



April 24, 2022

Second Sunday of Easter
(Sunday of Divine Mercy) (C)

Acts 5:12–16

Rev 1:9–11a, 12–13, 17–19

Jn 20:19–31

Take My Word for It

This is easier said than done. Growing up, we insisted on doing things ourselves, learning from our own experience, developing a sense of our own ability. We soon came to know that there are times when we should—in fact, we must—take someone else’s word for something. If we refused to do this, we might be called a “doubting Thomas.” Is that fair to us? Is it fair to Thomas?

As today’s Gospel passage reports, gathered in a room, several disciples of Jesus experienced him truly among them. Thomas was absent. When the others told him what had occurred, he refused to take their word for it. To believe, he also would have to experience Jesus. It is unfair to credit them with faith and label him a doubter. After all, their experience probably convinced them, an event Thomas did not enjoy with the other disciples.

The point of this story is not Thomas’ eventual visit by Jesus or his subsequent profession of faith. Rather, it is the source of such a confession. Thomas was unwilling or unable to accept the truth of the resurrection unless he saw Jesus and touched him. Jesus told him: “Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed” (John 20:29). Blessed are you and me, who have come to know Jesus and the truth of his resurrection on the word of others—our parents and teachers, pastoral ministers and friends, those who have come to know him and who witness to this in their lives.

Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

FOR Reflection

- ★ *If you lack faith, as seems to be the case with Thomas, pray for it.*
- ★ *What do you do to learn more about the faith?*



When I caught sight of him, I fell down at his feet as though dead. He touched me with his right hand and said, “Do not be afraid. I am the first and the last, the one who lives.”
REVELATION 1:17–18A



Holy Trinity Catholic Church

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Mass Schedule

Weekdays - Wednesday 5:30pm and
Thursday - 9:00am
Every other Saturday Confessions - at
STM & SP 10:30-11:15

Sunday Mass - 8:30am

***Pastor of the Three Churches**
Fr. Thaddeus Tran

****Upcoming Events At Church****

First Communion will be held on
Sunday May 1st at HT 8:30 Mass
Our CCD Program for 2021-2022
has ended. See you in the Fall!



St. Thomas More Catholic Church

For All Three Churches

Emergency Number

779-248-2164

St. Thomas More Church

302 Chestnut St.
Dalzell, IL 61320

Phone: (815) 663-6201

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Mass Schedule

Weekday Mass -
Tues. & Fri. - 8:00am
Saturday Vigil Mass - 4:00 PM
Sunday Mass-5:00pm

Adoration Room

TIME CHANGE

Open Monday-Sunday 9AM-6PM

****Upcoming Events At Church****

Confirmation Mass will be held on
Tuesday April 26th at STM 6:30
Mass



St. Patrick Catholic Church

**St. Patrick Church
(Office at Holy Trinity Church)**

106 Church St.
Arlington, IL 61312

Phone: (815) 894-2006

Mail To: P.O. Box 159 Cherry 61317

Mass Schedule

Sunday Mass - 10:30 AM

***3 Churches Pastoral Assistant**

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****Office Hours****

Holy Trinity - Tues,-Fri.. -
9am-1pm

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Page - www.bureaucatholic.org

****Upcoming Events At Church****

**Daily Mass Intentions for
Masses the Week of April 25, 2022**

Monday
Tuesday 4/26** 8:00AM **STM
Wednesday 4/27**5:30pm**HT (Rosary before mass)
Thursday 4/28** 9:00AM **HT
Friday 4/29**8:00AM**STM

Offered For

† No Mass
† Janice Rynkewicz
† Clem & Irene Potthoff
† Doris Schwamberger
† Medie Guisti Luckey

**Next Weekend's Mass Intentions
Weekend of April 30th May 1st 2022**

Saturday: **4/30** St. Thomas More 4:00PM—
Sunday: 5/1**Holy Trinity, Cherry** 8:30AM
St. Patrick, Arlington - 10:30 AM
**St. Thomas More, Dalzell - 5PM

Offered For

† Kate, Winfield, Norm & Alan
† Jerry Joiner
† Cassidy Family
For the Parishioners



Divine Mercy Sunday

At the directive of Bishop Louis Tylka, the obligation to attend mass on all Sundays and Holy Days of Obligation was reinstated this past Palm Sunday.

Eucharistic Minister Training

A short training course will be given by Fr. Thaddeus to those interested in being a Eucharistic Minister at any of our three parishes. A minimum of 4 people will be needed for the course. The time and location will be announced once enough people have signed up. Call the office for more info & sign up.

HT Furnace Donations

Anyone wishing to help by donating to the HT Furnace Project can do so by dropping envelopes in the collection baskets or send to the church office @ HT P.O. Box 159. Please mark envelope "Furnace Donation". Any donations are greatly appreciated! The new furnace has been installed.

Latest Offering's

Weekend April 17th

Holy Trinity -	\$2127.00
St. Patrick -	\$825.75
St. Thomas More -	\$1169.00

Divine Mercy Sunday

Because of the significant aspect of the Divine Mercy devotion, members of all our 3 churches are encouraged to participate in the Divine Mercy Sunday Holy Hour which will take place in Dalzell at 4pm. The Holy Hour will consist of the exposition of the Blessed Sacrament; the public saying of the Divine Mercy Rosary; and ends with the Benediction at 5pm. Please note there will be NO 5pm Sunday Mass.

St. Faustina

In her years in the convent, St. Faustina heard a call from God to make God's mercy known to the world so that the world may more fully receive God's healing grace. St. Faustina promoted the Chaplet of Divine Mercy which consists of the recitation of prayers to the Eternal Father with the use of the rosary for the sake of Christ's sorrowful passion.

The Chaplet is prayed as follows:

1. Begin with the Sign of the Cross, one Our Father, one Hail Mary, and the Apostles' Creed.
2. On the Our Father beads, recite the following:
"Eternal Father, I offer you the Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity of your dearly beloved Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, in atonement for our sins and those of the whole world."
3. On the ten Hail Mary beads, say the following:
"For the sake of His sorrowful Passion, have mercy on us and on the whole world."
4. Repeat step two and three for all five decades.
5. Conclude by reciting three times:
"Holy God, Holy Mighty One, Holy Immortal One, have mercy on us and on the whole world."

Confessions

The next confessions will be Saturday - April 30th 10:30-11:15- at St. Patrick in the chapel.



Confirmation

Tuesday April 26th Bishop Tylka will be at St. Thomas More to confirm 13 candidates for our 2022 Confirmation Class. Please pray for our confirmands as they get ready to receive the gifts of the Holy Spirit during this beautiful celebration. The names of the Confirmands this year are: Greyson Bickett, Lyla Clayton, Kaitlyn Coutts, Julia Dergance, Maddy Fabish, Cesar Figueroa, Jimmie Jablonski, Nate Johll, KJ Mudge, Landon Raef, Riley Rauh, Emma Slingsby and Avery Sondgeroth.



First Communion

On Sunday May 1st, our Second graders will make their First Communion at Holy Trinity Church during the 8:30am mass. Our First Communicants are: Reed Bickett, Natalie Figueroa, Makenna Lehn, Jolee Leffelman, Maliyah Mzoughi, Ava Stangel and Kylan Virlee.

Please Note:

First Reconciliation and practice will be on Friday April 29th at Holy Trinity Church at 6:00pm.

Dear Padre,

My friend is doing a Bible study, and part of the program is something called *lectio divina*. Is that a Catholic practice?

This method of listening to Scripture has the Church's approval. In fact, Catholic bishops have recommended *lectio divina* as an easy way for Catholics to become more familiar with the Bible. The practice of *lectio divina* is quite simple:

First, ask the Holy Spirit to help you listen. Then slowly read a short Scripture passage aloud. Listen for a word or phrase that strikes you. Next, think about why this word or phrase is so striking at this moment. Does the word or phrase touch your life right now? Then, ask God's help in making an important choice, or ask what the word or phrase that struck you in the first step means in your life. Finally, close your eyes, let go of all thoughts, and remain silent before God.

These parts have a logical progression, but it's not a hard-and-fast method. People who have been doing *lectio divina* for a long time sometimes move back and forth between parts. If you practice *lectio divina* regularly, over time your understanding of God's word will deepen.

Fr. Rick Potts, CSSR
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Do you have a question for the Padre?

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A WORD FROM *Pope Francis*

[*Lectio divina*] is first of all a matter of reading the biblical passage attentively—even more, I would say with “obedience” to the text, to understand what it means in and of itself. One then enters into dialogue with Scripture, so that those words become a cause for meditation and prayer.

GENERAL AUDIENCE, JANUARY 27, 2021

Calendar

Monday

APRIL 25

St. Mark,
Evangelist

1 Pt 5:5b–14

Mk 16:15–20

Tuesday

APRIL 26

Easter Weekday

Acts 4:32–37

Jn 3:7b–15

Wednesday

APRIL 27

Easter Weekday

Acts 5:17–26

Jn 3:16–21

Thursday

APRIL 28

Easter Weekday

Acts 5:27–33

Jn 3:31–36

Friday

APRIL 29

St. Catherine of Siena,
Virgin and Doctor
of the Church

Acts 5:34–42

Jn 6:1–15

Saturday

APRIL 30

Easter Weekday

Acts 6:1–7

Jn 6:16–21

Sunday

MAY 1

Third Sunday of Easter

Acts 5:27–32, 40b–41

Rv 5:11–14

Jn 21:1–19 or 21:1–14