

## Just Come in the Side Door

This fragment is from a church ceiling fresco that crumbled and fell to the ground. It was eventually added to the Vatican collection. A piece of rubble is now a priceless object of art. Viewers look up at the apostle from below as he gazes toward Christ's divine glory.

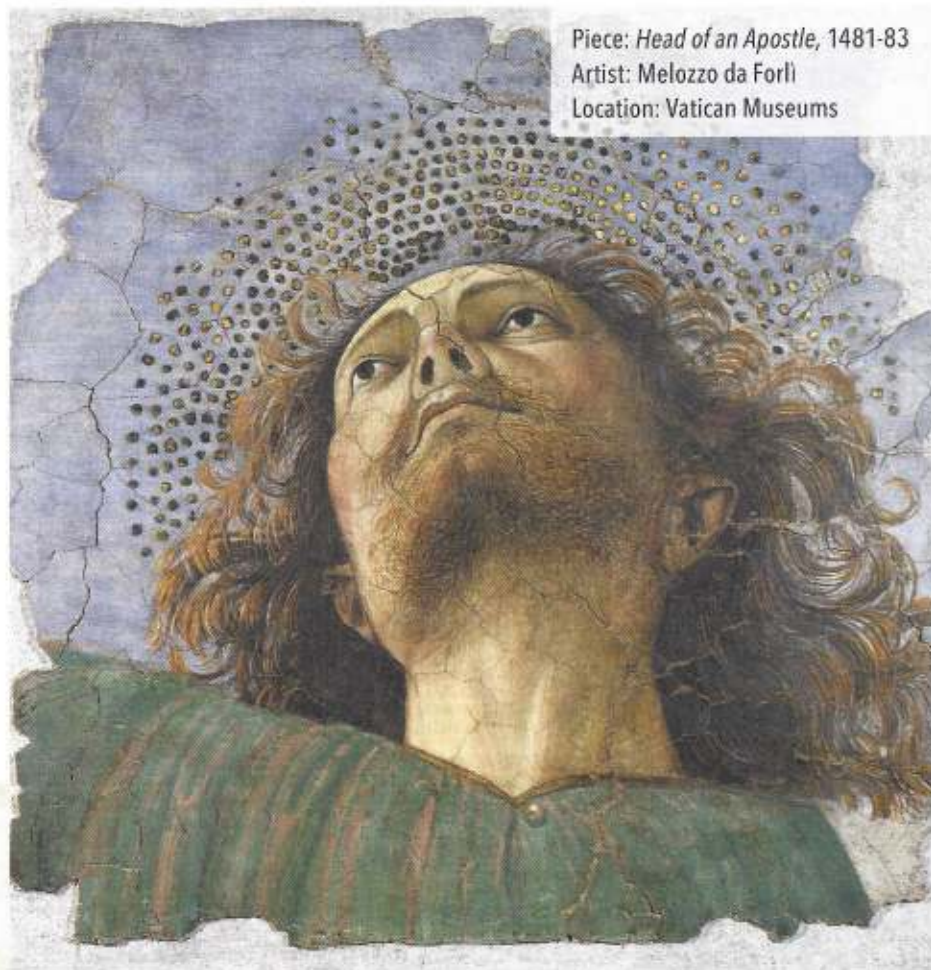
We also are striving to attain that heavenly vision, and Jesus advises us on how to realize it. We should work to enter the smaller gate, the narrow door. It's not the bigger main entrance that everyone uses. The narrow door is a less-traveled side entrance used by those who are close to the owner and his family. Christ invites us to be so familiar and comfortable with him that we come through the side door.

Many pass the Master's house, know where it is, but have lost the practice of stopping inside. They know about God, even pray occasionally, and don't hurt anyone. No doubt not hurting others is admirable, but there is so much more for someone baptized into Christ. We're not called to merely avoid hurting others but to have a deep, transforming experience of healing love that we then share with others.

Jesus' warning seems to be that when there is a mad rush to enter the front gate, those well-intentioned but out-of-practice souls who "don't know him" might find themselves struggling to squeeze in.

Jesus and the Church don't want that to happen to anyone. He invites us to get familiar, stop in often. He might say, "When you get here, just come in the side door!"

—Fr. Mark Haydu, LC



Piece: Head of an Apostle, 1481-83

Artist: Melozzo da Forlì

Location: Vatican Museums

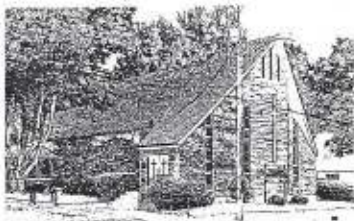
### For Reflection

Do I make getting to know our Lord in prayer a priority?

*[Jesus said,] "Strive to enter through the narrow door, for many, I tell you, will attempt to enter but will not be strong enough."*

*Luke 13:24*





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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 - See Schedule)

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 **\*\*Third Wednesday of Month - 4:30-5:30PM**

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 August 26, 2019

Offered For

Monday

St. Patrick, Arlington - 5:30pm

† No Mass

Tuesday

Holy Trinity, Cherry - 12:15pm

† Nellie Cattani

Wednesday

St. Thomas More, Dalzell - 8:00am

† Ann Bukovic

Thursday

Holy Trinity, Cherry - 8:30am

† Joseph & Della Shevokas

Friday

St. Thomas More, Dalzell - 8:00am

† Purgatorial Society

Next Weekend's Mass Intentions

Weekend of August 31-September 1, 2019

Saturday Vigil:

Holy Trinity, Cherry - 4:00 PM

† For The Parishioners

St. Thomas More, Dalzell - 5:30 PM

† Chris Gorski

Sunday:

Holy Trinity, Cherry - 8:30 AM

† Dorothy Flaherty

St. Patrick, Arlington - 10:30 AM

† Richard Kapraun

St. Thomas More, Dalzell - 5:30 PM

† Fred Buck Sr.



## Ministry Schedule For Next Weekend

### Holy Trinity

#### LECTOR

Saturday - 4:00PM - Carol Lauer

Sunday - 8:30AM - Mary Jane Marincic

#### SERVERS

Saturday - 4:00PM -

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Sunday - 8:30AM - ?

#### COUNTERS

Sunday - 8:30AM -

Kathy Bonucchi & Linda Black

### St. Patrick

#### LECTOR

Sunday - 10:30AM - Steve Sondgeroth

#### SERVERS

Sunday - 10:30AM -

Brandon & Dylan Tornow

### St. Thomas More

#### ROSARY

Sat 5:30PM - TBD

#### LECTOR

Sat 5:30PM - Mary Ann Schoening

#### SERVERS

Sat 5:30PM - ?

Visit Venerable Fulton Sheen

At Cathedral in Peoria

Monday - Friday 12pm - 2pm

Saturday 3pm - 6pm

Sunday 9am - 2pm

## UPCOMING CHURCH EVENTS

August 28- Rosary Against Evil - Holy Trinity (Cherry) - 6PM

September 10- Holy Trinity Taco Dinner - Holy Trinity Hall

September 15 - Religious Ed (K-4) Begins

September 16 - Mass Reparation Sins/ Rosary - Holy Trinity (Cherry) - 5:30pm (No Rosary The Following Wednesday)

September 22 - Religious Ed (5-8) Begins

October 12 - Holy Trinity Trivia Night

### Last Sunday's Offering

Holy Trinity - \$1394.00

St. Patrick - \$675.00

St. Thomas More - \$1253.00

## Teachers Are Needed For Religious Education This Next Year

We still are in need of a couple of teachers for this next religious education year beginning mid-September. The classes are held Sunday mornings from 9:15AM to 10:15AM in Holy Trinity Hall. We are getting more and more teaching aids to help teachers too! So if you would please think about it. Thank you!

## The Rosary Against Evil

The rosary that we continue to pray on Wednesday nights at 6PM will be prayed at Holy Trinity Church during the month of August in Cherry. Next month we will be in Arlington at St. Patrick's. The weeks where Mass and Rosary is prayed together on Monday there is no Wednesday rosary. It is our time to show God, Jesus, Mary how much we need their help to fight the evil around us. Praying as a community has great strength to get God's attention for our needs and His help. And the rosary is and always has been our greatest weapon against evil! So please come and join us!

## Holy Trinity Riding Mower For Sale

After some years sitting in storage and not being used, we have a Cub Cadet GT3100 for sale. We recently put some money into it to clean it up and tune it up for any buyer to have a good and dependable mower.

We would like to get \$1800 for it as that is today's value but the price is negotiable. Please call the office if you have any questions.

### Special Event In Area

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

## For The Week

"Lord, will only a few people be saved?" We live in a society today where everybody wants everything without cost. Yet to somebody everything DOES have a cost, even if it isn't seen by us. Everything free today costs somebody something tomorrow, even many times ourselves.

How many people today are expecting a wide open gate to get into Heaven? Jesus says we will be allowed into Heaven if we love Him. And in one of the Gospels, Jesus says "If you love me, you will keep My Commandments." Many people conform religion to fit their needs. Yet, sadly or happily depending on which way we look at it, we need to change our lives to fit what God wants from us, our lives. From showing our love of God by going to Church every weekend, by taking care of our relationship with God and ignoring worldly gods, and by being good to our neighbor showing them love and respect is how we do it. It isn't easy but if we want Heaven we can do whatever God asks to spend eternity with Him. May God always be with us and bless us!

### ADA Goals 2019-20

Holy Trinity - \$17589.00

Pledges To Date \$2435.00 (14%)

St. Patrick - \$9902.00

Pledges To Date \$1250.00 (13%)

St. Thomas More - \$12554.00

Pledges To Date \$1165.00 (9%)

## 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

AUGUST 26

Weekday

1 Thes 1:1-5, 8b-10

Mt 23:13-22

### Tuesday

AUGUST 27

St. Monica

1 Thes 2:1-8

Mt 23:23-26

### Wednesday

AUGUST 28

St. Augustine, Bishop  
and Doctor of the Church

1 Thes 2:9-13

Mt 23:27-32

### Thursday

AUGUST 29

Passion of St. John  
the Baptist

1 Thes 3:7-13

Mk 6:17-29

### Friday

AUGUST 30

Weekday

1 Thes 4:1-8

Mt 25:1-13

### Saturday

AUGUST 31

Weekday

1 Thes 4:9-11

Mt 25:14-30

### Sunday

SEPTEMBER 1

Twenty-second Sunday  
in Ordinary Time

Sir 3:17-18, 20, 28-29

Heb 12:18-19, 22-24a

Lk 14:1, 7-14

# Dear Padre,

## Why would God establish laws and feast days for Jews and suddenly change them?

Scripture can explain this. God didn't suddenly change laws and feast days, but followed a consistent plan, with the Old Covenant leading to the New Covenant.

Genesis tells us that Adam and Eve were given life to walk with God in Eden. From eternity it was God's intent to gather humanity into one family in a relationship of love. With Abraham the covenant was extended: "I will make

of you a great nation....All the families of the earth will find blessing in you" (Genesis 12:2-3). Moses led the tribes from Egypt to Mount Sinai. Here God renewed and strengthened the covenant, giving the Hebrews the Ten Commandments as a guiding light to all. Then, through centuries of hardship, God sent prophets to call people back. These prophets promised God would send a savior in a covenant that would last forever: "I will be their God, and they shall be my people" (Jeremiah 31:33).

Jesus was the Savior foreseen in Genesis 3:15 who would crush Satan's head. He was the one promised by the prophets, the King in David's line (Luke 1:32-33) who would establish God's New Covenant offering salvation to all.

Jesus wasn't part of a sudden change of plans, but the completion of God's design to invite everyone back into the family love and intimacy first offered to Adam and Eve. The laws and feasts, prophecies and psalms of the Old Covenant foretold Christ.

—Fr. Oscar Lukefahr, CM  
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JOHN SHUTTERSTOCK



## A Word from Pope Francis

In the Old Testament, the requirement to be holy, in the image of God who is holy, included the duty to care for the most vulnerable people, such as the stranger, the orphan, and the widow. Jesus brings this Covenant law to fulfillment; he who unites...divinity and humanity, a single mystery of love.

—Angelus, October 26, 2014