

#### September 3, 2017

Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time (A) Jer 20:7–9 Rom 12:1–2

Mt 16:21-27

# The Salvation He Offers

O nce Peter is called "the rock" for his faith, he turns around and dissuades Jesus from the cross. Jesus responds sternly: "Get behind me, Satan!"

Jesus reveals two important things here. First, that Satan exists. Satan is very interested in going unnoticed, yet Jesus calls him out and makes Peter (and us) aware. The Bible is full of references to the devil. Popular culture also has focused on evil spirits—fascinated as it is with the occult, vampires, and the like. It seems to bear evil out more (and profit more from it) than some Catholics in the pews!

The second truth is that Satan can influence our thinking. I'm not referring to diabolical possession, which is a reality, but the more common temptations to lower our aspirations and to conform our thinking to a faithless perspective.

The painting Satan Before the Lord by Corrado Giaquinto, which depicts Satan asking and receiving permission to

## For Reflection

How are you tempted by the enemy of your soul? Are you ever convinced you aren't being tempted at all? How can you approach those persons, places, or things that normally tempt you with humility to God? tempt Job, focuses on this reality of evil. Satan knows our hearts and finds just the right strategy to lead us away from God. It usually involves one of the vices (lust, gluttony, greed, sloth, wrath, envy, or pride). Just like when Satan tempts Peter, he wants us to reject the demands of the cross, for he knows the cross is the instrument of his demise.

When God permits temptations to assail us or the effects of evil to touch our lives, we should respond humbly, as Job and Peter did. If God permits evil, it is only because he trusts us to love him sincerely—not just for the blessings he sends, but because of the salvation he offers.

Piece: Satan Before the Lord,
mid-eighteenth century
Artist: The Circle of Corrado Giaquinto
Location: Pinacoteca, Room XV,
Vatican Museums

"Get behind me, Satan! You are an obstacle to me. You are thinking not as God does, but as human beings do" (Matthew 16:23).







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) -Sunday Mass -

4:00 PM 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 4 PM

## Daily Mass Intentions for

## Masses the Week of September 4, 2017

Offered For

Monday

† No Mass

Tuesday

Holy Trinity, Cherry - \*\*12:15pm

† William Adrian

Wednesday

St. Thomas More, Dalzell - 8:00am Holy Trinity, Cherry - 12:15pm

† Fr. Jerry Martinson † Wayne Jaraczewski

Thursday Friday

St. Thomas More, Dalzell - 8:00am

† Msgr. Brian Rejsek

\*\*\* Divine Mercy Chaplet every Friday at 4PM in Divine Mercy Chapel at St. Thomas More

## Next Weekend's Mass Intentions

Weekend of September 10-11, 2017

Saturday Vigil:

Holy Trinity, Cherry - 4:00 PM

† Aaron Platt

St. Thomas More, Dalzell - 5:30 PM

Sunday:

Holy Trinity, Cherry - 8:30 AM

† Frank & Mary Bernabei † Ken Washkowiak

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 - Mary Jane Marincic

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Saturday - 4:00PM - Bill Lauer

Sunday - 8:30AM - Mary Jo Brust

**SERVERS** 

Saturday - 4:00PM -

Antonia Cattani

Sunday - 8:30AM -

## St. Patrick

LECTOR

Sunday - 10:30AM - Bruce Galloway

EUCHARISTIC MINISTER

Sunday - 10:30AM - John Kapraun **SERVERS** 

Sunday - 10:30AM -

Luke Lovgren & Thomas Schroeder

## St. Thomas More

ROSARY

Sat 5:30PM - Joelle Crockett

LECTOR

Sat 5:30PM - Mary Ann Schoening

EUCHARISTIC MINISTER

Sat 5:30PM - Cheryl Stowe

SERVERS

Sat 5:30PM - ?

## **UPCOMING**

CHURCH EVENTS

September 5 - St. Thomas More Society Meeting - STM Hall - 6:30PM

September 6 - Rosary Against Evil - St. Pat's (Arlington) 5:30PM

September 10 - Religious ED Classes Begin (More Later)

September 10 - St. Thomas More

Chicken Dinner - STM Hall -

11-2PM

September 26 - Holy Trinity Taco Night at Coal Company (Cherry)

## Last Sunday's Offering

Holy Trinity -\$1019.00 Needed Weekly - \$1700

St. Patrick -\$550.00

Needed Weekly - \$700

St. Thomas More - \$1276.00

Needed Weekly - \$700

## St. Thomas More Mass/Event Time Changes

again starting the weekday Masses will again be at 8AM starting this week.

Also the Divine Mercy on Fridays will be moved an hour later to 4PM this coming week.

## St. Thomas More Chicken Dinner

It is time for another chicken dinner but this time at St. Thomas More on Sunday. September 10, 2017 between 11AM and 2PM. The dinner will include fried chicken, or limited baked chicken, spaghetti, salad, bread drink, and dessert. Adults are \$10. kids 6-10 are \$5, and 5 and under are free. Carry-outs will available. Looking forward seeing you!

## Holy Trinity Taco Night

There will be a Taco Dinner at Coal Company in Cherry on Tuesday, September 26th. More info to come. So please mark it on vour calendar!

## The Rosary Against Evil

The rosary we continue to pray on Wednesday nights at 5:30PM will be prayed at St. Patrick Church during the of month September Arlington. 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. With the evil in the world the church should be full, so where is everybody!

## Upcoming Area Events

September 11 - Ladd Legion Auxiliary Chicken Dinner @ Rip's 5pm - 8pm - \$8 / Dinner

### For The Week

In the Gospel we hear With the Rays being made Jesus telling His disciples that he must go to Jerusalem, suffer at the hands of the elders and scribes, die and rise on the third day. And like a normal human reaction, Peter doesn't want to believe it could happen to someone they have grown to love.

> Here we are in this age, during a time of many troubles, terrorism, floods, and God only knows what could happen next. If we should find ourselves in a difficult situation, do we complain about it or accept it as our cross to carry? The only way for Jesus to take away original sin caused by Adam and Eve was for him to die as the new Adam. But for us to get into Heaven we have to reject evil, and HOW ARE WE DOING? May God bless us!

#### ADA Goals 2017-18

Holy Trinity - \$16,569.00 Pledges To Date \$5,920.00 (36%) St. Patrick - \$10,065.00 Pledges To Date \$4,815.00 (48%) St. Thomas More - \$9,493.00 Pledges To Date \$5,100.00 (54%)

## 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 4 Weekday 1 Thes 4:13-18 Lk 4:16-30

Tuesday

September 5 Weekday 1 Thes 5:1-6, 9-11 Lk 4:31-37

Wednesday

September 6 Weekday Col 1:1-8 Lk 4:38-44

Thursday

September 7 Weekday Col 1:9-14 Lk 5:1-11

Friday

September 8 Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary Mi 5:1-4a or Rom 8:28-30 Mt 1:1-16, 18-23 or 1:18-23

Saturday

September 9 St. Peter Claver, Priest Col 1:21-23 Lk 6:1-5

Sunday

September 10 Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time Ez 33:7-9

Rom 13:8-10 Mt 18:15-20

# Dear Padre,

A family member engages in sinful behavior. I know I should say something, but I'm afraid it'll damage my relationship with him. How can I respond with love without accepting his lifestyle?

f the many ways to invite others to conversion, "admonishing the sinner" is often the most challenging. This spiritual work of mercy requires proper motives, humility, respect, and diplomacy.

Motivation: Read Jesus' story of the Pharisee and tax collector in the Temple (Luke 18:9-14). Your desire to "respond with love" is far better than that of a self-righteous accuser. Christ found condemnation less effective for conversion

than invitation; he knew his Father's mercy was greater than sinful behavior. Therefore, condemn the behavior, not the person. Try to understand what motivated his behavior as well.

Humility and Respect: We often possess a limited view on matters, so your dialogue is an attempt to arrive at authenticity in a respectful partnership; both of your perceptions may be altered in the sacred process!



Diplomacy: Your established relationship with this family member is advantageous to your mission. Still, pick and choose your admonitions carefully. Avoid fraternal correction for trivial, isolated incidents. Gain strength from the Letter of James, which states that "if anyone among you should stray from the truth and someone bring him back, he should know that whoever brings back a sinner from the error of his way will save his soul from death and will cover a multitude of sins" (James 5:19-20).

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## A Word From Pope Francis

The devil..., to divert Jesus from the way of the cross, sets before him false messianic hopes: economic well-being...a dramatic and miraculous style ...; and lastly, a shortcut to power and dominion, in exchange for an act of adoration to Satan....Note well how Jesus responds. He does not dialogue

with Satan...Jesus is well aware that there can be no dialogue with Satan, for he is cunning. That is why Jesus...chooses to take refuge in the Word of God and responds with the power of this Word.

-Angelus, St. Peter's Square, March 9, 2014



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