



The Cross: Altar and Throne

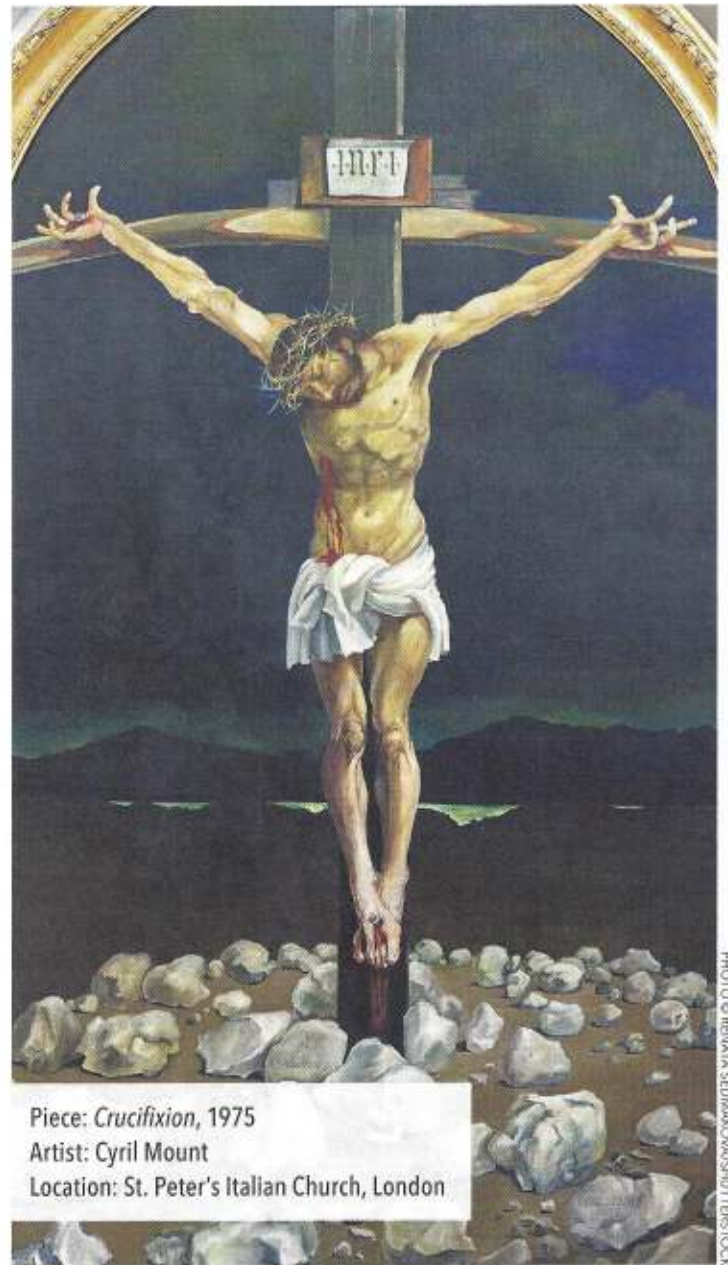
In his Gospel, St. Luke, the good doctor, often brings in kingly themes related to Christ's crucifixion. He does this to highlight that Jesus fulfilled the Jewish belief that the Messiah would unite the three important leadership roles—priest, prophet, and king. The inscription the Romans nailed to the cross above Jesus' head inadvertently supports the fulfillment of Old Testament prophecy—he was indeed the King of the Jews.

He was also the priest who offered his body as a sacrifice for the Chosen People: "It was Caiaphas who had counseled the Jews that it was better that one man should die rather than the people" (John 18:14). He is both the priest offering obedience to the Father, but he is also the victim who is offered on the altar of the cross. The cross is altar and throne because, as well as priest and victim, Jesus also is the king reuniting his kingdom under God the Father. In so doing, he undoes the sin of Adam, which had been the cause of this division.

Jesus' final prophetic words, "It is finished," means he has fulfilled his mission as priest, prophet, and king from the throne of the cross. The *Catechism of the Catholic Church* (1047) sums it up when it says that as king and high priest, his sacrifice is total, universal, and definitive. Now all of God's creatures, man and beast, both natural and in the heavens, can return to the one from whom they came forth and who declared each one good.

—Fr. Mark Haydu, LC

Editor's note: This is Fr. Mark Haydu's final reflection for Our Parish Community. He will continue as special advisor to the head of the Patrons of the Arts in the Vatican Museums. When a new liturgical cycle begins on December 1, 2019, we will welcome a new reflections writer, Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA. The people of Liguori Publications thank Fr. Mark for his three years of insightful reflections and his artwork selections and ideas. We wish him well.



Piece: *Crucifixion*, 1975

Artist: Cyril Mount

Location: St. Peter's Italian Church, London

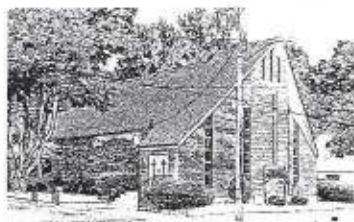
For Reflection

Do I realize the amazing power of what happens at the Mass?

Do I make the good thief's act of faith and confidence my own?

Above him there was an inscription that read, "This is the King of the Jews."

Luke 23:38



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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 By Appointment

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 25, 2019

Offered For

Monday

St. Thomas More, Dalzell - Noon *

† Memb Ray & Tom Pigati Fam

Tuesday

Holy Trinity, Cherry - 12:15pm

† Doris Schwamberger

Wednesday

St. Thomas More, Dalzell - 4:00pm *

† For The People

Thursday

Holy Trinity, Cherry - 8:30am

† No Mass

Friday

St. Thomas More, Dalzell - 8:00am

† No Mass

Next Weekend's Mass Intentions

Weekend of November 30-December 1, 2019

Saturday Vigil:

Holy Trinity, Cherry - 4:00 PM

† Adele & Ray Sever

St. Thomas More, Dalzell - 5:30 PM

† For The Parishioners

Sunday:

Holy Trinity, Cherry - 8:30 AM

† Thomas & Rheta Jeppson

St. Patrick, Arlington - 10:30 AM

† William Bonnell

St. Thomas More, Dalzell - 5:30 PM

† Peter & Natalie Ceresa

Ministry Schedule For Next Weekend

Holy Trinity

LECTOR

Saturday - 4:00PM - Carol Lauer

Sunday - 8:30AM - Gerald Schlenz

SERVERS

Saturday - 4:00PM -

?

Sunday - 8:30AM - ?

COUNTERS

Sunday - 8:30AM -

Kathy Bonucchi & Linda Black

St. Patrick

LECTOR

Sunday - 10:30AM - Steve Sondgeroth

SERVERS

Sunday - 10:30AM -

Veronica & Vanessa Schroeder

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 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 4 - Rosary Against Evil -
Holy Trinity (Cherry) - 6PM

December 5 - St. Patrick Christmas
Choir Practice - SP Church - 6PM

December 7 - St. Patrick Sausage
Making - 8am into Afternoon - Hall
(Order forms in back of each church)

Last Sunday's Offering

Holy Trinity - \$2417.00

St. Patrick - \$1139.00

St. Thomas More - \$1468.00

St. Patrick's Events Christmas Choir & A&R Dinner

There will be practices for the Christmas Choir before the Christmas Eve Mass at 9:30PM. The practices will be at St. Pats Church starting at 6PM on Thursday, Dec. 5, Dec. 12 & Dec. 19. All voices are welcome!

Also the Altar & Rosary Christmas Party will be on December 4, 2019 at 6PM at the Coal Company in Cherry. There is a sign-up sheet in back of church.

The Rosary Against Evil

The rosary that we continue to pray on Wednesday nights at 6PM will be prayed at Holy Trinity Church during the month of November in Cherry. The weeks where Mass and Rosary is prayed together on Monday 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. 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!

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.

Vincentian Parish Mission

An area favorite, Rev. Robert Gielow, CM will be returning for a parish mission at St. Patrick Church in LaSalle on December 2-4 each night at 7PM.

The subject is an important one about making more time for Jesus Christ in our lives. And stop being busy with the wrong things!

Special Event In Area

None

For The Week

As we celebrate the Solemnity of Christ the King, we remember the one who should be most important in our lives, Jesus Christ. His Death and Resurrection are what defined Him as the Son of God. The cruel death, His patient suffering gave us examples why our faith in God is so important. Yet, many times forgotten by many people.

For us we think that life will keep going on without any difficulties for many years to come. Parents aren't making faith in God an important aspect of children's lives. Priests, in general, don't like to talk about the sacrifice needed in peoples lives to follow Christ. And why without Christ, when our lives on earth are finished, Heaven was just a dream. So today we get the great opportunity to remember the importance of Christ in our lives. God wants us now to turn our lives back to Him but also to 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 25

Weekday

Dn 1:1-6, 8-20

Lk 21:1-4

Tuesday

NOVEMBER 26

Weekday

Dn 2:31-45

Lk 21:5-11

Wednesday

NOVEMBER 27

Weekday

Dn 5:1-6, 13-14,

16-17, 23-28

Lk 21:12-19

Thursday

NOVEMBER 28

Weekday

Dn 6:12-28

Lk 21:20-28

Friday

NOVEMBER 29

Weekday

Dn 7:2-14

Lk 21:29-33

Saturday

NOVEMBER 30

St. Andrew,

Apostle

Rom 10:9-18

Mt 4:18-22

Sunday

DECEMBER 1

First Sunday

of Advent (A)

Is 2:1-5

Rom 13:11-14

Mt 24:37-44

Dear Padre,

Why was the notion of kingship so important to Jesus and his disciples? Didn't the rulers of the day oppress Israel? You'd think they would have distrusted the Jesus-as-king idea.

Although the idea of kingship is not very important to our modern thinking, it was very important to Israel. In the early years of the Hebrew nation, the population wanted to strengthen itself politically and militarily. The people went to Samuel, their leader, and begged him to appoint a king so that Israel could be the same as other nations (1 Samuel 8:4-5). In response, Samuel appointed Saul as Israel's first king. In Israel, the king became the prime instrument of God. David, the shepherd, was considered Israel's greatest king.

Later, that area came under the harsh domination of foreign powers—the Persians, the Macedonians, and ultimately, Rome. Many of these empires exercised their power by appointing a king, often a foreigner, to rule locally.

Since both the people of Israel and the early Christians understood the notion of kingship and recalled the glory days of David and Solomon, they developed a divinely inspired theology of the king as God's saving instrument. The theme of Jesus as king and prime instrument of God runs through the New Testament, reaching its fullness in Jesus' victory over death and his ascent to power at the right hand of the Father.

In the Gospels, Jesus preaches that the kingdom of God is now in our midst. The good news is that all of us can enter this kingdom (Mark 1:15).

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JESUS CHRIST AS KING OF THE WORLD BY KARL VON BLAS, NINETEENTH CENTURY



A Word from Pope Francis

[Jesus] shows us that he enjoys dominion because he is a servant, glory because he is capable of abasement, kingship because he is fully prepared to lay down his life. By his passion and death, he takes the lowest place, attains the heights of grandeur in service, and bestows this upon his Church.

—Homily, October 18, 2015