

#### November 19, 2017

Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time (A) Prv 31:10–13, 19–20, 30–31 1 Thes 5:1–6 Mt 25:14–30 or 25:14–15, 19–21

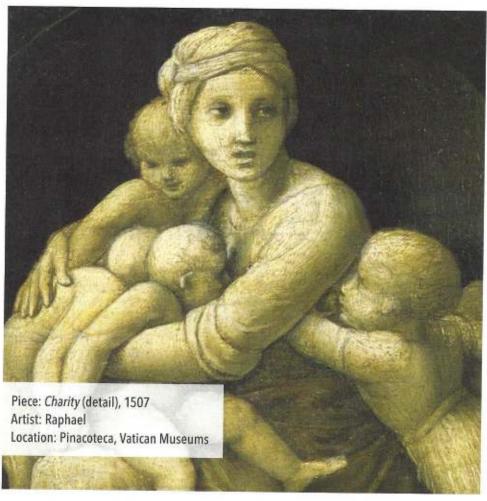
# What's Our ROI?

The Gospel today encourages good investments! Jesus heaps praise on the good servants who were faithful in small matters and rewarded with the joy of the master. The servant who gets called wicked and lazy is punished, not because he miscalculated a risk but because he feared his master and took no risk at all. He was frozen by the thought that he could lose everything, so he buries the talent and anxiously awaits the master's return. He is wicked not for investing poorly but for not investing at all.

God has given us all so many talents, and he does so for us to enjoy a grand return on investment (ROI). He wants us to use our talents, work them, develop them, and—at the end of our lives—enjoy showing him the way they have

multiplied. Like a loving parent, he knows that much of our happiness is in developing and growing those talents with his grace. Those talents are a sign of his call and an invitation to step out in faith.

Parents, your job is to help your children develop their talents and dreams. A confident, enthusiastic, and risk-taking child is a sign of parents who know the balance of loving discipline, positive motivation, and a healthy distance. Children who feel secure in the love of their parents are willing to venture out and invest their talents, for they know someone will always be there to accompany them and catch them if they fall.



Our loving God is the first to know this and so invites us with this parable to trust, invest, and enjoy the returns.

-Fr. Mark Haydu, LC

# For Reflection

What are the most important talents I have? Think of virtues, abilities, qualities, time.
Which talent should I invest in more so I can enjoy the return God wants?

[Jesus said,] "It will be as when a man who was going on a jowney called in his servants and entrusted his possessions to them" (Matthew 25:14).







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) -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

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 November 20, 2017

\*\*No Mass Monday\*\*

Offered For

Tuesday

Holy Trinity, Cherry - 9:00am##

† Loretta Flaherty

Wednesday

St. Thomas More, Dalzell - 8:00am St. Thomas More, Dalzell - 9:00am## † Sue Passini † For The People

Thursday

Friday

St. Thomas More, Dalzell - 8:00am

No Mass †

## Mass Special Time/Place

\*\* Divine Mercy Chaplet - Fridays at 3PM

# Next Weekend's Mass Intentions

# Weekend of November 25-26, 2017

Saturday Vigil:

St. Thomas More, Dalzell - 5:30 PM

† Phyllis Potthoff

Holy Trinity, Cherry - 4:00 PM

† Eugene Weberski

Sunday:

Holy Trinity, Cherry - 8:30 AM

† For The Parishioners

St. Patrick, Arlington - 10:30 AM

† William McDonald

St. Thomas More, Dalzell - 5:30 PM

† Pat Pirtch

## Ministry Schedule For Next Weekend

#### Holy Trinity LECTOR

Saturday - 4:00PM - Kathy Pullam Sunday - 8:30AM - Masry Jane Marincic EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Saturday - 4:00PM - Sheila Campbell Sunday - 8:30AM - Jeff Pinter

SERVERS

Saturday - 4:00PM -

Kaitlyn Pullam & Emily Robbins Sunday - 8:30AM -

## St. Patrick

#### LECTOR

Sunday - 10:30AM - Ernie Bartoli EUCHARISTIC MINISTER

Sunday - 10:30AM - Joanne Oberheide SERVERS

Sunday - 10:30AM -Dylan Lovgren & Brandon Tornow

# St. Thomas More

ROSARY

Sat 5:30PM - Mary Ann Schoening LECTOR

Sat 5:30PM - Mary Ann Schoening EUCHARISTIC MINISTER

Sat 5:30PM - Judy Szymovicz

SERVERS

Sat 5:30PM - ?

# UPCOMING CHURCH EVENTS

November 22 - No Rosary (Please Pray It At Home)

November 29 - Rosary Against Evil -Holy Trinity (Cherry) - 5:30PM

December 9 - St. Thomas More Bake Sale - 10AM - Noon (St. Thomas More Hall)

# Last Sunday's Offering

Holy Trinity -\$1008.00 Needed Weekly - \$1700 St. Patrick -\$530.00 Needed Weekly - \$700 St. Thomas More - \$831.00 Needed Weekly - \$700

## St. Thomas More Bake Sale

Christmas goodies! Right! If you come to the St. Thomas More Hall on December 9th between 10:00AM and Noon, you can buy some Italian Specialties and other Christmas items. So please stop by!

## Pads Christmas Food Collection

We are collecting food items that would be individually wrapped, or even monetary donations, to help the people in need at Pads. The collection is being gathered in the front vestibule of St. Thomas More Church. Thank you for any help!

# Missalette Advertising

Both Holy Trinity and St. Churches have had Patrick's 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.

# The Rosary Against Evil

The rosary we continue to pray on Wednesday nights at 5:30PM will be prayed at Holy Trinity Church during the month of November in Cherry. 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

Before we celebrate Christ Everybody loves the the King next weekend, we have this opportunity to think about how we have been living. And often without thinking about God in our lives! If we turn on the TV we see how much corruption has been going on around us for quite awhile, yet we haven't stopped it.

> Then God's existence in our lives has been left out by many people. So what do we do? Just as the people who were given talents to use and build up. God has given us the ability to love life, to respect our fellow man, and, most of all, to love God. It is up to each of us to improve that love of God. And we can do much better! May God always be with us and bless us with His Presence! Have a Blessed and Happy Thanksgiving!

#### 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

November 20 Weekday 1 Mc 1:10-15, 41-43, 54-57, 62-63 Lk 18:35-43

#### Tuesday

November 21 Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary 2 Mc 6:18-31 Lk 19:1-10

#### Wednesday

November 22 St. Cecilia. Virgin and Martyr 2 Mc 7:1, 20-31 Lk 19:11-28

#### Thursday

November 23 Weekday 1 Mc 2:15-29 Lk 19:41-44

#### Friday

November 24 St. Andrew Düng-Lac, Priest, and Companions, Martyrs 1 Mc 4:36-37, 52-59 Lk 19:45-48

#### Saturday

November 25 Weekday 1 Mc 6:1-13 Lk 20:27-40

#### Sunday

November 26 Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe Ez 34:11-12, 15-17 1 Cor 15:20-26, 28 Mt 25:31-46

# Dear Padre,

Our daughter and son-in-law graduated from Catholic high schools, but they're not bringing up their children in the Catholic faith....I feel an obligation to the children, but I don't know what to do.

understand your concern and sadness, but we must always remember that parents have the primary responsibility for their children's religious education. People such as priests, teachers, grandparents, and godparents can

help, but they cannot usurp the role of the parents.

If your daughter is truly alienated from the Church or has truly given up her faith in God, then anything you say or do will probably make her angry. In that case, your best approach is one of kindness to her and her family and regular prayer for her and for them.



Often, however, young parents aren't really alienated from God or the Church but have just drifted away. If they decide they should do something about their children's religious training, they often don't know who to contact. If this seems to be the case with your daughter and her husband, gently inform them that you will be glad to help get the children started. Contact your parish priest (or theirs) for the necessary information. This can be a big help to people who have been away from Catholic practice for a long time.

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# A Word From Pope Francis

I prefer a Church which is bruised, hurting and dirty because it has been out on the streets, rather than a Church which is unhealthy from being confined and from clinging to its own security....More than by fear of going astray, my hope is that we will be moved by the fear of remaining shut up within structures which give us a false sense of security, within rules

which make us harsh judges, within habits which make us feel safe, while at our door people are starving and Jesus does not tire of saying to us: "Give them something to eat" (Mark 6:37).

—The Joy of the Gospel (Evangelii Gaudium), November 24, 2013

