October 7, 2018

Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time (B) Gn 2:18–24 Heb 2:9–11 Mk 10:2–16 or Mk 10:2–12

Men, Women, and God's Creative Plan

On the Sistine Chapel's ceiling, inspired by today's passage from the first reading, Michelangelo painted the amazing moment when God creates woman out of the side of man. He depicts her standing beside the slumbering Adam, almost arguing with God. Perhaps it represents the eternal discussion about the relationship of man and woman. Or perhaps it recalls the perpetual scene of a man asleep on the couch while the woman wonders, "What's wrong with him?" The good thing is that Eve asks the only one who has the answer: God himself.

In fact, Jesus does the same thing in Mark's Gospel. When the Pharisees question him on divorce,

Jesus refers them to God's original plan, "But from the beginning of creation..." (10:6). Jesus finds the answer to this challenging question by looking back at God's creative plan for humanity. God has given man and woman to one another as a mutual gift. It is not good that man should be alone, but only God in eternity definitively satisfies the original loneliness found in everyone's heart.

When spousal love breaks down, we would be wise to follow Jesus' advice and refer to God's original plan. Saint John Paul II did that when, in contemplating married love, he dedicated the first years of his Wednesday audiences to reflect on the first three chapters of Genesis.

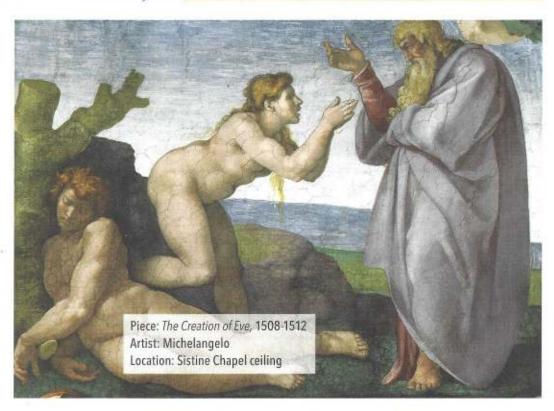
Those God has placed alongside us, especially our spouses, are meant to wonderfully (but only partially) satisfy that deep longing to be totally accompanied. Mutual self-giving and self-sacrifice in love is the solution to our inherent isolation and loneliness.

-Fr. Mark Haydu, LC

Reflection

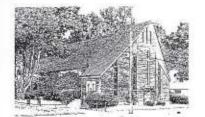
Do I look for others to satisfy a part of me that only God can satisfy?

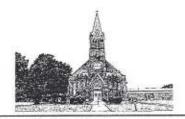
Do I celebrate all the good things my spouse or loved ones offer me? Do I thank them?



[Jesus said,] "But from the beginning of creation, God made them male and female....So they are no longer two but one flesh."

Mark 10:6, 8







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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 - 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

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 8, 2018

Offered For

Monday

St. Thomas More, Dalzell - 5:30pm

† No Mass

Tuesday

Holy Trinity, Cherry - 12:15pm

† Ann Doyle

Wednesday

St. Thomas More, Dalzell - 8:00am

† Charles & Jean Olivero

Thursday

Holy Trinity, Cherry - 8:30am

† Mary & Kenny Lehn

Friday

St. Thomas More, Dalzell - 8:00am

† Nellie Cattani

** Divine Mercy - Every Friday at 3PM (St. Thomas More Adoration Chapel)

Next Weekend's Mass Intentions

Weekend of October 13-14, 2018

Saturday Vigil:

Holy Trinity, Cherry - 4:00 PM

† Jim Bodnum

Sunday:

St. Thomas More, Dalzell - 5:30 PM

† Ron & Lynn Raef

Holy Trinity, Cherry - 8:30 AM

† Lucille Pinter

St. Patrick, Arlington - 10:30 AM St. Thomas More, Dalzell - 5:30 PM † William McDonald † For The Parishioners

Ministry Schedule For Next Weekend

Holy Trinity

LECTOR

Saturday - 4:00PM - Carol Lauer Sunday - 8:30AM - Mary Jane Marincic

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Saturday - 4:00PM - Bill Lauer Sunday - 8:30AM - Jeff Pinter **SERVERS**

Saturday - 4:00PM -

RI Talbot & Antonia Cattani Sunday - 8:30AM -

St. Patrick

LECTOR

Sunday - 10:30AM - Linda Beattie **EUCHARISTIC MINISTER**

Sunday - 10:30AM - Richard Pommier **SERVERS**

Sunday - 10:30AM -

I. Vander Meersch & T Schroeder

St. Thomas More

ROSARY

Sat 5:30PM - TBD

LECTOR

Sat 5:30PM - ?

EUCHARISTIC MINISTER

Sat 5:30PM - Mary Ann Schoening

SERVERS Sat 5:30PM - ?

UPCOMING CHURCH EVENTS

October 10 - Rosary Against Evil - St. Thomas More (Dalzell) - 6pm October 13 & 14 - Blest Arts After Mass

October 14 - St. Thomas More Chicken

Dinner - STM Hall - Ilam - 2pm - \$10

October 15 - Mass/Rosary Reparation Of Sins-St. Thomas More (Dalzell) -5:30pm

November 4 - St. Patrick's Smorgasbord Dinner - 11am - 1pm - Bishop Franz Hall

Last Sunday's Offering

Holy Trinity -\$1164.00 Needed Weekly - \$1700 (-\$14337.00) St. Patrick -\$355.00 Needed Weekly - \$700 (-\$3851.00) St. Thomas More - \$869.00 Needed Weekly - \$900 (\$4546.00) **(Parentheses) = Overage/Deficit of Collection

Upcoming Chicken Dinner

St. Thomas More will have their chicken dinner on Sunday, back to the time of Moses! If it October 14th from 11am - 2pm in the hall. Besides the great fried chicken, a limited supply of baked chicken will be available. The dinner also comes with spaghetti, salad, bread and butter, dessert and a drink. All of this great food is only \$10. Kids 6-10 years old are \$5 and kids 5 and under are free

Blest Arts Returning

Blest Arts is returning October 13 & 14 after all the Masses. The money they make is returned to the Holy Land to help the Christian communities. Their olive wood products or rosaries are great for gifts for First Communion, Confirmations , Weddings birthdays and anniversaries. They also take checks and credit cards.

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 Rosarv is celebrated together 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. 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!

St. Patrick's Smorgasbord

The dinner will be held on November 4th from llam to lpm in the Bishop Franz Hall. As usual, turkey and ham will be served with all of the great salads, desserts and a drink. It always is a great dinner. Please mark it on your calendar.

Special Event In Area

None

For The Week

We can blame all divorces weren't for the people back then feeling the need to separate nobody today would feel the need to separate. And if only it were that simple! When a couple stands before the altar and exchange vows it is intended to be forever. But sadly today that isn't always the case.

Interestingly, prayerful couples who attend church regularly have lower rates of divorce. Catholic couples were 31% less likely to divorce. Jewish couples were 97% less likely to divorce (they obviously have separated themselves from knowledge of Moses' time). And the last line of the Gospel gives great reason why kids should be at Mass (even if they scream) because Jesus wants them close to Him. Please have a great week!

ADA Goals 2018-19

Holy Trinity - \$16,421.00 Pledges To Date \$5255 (32%) St. Patrick - \$11,340.00 Pledges To Date \$5570 (49%) St. Thomas More - \$10,917.00 Pledges To Date \$4520 (41%)

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 8 Weekday Gal 1:6-12 Lk 10:25-37

Tuesday

OCTOBER 9 Weekday Gal 1:13-24 Lk 10:38-42

Wednesday

OCTOBER 10 Weekday Gal 2:1-2, 7-14 Lk 11:1-4

Thursday

OCTOBER 11 Weekday Gal 3:1-5 Lk 11:5-13

Friday

OCTOBER 12 Weekday Gal 3:7-14 Lk 11:15-26

Saturday

OCTOBER 13 Weekday Gal 3:22-29 Lk 11:27-28

Sunday OCTOBER 14

Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time Wis 7:7-11 Heb 4:12-13 Mk 10:17-30 or Mk 10:17-27



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Dear Padre,

My fiancée and I were hoping to be married in a park. When we mentioned this to our priest, he informed us that, in this diocese, all Catholic weddings are to take place in a Catholic church. Why is that?

Tt's true that Catholic weddings always take place in a church, unless Lathe bishop grants specific permission for the ceremony to be performed elsewhere, First, there is a purely practical reason for Catholics to get married in their parish church. It is a way of recording when and where Catholics marry. Parish records serve a useful purpose in both Church and civil matters.

But a more important reason is that marriage, in the eyes of Catholics, is a

sacrament—one of the seven sacred signs through which God communicates love to us. When Catholics marry, they believe God binds their union. The love of the couple for each other is a sign of God's love for both of them. This is expressed during the wedding ceremony with the words: "What God has joined together, let no one put asunder."

The union of the couple is also a continuous sign of Christ's love for the Church, Saint Paul tells us that husbands should love their wives just as Christ loved the Church (Ephesians 5:25). So when Catholics marry, they do not view it simply

as a contract between a man and woman. Rather, they see it as something in which God is deeply involved and which also involves the whole Catholic community.

The church building, which contains the presence of Christ, is thought of as the most sacred place to make this most sacred of commitments.

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A Word From Pope Francis



It is not merely a ceremony in a church, with flowers, a dress, photographs. Christian marriage is a sacrament that takes place in the Church, and which also makes the Church, by giving rise to a new family community....The love between spouses is an image

of the love between Christ and his Church.

—General audience, May 6, 2015



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