

The Power of Humility

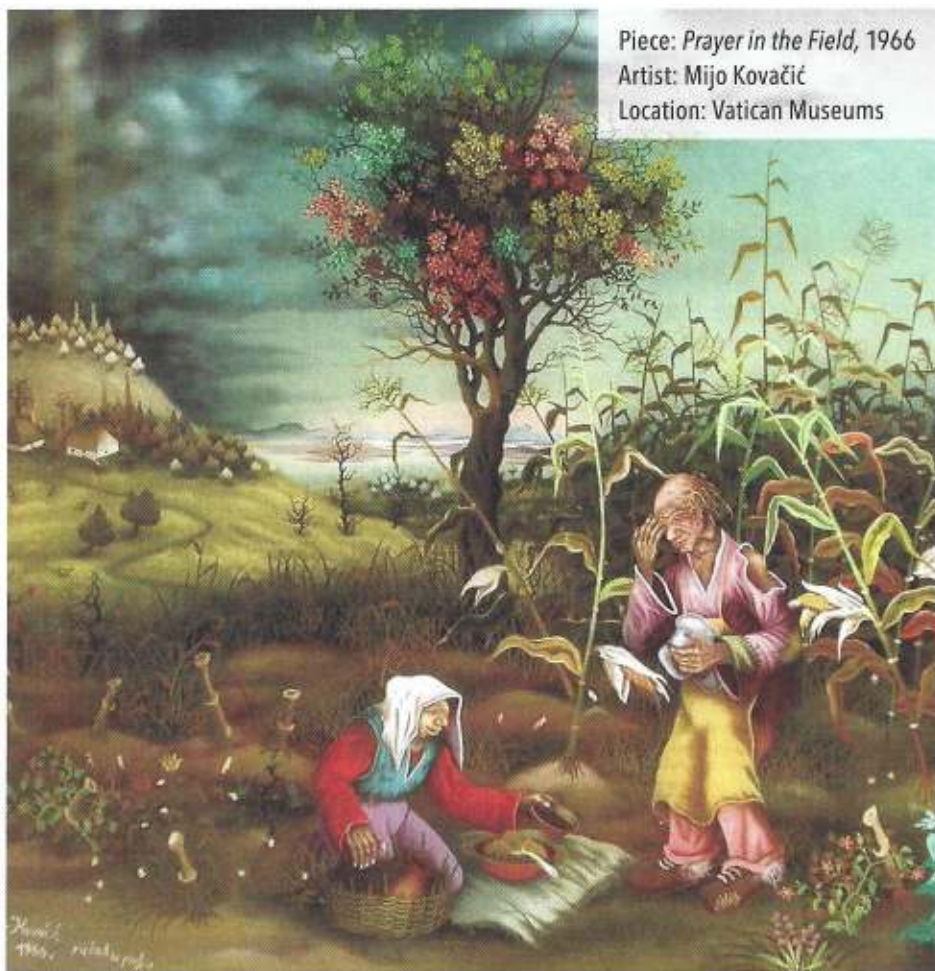
Humility isn't a popular virtue! In fact, among the Greeks and the Romans it wasn't considered a virtue at all. In a sixth-century BC list of 147 wise maxims, humility isn't even mentioned. For the ancient Greek or Roman, obtaining and defending honor was more a goal than humility ever could be.

Yet the Jewish faith values humility, as seen in Old Testament texts like the one we read today. The humble strength of conducting affairs quietly and justly makes you more loved—more so than someone who gives many gifts. Parents should reflect on this.

As Christians following a Savior who was great through his service, humility is not only recommended but becomes the ideal. Let the first be last. Let the greatest be the servant. Humility is simply living the truth of who you are. You are both great and insignificant. We can and should use all our knowledge and strength to sow the fields of creation, as in this painting. But only God gives growth.

Humility is favored by true self-knowledge. We are creatures and not the Creator. We don't make the rules of life or define right and wrong. We discover, accept, and love these laws. A healthy awareness of our limitations doesn't enslave us. It sets us free. A humble knowledge of the truth is empowering.

We are amazingly talented people, each uniquely loved and gifted by God. Each of us can achieve, and



Piece: *Prayer in the Field*, 1966

Artist: Mijo Kovačić

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should strive for, the greatness he offers us. Humility makes us capable of true and lasting greatness—just look at Christ.

—Fr. Mark Haydu, LC

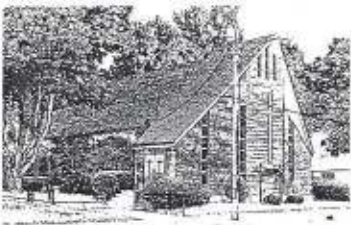
For Reflection

How well do I know myself—both my strengths and weaknesses?

Do I see everything as a gift and respond with humility?

*My son, conduct your affairs with humility,
and you will be loved more than a giver of gifts.*

Sirach 3:17



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 - 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 September 2, 2019

Offered For

<u>Monday</u>	St. Patrick, Arlington - 5:30pm	† No Mass
<u>Tuesday</u>	Holy Trinity, Cherry - 12:15pm	† Abramo Mini Family
<u>Wednesday</u>	St. Thomas More, Dalzell - 8:00am	† Chris Gorski
<u>Thursday</u>	Holy Trinity, Cherry - 8:30am	† Ann Doyle
<u>Friday</u>	St. Thomas More, Dalzell - 8:00am	† Purgatorial Society

Next Weekend's Mass Intentions

Weekend of September 7-8, 2019

<u>Saturday Vigil:</u>	Holy Trinity, Cherry - 4:00 PM	† Corrine Manning
	St. Thomas More, Dalzell - 5:30 PM	† Frank & Mary Bernabei
<u>Sunday:</u>	Holy Trinity, Cherry - 8:30 AM	† For The Parishioners
	St. Patrick, Arlington - 10:30 AM	† Tom Hewitt
	St. Thomas More, Dalzell - 5:30 PM	† Peter & Natalie Ceresa

Ministry Schedule
For Next Weekend

Holy Trinity

LECTOR

Saturday - 4:00PM - Carol Lauer
Sunday - 8:30AM - Gerald Schlenz

SERVERS

Saturday - 4:00PM -
?

Sunday - 8:30AM - ?

COUNTERS

Sunday - 8:30AM -
Pat Pinter & Nancy Floroplus

St. Patrick

LECTOR

Sunday - 10:30AM - Bernice Keutzer

SERVERS

Sunday - 10:30AM -
Veronica & Vanessa Schroeder

St. Thomas More

ROSARY

Sat 5:30PM - TBD

LECTOR

Sat 5:30PM - TBD

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**

September 4 - Rosary Against Evil - St. Patrick (Arlington) - 6PM.

September 15 - Religious Ed (K-4) Begins

September 16 - Mass Reparation Sins/ Rosary - St. Patrick (Arlington) - 5:30pm (No Rosary The Following Wednesday)

September 17 - Holy Trinity Taco Dinner - Holy Trinity Hall - 4:30-7:30PM

September 22 - Religious Ed (5-8) Begins

Last Sunday's Offering

Holy Trinity -	\$1273.00
St. Patrick -	\$630.00
St. Thomas More -	\$1012.00

Holy Trinity Taco Dinner

The taco dinner will be on Tuesday September 17th at the Holy Trinity Hall from 4:30 to 7:30PM. Beef and chicken tacos will be available in hard or soft shell. And we can use some help with servers, food prep and with donations of desserts to have available. A raffle and 50/50 will also be available.

**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 St. Patrick Church during the month of September in Arlington. 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

"Humble yourself the more, the greater you are, and you will find favor with God." Humility is something many, many people struggle with in their lives. People will be proud of their achievements but many times we expect big celebrations for our big accomplishments. So the question comes did we accomplish something for our own benefit or the greater good of society. And yet it is so easy to want to be placed on the pedestal.

Putting others before us is what God wants from all us. True humility is not feeling bad about yourself, or having a low opinion of yourself, or thinking of yourself as inferior to others. True humility frees us from preoccupation with ourselves, whereas a low self-opinion tends to focus our attention on ourselves. Humility is truth in self-understanding and truth in action. Viewing ourselves truthfully, with sober judgment, means seeing ourselves the way God sees us. May God always be with us and bless us!

ADA Goals 2019-20

<u>Holy Trinity</u> - \$17589.00
Pledges To Date \$2435.00 (14%)
<u>St. Patrick</u> - \$9902.00
Pledges To Date \$1250.00 (13%)
<u>St. Thomas More</u> - \$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

SEPTEMBER 2

Weekday

1 Thes 4:13–18

Lk 4:16–30

Tuesday

SEPTEMBER 3

*St. Gregory the Great,
Pope and Doctor
of the Church*

1 Thes 5:1–6, 9–11

Lk 4:31–37

Wednesday

SEPTEMBER 4

Weekday

Col 1:1–8

Lk 4:38–44

Thursday

SEPTEMBER 5

Weekday

Col 1:9–14

Lk 5:1–11

Friday

SEPTEMBER 6

Weekday

Col 1:15–20

Lk 5:33–39

Saturday

SEPTEMBER 7

Weekday

Col 1:21–23

Lk 6:1–5

Sunday

SEPTEMBER 8

*Twenty-third Sunday
in Ordinary Time*

Wis 9:13–18b

Phm 9–10, 12–17

Lk 14:25–33

Dear Padre,

Life seems to be an endless grind of work, family responsibilities, and more work? Can you help me find meaning in my work?

You've hit upon one of life's great mysteries! We struggle to make sense out of our work, our pain, and our joy. There's no simple answer to your question, but let's begin by looking at nature.

Leaves fall when autumn presages winter. Cold winds howl, and spring eventually refreshes us before the summer swelter envelops us. Again and again, one season must "die" before the next one gives life. A similar process happens within us. Our work, tears, and lonely times are part of a cycle of death and rebirth. Like the changing seasons, these open us to new growth.

The *Catechism of the Catholic Church* says: "Work honors the Creator's gifts and the talents received from him. It can also be redemptive. By enduring the hardships of work...[we] collaborate in a certain fashion with the Son of God in his redemptive work" (CCC 2427). Christ went this way before us, and he will be with us in our difficulties.

Work can be difficult, hectic, and sometimes seem senseless. But we can

trust that Christ is present in these ups and downs. We can let go of anxiety and say, "Jesus, I trust you are with me now, in this moment of work or pain, and that together we will get through this."

May you find hope this Labor Day weekend amid your struggles through the wonderful journey of life.

—Fr. Pat Grile, CSsR
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GEORGE RUDYSHUTTERSTOCK



A Word from Pope Francis

One must not exaggerate the "mystique" of work. The person "is not only work"; there are other human needs that we must cultivate and consider, such as family, friends, and rest. It is important, therefore, to remember that any work must be at the service of the person, not the person in the service of work.

—Letter to conference on human development, November 23, 2017