

Keeping the End in Mind

As we approach the end of the liturgical year, the readings prepare us for the conclusion of our earthly pilgrimage. In this Sistine Chapel fresco, Moses is punishing the rebellious Israelites who were acting as priests without being authorized by him or called by God.

This chaotic scene seems similar to what Jesus describes of the end times in today's Gospel. He warns us not to follow false prophets who will arise and claim to come in his name. He prophesies a time of war, natural disasters, famines, and plagues. Persecution will fall upon his followers, allowing them the chance to give testimony—*martyrion* in Greek. Jesus' monitions for that time are simple: do not follow false prophets or prepare a defense, but persevere instead. In the section "I Believe in Life Everlasting," the *Catechism of the Catholic Church* also speaks to us about the last times. We believe in heaven, hell, and a

personal, universal judgment. These last things await us all, and Jesus doesn't keep us in the dark about these realities.

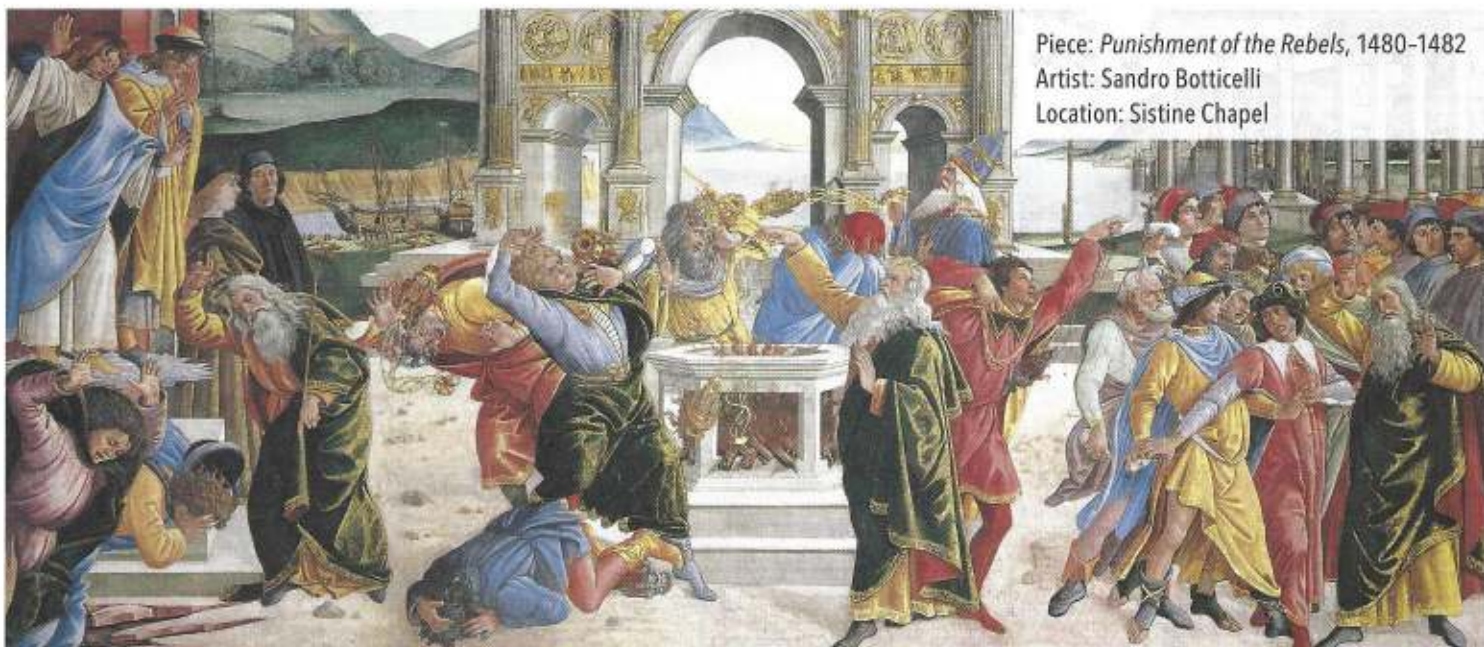
We don't know when the end times may come. But regardless, our call is to live prepared by fulfilling God's will and trusting in him. Jesus clearly wants us to be aware of the end of the world, but he doesn't want us to be overly anxious about it. If we are in Christ, we are already a new creation. The old has passed away. Behold the new has come. Be not afraid!

—Fr. Mark Haydu, LC

For Reflection

Do I live soberly, knowing that I am heading toward an end that is both certain and wrapped in God's mercy?

Is there anything I should adjust in my lifestyle to be better prepared for my definitive encounter with God?



Piece: *Punishment of the Rebels*, 1480–1482

Artist: Sandro Botticelli

Location: Sistine Chapel

[Jesus said,] "You will be hated by all because of my name, but...by your perseverance you will secure your lives."

Luke 21:17–19



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 November 18, 2019

Offered For

Monday

Holy Trinity, Cherry - 5:30pm

† Purgatorial Society

Tuesday

Holy Trinity, Cherry - 12:15pm

† Wayne Jaraczewski

Wednesday

St. Thomas More, Dalzell - 8:00am

† Members Olivero Families

Thursday

Holy Trinity, Cherry - 8:30am

† Jimmy DeAngelo

Friday

St. Thomas More, Dalzell - 8:00am

† No Mass

Next Weekend's Mass Intentions

Weekend of November 23-24, 2019

Saturday Vigil:

Holy Trinity, Cherry - 4:00 PM

† June Wiltse

St. Thomas More, Dalzell - 5:30 PM

† Ron & Lynn Raef

Sunday:

Holy Trinity, Cherry - 8:30 AM

† For The Parishioners

St. Patrick, Arlington - 10:30 AM

† Rena Ingegnoli

St. Thomas More, Dalzell - 5:30 PM

† Ken Bala

Ministry Schedule For Next Weekend

Holy Trinity

LECTOR

Saturday - 4:00PM - Tina Dominy

Sunday - 8:30AM - Mary Jane Marincic

SERVERS

Saturday - 4:00PM -

?

Sunday - 8:30AM - ?

COUNTERS

Sunday - 8:30AM -

Scott Shilkuski & Nancy Lowry

St. Patrick

LECTOR

Sunday - 10:30AM - Linda Beattie

SERVERS

Sunday - 10:30AM -

Brandon & Dylan Tornow

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

November 13 - Rosary Against Evil -
Holy Trinity (Cherry) - 6PM

November 18 - Mass Reparation Sins/
Rosary - Holy Trinity (Cherry) - 5:30pm
(No Rosary The Following Wednesday)

November 27 - Rosary Against Evil -
Holy Trinity (Cherry) - 6PM

December 7 - St. Patrick Sausage
Making - 8am into Afternoon - Hall

Last Sunday's Offering

Holy Trinity - \$0.00

St. Patrick - \$0.00

St. Thomas More - \$0.00

St. Thomas More Chicken Dinner Thanks

Thank you to all of the great cooks, servers, greeters, and cleaners! This might have been our most successful chicken dinner yet! The food was again very delicious and the fellowship was wonderful! Thank you for joining us! See ya next time!

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 same altar He is Present. Please contact office if you are interested.

Mass for Reparation of Sins Every Third Monday

This coming Monday, November 18th at 5:30PM at Holy Trinity in Cherry, there will be the celebration of Holy Mass followed by the recitation of the Creed and praying of the Holy Rosary. With the rosary prayed on Monday we will not meet that week on Wednesday for rosary. It will repeat every third Monday at whatever church we are praying the rosary for that month. Our Blessed Mother wants this from us so people 9 months out of the year can receive the following gifts; we will receive peace, consolation from pain, stopping of hiding sins, not being arrogant, more humility, and the blessing of our homes. Please come!

Weather Warning Notice

With the winter's unpredictable snowfall, it is always hard to plan or prepare for, so just be cautious. Please stay home if you have health or physical difficulties dealing with the extreme weather. If the roads are too icy or not plowed because of fresh snow, the immediate Mass to be celebrated could be cancelled and my parishioners will be dispensed. But please put into the collection the following week what you would have put in for the cancelled Mass. Unfortunately, the bills still keep coming in! A good rule is if the weather is good enough to go the store, sports event, or otherwise, you should go to Mass. Check with WLPO (1220AM), WZOE (1490AM) and BCR Alerts for cancellations. If you aren't signed up for BCR alerts, check with Julie in the office.

Special Event In Area

None

For The Week

The end of the age we are living in is not something to look forward to or is it? In the Gospel, and the first reading, we are given a glimpse of what things will be like at the end. And how those who lived a life close to God have nothing to fear. Most people don't want to think about the end, and many don't want to prepare for it either! Sadly, Jesus has been saying the end time events will happen quickly and if you aren't prepared now, you will never be. We often think taking care of our body is the most important thing for us rather than our soul! But as the Bible we have 70 years or more here on earth than the rest is eternity, heaven or hell. So what we do now has a real influence on where we wind up.

For those who don't want the end to come, according to God stopping abortion is the first and foremost way to extend our lives on earth. And that today, might very well be an unsurmountable task and will take a lot of work. Maybe we should try! If not, make a good and complete confession and do good with your lives. May God always bless us with 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

NOVEMBER 18

Weekday

1 Mc 1:10-15, 41-43,
54-57, 62-63
Lk 18:35-43

Tuesday

NOVEMBER 19

Weekday

2 Mc 6:18-31
Lk 19:1-10

Wednesday

NOVEMBER 20

Weekday

2 Mc 7:1, 20-31
Lk 19:11-28

Thursday

NOVEMBER 21

Presentation of
the Blessed Virgin Mary

1 Mc 2:15-29
Lk 19:41-44

Friday

NOVEMBER 22

St. Cecilia,
Virgin and Martyr

1 Mc 4:36-37, 52-59
Lk 19:45-48

Saturday

NOVEMBER 23

Weekday

1 Mc 6:1-13
Lk 20:27-40

Sunday

NOVEMBER 24

Our Lord Jesus Christ,
King of the Universe

2 Sm 5:1-3

Col 1:12-20

Lk 23:35-43

Dear Padre,

I have a hard time accepting that my money for the Sunday collection may be used to compensate victims of clerical sexual abuse. Do I have to keep giving to my local parish, only to see my money pay for a sex scandal?

The money you give runs your parish and provides assistance to the poor, both locally and throughout your diocese. Scripture mentions the disciples offering money to meet the needs of the poor. The *Catechism of the Catholic Church* states: "The faithful also have the duty of providing for the

material needs of the Church, each according to his abilities" (CCC 2043). Similarly, canon law reminds us that we are "obliged to promote social justice...and to help the poor," both signs of Christian charity (Canon 222).

While you give for the needs of your parish, it appears that these lawsuits create a real concern for you. For the most part, awards for lawsuits are paid from two main sources: insurance and the sale of

unused property, such as office space, bishops' homes, and seminaries.

While we are pained by the revelations of clerical abuse, we must also understand the victims' need for healing. Money won't end their pain, but it may help a survivor who needs psychological counseling or someone who has difficulty working due to trauma. This is a devastating time in their lives, but the Church will continue to offer hope and claim its responsibility.

—Fr. John K. Schmidt, CSSR
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Volunteers organize stock for a distribution hub that helps supply fresh produce and nutritious food to pantries and soup kitchens in underserved areas.



A Word from Pope Francis

We hear these children and their cries of pain...the sufferings, the experiences, and the pain of minors who were abused sexually by priests. It is a sin that shames us. Persons responsible for the protection of those children destroyed their dignity. We regret this deeply and we beg forgiveness.

—Feast of the Holy Innocents, December 28, 2016