



Our Parish COMMUNITY

May 28, 2017

Seventh Sunday of Easter (A)/

Ascension of the Lord

Seventh Sunday: Acts 1:12-14,

1 Pt 4:13-16, Jn 17:1-11a

Ascension: Acts 1:1-11,

Eph 1:17-23, Mt 28:16-20

Piece: *Ascension*, circa 1492
Artist: Pinturicchio and assistants
Location: Borgia Apartments,
Hall of the Mysteries of the Faith,
Vatican Museums



Truth Revealed

Pinturicchio's *Ascension* wall painting is found in the apartments of Pope Alexander VI Borgia and was painted around the same time as one of Columbus' voyages to America: 1492. When the pope died in 1503, these rooms were shut and not opened again until 1889. How could such artistic treasures have been locked up and forgotten for 400 years?

The same thing can happen with the feast of the Ascension. We don't always give it much thought. Its powerful beauty is locked away, collecting dust.

The great truth revealed today is that Jesus is in heaven, in bodily form, seated at the right hand of the Father and watching over us all. From there he intercedes for us; from there he sends us on mission.

What are we to do with this truth? Treat it like a myth or ancient story? Just stare at the sky and wonder like the apostles? No, we are to get busy building God's kingdom. His kingdom will not

automatically happen. He calls us to be his witnesses until the end of the earth. We cannot sit by and let our politics, our schools, our churches, and our arts evolve unguided by the gospel. We are called to roll up our sleeves and get involved. "Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations..." (Matthew 28:19). Remember the good administrator who was left some talents. His master went away only to eventually return asking for a rendering. Jesus has left only to return again. Until then, it's time to build his kingdom.

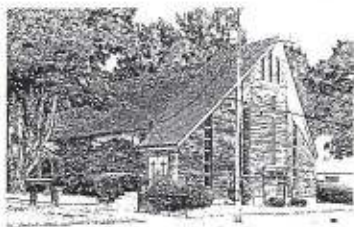
—Fr. Mark Haydu, LC

For Reflection

How do I accept the responsibility of actively building up God's kingdom?

How can I showcase the truth of the ascension in my life?

*"And he put all things beneath his feet and gave him as head over all things to the church, which is his body"
(Ephesians 1:22-23).*



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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) 8:30 AM (Summer)

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 May 29, 2017

		<u>Offered For</u>
<u>Monday</u>	Holy Trinity, Cherry - 8:00am	† Military Deceased
<u>Tuesday</u>	Holy Trinity, Cherry - 12:15pm	† No Mass
<u>Wednesday</u>	St. Thomas More, Dalzell - 8:30am	† Stan Reynolds
<u>Thursday</u>	Holy Trinity, Cherry - 12:15pm	† Charlie & Hazel Keutzer
<u>Friday</u>	St. Thomas More, Dalzell - 8:30am	† For The Sick
<u>First Saturday</u>	St. Thomas More, Dalzell - 8:30am	For Vocations

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

Next Weekend's Mass Intentions

Weekend of June 3-4, 2017

<u>Saturday Vigil:</u>	Holy Trinity, Cherry - 4:00 PM	† Dec Memb Lavern Eiten Family
	St. Thomas More, Dalzell - 5:30 PM	† Loretta Maggio
<u>Sunday:</u>	Holy Trinity, Cherry - 8:30 AM	† Mary Scott
	St. Patrick, Arlington - 10:30 AM	† Bernard Schwamberger
	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 - Jeff Pinter

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Saturday - 4:00PM - Bill Lauer

Sunday - 8:30AM - Mary Jo Brust

SERVERS

Saturday - 4:00PM -

RJ Talbot & Antonia Cattani

Sunday - 8:30AM -

Corey Pinter

St. Patrick

LECTOR

Sunday - 10:30AM - Bernice Keutzer

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER

Sunday - 10:30AM - Ann Kapraun

SERVERS

Sunday - 10:30AM -

J Vander Meersch & Dylan Hunter

St. Thomas More

ROSARY

Sat 5:30PM - Mary Jean Goodrick

LECTOR

Sat 5:30PM - Alice Berogon

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER

Sat 5:30PM - Jyll Pozzi

SERVERS

Sat 5:30PM - ?

UPCOMING CHURCH EVENTS

April 1 - Holy Trinity Cemetery -
Need Decorations Removed

May 29 - Memorial Day Visits

8AM - Mass - Holy Trinity

8:45AM - Holy Trinity Miners

Cemetery - Cherry

9:45AM - Calvary Cemetery - Arlington

11:15AM - Dalzell Memorial Park

May 31 - Rosary Against Evil - Holy
Trinity - 5:30PM

Last Sunday's Offering

Holy Trinity - \$1143.00

Needed Weekly - \$1700

St. Patrick - \$683.00

Needed Weekly - \$700

St. Thomas More - \$999.00

Needed Weekly - \$700

The Rosary Against Evil

The rosary we are beginning on Wednesday nights at 5:30PM (time change) will be prayed at Holy Trinity Church during the month of May. It is our time to show God, Jesus, Mary how much we need them to fight evil around us. 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.

Fellowship With Father Pat

On Friday, June 9th, Father Pat is having a dinner as he celebrates his 10th anniversary serving God's people. The dinner will include pork chop, side dishes, drink and cake. And there is no charge for this meal. But we need to know if you can come, so please call Julie if you can join Father. It begins with a Mass at 5:30PM at St. Thomas More church followed by dinner at 6PM in the hall.

New First Communicants

Congratulations to all the girls who will have made their first communion this weekend and last: Lyla Clayton, Kaitlyn Coutts, Hannah Zera, Olivia Hunter, Vanessa Schroeder, and Veronica Schroeder. May they all have a long life with Christ!

Upcoming Area Events

For The Week

As we remember the Ascension of Christ into Heaven this weekend. Father Pat remembers being ordained a priest ten years ago (actually ten years ago this past Friday). The four years in the seminary were complete, and just as Jesus completed His time on earth and went back to the Father, Father Pat began serving God's people for the balance of his life.

The ten days in between the Ascension and Pentecost gave the Apostles some time to think about how they might bring Jesus' message to the world. It was a time to not think about the loss of Jesus being them but to consider realize the cross of Christ was very important in how they would live (and die) too! It is the same for every Christian as well. May the Risen Christ always bless us with His Real Presence and help all of us live the "Truth" no matter how difficult! Have a Blessed 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

May 29

Easter Weekday

Acts 19:1-8

Jn 16:29-33

Tuesday

May 30

Easter Weekday

Acts 20:17-27

Jn 17:1-11a

Wednesday

May 31

*The Visitation of the
Blessed Virgin Mary*

Zep 3:13-18a or

Rom 12:9-16

Lk 1:39-56

Thursday

June 1

St. Justin,

Martyr

Acts 22:30; 23:6-11

Jn 17:20-26

Friday

June 2

Easter Weekday

Acts 25:13b-21

Jn 21:15-19

Saturday

June 3

*St. Charles Lwanga
and Companions,
Martyrs*

Acts 28:16-20, 30-31

Jn 21:20-25

Sunday

June 4

Pentecost

Acts 2:1-11

1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13

Jn 20:19-23

Dear Padre,

What is "secularism," and is it possible for a Christian to also be a secularist?

Secularism is a philosophical movement that has its roots in England in the 1850s. The movement began because some felt religion and the Bible were inadequate sources for explaining many aspects of modern life. Secularists believe you can find all motivation for living a moral life in what is readily observable. Thus, secularism sees the Christian religion, and in fact all religions, as worthless.

Some might argue that secularism is the same as the separation of Church and state, that public schools should give a secular education, that they shouldn't be teaching the Christian, or any, religion. At first glance, that may sound right, but it isn't.

A Catholic second-grade public school teacher should not teach Catholic doctrine to her class in the same way that a Baptist second-grade public school teacher should not teach Baptist doctrine to his class, but the faith of the Catholic or the Baptist should influence the way they teach their class.

They might not teach specific doctrine, but the way each approaches the class should be done as one who has faith in Jesus Christ. The same is true of a politician or someone who works at a fast-food restaurant. In implicit ways, our faith in Jesus should always influence what we say and do.

Fr. Patrick Keyes, CSsR
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A Word From Pope Francis

"Don't forget this! The Ascension of Jesus into heaven acquaints us with this deeply consoling reality on our journey: In Christ, true God and true man, our humanity was taken to God. Christ opened the path to us."

—General audience, April 17, 2013