

The Fruit God Expects

The Chosen People were often compared to a garden or vineyard that God had planted and cared for. First, he placed them in the Garden of Eden. Then he led them to flourish in Egypt before accommodating them in the Promised Land. After all his care and cultivation he expected to find a fruitful return. In the Song of Songs and then with Jesus himself, not only are the people of God compared to a vineyard, but each of our souls is compared to a vineyard where God plants seeds, waters, and expects to find new growth by thirty-, sixty-, or one hundredfold.

In the image of the Chosen People, the Church, or our souls, one thing is constant: God expects a return on his love. Not because he is selfish and in need of our response but because he knows our happiness depends on receiving and showing him that love.

Jesus says the vineyard will be taken away from those who don't care for it and given to those who will produce its fruit. In the same way, grace will be directed away from some and toward those who accept it and produce faith and love.

This is not a threat or "Catholic guilt." This is a true Father letting his children know he loves them too much to not take them seriously. He gives and gives for our growth and maturing, but if that generosity isn't sincerely embraced and appreciated, he will eventually listen to us and move on. Now is the time to accept his love and enjoy the fruits.

—Fr. Mark Haydu, LC

For Reflection

How does our Lord want to see fruit and growth in your life? Have I squandered God's harvest in my life?

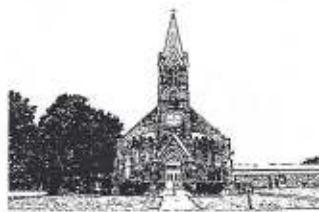
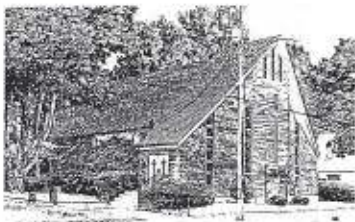


Piece: Landscape from the late 1500s

Artist: Mattheus Brill

Location: Torre dei Venti, Mezzanine, Vatican Museums

"I say to you, the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people that will produce its fruit" (Matthew 21:43).



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

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

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 9, 2017

Offered For

Monday

† No Mass

Tuesday

Holy Trinity, Cherry - **12:15pm

† Charlie & Hazel Keutzer

Wednesday

St. Thomas More, Dalzell - 8:00am

† For The Parishioners

Thursday

Holy Trinity, Cherry - 12:15pm

† Dec Memb Lavern Eiten Family

Friday

St. Thomas More, Dalzell - 8:00am

† Charles & Jean Olivero

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

Next Weekend's Mass Intentions

Weekend of October 14 - October 15, 2017

Saturday Vigil:

Holy Trinity, Cherry - 4:00 PM

† Jim Bodnum

St. Thomas More, Dalzell - 5:30 PM

† Mary Nave

Sunday:

Holy Trinity, Cherry - 8:30 AM

† Bill Waite Jr.

St. Patrick, Arlington - 10:30 AM

† William McDonald

St. Thomas More, Dalzell - 5:30 PM

† JoAnn Taber

Ministry Schedule
For Next Weekend

Holy Trinity

LECTOR

Saturday - 4:00PM - Carol Lauer

Sunday - 8:30AM - Jeff Pinter

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Saturday - 4:00PM - Sheila Campbell

Sunday - 8:30AM - Kathy Bonucchi

SERVERS

Saturday - 4:00PM -

Antonia Cattani & RJ Talbot

Sunday - 8:30AM -

Corey Pinter

St. Patrick

LECTOR

Sunday - 10:30AM - Bruce Galloway

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER

Sunday - 10:30AM - Joanne Oberheide

SERVERS

Sunday - 10:30AM -

Carter Cherry & Luke Lovgren

St. Thomas More

ROSARY

Sat 5:30PM - Joelle Crockett

LECTOR

Sat 5:30PM - Joelle Crockett

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER

Sat 5:30PM - Cheryl Stowe

SERVERS

Sat 5:30PM - ?

UPCOMING
CHURCH EVENTS

October 9 - St. Patrick Altar & Rosary Society - 7PM - Bishop Franz Hall

October 11 - Rosary Against Evil - St. Thomas More (Dalzell) - 5:30PM

Last Sunday's Offering

Holy Trinity - \$1067.00

Needed Weekly - \$1700

St. Patrick - \$764.00

Needed Weekly - \$700

St. Thomas More - \$768.00

Needed Weekly - \$700

Local Fatima Events

There will be a Holy Hour with Confessions available, 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.

The next day on October 14th at Nativity of Our Lord Parish at Noon, the Rosary will be prayed as part of the Public Square Rosary Crusade.

Ultreya at

St. Thomas More Church

St. Thomas More will be hosting the Illinois Valley Cursillo Group's Ultreya Night on Saturday, October 14th at the 5:30PM Mass. All who have made a cursillo are invited to attend. There will be a meeting following in the St. Thomas More Hall. Please join us!

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

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

For The Week

In the week coming up that celebrates the 100th Anniversary of the last apparition of Our Lady of Fatima, we have a much greater need to live our faith, and greatly encourage those we know and love to live their faith, than ever before. Many things said from our Blessed Mother suggest that we are now in a period where the faithless and evil will begin to be purged from the world.

The Gospel this weekend points to the prophets (tenants) being rejected then the Son being rejected and killed (Jesus Christ). Sadly, in our Catholic Church today, we have things being spoken which are contrary to Church Teaching, thus we have a greater need to be true to Jesus' and God's Word than before. Regardless of what is said, Jesus' Word is still the cornerstone of what we should believe. 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 9

Weekday

Jon 1:1–2:2, 11

Lk 10:25–37

Tuesday

October 10

Weekday

Jon 3:1–10

Lk 10:38–42

Wednesday

October 11

Weekday

Jon 4:1–11

Lk 11:1–4

Thursday

October 12

Weekday

Mal 3:13–20b

Lk 11:5–13

Friday

October 13

Weekday

Jl 1:13–15; 2:1–2

Lk 11:15–26

Saturday

October 14

Weekday

Jl 4:12–21

Lk 11:27–28

Sunday

October 15

Twenty-Eighth Sunday
in Ordinary Time

Is 25:6–10a

Phil 4:12–14, 19–20

Mt 22:1–14

Dear Padre,

I know we're all supposed to use our gifts to glorify God, but what is liturgical dance? Is it acceptable as part of Mass? Are there rules surrounding it?

Liturgical dance is dance movement forming a part of official worship. Through it, people in a community express their joy at God's blessings, foreshadowing the joy of heaven.

Dance, in many cultures, is a sign of joy. We dance at weddings, birthday celebrations, and anniversaries. People from both Eastern and Western traditions use dance as a form of expression, and some incorporate it into their religious rites. Jewish worship includes dance on certain feasts, such as the Simhat Torah, where the holy scrolls are part of the sacred movement.

In the United States, the practice of liturgical dance began to grow following Vatican II, but it was not readily accepted. Since dance in Western culture is viewed by some as an expression of love, intimacy, or diversion, the Church's approach is reserved. In 1975, the Vatican repeated this and said that because the Roman rite does not include dance as part of worship, inclusion of dance in liturgy is not appropriate ("The Religious Dance, an Expression of Spiritual Joy," *Notitiae* 11, 202–205).

We see dancing in our parishes and at diocesan celebrations; however, it should occur outside of the liturgy.

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A Word From Pope Francis

"The prayer of praise is a Christian prayer, for all of us. In the Mass, every day, when we sing the 'Holy, Holy, Holy', this is a prayer of praise: we praise God for his greatness because he is great. And we address him with beautiful words because it pleases us to do this. The prayer of praise bears fruit in us.

Sarah danced as she celebrated her fertility—at the age of ninety! This fruitfulness gives praise to God. Men and women who praise the Lord...bear fruit."

—Address to the Catholic Fraternity

of Charismatic Covenant Communities and Fellowships, October 31, 2014