

## Spreading Seeds

The kingdom of God has an inward power, an effervescence with which it is equipped, that makes it a force of growth and multiplication. Jesus compares the kingdom with a seed. You plant it in favorable soil and, you know not how, it springs up into a little plant and then eventually into a full-grown tree. Its life principle is not given by the soil—although that helps it grow—but rather it has power of itself to expand.

The Christian life and the kingdom are very much like this. At baptism we have received supernatural grace in our souls. And if given suitable support, that faith will grow and become the transformative element of our lives. It will drive us toward a life of faith, hope, and love. It will lead us to forgive others, improve society, and transform everything for good.

The same can be said of the Church, Christ's kingdom of love. Christ planted the seed of faith in his apostles and that seed spread and thrived all across Europe. Their faith multiplied and grew until all throughout the world the fruits of their faith are on display as a veritable kingdom of charity: hospitals, universities, soup kitchens, AIDS hospices, shelters for the battered and homeless, retreat centers, chapels, churches, museums, research and rehabilitation centers, religious orders, lay associations, volunteer



Piece: Chevet de Notre-Dame, 1912

Artist: Anselmo Bucci

Location: Vatican Museums

groups, and the list could and does continue on and on. There is a force in faith and love that cannot be contained!

—Fr. Mark Haydu, LC

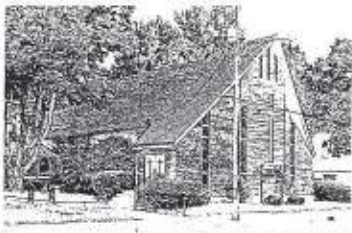
### For Reflection

*Do I let the force of my faith multiply into acts of love and service?*

*[Jesus said,] "But once it is sown, it springs up and becomes the largest of plants and puts forth large branches."*

Mark 4:32





Holy Trinity - Cherry

St. Patrick - Arlington

St. Thomas More - Dalzell

3 Church Website: [www.bureaucatholic.org](http://www.bureaucatholic.org)

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St. Patrick Catholic Church Is Located At:  
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Closed Holidays & Holy Days of Obligation

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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 June 18, 2018**

**Offered For**

|                  |                                   |                          |
|------------------|-----------------------------------|--------------------------|
| <u>Monday</u>    | St. Patrick, Arlington - 5:30pm   | † Bernard Schwamberger   |
| <u>Tuesday</u>   | Holy Trinity, Cherry - 12:15pm    | † Bernice Schneider      |
| <u>Wednesday</u> | St. Thomas More, Dalzell - 8:00am | † Charles & Jean Olivero |
| <u>Thursday</u>  | Holy Trinity, Cherry - 9:00am     | † Wayne Jaraczewski      |
| <u>Friday</u>    | St. Thomas More, Dalzell - 8:00am | † Madelyn Hahn           |

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

**Next Weekend's Mass Intentions**

**Weekend of June 23-24, 2018**

|                        |                                    |                               |
|------------------------|------------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| <u>Saturday Vigil:</u> | Holy Trinity, Cherry - 4:00 PM     | † Clara Jackson               |
|                        | St. Thomas More, Dalzell - 5:30 PM | † Daniel & Madonna Mini       |
| <u>Sunday:</u>         | Holy Trinity, Cherry - 8:30 AM     | † Don McNally                 |
|                        | St. Patrick, Arlington - 10:30 AM  | † Dec. Memb Alfred Hewitt Fam |
|                        | St. Thomas More, Dalzell - 5:30 PM | † For Our Parishioners        |



**Ministry Schedule  
For Next Weekend**

**Holy Trinity**

**LECTOR**

Saturday - 4:00PM - Kathy Pullam

Sunday - 8:30AM - Jeff Pinter

**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS**

Saturday - 4:00PM - Tina Dominy

Sunday - 8:30AM - Terry Templeton

**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 - ?

**SERVERS**

Sunday - 10:30AM -

Ella Cherry & J VanderMeersch

**St. Thomas More**

**ROSARY**

Sat 5:30PM - Mary Ann Schoening

**LECTOR**

Sat 5:30PM - Mary Ann Schoening

**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER**

Sat 5:30PM - Judy Szymovicz

**SERVERS**

Sat 5:30PM - ?

**UPCOMING  
CHURCH EVENTS**

**June 18** - Mass/Rosary Reparation Of Sins - St. Patrick (Arlington) - 5:30pm

**June 27** - Rosary Against Evil - St. Patrick (Arlington) - 6pm

**July 30** - St. Patrick Chicken Dinner - Bp. Franz Hall - 11am - 1pm

**Last Sunday's Offering**

Holy Trinity - \$1067.00

Needed Weekly - \$1700 (-\$7146.00)

St. Patrick - \$421.00

Needed Weekly - \$700 (-\$1893.00)

St. Thomas More - \$1330.00

Needed Weekly - \$900 (\$3341.00)

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

**Mass For Reparation  
Every Third Monday**

This coming Monday, June 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!

**"Totus Tuus" Summer  
Catholic Youth Program**

The LaSalle Parishes presents the 5th annual week long Catholic summer program for youth called Totus Tuus! It is sponsored by the diocese to allow kids to reach a deeper level of religious education through catechesis, prayer, celebration of sacraments and FUN! Students going into grades 1-6 meet Monday-Friday 9am to 2:30pm. Students going into grades 7-12 meet Sunday-Thursday 7-9pm. Registration forms are online at [lasallecatholic.org](http://lasallecatholic.org).

**The Rosary Against Evil**

The rosary that we continue to pray on Wednesday nights at 6PM will be prayed at St. Patrick Church during the month of June in Arlington. The weeks where Mass and Rosary is celebrated together 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

**Upcoming Area Events**

None At This Time

**For The Week**

"To what shall we compare the kingdom of God, or what parable can we use for it? It is like a mustard seed that, when it is sown in the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on the earth. But once it is sown, it springs up and becomes the largest of plants and puts forth large branches, so that the birds of the sky can dwell in its shade."

Jesus is always working behind the scenes to use us to build the Kingdom of God. But it takes all of us to live our faith for this to happen. Just as birds can carry the mustard seed and drop it to grow another tree. So should we always be visible in living our faith so others can see the value and love of having faith in God and Jesus Christ. We never know when our witness of our love of Christ can help bring someone new to our faith and give them a better life. Please have a great week and stay cool!

**ADA Goals 2018-19**

**Holy Trinity** - \$16,421.00  
Pledges To Date \$2535 (15%)  
**St. Patrick** - \$11,340.00  
Pledges To Date \$2050 (18%)  
**St. Thomas More** - \$10,917.00  
Pledges To Date \$3785 (35%)

**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

June 18

Weekday

1 Kgs 21:1-16

Mt 5:38-42

### Tuesday

June 19

Weekday

1 Kgs 21:17-29

Mt 5:43-48

### Wednesday

June 20

Weekday

2 Kgs 2:1, 6-14

Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

### Thursday

June 21

St. Aloysius Gonzaga,

Religious

Sir 48:1-14

Mt 6:7-15

### Friday

June 22

Weekday

2 Kgs 11:1-4, 9-18, 20

Mt 6:19-23

### Saturday

June 23

Weekday

2 Chr 24:17-25

Mt 6:24-34

### Sunday

June 24

Nativity of

St. John the Baptist

Is 49:1-6

Acts 13:22-26

Lk 1:57-66, 80

# Dear Padre,

**I try to be responsible in my Christian duty to visit the sick. While my visits have good intentions, I often feel they aren't well received. Please advise.**

**I** commend you for your commitment in carrying out your Christian duty. Saint Rose of Lima said, "When we serve the poor and the sick, we serve Jesus" (*Catechism of the Catholic Church*, 2449). Works of mercy, such as visiting the infirm, "are charitable actions by which we come to the aid of our neighbor in his spiritual and bodily necessities" (CCC 2447). When we perform

these works, the primary focus is on the recipient, not on how these acts make me feel good about myself or how I appear before God and others.

My advice for visiting the sick at home or in the hospital is to avoid showing up unannounced, whenever possible. (I offer this advice after my unexpected visit to a patient in the ICU, who never appeared in public without her wig.) Also, observe verbal and nonverbal signs on how long to stay. Some patients may

appear bored or lonely and are open to guests; others are in pain or they've been awakened throughout the night and desire rest more than greeting visitors for a prolonged time. Ask yourself: Are the sick being polite in keeping *me* company? Am I the latest guest asking them to repeat their diagnosis? Do they really feel like praying right now? While the sick appreciate our concern, visiting them is most beneficial when we're acutely sensitive to *their* needs.

—Fr. Byron Miller, CSSR  
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## A Word From Pope Francis

*Evangelization does not consist in proselytizing, for proselytizing is a caricature of evangelization, but rather evangelizing entails attracting by our witness those who are far off. It means humbly drawing near to those who feel distant from God in the Church, drawing near to those who feel judged and condemned.*

—Homily at Mass for the Evangelization of Peoples, July 7, 2015