



Our Parish COMMUNITY

March 31, 2019

Fourth Sunday of Lent (C)

Jos 5:9a, 10-12

2 Cor 5:17-21

Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

Living, Loving in the Here and Now

It is good that we are here—joined in community for Sunday worship, here, in this moment of prayer.

Our lives are so hectic and fast-paced that it's often hard to enjoy just being in the present moment with God. It's not just the pressure of work, but the added responsibilities of home. You know the routine...getting the kids to school; getting to work on time; leaving from work; running a few errands; preparing dinner; going back out to pick up the kids from practice; then back home for dinner, dishes, laundry, homework; and then finally to bed on time so you can get up early and start again.

But just stop! Take the time to enjoy the grace of the Eucharist, to rejoice in one another and savor Christ who reveals his love to you. Give yourself this gift. Each moment has power, poetry, and grace. Each instant is a gift from God, and each moment is an opportunity to encounter Jesus Christ. It's an occasion to return within ourselves and turn back to our Father who is eagerly waiting for us.

It's good to be here—not somewhere else, not in another time when we were happier, healthier, or life was easier and simpler. Right here, right now, right where God has you is where he is revealing his love. It may not be easy, but this is where God is, and it's good to reflect on the graces each moment presents.

—Fr. Mark Haydu, LC

For Reflection

Can I let go of the past and set aside worries of the future to find God in the only place he can be found—in the present moment?

If not, how about asking Christ for that grace today?

Piece: *The Return of the Prodigal Son* (detail), 1662-1669

Artist: Rembrandt van Rijn

Location: Hermitage Museum, St. Petersburg



REMBRANDT VAN RIJN/RETURN OF THE PRODIGAL SON/GOOGLE ART PROJECT, WIKIPEDIA

[Jesus said,] "Now we must celebrate and rejoice, because your brother was dead and has come to life again; he was lost and has been found."

Luke 15:32



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 - 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 **Wednesday - 4-5PM

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 April 1, 2019

Offered For

Monday

St. Thomas More, Dalzell - 5:30pm (followed by rosary) † No Mass

Tuesday

Holy Trinity, Cherry - 12:15pm † Nellie Cattani

Wednesday

St. Thomas More, Dalzell - 8:00am † John Micheli

Thursday

Holy Trinity, Cherry - 8:30am † Wayne Jaraczewski

Friday

St. Thomas More, Dalzell - 8:00am † Dec Memb Ray & Tom Pagati Fam

St. Thomas More, Dalzell - 4:30pm (with Stations & Fish Fry) † Purgatorial Society

**** Divine Mercy - Every Friday at 3PM (St. Thomas More Adoration Chapel)**

Next Weekend's Mass Intentions

Weekend of April 6-7, 2019

Saturday Vigil:

Holy Trinity, Cherry - 4:00 PM † Carol Bodnum

St. Thomas More, Dalzell - 5:30 PM † Francee Wolf

Sunday:

Holy Trinity, Cherry - 8:30 AM † For The Parishioners

St. Patrick, Arlington - 10:30 AM † William Bonnell

St. Thomas More, Dalzell - 5:30 PM † Corrine Manning

**Ministry Schedule
For Next Weekend**

Holy Trinity

LECTOR

Saturday - 4:00PM - Carol Lauer

Sunday - 8:30AM - Jeff Pinter

SERVERS

Saturday - 4:00PM -

Antonia Cattani

Sunday - 8:30AM - ?

COUNTERS

Sunday - 8:30AM -

Mary Jo Brust & Scott Shilkuski

St. Patrick

LECTOR

Sunday - 10:30AM - Steve Sondgeroth

SERVERS

Sunday - 10:30AM -

Dylan Hunter & T Schroeder

St. Thomas More

ROSARY

Sat 5:30PM - TBD

LECTOR

Sat 5:30PM - Mary Ann Schoening

SERVERS

Sat 5:30PM - ?

**UPCOMING
CHURCH EVENTS**

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

April 3 - Rosary Against Evil - St. Thomas
More (Dalzell) - 6PM

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

April 15 - Mass Reparation Sins/Rosary -
St. Thomas More (Dalzell) - 5:30pm (No
Rosary Wednesday)

Last Sunday's Offering

Holy Trinity - \$1275.00
Needed Weekly - \$1700 (-\$21959.00)

St. Patrick - \$448.00
Needed Weekly - \$700 (-\$6107.00)

St. Thomas More - \$939.00
Needed Weekly - \$900 (\$5425.00)

** (Parentheses) = Overage/Deficit of
Collection

**St. Thomas More
Rav Making Ending Soon**

Unfortunately, as with many great things, the RAV makers are ready for a vacation and let their hands recover from twisting many, many RAVS! The last day orders can be taken is April 4th so they can complete the orders before they go on hiatus. Thank you very much for your support of the RAV ministry!

**Our Three
Church Directory**

As we begin work on the church directory for the three churches, these are the days and the times for the pictures:

Thursday, May 9th - STM Hall

- 2-8:30PM

Friday, May 10th - HT Hall

- 2-8:30PM

Saturday, May 11th - HT Hall

- 10:30AM - 4PM

The internet is only available for appointments Monday through Friday. To make the appointment online, go to www.ucdir.com, enter 1126 in the Church Code field and enter password htspstm. If there are 6 or more in family sign up for 2 spots. Appointments can also be made before or after Masses on weekends. Thank you for being a part of the recorded history of our 3 churches!

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

Coming Monday, April 15th 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. 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!

Special Event In Area

April 2 - Cherry Pie & Coffee - Holy
Trinity Hall - 1:30-3:30PM

For The Week

This weekend we hear the parable of the prodigal son. It is one of the more famous parables from Jesus. And Jesus wants us to pray about something very important in this parable which is the wealth the heirs received is the same as our faith we received at the time we were baptized. Some people will take advantage of it and others won't. Yet those who don't live their faith lose the possibility of Heaven unless they seek forgiveness for the times they have abandoned God.

Living with God is always a challenge in a secular world that wants to ignore God. Yet the life we live today sets us up for the life in Heaven. It is better to live for God while we have the opportunity now, today. 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.

Calendar

Monday

APRIL 1

Lenten Weekday

Is 65:17-21

Jn 4:43-54

Tuesday

APRIL 2

Lenten Weekday

Ez 47:1-9, 12

Jn 5:1-16

Wednesday

APRIL 3

Lenten Weekday

Is 49:8-15

Jn 5:17-30

Thursday

APRIL 4

Lenten Weekday

Ex 32:7-14

Jn 5:31-47

Friday

APRIL 5

Lenten Weekday

Wis 2:1a, 12-22

Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30

Saturday

APRIL 6

Lenten Weekday

Jer 11:18-20

Jn 7:40-53

Sunday

APRIL 7

Fifth Sunday of Lent

Is 43:16-21

Phil 3:8-14

Jn 8:1-11

Know Someone Overly Anxious About Sin?

For more than fifty years,
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with those
struggling with
scrupulosity.

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Dear Padre,

**Going to confession has lost its meaning for me.
I wish I could get more out of this sacrament.**

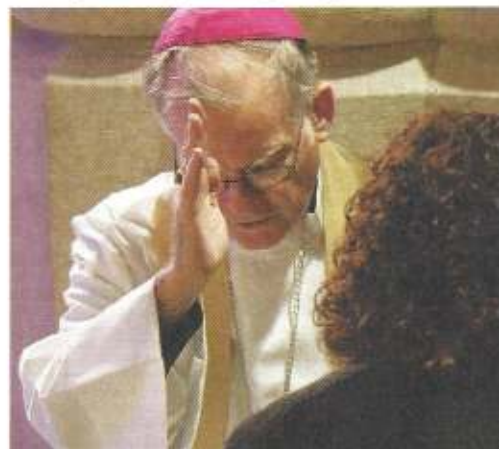
The Catholic Church has always treasured the sacrament of reconciliation. But as adults we need to center on the spiritual depth of this sacrament and gain a new appreciation of it.

Reconciliation is a healing sacrament, meant to mend the rift created between ourselves and God and ourselves and others by our sins. God does the healing; we seek to open ourselves to God's power by asking forgiveness from God and from others. It can be a powerful experience to receive the words of forgiveness, spoken by the priest, as the very words of Jesus healing us and sending us forth to live a more loving life.

This sacrament helps us confront weakness and malice in our life. We all do some shameful things. Sometimes we think, "If others only knew what I think or what I have done, they would not accept me!" When we come to confession

with sorrow for our sins and a desire to amend our lives, we are assured of God's complete pardon and acceptance no matter what the sin. If God accepts and loves us, surely we can accept and love ourselves.

Reconciliation also is a beacon to help keep our life on a straight course. We all have faults centering on gossip, selfishness, impatience, and anger. At penance time we take stock of our direction in life and, with God's help, recommit to a more loving path. I hope you can fully unite yourself with the forgiving Jesus and the forgiving Church and receive the grace of the sacrament this Lent.



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A Word from Pope Francis

Jesus takes from us our diseased humanity and we take from him his sound and healing humanity. This happens each time we receive a sacrament with faith: the Lord Jesus "touches" us and grants us his grace....We think especially of the sacrament of reconciliation, which
—Angelus, February 15, 2015

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