

Protect Life

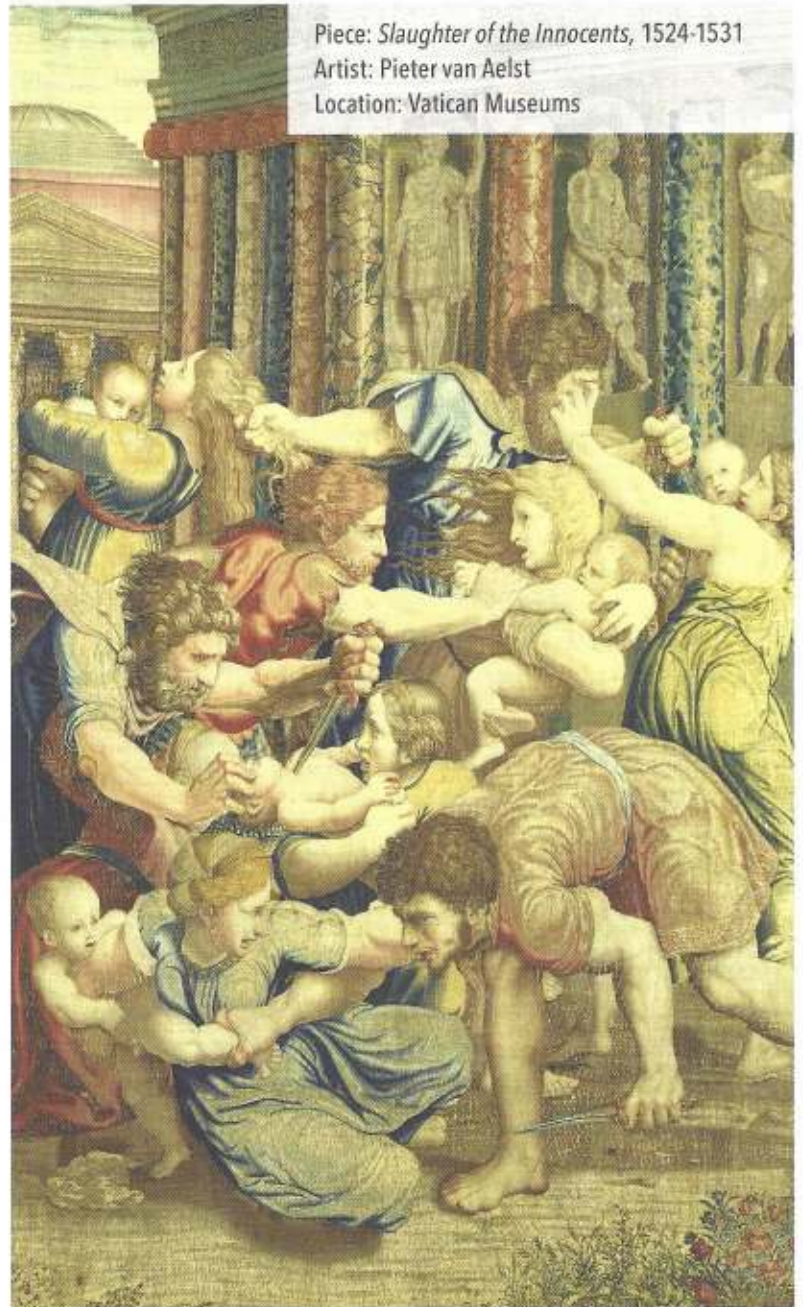
The tapestry scene may not seem to have much to do with the readings, yet it does. Let me explain: This wall-size work of art depicts the murder decreed by Herod of all the children two years and under. It was his desperate effort to extinguish any possibility that the Messiah might eventually contest his throne.

The reading of James could very well be applied to the greedy and avaricious Herod. "You have lived on earth in luxury and pleasure; you have fattened your hearts for the day of [your own] slaughter" (James 5:5). All the wealth, authority, and success he had only led him to be more grasping and insecure. Anyone who sees a threat to his own well-being in the birth of a child reveals his own internal poverty of spirit.

Rather than remove the little ones from our lives, we should do all we can to edify and maintain their faith. Jesus, as well as James, has harsh words for anyone who would lead a little one to sin.

Herod was the first who needed to hear the words of the Messiah he was trying to silence. If anything causes you to sin, even something as precious as a hand or foot, it's better to cut it off and live physically impaired rather than maintain apparent wholeness while spiritually rotting from within. The life of our souls and that of the little ones is of paramount importance, and no material security should be placed ahead of it.

—Fr. Mark Haydu, LC



Piece: *Slaughter of the Innocents*, 1524-1531

Artist: Pieter van Aelst

Location: Vatican Museums

For Reflection

Do I protect life as a gift from the Father, from conception to natural death?

How do I help the little ones in my life come to know Jesus?

[Jesus said,] "It is better for you to enter into life maimed than with two hands to go into Gehenna."

Mark 9:43



Holy Trinity - Cherry

St. Patrick - Arlington

St. Thomas More - Dalzell

3 Church Website: 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 - 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 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 October 1, 2018

Offered For

Monday

St. Thomas More, Dalzell - 5:30pm

† No Mass

Tuesday

Holy Trinity, Cherry - 12:15pm

† August & Frances Bernardoni

Wednesday

St. Thomas More, Dalzell - 8:00am

† Dean Abney

Thursday

Holy Trinity, Cherry - 8:30am

† Charlie & Hazel Keutzer

Friday

St. Thomas More, Dalzell - 8:00am

† Purgatorial Society

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

Next Weekend's Mass Intentions

Weekend of October 6-7, 2018

Saturday Vigil:

Holy Trinity, Cherry - 4:00 PM

† For The Parishioners

St. Thomas More, Dalzell - 5:30 PM

† Dato & Marian Olivero

Sunday:

Holy Trinity, Cherry - 8:30 AM

† Ken Buster

St. Patrick, Arlington - 10:30 AM

† Anna Joseph

St. Thomas More, Dalzell - 5:30 PM

† Frank Bochtler

**Ministry Schedule
For Next Weekend**

Holy Trinity

LECTOR

Saturday - 4:00PM - Tina Dominy

Sunday - 8:30AM - Jeff Pinter

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Saturday - 4:00PM - David Bernabei

Sunday - 8:30AM - Kathy Bonucchi

SERVERS

Saturday - 4:00PM -

Tanner Dominy

Sunday - 8:30AM -

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St. Patrick

LECTOR

Sunday - 10:30AM - Bruce Galloway

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER

Sunday - 10:30AM - Ann Kapraun

SERVERS

Sunday - 10:30AM -

Claire & Brooke Lovgren

St. Thomas More

ROSARY

Sat 5:30PM - TBD

LECTOR

Sat 5:30PM - Mary Ann Schoening

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER

Sat 5:30PM - Judy Szymowicz

SERVERS

Sat 5:30PM - ?

**UPCOMING
CHURCH EVENTS**

October 2 - Holy Trinity Chicken Dinner
@ Coal Company - 4:30-7:30PM - \$8.50

October 3 - Rosary Against Evil - St.
Thomas More (Dalzell) - 6pm

October 13 & 14 - Blest Arts After Mass

October 14 - St. Thomas More Chicken
Dinner - STM Hall - 11am - 2pm - \$10

October 15 - Mass/Rosary Reparation Of
Sins-St. Thomas More (Dalzell) - 5:30pm

Last Sunday's Offering

Holy Trinity - \$1137.00

Needed Weekly - \$1700 (-\$13801.00)

St. Patrick - \$485.00

Needed Weekly - \$700 (-\$3506.00)

St. Thomas More - \$1077.00

Needed Weekly - \$900 (\$4577.00)

** (Parentheses) = Overage/Deficit of
Collection

Upcoming Chicken Dinners

We have two chicken dinners coming up: one, for Holy Trinity Church and the second, for St. Thomas More Church.

The Holy Trinity Church Chicken Dinner will help fix up the Cemetery around the flagpole and in front of the statue. Anything left over will help fix things around the church. Coal Company in Cherry is again hosting and cooking the dinner between 4:30-7:30pm on Tuesday, October 2nd for \$8.50 a ticket.

St. Thomas More will have their chicken dinner on Sunday, October 14th from 11am - 2pm in the hall. Besides the great fried chicken, a limited supply of baked chicken will be available. The dinner is \$10.

Blest Arts Returning

Blest Arts is returning October 13 & 14 after all the Masses. The money they make is returned to the Holy Land to help the Christian communities. Their olive wood products or rosaries are great for gifts for First Communion, Confirmations, Weddings or birthdays and anniversaries. They also take checks and credit cards.

The Rosary Against Evil

The rosary that we continue to pray on Wednesday nights at 6PM will be prayed at St. Thomas More Church during the month of October in Dalzell. 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 their help 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 us!

Special Event In Area

For The Week

So are we against the Lord or for Him? Evil as we all should know is that which goes against God. This week we concluded the Old Testament readings with the popular one from Ecclesiastes saying "there is a time for love" and etc. Several chapters after that set of verses is this one in chapter 10 saying, "the wise heart turns to the right; the foolish heart to the left."

It is a great reminder that we have to make the right choices in life and live for God to stay in His grace. Today, with all the temptations in the world, we have to work extra hard and do a lot of good in our communities to stay in God's grace. Remember, Jesus could return at any moment and if we are found unworthy of His Kingdom because of sin on our soul we won't get there! Please have a great week!

ADA Goals 2018-19

Holy Trinity - \$16,421.00

Pledges To Date \$5255 (32%)

St. Patrick - \$11,340.00

Pledges To Date \$5570 (49%)

St. Thomas More - \$10,917.00

Pledges To Date \$4520 (41%)

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

OCTOBER 1

St. Thérèse of the
Child Jesus, Virgin and
Doctor of the Church

Jb 1:6-22

Lk 9:46-50

Tuesday

OCTOBER 2

Holy Guardian Angels
Jb 3:1-3, 11-17, 20-23

Mt 18:1-5, 10

Wednesday

OCTOBER 3

Weekday

Jb 9:1-12, 14-16

Lk 9:57-62

Thursday

OCTOBER 4

St. Francis of Assisi

Jb 19:21-27

Lk 10:1-12

Friday

OCTOBER 5

Weekday

Jb 38:1, 12-21; 40:3-5

Lk 10:13-16

Saturday

OCTOBER 6

Weekday

Jb 42:1-3, 5-6, 12-17

Lk 10:17-24

Sunday

OCTOBER 7

Twenty-seventh Sunday
in Ordinary Time

Gn 2:18-24

Heb 2:9-11

Mk 10:2-16 or

Mk 10:2-12

Dear Padre,

The older I get, the more distracted I become by crying babies at Mass. Sometimes I leave Mass so irritated that I wonder what benefit is gained in going at all.

At the movies, the opera, or some other formal live performance, a crying infant is regarded as *persona non grata*. But the Eucharist is a family event, not a theatrical one. Children should feel welcomed at Mass. After all, Jesus said, "Let the children come to me; do not prevent them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these" (Mark 10:14).

While small children may belong at Mass, it should also be acknowledged

that certain courtesies apply when crowds gather to pray in the house of the Lord.

Parents may consider sitting at the end of a pew for a quick exit to minimize disruption when a child needs immediate attention. When a child is of a certain age, parents may consider taking advantage of parish nurseries or designated cry rooms in churches on a temporary basis, if available.



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By the same token, impatient parishioners (and preachers) should be sensitive to the needs of parents, who admirably desire participation in the family celebration and weekly nourishment by Christ's word and sacrament—temporary toddler temper tantrums notwithstanding. "Be still and know that I am God!" (Psalm 46:11) is a divine invitation to worshipers of all ages.

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

Every child who, rather than being born, is condemned unjustly to being aborted, bears the face of Jesus Christ, ...And every elderly person, even if he is ill or at the end of his days, bears the face of Christ. They cannot be discarded, as the "culture of waste"

suggests! They cannot be thrown away!

—Address to International Federation of Catholic Medical Associations,
September 20, 2013