



Our Parish COMMUNITY

April 2, 2017

Fifth Sunday of Lent (A)

Ez 37:12-14

Rom 8:8-11

Jn 11:1-45

Our Resurrection

The raising of Lazarus is a decisive miracle in Christ's public ministry. It leads to increased hostility and gives the Jewish leaders both an excuse and a motivation to actively seek the death of Jesus. This Gospel episode is so important that John dedicates an entire chapter to the story.

What is the most important message of this miracle? Without faith in Jesus, there is no resurrection. A fitting message for an artist painting in Europe right after World War II.

Looking at the painting of Annigoni, Mary is at the feet of Jesus while Martha is on her feet pouring out her heart. The artist evokes a landscape of death and destruction, one too often observed in postwar Europe. Colors of decay abound. Stones are piled up like rubble. The trees are burnt, scrawny, and twisted as if after an air raid. It is ugly, rugged, barren, and dry. A small group of people have gathered to weep at the tomb.

Jesus is the only source of color and life. After Martha affirms her faith in Jesus and the resurrection, he lifts up his hand and calls out. The onlookers peer inside, perhaps having heard the sounds of rustling coming from the cave.

The message of this artwork is clear to anyone struggling with the bondage of a destructive past. Jesus wants to speak words of life and raise us from the grips of death, war, and despair.

Believe in Jesus and he will raise you up!

—Fr. Mark Haydu, LC



Piece: *The Resurrection of Lazarus*, 1946

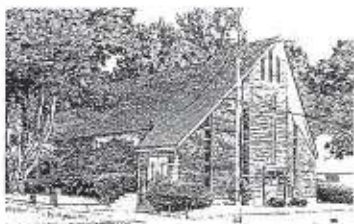
Artist: Pietro Annigoni

Location: Vatican Museums

For Reflection

How is your Lenten journey bringing you deeper in faith and closer to new life in Jesus? Has Jesus raised you from destruction or despair? How?

"If the Spirit of the one who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, the one who raised Christ from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also, through his Spirit that dwells in you" (Romans 8:11).



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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 & Thursday - 12:15 PM

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

****First Saturday Mass - 8:30AM (Devotions Following)**

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 3, 2017

Offered For

Monday

No Mass

Tuesday

Holy Trinity, Cherry - 12:15pm

† Loretta Cassidy

Wednesday

St. Thomas More, Dalzell - 8:00am

† Deacon Jack & Helen Corrao

Thursday

Holy Trinity, Cherry - 12:15pm

† Charlie & Hazel Keutzer

Friday

St. Thomas More, Dalzell - 8:00am

† Madelyn Hahn

***** Divine Mercy Chaplet every Friday at 3PM in Divine Mercy Chapel at St. Thomas More**

Next Weekend's Mass Intentions

Weekend of April 8-9, 2017

Saturday Vigil:

Holy Trinity, Cherry - 4:00 PM

† Carol Bodnum

St. Thomas More, Dalzell - 5:30 PM

† Dato & Marian Olivero

Sunday:

Holy Trinity, Cherry - 8:30 AM

† For The Parishioners

St. Patrick, Arlington - 10:30 AM

† Evelyn Smoode

St. Thomas More, Dalzell - 5:30 PM

† Francee Wolf

Ministry Schedule
For Next Weekend

Holy Trinity

LECTOR

Saturday - 4:00PM - Carol Lauer

Sunday - 8:30AM - J Pinter/G Schlenz

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Saturday - 4:00PM - Bill Lauer

Sunday - 8:30AM - Mary Jo Brust

SERVERS

Saturday - 4:00PM -

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Sunday - 8:30AM -

Corey Pinter

St. Patrick

LECTOR

Sunday - 10:30AM - Bruce Galloway

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER

Sunday - 10:30AM - John Kapraun

SERVERS

Sunday - 10:30AM -

Luke Lovgren & Thomas Schroeder

St. Thomas More

ROSARY

Sat 5:30PM - Cheryl Stowe

LECTOR

Sat 5:30PM - Mary Schoening/F Magana

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER

Sat 5:30PM - Alice Berogon

SERVERS

Sat 5:30PM - ?

UPCOMING
CHURCH EVENTS

April 1 - Holy Trinity Cemetery -
Need Decorations Removed

April 5 - Rosary Against Evil - 6PM -
St. Thomas More

April 6 - Confessions @ Holy Trinity
- 6 to 7pm

April 7 - Confessions @ St. Pats - 5 -
5:35pm

- Mass/Stations - 5:45pm

Last Sunday's Offering

Holy Trinity - \$1423.00

Needed Weekly - \$1700

St. Patrick - \$738.00

Needed Weekly - \$700

St. Thomas More - \$1120.00

Needed Weekly - \$700

The Rosary Against Evil

The rosary we are beginning on Wednesday nights at 6PM begins at St. Thomas More and then will be rotated monthly between the other two churches. It started with 5 people and we hope to fill the church for Mary to see how much we want her to intercede with God to protect us from the growing evil in the world. A recent message from Heaven spoke of the need to pray more fervently against the evil which is being released on humanity in the days ahead. The rosary is and always has been our greatest weapon against evil! So please come and join us, it will be the most important time you spend.

**St. Thomas More
Lent Fish Fry Thanks**

With all of our events at the three churches, there is a lot of coordination that goes into them. From getting food ordered, picking it up, preparing it, getting servers together, desserts from parishioners, setting up everything taking everything down, and cleaning up. It takes a lot of people and some people more than one thing. But thank you to everybody for supporting St. Thomas More and all our three churches. Without your help they won't survive!!

Upcoming Area Events

For The Week

"I am the way, the truth, and the life" is one of the most memorable verses in the Bible. And before we reach Holy Week, this is an important verse to reflect on as we think about Jesus' great sacrifice on the cross. Maybe to meditate on these questions can help all of us get closer to Jesus!

If Jesus has shown us the way of life (of living), have we done everything we can to give our heart, mind and soul to Jesus Christ? What have we held back from Christ that we still need to give Him? Jesus has shown us the truth of what is right and wrong in the world, have we always defended the truth (the teachings passed on through our church)? The "life" of the church resides in the Holy Eucharist, do we always put receiving Jesus first in our lives. May God always bless us and keep us safe!

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 3

Lenten Weekday

Dn 13:1-9, 15-17,

19-30, 33-62

Jn 8:1-11

Tuesday

April 4

Lenten Weekday

Nm 21:4-9

Jn 8:21-30

Wednesday

April 5

Lenten Weekday

Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95

Jn 8:31-42

Thursday

April 6

Lenten Weekday

Gn 17:3-9

Jn 8:51-59

Friday

April 7

Lenten Weekday

Jer 20:10-13

Jn 10:31-42

Saturday

April 8

Lenten Weekday

Ez 37:21-28

Jn 11:45-56

Sunday

April 9

Palm Sunday

Is 50:4-7

Phil 2:6-11

Mt 26:14-27:66

Dear Padre,

What happened to “hellfire and brimstone” preaching, like I remember from parish missions in my younger years?

Hellfire and brimstone recalls Genesis 19:24: “The LORD rained down sulfur upon Sodom and Gomorrah, fire from the LORD out of heaven.” It refers to a harsh preaching style and “doom and gloom” content focused on God’s wrath, punishment, and hell. Puritans—those English Calvinists who colonized Massachusetts in the 1600s—adhered strongly to their belief in eternal damnation, innate sin, and diabolical power. Likewise, American Baptists were known to “out-Calvin Calvin” in their preaching.

While Catholics also adhere strongly to our belief in the possibility of eternal damnation, innate sin, and evil forces, we believe in the grace of baptism to remove original sin, the outpouring of God’s grace to strengthen our weakness due to original sin, and in the extraordinary power of conversion to prevent everlasting damnation. To that end, parish missions and revivals strengthen the spiritual life of the faithful and welcome lapsed Catholics.

Preaching orders have been conducting missions since their earliest days in America. Saint Alphonsus encouraged his Redemptorist missionaries to be lions in the pulpit and lambs in the confessional. One preacher in the 1850s described the fires of hell with such intensity that the nearby fire engine crew was mistakenly dispatched to the church to extinguish the conflagration. Yet the fire most desirable during a mission is the one in people’s hearts for God. “Fear of God” means a dread for God’s judgment, but it can also mean a reverential marvel for God. Many preachers today prefer to instill that awe for God’s inviting mercy instead of a paralyzing fear of God’s anger.

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A Word From Pope Francis

“Whoever experiences [the joy of the Resurrection] becomes a witness of the Resurrection....He or she is then capable of carrying a ‘ray’ of light of the Risen One into various situations,...bringing serenity and hope.”

—Regina Caeli, St. Peter’s Square, April 21, 2014