

## The Sincere Prayer of a Sinner

Scholars tell us that no other Gospel talks more about prayer than St. Luke's. Last Sunday's Gospel insisted that we persevere in our prayer; this week we're admonished to pray with humility and

sincerity of heart. The prayer of a humble soul pierces the clouds, rising to the throne of God!

The Pharisee, Jesus' example of pride, doesn't kneel, bow his head, or sit in listening. He lists before God all that he does, almost as evidence of how much he deserves God's blessings. We can almost read in his words his conviction that God is lucky to have a Pharisee like him.

In contrast, the publican, a politician and a public figure considered by the Jews to be a sinner and collaborator in evil, slips in the back of the temple. He won't even lift his eyes up to God, as he is ashamed and keenly aware of his unworthiness. He only recalls his sins, beats his chest in penance, and asks for mercy. This is the power of humility before God. It is the necessary condition of our salvation and justification.

When we observe someone with Pharisaic presumption, it produces in us an interior rejection. Yet when we witness the vulnerability and self-effacement of one who admits weakness, we're moved to compassion and ready to forgive. If we who are imperfect respond like this, how much more will God, knower of the souls of humanity, respond with mercy to even the hardest sinners who pray to him with a sincere heart?

—Fr. Mark Haydu, LC

### *For Reflection*

*Do I sometimes present myself before God as if I were doing him a favor with my faith?*

*How can I grow in humility toward God and those closest to me?*



Piece: *Father in Prayer*, 1902

Artist: Edvard Munch

Location: Vatican Museums

*[Jesus said,] "But the tax collector...beat his breast and prayed,  
'O God, be merciful to me a sinner.'"*

*Luke 18:13*





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 **\*\*Third Wednesday of Month - 5:00-5:30PM**

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 28, 2019

Offered For

<u>Monday</u>	Holy Trinity, Cherry - 5:30pm	† No Mass
<u>Tuesday</u>	Holy Trinity, Cherry - 12:15pm	† Dec Memb Corso/Robbins Fam
<u>Wednesday</u>	St. Thomas More, Dalzell - 8:00am	† Purgatorial Society
<u>Thursday</u>	Holy Trinity, Cherry - 8:30am	† Jimmy DeAngelo
	St. Patrick, Arlington - 6:00pm (All Saints - Vigil)	† Angela Miller
<u>Friday (All Saints)</u>	St. Thomas More, Dalzell - 8:00am	† For The Parishioners
	Holy Trinity, Cherry - 6:00pm	† Purgatorial Society
<u>Saturday (All Souls)</u>	Holy Trinity, Cherry - 9:00am	† For The Deceased

Next Weekend's Mass Intentions

Weekend of November 2-3, 2019

<u>Saturday Vigil:</u>	Holy Trinity, Cherry - 4:00 PM	† For The Parishioners
	St. Thomas More, Dalzell - 5:30 PM	† Purgatorial Society
<u>Sunday:</u>	Holy Trinity, Cherry - 8:30 AM	† Corrine Manning
	St. Patrick, Arlington - 10:30 AM	† Jerry Fleming
	St. Thomas More, Dalzell - 5:30 PM	† Julie Taliani



Ministry Schedule  
For Next Weekend

Holy Trinity

LECTOR

Saturday - 4:00PM - Carol Lauer

Sunday - 8:30AM - Mary Jane Marincic

SERVERS

Saturday - 4:00PM -  
?

Sunday - 8:30AM - ?

COUNTERS

Sunday - 8:30AM -

Kathy Bonucchi & Linda Black

St. Patrick

LECTOR

Sunday - 10:30AM - Bernice Keutzer

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

October 30 - Rosary Against Evil - St. Thomas More (Dalzell) - 6PM

November 3 - St. Patrick's Smorgasbord - Bp. Franz Hall - 11am - 1pm

November 10 - St. Thomas More Chicken Dinner - 11am-2pm - Hall

November 18 - Mass Reparation Sins/ Rosary - St. Thomas More (Dalzell) - 5:30pm (No Rosary The Following Wednesday)

Last Sunday's Offering

Holy Trinity - \$1090.00

St. Patrick - \$652.00

St. Thomas More - \$1116.00

St. Patrick's  
Smorgasbord Dinner

On Sunday, November 3rd, the annual Smorgasbord dinner is being held from 11am to 1pm in the Bishop Franz Hall. The dinner includes turkey and ham, with a selection of salads, desserts and a drink. It is always a great dinner and time of fellowship! Please join us!

St. Thomas More  
Chicken Dinner

We are having an area favorite fried chicken dinner, with a limited supply of baked chicken, on November 10th in the hall at St. Thomas More Church. The dinner will be from 11am - 2pm and we hope you can come and join us for some wonderful food and fellowship!

All 3 Churches  
Need Of Servers

With the beginning of the school year and all vacations over, we can use some help with servers for our Masses. They need to be from the 4th grade or above. It is a great opportunity for our youth to gain a real love for Christ by serving Him on the altar. Please contact office if you are interested.

The Rosary Against Evil

The rosary that we continue to pray on Wednesday nights at 6PM will be prayed at St. Thomas More Church during the month of October in Dalzell. The weeks where Mass and Rosary is prayed together on Monday there is no Wednesday rosary. Next month we will be at Holy Trinity in Cherry. 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!

Special Event In Area

None To Report

For The Week

Note To Everyone Not

Feeling Well Or Going In For Surgery: Please let Father know after the Mass you are attending if you are going in to the hospital, or not feeling well, so he can anoint you and let the power of the healing Christ work on you. Also if you have a family member in the hospital, please call the church office if they weren't anointed after Mass. Unfortunately, our office is not always notified until patients are getting ready to leave. Thank You!

This week as we pray for the Saints and the deceased of our families, please remember Friday is a Holy Day of Obligation. Sadly, with All Souls Day on Saturday Father can only do one Mass for our deceased. The special candles will again be available to be lit at the All Saints Masses for \$5/candle. May God always be with us and bless us by His Real Presence!

ADA Goals 2019-20

Holy Trinity - \$17589.00

Pledges To Date \$4210.00 (24%)

St. Patrick - \$9902.00

Pledges To Date \$5289.00 (53%)

St. Thomas More - \$12554.00

Pledges To Date \$1265.00 (10%)

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 28

*Sts. Simon and Jude,  
Apostles*

Eph 2:19–22

Lk 6:12–16

### Tuesday

OCTOBER 29

*Weekday*

Rom 8:18–25

Lk 13:18–21

### Wednesday

OCTOBER 30

*Weekday*

Rom 8:26–30

Lk 13:22–30

### Thursday

OCTOBER 31

*Weekday*

Rom 8:31b–39

Lk 13:31–35

### Friday

NOVEMBER 1

*All Saints*

Rv 7:2–4, 9–14

1 Jn 3:1–3

Mt 5:1–12a

### Saturday

NOVEMBER 2

*All the Faithful  
Departed (All Souls)*

Wis 3:1–9

Rom 5:5–11

Jn 6:37–40

### Sunday

NOVEMBER 3

*Thirty-first Sunday  
in Ordinary Time*

Wis 11:22–12:2

2 Thes 1:11–2:2

Lk 19:1–10

# Dear Padre,

**I see hate everywhere these days—in social media, politics, even between religions. Are we helpless to do anything about hatred?**

Traditionally, the Church promoted the idea of seven deadly sins. One might assume that hatred is one of these sins, but it's not. Hatred flows out of something else: It's a byproduct of the sins of envy, pride, anger, and avarice. The way to counter hatred is to promote virtues that are the opposite of the deadly sins from which hatred flows.

The virtue opposing the vice of envy is love. In love, we rejoice over our neighbor's good. 1 Thessalonians 5:15 talks about how we seek good for each



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person. The opposite of pride is humility. Today's Gospel parable of the Pharisee and tax collector praying together (Luke 18:9–14) speaks of true humility. The tax collector recognized a basic truth: that God is the creator, the source of our life and spirit. The virtue opposing anger is meekness. In meekness, we put aside our feelings to seek reconciliation with our neighbor. Jesus taught that we cannot bring our gift to the altar if we

recall that our neighbor has something against us or vice versa (Matthew 5:23–24). Finally, the virtue that destroys avarice is poverty. Poverty doesn't mean giving away all our money; it means we strive to become rich in what matters to God (Luke 12:20) and to share with those who have less.

Hatred will be no more if we strive to be virtuous in the face of our envy, pride, anger, and avarice.

—Fr. Paul J. Coury, CSSR  
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## A Word from Pope Francis

*Sadly, we are witnessing a presentation of religion and religious values in a fundamentalist way, which is used to justify the spread of hatred, discrimination, and violence. The justification of such crimes on the basis of religious ideas is unacceptable, for "God is not the author of confusion, but of peace" (1 Corinthians 14:33).*

—Joint declaration with pope of the Armenian Apostolic Church, June 26, 2016