



April 22, 2018

Fourth Sunday of Easter (B)

Acts 4:8–12

1 Jn 3:1–2

Jn 10:11–18

## A Love-Filled Sacrifice

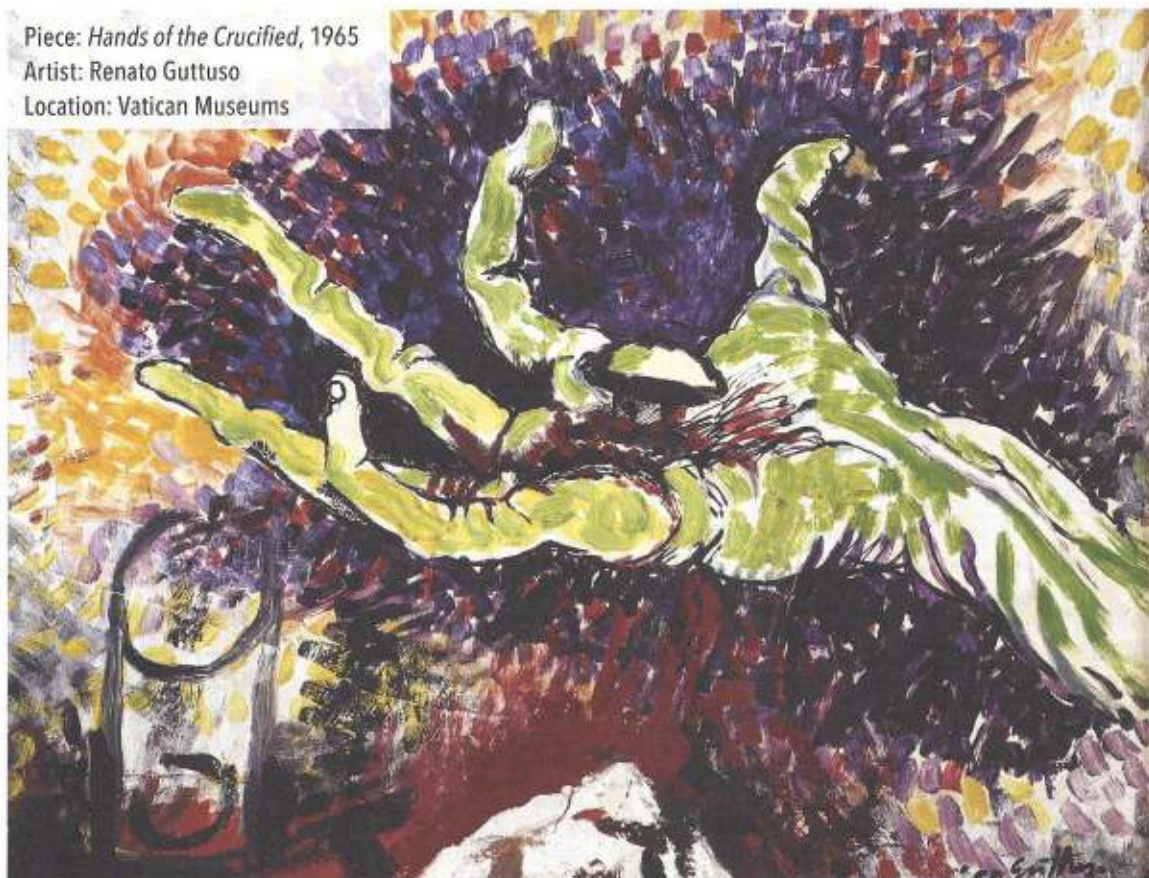
At the center of this painting, Renato Guttuso (1912-1987) places the piercing reality of pain represented by the hand of Jesus. The dark reds, blacks, and blues give way to the brightness of the oranges, yellows, and whites. This choice of palette is purposeful. Death is depicted with the same palate as a sunset, when darkness closes in on the light. But then night gives way to the colors of the sunrise when new life springs forth. The brutal darkness that leads to his death is replaced by the light-giving act of the love of God.

The Good Shepherd also shows the beauty of this love-filled sacrifice. This is why the Father loves Jesus; because he lays down his life for us. He has the power to do so and does it freely. This is because the Shepherd's mission and vocation is centered on the good of the sheep. They are the center of his daily cares and concerns. Jesus tells us that you and I are the utter focus of his heart and life. You are worth it. It is a beautiful thing to be loved by someone. Imagine if this someone is God himself.

As modern as this painting looks, the artist honors a traditional symbol. Byzantine art often depicted the blood from Jesus' side falling into a chalice to connect the passion of Jesus with the eucharistic sacrifice. Notice that the artist does the same by showing the blood falling into a simple chalice with a host at its center.

—Fr. Mark Haydu, LC

Piece: *Hands of the Crucified*, 1965  
Artist: Renato Guttuso  
Location: Vatican Museums



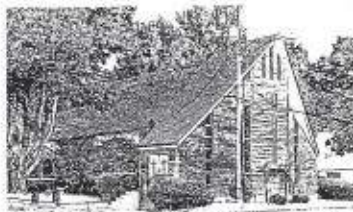
### *For Reflection*

*Jesus, how well do I imitate your love by sacrificing for others?*

*Do I seek salvation, peace, and healing from Jesus?*

*[Jesus said,] "I am the good shepherd.  
A good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep."  
John 10:11*





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 April 23, 2018

Offered For

Monday

† No Mass

Tuesday

Holy Trinity, Cherry - 12:15pm

† Purgatorial Society

Wednesday

St. Thomas More, Dalzell - 8:00am

† Madonna Mini

Thursday

Holy Trinity, Cherry - 9:00am

† Bob & Mary Scott

Friday

St. Thomas More, Dalzell - 8:00am

† Mildred Downie

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

Next Weekend's Mass Intentions

Weekend of April 28-29, 2018

Saturday Vigil:

Holy Trinity, Cherry - 4:00 PM

† Rita Kunkel

St. Thomas More, Dalzell - 5:30 PM

† Eugene Weberski

Sunday:

Holy Trinity, Cherry - 8:30 AM

† For The Parishioners

St. Patrick, Arlington - 10:30 AM

† Dec. Memb. Bacidore Family

St. Thomas More, Dalzell - 5:30 PM

† Dennis & Lori Domkuski



Ministry Schedule  
For Next Weekend

**Holy Trinity**

**LECTOR**

Saturday - 4:00PM - Kathy Pullam

Sunday - 8:30AM - Gerald Schlenz

**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS**

Saturday - 4:00PM - Sheila Campbell

Sunday - 8:30AM - Jeff Pinter

**SERVERS**

Saturday - 4:00PM -

Katelyn Pullam & Emily Robbins

Sunday - 8:30AM -

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**St. Patrick**

**LECTOR**

Sunday - 10:30AM - Ernie Bartoli

**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER**

Sunday - 10:30AM - John Kapraun

**SERVERS**

Sunday - 10:30AM -

Ella Cherry & Brooke Lovgren

**St. Thomas More**

**ROSARY**

Sat 5:30PM - Cheryl Stowe

**LECTOR**

Sat 5:30PM - Mary Ann Schoening

**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER**

Sat 5:30PM - Cheryl Stowe

**SERVERS**

Sat 5:30PM - ?

UPCOMING  
CHURCH EVENTS

**April 25** - Rosary Against Evil - St. Thomas More (Dalzell) - 5:30pm

**May 8** - Holy Trinity Chicken Dinner @ Coal Mining Company - 4:30-7:30PM - \$8

**May 21** - Rosary/Mass for Reparation Sins - Holy Trinity - 5:30pm (No Wed Rosary)

**Last Sunday's Offering**

Holy Trinity - \$1997.00

Needed Weekly - \$1700 (-\$4062.00)

St. Patrick - \$545.00

Needed Weekly - \$700 (-\$1109.00)

St. Thomas More - \$1064.00

Needed Weekly - \$900 (\$2692.00)

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

**Holy Trinity**  
**Chicken Dinner**

On May 8th, Holy Trinity Altar & Rosary Society is helping the church for some needed repairs to the plaster in the church and bathroom because of leaks. The dinner will be from 4:30 PM to 7:30 PM at the Coal Company in Cherry on Main St. (IL-89). The dinner includes 1/4 chicken, fries and cookies. Carry-outs are available. Tickets are available in Cherry office and after Cherry Masses.

We do need some help with desserts such as cookies! If you can help with desserts please let Carol Lauer (815-303-4940) or Barb Pinter (815-894-2702) know and thank you for your help!

**Holy Trinity & St. Patrick**  
**Cemetery News**

Now that Spring is showing signs of coming! It is time to think about checking our family graves in Arlington and Cherry to see if grave decorations are weathered and need to be replaced, that the weather didn't shift them off the graves, and that they are in a position to not interfere with grass cutting when it begins. Thanks for checking the graves out so we can keep our cemeteries beautiful!

**The Rosary Against Evil**

The rosary that we continue to pray on Wednesday nights at 5:30PM will be prayed at St. Thomas More Church during the month of April in Dalzell. The weeks where Mass and Rosary is celebrated there is no Wednesday rosary. 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**

None At This Time

**For The Week**

This weekend we are asked to pray for vocations to the priesthood as we hear the story of Jesus as the Good Shepherd. Jesus Christ is and will always be the most important person of our lives. He holds the key to us getting into Heaven or our salvation. He gives Himself to us every day so we can follow Him to where He wants us to go and to be.

As the readings suggest, His children will do all they can and must do, in order to follow Him. We also should remember the wolves are out to keep us away from the Good Shepherd and too often today they win. But we have the Holy Eucharist, Jesus Himself, to provide for us the "bread of life" to give us strength and support to always follow Him. As we always need priests to bring the Holy Eucharist to us, to bring us Jesus Christ, this weekend we pray for more priests, and more priests to be faithful to their life with Christ. Please continue to have a Blessed and Happy Easter!

**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 23

Easter Weekday

Acts 11:1–18

Jn 10:1–10

### Tuesday

April 24

Easter Weekday

Acts 11:19–26

Jn 10:22–30

### Wednesday

April 25

St. Mark,  
Evangelist

1 Pt 5:5b–14

Mk 16:15–20

### Thursday

April 26

Easter Weekday

Acts 13:13–25

Jn 13:16–20

### Friday

April 27

Easter Weekday

Acts 13:26–33

Jn 14:1–6

### Saturday

April 28

Easter Weekday

Acts 13:44–52

Jn 14:7–14

### Sunday

April 29

Fifth Sunday  
of Easter

Acts 9:26–31

1 Jn 3:18–24

Jn 15:1–8

# Dear Padre,

Every time I pick up a Catholic magazine, I read articles about taking care of our environment. Shouldn't Christians be more concerned with the big problems in the world—such as war, hunger, and sickness?

The world's big problems as you name them are not as disconnected to the environment as they seem. The depletion of natural resources displaces people, and their forced migration can create social conflict. Droughts impact some of the estimated 800 million undernourished people globally. Climate affects certain diseases and their transmission.

In his encyclical *Laudato si'*, Pope Francis wrote, "The deterioration of the environment and of society affects the most vulnerable people on the planet" (LS 48). He adds that a solution to the crisis demands an approach that is both social and environmental in "combating poverty, restoring dignity to the excluded, and at the same time, protecting nature" (LS 139).

Thus, we can't feed the hungry or visit the ill, then dump toxins on the ground and claim we love God's creation. We can't defend the unborn and exploit the

environment upon which all life depends. Love demands that we act with care toward all creation, since we cannot sever creation from the Creator. If we respect the earth, we'll find it easy to revere the war-torn, the hungry, and the sick.

Moreover, Catholic print and electronic media must help call attention to environmental concerns because they involve our Christian duty to act upon the physical world in a way that respects its relationship to God.

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## A Word From Pope Francis

The grave environmental crisis facing our world demands an ever greater sensitivity to the relationship between human beings and nature. We have a responsibility to pass on the beauty of nature in its integrity to future generations, and an obligation to exercise a just stewardship of the gifts we have received.

—Visit to Kenya, November 25, 2015