



*We speak God's
wisdom, mysterious,
hidden, which God
predetermined before
the ages for our glory.*

1 CORINTHIANS 2:7

RAMIREZ/SHUTTERSTOCK

Choose One

Law, wisdom, or virtue. Choose one. Today's first reading talks about wisdom. Throughout life, options are placed before us. Which should we pick? Life or death? Good or evil? How do we know which one to choose? Actually, we learn to choose through experience, either our own or the experience of those who have gone before us and left us their insights within our traditions—whether social, political, or religious. Some of these traditions come to us as advice, others as law. One might say that law is really the expression or codification of social, political, or religious traditions. So, to follow law is really to obey a certain kind of codified wisdom.

When St. Paul speaks about wisdom, he is referring to wisdom that comes from following the directives of God, not merely the insights gained through experience. He calls that a mature wisdom as opposed

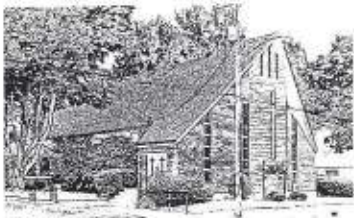
to the wisdom of this age. It is the kind of wisdom we find in Jesus, who lived his life for others, a kind of wisdom that some might consider foolish.

In the Gospel, Jesus insists that he is not abolishing law but fulfilling it. He urges us to go deeper into law and find wisdom, to go even deeper into human wisdom, and there to find virtue. Law deals with exteriors; virtue addresses the inner heart. Law forbids murder; virtue forbids hatred. Where do you live? In law? In wisdom? Or in virtue? Choose one.

—Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

FOR *Reflection*

- ★ *To think that obeying law fulfills our obligations is to live a rather shallow life.*
- ★ *What virtues really shape your life?*



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 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 February 17, 2020

Offered For

<u>Monday</u>	St. Thomas More, Dalzell - 5:30pm	† Purgatorial Society
<u>Tuesday</u>	Holy Trinity, Cherry - 12:15pm	† No Mass
<u>Wednesday</u>	St. Thomas More, Dalzell - 8:00am	† No Mass
<u>Thursday</u>	Holy Trinity, Cherry - 8:30am	† No Mass
<u>Friday</u>	St. Thomas More, Dalzell - 8:00am	† No Mass

Next Weekend's Mass Intentions

Weekend of February 22-23, 2019

Offered For

<u>Saturday Vigil:</u>	Holy Trinity, Cherry - 4:00 PM	† Alan Hahn
	St. Thomas More, Dalzell - 5:30 PM	† Mary Nave & Family
<u>Sunday:</u>	Holy Trinity, Cherry - 8:30 AM	† For The Parishioners
	St. Patrick, Arlington - 10:30 AM	† Purgatorial Society
	St. Thomas More, Dalzell - 5:30 PM	† John Micheli

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 -
Nancy Floroplus & Kathy Bonucchi

St. Patrick

LECTOR

Sunday - 10:30AM - Bruce Galloway

SERVERS

Sunday - 10:30AM -
? & ?

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**

February 17 - Mass for Reparation of Sins - St. Thomas More (Dalzell) - 5:30PM

February 26 - Rosary Against Evil - St. Thomas More (Dalzell) - 6PM

March 6 - St. Thomas More Lent Fish Fry - STM Hall - 4:30PM-7:30PM

March 7 - St. Patrick's Sausage Making - Bp. Franz Hall

Last Sunday's Offering

Holy Trinity -	\$1588.00
St. Patrick -	\$457.00
St. Thomas More -	\$893.00

**Mass for Reparation of Sins
Every Third Monday**

Coming up this Monday, February 17th at 5:30PM at St. Thomas More in Dalzell, 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 repeats 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!

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 February in Dalzell. 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!

Needed St. Margarets Volunteers

Volunteers are needed for Red Coats, Gift Shop, Surgical Waiting Room and Hospice. Besides the blessing of helping people, a free meal is given for each shift completed. Call Cindy at (815) 878-1409 for more information.

**Holy Cross Catholic Church
St. Mary's Altar Society
Spring Luncheon & Fashion Show**

The event takes place Saturday, March 7th at noon. The luncheon and the fashion show will be taking place in the Holy Cross Gym in Mendota and the doors will open at 11:15AM. Tickets are \$20.00.

Special Event In Area

None

For The Week

The choice between good and evil has been in existence since Adam and Eve were given life on earth. And every human being has had to face those choices in all we do since their time. When the world was at its best, human beings were predominantly in support of all that is good. And when we didn't stand for good in our lives, humanity was greatly troubled!

The Gospel covers one of the greatest sins which is hypocrisy. If our "Yes", and our "No", is truly given from a good heart, it will be consistent in all similar situations. We can turn on the news today and see our leaders reverse their stand on issues that affect all of us. Many seem to forget that film and audio of these changes are kept so they can be brought out to keep them honest. If they choose to be honest! So we are all reminded to never be lukewarm in our beliefs. But always be strong and steadfast in what we believe. And remember God does know when we flip our positions! May God always bless us with His Real Presence!

ADA Goals 2019-20

<u>Holy Trinity</u> - \$17589.00
Pledges To Date \$9210.00 (52%)
<u>St. Patrick</u> - \$9902.00
Pledges To Date \$9989.00 (100%)
<u>St. Thomas More</u> - \$12554.00
Pledges To Date \$9265.00 (74%)

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.

Dear Padre,

Are the readings at the beginning of Mass more, less, or equal to the celebration of the Eucharist?

The *Novus Ordo*, or the ordinary form of the Roman rite, is celebrated in two major parts: the Liturgy of the Word and the Liturgy of the Eucharist. These parts complement each other in a balance of word and sacrament.

In his 2004 apostolic letter *Mane Nobiscum Domine*, St. John Paul II described the complementary elements. Using the story of the two disciples



on the road to Emmaus on the night of Easter Sunday, St. John Paul likens the two parts of the revised liturgy to their journey. First, Christ breaks open the word for them, preparing their hearts with an interpretation of the Scriptures. Then they recognize Christ as they break bread. The Liturgy of the Word, proclaimed and preached well, allows time for silence and reflection on the wisdom offered. It becomes the necessary overture for the celebration of thanks and praise and the gift of the sign and sacrament to follow.

Parishes are called to take the Liturgy of the Word most seriously and to bring it to a new level of proclamation. Saint John

Paul admonished all involved, but especially preachers, to cherish the word and preach it so the depths of the mysteries celebrated may be recognized and received into the burning hearts of Christians. In this context, the Scripture readings are given a prominence they didn't have in the older Roman rite.

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A WORD FROM *Pope Francis*

We must ensure that in the usual activities of every Christian community, in parishes, in associations and movements, there actually be at heart the personal encounter with Christ who communicates himself to us in his word, because, as St. Jerome teaches us, "Ignorance of the Scriptures is ignorance of Christ."

—ADDRESS TO CATHOLIC BIBLICAL FEDERATION,
JUNE 19, 2015

Calendar

Monday

FEBRUARY 17

Weekday

Jas 1:1–11

Mk 8:11–13

Tuesday

FEBRUARY 18

Weekday

Jas 1:12–18

Mk 8:14–21

Wednesday

FEBRUARY 19

Weekday

Jas 1:19–27

Mk 8:22–26

Thursday

FEBRUARY 20

Weekday

Jas 2:1–9

Mk 8:27–33

Friday

FEBRUARY 21

Weekday

Jas 2:14–24, 26

Mk 8:34–9:1

Saturday

FEBRUARY 22

Chair of

St. Peter the Apostle

1 Pt 5:1–4

Mt 16:13–19

Sunday

FEBRUARY 23

Seventh Sunday in

Ordinary Time

Lv 19:1–2, 17–18

1 Cor 3:16–23

Mt 5:38–48