - Cheryl Stowe

LECTOR

Sat 5:30PM - Mary Ann Schoening EUCHARISTIC MINISTER

Sat 5:30PM - Cheryl Stowe

SERVERS

Sat 5:30PM - ?

UPCOMING CHURCH EVENTS

October 25 - Rosary Against Evil - St. Thomas More (Dalzell) - 5:30PM

November 5 - St. Patrick Annual Smorgasboard - IIAM - 2PM - Bishop Franz Hall

Last Sunday's Offering

Holy Trinity - \$1258.00
Needed Weekly - \$1700
St. Patrick - \$614.00
Needed Weekly - \$700
St. Thomas More - \$944.00
Needed Weekly - \$700

Missalette Advertising

Both Holy Trinity and St. Patrick's Churches have had advertising on the back of the missalettes available to help defray the cost of the missalettes. And we need some help with that if possible. Also available is using the space for memorials for families or family members. The cost runs around \$220.00 per year. And if you are interested please let us know and we will have someone from the Sunday Missal company get in touch with you.

Also we can do the same at St. Thomas More Church if anyone is interested.

Holy Trinity Cemetery Flowers

Flower arrangements need to be removed by October 28th. Thank you!

All Souls Day Candles

This year we will again be offering 7-day candles for families to remember loved ones. They will be sold for \$5.00 a candle. And they will be available the weekend of October 28th & 29th, All Saints Day Masses and All Souls Day. Lighting of candles is recommended for All Saints Day.

All Saints & All Souls Day Mass Schedule

All Saints Day (Holy Day of Obligation) (10/31)Vigil Mass - 5:30PM - St Patrick (11/1) Holy Day - 8:00AM - St Thomas 6:00PM - Holy Trinity

All Souls Day (11/2)

12:15PM - Holy Trinity 6:00PM - St. Thomas More

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!

Upcoming Area Events

For The Week

It is kind of interesting how this Gospel returns when we have the subject of taxes come up in the country. Contrary to what we may hear in our country, and sometimes out of Rome, Jesus was against socialism. Jesus wanted us to have the freedom to give as we desire, hopefully to help others.

But the Gospel is not just about giving. It is about remembering that our lives while needing to be maintained in this world, we also have souls that belong to God. Souls that we need to tend too by living our faith. We also need to remember that our souls have more value than money. Our soul's life can be forever if we tend to them with a strong faith. Our bodies last typically less than a hundred years. Today the churches ought to be full of prayer! Don't people want to live forever? 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

<u>Baptisms</u>: 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 23 Weekday Rom 4:20-25 Lk 12:13-21

Tuesday

October 24 Weekday Rom 5:12, 15b, 17-19, 20b-21 Lk 12:35-38

Wednesday

October 25 Weekday Rom 6:12-18 Lk 12:39-48

Thursday

October 26 Weekday Rom 6:19-23 Lk 12:49-53

Friday

October 27 Weekday Rom 7:18-25a Lk 12:54-59

Saturday

October 28 Sts. Simon and Jude, Apostles Eph 2:19-22 Lk 6:12-16

Sunday

October 29 Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time Ex 22:20-26 1 Thes 1:5c-10 Mt 22:34-40

Dear Padre,

Would you kindly address the issue of donating to charities? I'm sure others receive requests for money from many different organizations. I feel guilty discarding letters with pictures of starving children, when I eat well.

have the same dilemma. I live in the richest country in the world. I could live much more simply and dispose of all the income I don't need. But to do so would require a substantial change in lifestyle and would undoubtedly

be viewed by many as irresponsible.

Some are called to live a life of radical giving and radical poverty. Others-most of us-are called to live simply according to our circumstances and needs. We're called to be generous, but we're also expected to plan for the future, provide for our families, and seriously accept the other responsibilities before us.

It is not necessary to respond to every particular need for which you receive an appeal, no matter

how needy or worthy it may be. Choose a representative sampling of charities that you feel you can support, and discard the other appeals. Do so in good conscience. If, in the future, you find yourself to be in a situation where you can be even more generous, then by all means choose to do so.

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A Word From Pope Francis

Profit and capital are not a good over and above the human person; they are at the service of the common good. When the common good is used only at the service of profit and capital, this has a name: it is called exclusion, and through it the throwaway culture gets stronger and stronger.

—Homily in Ciudad Juárez, Mexico, February 17, 2016

