



Our Parish COMMUNITY

March 17, 2019

Second Sunday of Lent (C)

Gn 15:5-12, 17-18

Phil 3:17-4:1 or Phil 3:20-4:1

Lk 9:28b-36

Transfiguring Our Lives through Christ

The same three apostles who are present in the Garden of Gethsemane are also at the transfiguration. On both occasions they fall asleep! But when they awake at the transfiguration, they see something totally different. They see Jesus radiant and resplendent like they had never seen him before. This revelation of his glory is meant to strengthen their faith and prepare them for seeing Jesus later, sweating blood in the agony of the Garden. Experiencing the joy and beauty of Jesus is essential to persevering through the inevitable passions we will have to undergo. Faith is not all about suffering, but about joy, love, and intimacy with Christ. Yes, love sometimes means we must suffer, but the fruit is greater intimacy. A diamond is made under great pressure and love must pass through temptations.

All three synoptic Gospels unite the transfiguration with Peter's profession of faith. The reality of the passion and cross

should not shake the apostle's faith, but they should realize that his exaltation can only be accomplished in the cross: "And when I am lifted up from the earth, I will draw everyone to myself" (John 12:32).

The sufferings we see in the world, in our own past and present, shouldn't shake our faith in Jesus, either. Overcoming sin comes from embracing suffering.

Jesus is so radiant that he awakes the apostles from their slumber. May the consuming love with which we burn for Jesus transfigure us into beautiful lights that awaken this world from its slumber of faith as well.

—Fr. Mark Haydu, LC

For Reflection

What area of your life or heart does Jesus want to transfigure into a brighter testimony for him?
All light comes from energy consumed and transformed.
How does that truth apply to your spiritual life?



Piece: *Transfiguration*
(detail), 1516-1520
Artist: Raphael
Location: Vatican Museums

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*While he was praying his face changed in appearance
and his clothing became dazzling white.*

Luke 9:29



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 - 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 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 March 18, 2019

Offered For

<u>Monday</u>	St. Patrick, Arlington - 5:30pm (followed by rosary)	† Virginia Lucas
<u>Tuesday</u>	Holy Trinity, Cherry - 12:15pm	† Dec. Memb Corso/Robbins Fam
<u>Wednesday</u>	St. Thomas More, Dalzell - 8:00am	† Sy Pyzaska
<u>Thursday</u>	Holy Trinity, Cherry - 8:30am	† Mary & Martin Jaraczewski
<u>Friday</u>	St. Thomas More, Dalzell - 8:00am	† No Mass
	Holy Trinity, Cherry - 5:45pm (with Stations)	† Jack McCallum
	** Divine Mercy - Every Friday at 3PM (St. Thomas More Adoration Chapel)	

Next Weekend's Mass Intentions

Weekend of March 23-24, 2019

<u>Saturday Vigil:</u>	Holy Trinity, Cherry - 4:00 PM	† Betty Corsolini
	St. Thomas More, Dalzell - 5:30 PM	† Tom O'Connell
<u>Sunday:</u>	Holy Trinity, Cherry - 8:30 AM	† Mark Lorenzi
	St. Patrick, Arlington - 10:30 AM	† Michael Fonderoli
	St. Thomas More, Dalzell - 5:30 PM	† For The Parishioners

**Ministry Schedule
For Next Weekend**

Holy Trinity

LECTOR

Saturday - 4:00PM - Carol Lauer

Sunday - 8:30AM - Mary Jane Marincic

SERVERS

Saturday - 4:00PM -

Antonia Cattani

Sunday - 8:30AM -

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St. Patrick

LECTOR

Sunday - 10:30AM - Ernie Bartoli

SERVERS

Sunday - 10:30AM -

Dylan Hunter & Thomas Schroeder

St. Thomas More

ROSARY

Sat 5:30PM - TBD

LECTOR

Sat 5:30PM - TBD

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER

Sat 5:30PM - Mary Ann Schoening

SERVERS

Sat 5:30PM - ?

**UPCOMING
CHURCH EVENTS**

March 17 - St. Pats Annual Pancake/
Sausage Breakfast - SP Hall - 8am - 1pm

March 18 - Mass Reparation Sins/Rosary
- St. Patrick (Arlington) - 5:30pm (No
Rosary Wednesday)

March 27 - Rosary Against Evil - St.
Patrick (Arlington) - 6PM

March 30 - Holy Trinity Trivia Night -
Doors Open 6pm - Trivia Starts 7pm

April 5 - St. Thomas More Lent Fish Fry -
STM Hall - 4:30-7:30PM

Last Sunday's Offering

Holy Trinity - \$2388.00
Needed Weekly - \$1700 (-\$21589.00)
St. Patrick - \$1050.00
Needed Weekly - \$700 (-\$5603.00)
St. Thomas More - \$1968.00
Needed Weekly - \$900 (\$5065.00)

**** (Parentheses) = Overage/Deficit of
Collection**

St. Patrick

Pancake & Sausage Breakfast

This Sunday, March 17th, to
celebrate St. Patrick's Day we will be
having the annual Pancake and
Sausage Breakfast from 8am until 1pm
in the Bishop Franz Hall. It is always
a great breakfast with Nuco's sausage.
We hope that you can join us for
some fun and good eating!

Holy Trinity

Trivia Night

On Saturday, March 30th, we
will be having a Trivia Night at Holy
Trinity Hall. If you have a team,
please reserve a table by calling the
Holy Trinity office and leave your info
with Julie. The cost is \$10 per person.
Doors open 6pm and Trivia games
start at 7pm. More info to come.

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

Coming Monday, March
18th at 5:30PM at St. Patrick in
Arlington, there will be the
celebration of Holy Mass followed
by the recitation of the Creed and
praying of the Holy 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!

St. Thomas More

Ravs/Meals Phone Line

After much consideration, we
have purchased a phone line to receive
orders for Ravens, other items sold, and
for meals made in the St. Thomas
More Hall through the year. It has
voice mail to leave your name and
phone number and your order for
when it is unattended. The phone
number is 815-252-2215. Thank you
and we hope this helps everybody!

Special Event In Area

None

For The Week

In the first reading, we
hear how Abraham is given the
Israelites first land but he had to
obey God in order to receive it. St.
Paul goes a little further to say that
many people are against the cross
of Christ and therefore will be
destroyed because they live for the
world. Then in the Gospel, Peter,
James and John get a glimpse of
the glory of the Resurrected Christ
in the Transformation.

Now here we are in this
world today, politicians believe
they have the right to destroy life.
But God has recently come out and
said that they and those who
support them will face eternal
damnation. But God did say
anyone in support of going against
God can repent and have eternal
life. Which will you choose? Have
a Blessed and Holy Lent!

ADA Goals 2018-19

Holy Trinity - \$16,421.00

Pledges To Date \$16421 (100%)

St. Patrick - \$11,340.00

Pledges To Date \$11340 (100%)

St. Thomas More - \$10,917.00

Pledges To Date \$10917 (100%)

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.



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February 21, 2019

Illinois Bishops Warn Against Extreme Abortion Legislation in General Assembly

As Illinois faces so many pressing issues involving human life and dignity, it is incomprehensible that our elected officials have decided the pressing issue of the day is to enhance the chances that the lives of the most vulnerable and voiceless will be taken. Their efforts, similar to recent actions in New York and Virginia, focus on corrupting our God-given right to life and sowing unnecessary division.

House Bill 2495 and Senate Bill 1942, misnamed the Reproductive Health Act, include so many harmful provisions the full effect of these bills can hardly be imagined. We know the legislation:

- seeks to define abortion as health care and a fundamental right;
- removes abortion clinics from a regulatory framework designed for significant medical procedures;
- attacks a carefully constructed agreement in law on how hospitals care for the victims of sexual assault;
- repeals the ban on partial birth abortion;
- repeals legal protections for doctors and hospitals who decline to participate in abortions;
- requires private health insurance in Illinois to fully cover the cost of abortion;
- removes the requirement that only doctors can perform abortions;
- as well as many other changes that in totality require us to treat abortion as a celebrated right instead of a heart-wrenching tragedy.

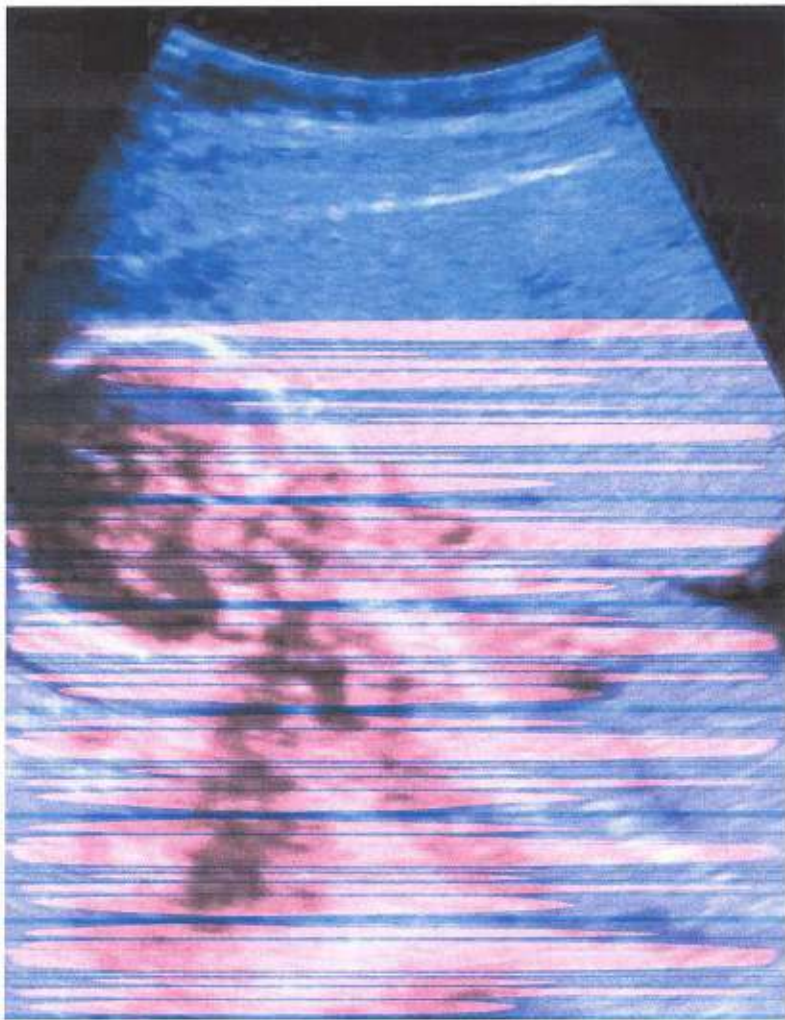
Abortion is not health care. It is the intentional taking of innocent and defenseless human life. Moreover, provisions in the law that allow healthcare providers to live and work in accordance with their sincerely-held moral beliefs are not wrong. Freedom of religion and conscience protections are fundamental rights, enshrined in our state and federal constitutions, and they must be respected.

House Bill 2467 and Senate Bill 1594 seek to repeal the Parental Notice of Abortion Act. This law, which has been in statute since 1995 and enforced since 2013, ensures parents are involved in profound medical decisions involving their children. Every other state bordering Illinois – Wisconsin, Indiana, Kentucky, Missouri and Iowa – requires at least parental notification. It is a broadly-supported, reasonable safeguard that allows parents to properly exercise love and care for their children. Our government should support families, not undermine them.

Opposition to these bills do not require one to assume a pro-life political position. Opposition should be the natural result of applying reason, fairness and a basic respect for human dignity to the examination of their contents. We cannot further devalue human life to the extent proposed in this legislation without dire consequences for ourselves.

We hope to lead all people of goodwill to rise up and be heard in opposition to these terrible efforts. Accordingly, in the days ahead, we will be distributing more information and calls to action. Today, we ask for your prayers and support as you certainly have ours.

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EXTREME Abortion Bills Introduced in IL Legislature

House Bill 2467 & Senate Bill 1594:

Repeals Illinois Parental Notification of Abortion Act

Current law requires a parent or legal guardian be notified when a minor seeks an abortion. Includes a waiver for children physically or sexually abused. Passed in 1995 but not implemented until 2013 by a **unanimous** Illinois Supreme Court ruling.

House Bill 2495 & Senate Bill 1942:

- **Repeals** current state ban on partial-birth abortions.
- **Defines** abortion as a fundamental right.
- **Removes** abortion clinics from regulations for serious medical procedures.
- **Removes** the requirement that only doctors can perform abortions.
- **We are studying the bill for further impact.**



February 2019

We will keep you updated at **www.ilcatholic.org**,
and via emails sent through our
Illinois Catholic Advocacy Network (I-CAN).

Sign up for I-CAN at:
www.ilcatholic.org/take-action/join-i-can

Contact your state House and Senate lawmakers
and urge them to vote "no" on
HB 2467, SB 1594, HB 2495 & SB 1942.
Go to **www.ilcatholic.org** for more info.

Dear Church *family,*
It's time for a New Directory!



*Celebrating faith.
Connecting families.
Sharing hope.*

When people enter the doors of our church they are looking for a place to belong. Our directory brings us together to develop new relationships, connect with our own families and reconnect with those we haven't seen in a while. Join us for this "Connections Event" and be part of what God is doing right here at our church!

Directory Committee

Connections Event

Our church directory will not be complete without you. Join us to celebrate faith and family with our new church family album.

- Schedule your professional photography session when you stop by the sign-up table at church or simply go online and follow the instructions below. If we don't see your name on our list of appointments, you will receive a phone call inviting you to participate.
- Everyone who is photographed by Universal will receive a complimentary 8 x 10 portrait and a directory!
- Universal provides a complete professional portrait studio right here at our church! You'll enjoy a variety of poses, backgrounds, portrait sizes, finish and framing options AND have the opportunity to purchase portraits to give to family and friends.

Set your appointment with Universal today!



*Gathering families,
Connecting generations.*



Online Scheduling Available!

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Calendar

Monday
MARCH 18

Lenten Weekday

Dn 9:4b-10
Lk 6:36-38

Tuesday
MARCH 19

*St. Joseph, husband of the
Blessed Virgin Mary*

2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16
Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22
Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a
or Lk 2:41-51a

Wednesday
MARCH 20

Lenten Weekday

Jer 18:18-20
Mt 20:17-28

Thursday
MARCH 21

Lenten Weekday

Jer 17:5-10
Lk 16:19-31

Friday
MARCH 22

Lenten Weekday

Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a,
17b-28a
Mt 21:33-43, 45-46

Saturday
MARCH 23

Lenten Weekday

Mi 7:14-15, 18-20
Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

Sunday
MARCH 24

Third Sunday of Lent

Ex 3:1-8a, 13-15
1 Cor 10:1-6, 10-12
Lk 13:1-9

Dear Padre,

With the recent canonization of Pope Paul VI, is the trend now for popes to canonize their last few predecessors?

Of the 266 popes in history, more than eighty are saints, including the early martyrs and later luminaries like Leo the Great (440-461) and Gregory the Great (590-604). However, only a handful of this number have been canonized in the last thousand years: Celestine V (1294), who resigned



after five months in office, was canonized in 1313; Pius V (1566-1572) was canonized in 1712; and Pius X (1903-1914) was canonized in 1954. In fact, Pius X was the last pope to be declared a saint until a wave of canonizations in recent years added other twentieth-century popes to that number: John XXIII (1958-1963) and John Paul II (1978-2005) were made saints during the same ceremony in April 2014, and Paul VI (1963-1978) was canonized in October 2018. Moreover, two popes from the last century are now declared Venerable: Pope Pius XII (1939-1958) and John Paul I (1978). These

join at least a dozen other popes of earlier centuries who are at various stages in the canonization process.

Popes are not automatic candidates for sanctity. They, like the rest, must be investigated for doctrinal orthodoxy, heroic virtues, and miraculous intercession after death. In addition, Benedict XIV (1740-1758) specified that they should also be measured for their "zeal for the preservation and propagation of the Catholic faith, for the encouragement and restoration of ecclesiastical discipline, and the defense of the rights of the Apostolic See" (translated from *De Servorum Dei*).

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Know Someone Overly Anxious About Sin?

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struggling with
scrupulosity.



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A Word from Pope Francis

At the end of the stunning experience of the transfiguration, the disciples came down the mountain with eyes and hearts transfigured by their encounter with the Lord. It is the journey that we too can make. Transformed by Christ's presence...we will be a concrete sign of the invigorating love of God.
—Angelus, August 6, 2017



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