



February 25, 2018

Second Sunday of Lent (B)

Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18

Rom 8:31b-34

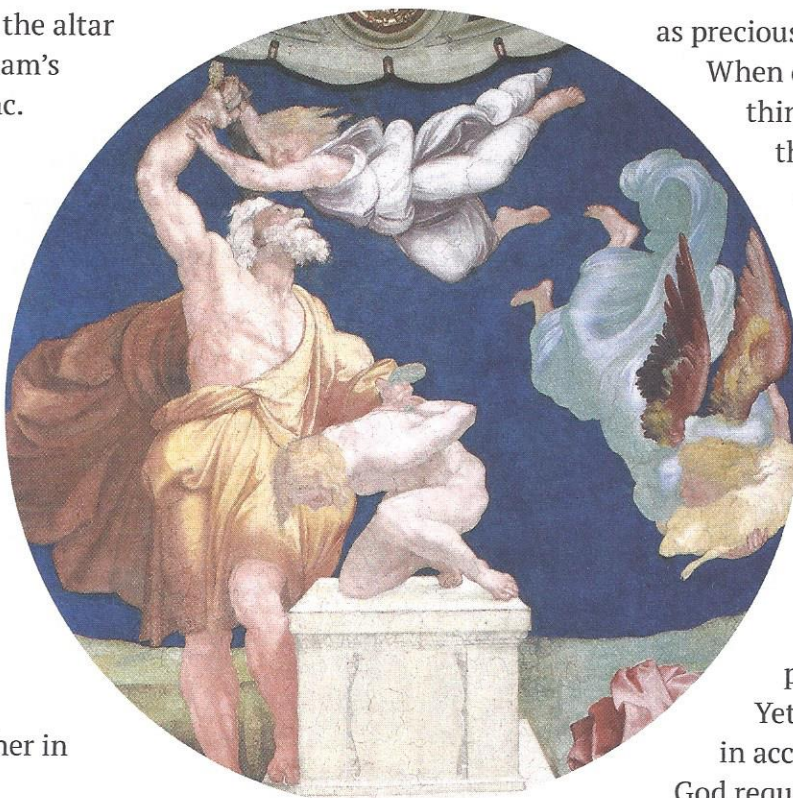
Mk 9:2-10

Let Go and Let God

Kneeling humbly on the altar
Is the son of Abraham's
old age, the promised Isaac.
He was the answer to
prayer, a commitment by
God that, through this
child, Abraham would
have descendants as
numerous as the stars.
Yet God was asking
him to sacrifice that
hope and promise.
And Abraham,
although surely not
understanding, was
willing to obey the
Father. It represents
the supreme test of faith.
Abraham is called our Father in
Faith for a reason.

Abraham is looking up to God,
not focused on the creatures, even
as much as he loved his son. We also
need to be looking up to God in order
to rightly value the things below.

He understands that no godly gift should take
God's place in the human heart—even something



Piece: *The Sacrifice of Isaac*, 1511

Artist: Raphael Sanzio

Location: Vatican Museums

as precious as his God-given child.

When dealing with all the good
things God gives us, even
those he has promised
and those we love most,
we must be willing to
submit to his plans.

God doesn't always
make sense to us, and
we are painfully aware
that his ways are not
always our ways.

Isaac is a young
boy, but certainly big
enough to put up a fight
as his elderly father's
plans become evident.

Yet we see him kneeling
in acceptance of the sacrifice
God requests. Although he wants
to understand, he doesn't make the
reason an absolute. Isaac foreshadows
the trusting lamb led to slaughter, the
ram whose head will be caught in a

crown of thorns, and the Son who will not be spared
by the heavenly Father.

—Fr. Mark Haydu, LC

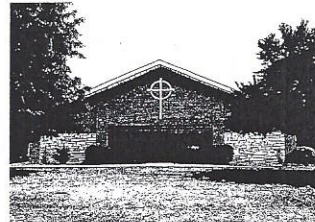
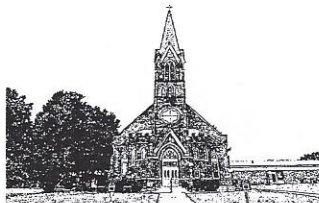
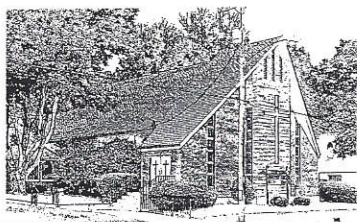
For Reflection

Are we willing to lay peacefully within God's plan, even if it means sacrifice?

Do we trust his plans more than our own?

Is there anything more beloved by us than God's loving plan for us?

*He who did not spare his own Son...
how will he not also give us everything else along with him?
Romans 8:32*



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 - 12:15 PM & Thursday - 9:00 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 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 February 26, 2018

Offered For

Monday

† No Mass

Tuesday

Holy Trinity, Cherry - 12:15pm

† Wayne Jaraczewski

Wednesday

St. Thomas More, Dalzell - 8:00am

† Stan Reynolds

Thursday

Holy Trinity, Cherry - 9:00am

† Rose & Vern Gillan

Friday

St. Thomas More, Dalzell - 8:00am

† William Adrian

Holy Trinity, Cherry - 5:45pm

† Ann Doyle

** Divine Mercy Prayers - Fridays at 3PM (St. Thomas More Adoration Room)

Next Weekend's Mass Intentions

Weekend of March 3-4, 2018

Saturday Vigil:

Holy Trinity, Cherry - 4:00 PM

† For The Parishioners

St. Thomas More, Dalzell - 5:30 PM

† Julie Taliani

Sunday:

Holy Trinity, Cherry - 8:30 AM

† Brian Cassidy

St. Patrick, Arlington - 10:30 AM

† Lois Anderson

St. Thomas More, Dalzell - 5:30 PM

† Dennis & Lori Domkuski

Ministry Schedule
For Next Weekend

Holy Trinity

LECTOR

Saturday - 4:00PM - Tina Dominy

Sunday - 8:30AM - Jeff Pinter

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Saturday - 4:00PM - Sheila Campbell

Sunday - 8:30AM - Kathy Bonucchi

SERVERS

Saturday - 4:00PM -

Tanner Dominy

Sunday - 8:30AM -

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St. Patrick

LECTOR

Sunday - 10:30AM - Steve Sondgeroth

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER

Sunday - 10:30AM - John Kapraun

SERVERS

Sunday - 10:30AM -

Carter & Casen Cherry

St. Thomas More

ROSARY

Sat 5:30PM - Mary Jean Goodrick

LECTOR

Sat 5:30PM - Mary Ann Schoening

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER

Sat 5:30PM - Jyll Pozzi

SERVERS

Sat 5:30PM - ?

UPCOMING

CHURCH EVENTS

February 23 - Mercy Prayers - St. Thomas More Chapel - 3pm

February 28 - Rosary Against Evil - Holy Trinity - 5:30pm

March 3 - St. Patrick Sausage Making - 8am - Bishop Franz Hall

March 7 - Rosary Against Evil - St. Patrick's - 5:30pm

March 9 - St. Thomas More Lent Fish Fry - 5-7:30pm - STM Hall

Last Sunday's Offering

Holy Trinity - \$1323.00

Needed Weekly - \$1700 (-\$2408.00)

St. Patrick - \$628.00

Needed Weekly - \$700 (-\$875.00)

St. Thomas More - \$729.00

Needed Weekly - \$700 (\$1302.00)

** (Parentheses) = Overage/Deficit of Collection

**St. Patrick's Sausage Making
And**

Pancake/Sausage Breakfast

On March 3rd, St. Patrick's will once again be making sausage and order forms are in the back of churches now. If you have friends who like Italian sausage, Maybe they would like to order some too! If so, please take an extra order sheet.

Two weeks later, March 18, they will have their "All You Can Eat" Pancake & Sausage Breakfast.

St. Thomas More Fish Fry

On Friday's March 9th and 23rd, St. Thomas More will be having their Lenten Fish Fry's. The dinner will begin at 5pm and end at 7:30pm. Holy Mass followed by the Stations of the Cross will precede the dinner starting at 4:30pm.

Weather Warning Notice

With the winter's unpredictable snowfall, it can be hard to plan or prepare for them. So be cautious! Please stay home if you have health or physical difficulties dealing with the extreme weather. A good rule is if the weather is good enough to go the store, sports event, or otherwise, you should go to Mass. And please check with WLPO (1220AM) or bureaucatholic.org website for more about cancellations.

The Rosary Against Evil

The rosary that we continue to pray on Wednesday nights at 5:30PM will be prayed at St. Patrick Church during the month of March in Arlington. 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!

Upcoming Area Events

For The Week

The story of Abraham offering Isaac as a sacrifice to God is one of the great stories in the Old Testament. And as we all know, Abraham is told to let his son Isaac live. And then it becomes God's Son, Jesus, who would sacrifice Himself on the cross.

Then we come to the Gospel about Jesus' Transfiguration. Peter, James and John get a glimpse of Jesus in His glory which they won't see until after Jesus' Resurrection. We can probably guess that the Transfiguration meant more to Peter, James and John after seeing the Resurrection and recalling that glorious day. So God and Jesus give us clues about how to live to get into Heaven. It will be our own foolishness not to take advantage of what we know and live it! May God be with us and always bless us with His Real Presence during this Lent!

ADA Goals 2017-18

Holy Trinity - \$16,569.00.

Pledges To Date \$6,120.00 (36%)

St. Patrick - \$10,065.00

Pledges To Date \$7,476.00 (74%)

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

February 26

Lenten Weekday

Dn 9:4b-10

Lk 6:36-38

Tuesday

February 27

Lenten Weekday

Is 1:10, 16-20

Mt 23:1-12

Wednesday

February 28

Lenten Weekday

Jer 18:18-20

Mt 20:17-28

Thursday

March 1

Lenten Weekday

Jer 17:5-10

Lk 16:19-31

Friday

March 2

Lenten Weekday

Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a,
17b-28a

Mt 21:33-43, 45-46

Saturday

March 3

Lenten Weekday

Mi 7:14-15, 18-20

Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

Sunday

March 4

Third Sunday

of Lent

Ex 20:1-17 or

Ex 20:1-3, 7-8, 12-17

1 Cor 1:22-25

Jn 2:13-25

Dear Padre,

Our guitar group plays music five minutes before the opening song at Mass. By the time the interminable *Gloria* is sung, I already have a headache! Why so much music?

At Mass, the faithful “form one body, whether in hearing the Word of God, or in taking part in the prayers and in the singing, or above all by the common offering of the Sacrifice and by participating together at the Lord’s table” (*General Instruction of the Roman Missal*, 96). Thus, liturgical music can be a form of prayer, uniting the assembly in praise to God. Ideally, it’s “a particularly apt way to express a joyful heart, accentuating the

solemnity of the celebration and fostering the sense of a common faith and a shared love” (On Keeping the Lord’s Day Holy [*Dies Domini*], 50) by Pope John Paul II.

However, this ideal isn’t always reality. To address your question, let us divide humanity into two groups: people who like

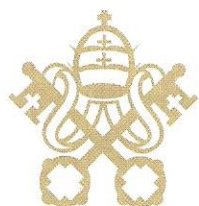
to sing and people who don’t; those who sing in full voice in the shower and those who prefer monastic silence. Every congregation includes both groups. While not everyone is naturally inclined to make a joyful noise, most people appreciate music’s power to give voice to what’s deep in the human heart.

Some may even feel there’s not *enough* music at Mass instead of too much. Nevertheless, happy the liturgical ministers who know when the sum of the individual Mass parts—sung or otherwise—can become too tedious. And blessed are the music makers who know the power of silence, an instrumental, or an optional recessional song, even for solemn occasions.

Fr. Byron Miller, CSSR | From *Liguorian* magazine, October 2017

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A Word From Pope Francis

Lent...is a special time for recalling the gift of our baptism, when we became children of God. The Church invites us to renew the gift she has given us, not to let this gift lie dormant as if it were something from the past or locked away in a memory chest.

—Homily, February 14, 2016