



They all ate and were satisfied, and they picked up the fragments left over—twelve wicker baskets full.
MATTHEW 14:20

A Free Meal, but with Demands

When God invites you to a meal, you never have to pay. It might be free, but it does have its demands. In fact, you are expected to open yourself to a total transformation. In the first reading, Isaiah mentions the renewal of an everlasting covenant. Perhaps a small dinner fee might be easier to handle.

This reading is quite tender. The needy are invited to a meal of grain, wine, and milk. Their neediness might explain why the meal is free. The invitation is magnanimous: "Come to me...that you may have life" (Isaiah 55:3). The Gospel story of the multiplication of the fishes and loaves reveals the same magnanimity. Jesus feeds all those who have followed him, no questions asked. This story follows a long tradition of miraculous feedings, which include the manna in the wilderness (Exodus 16) and Elisha multiplying bread (2 Kings 4:42-44). It's natural to wonder just how that bread and those fish were able to satisfy so many, but there is another aspect of the story that should not be overlooked. The words, "He said the blessing, broke

the loaves, and gave them to the disciples" (Matthew 14:19) will appear again in the account of the Last Supper (Matthew 26:26). Though this was the ritual performed at the daily Jewish meal, the eucharistic allusion is unmistakable.

Perhaps it is the psalm response that throws light on the primary focus of the readings. There the graciousness and kindness of the Lord are acclaimed: "You open wide your hand / and satisfy the desire of every living thing" (Psalm 145:16).

—Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

FOR *Reflection*

- ★ Think of the good things in your life that have been given to you free of charge. How grateful are you?
- ★ Think of the times God has used you to bless others. How grateful are you for this?



Holy Trinity Catholic Church



St. Thomas More Catholic Church



St. Patrick Catholic Church

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Mass Schedule

Weekdays - Tuesday 12:15pm and

Thursday - 8:30am

Saturday Confessions - 3:15-3:45 PM
or by appointment

Saturday Vigil Mass - 4:00 PM

Sunday Mass - 8:30 AM

***Pastor of the Three Churches**

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

All Events On Hold

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For All Three Churches

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Mass Schedule

Weekday Mass -

Wednesday & Friday - 8:00AM

Saturday Vigil Mass - 5:30 PM

Sunday (Last Chance) Mass-
5:30 PM

Adoration Room

Open Monday-Friday 8AM-8PM

Saturday & Sunday -

8AM Until After 5:30PM Mass

Divine Mercy Prayers

Every Friday 3:00PM

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

All Events On Hold

St. Patrick Church

(Office at Holy Trinity Church)

106 Church St.

Arlington, IL 61312

Phone: (815) 894-2006

Mass Schedule

Sunday Mass - 10:30 AM

***3 Churches Pastoral Assistant**

Julie Hollinger

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****Office Hours****

Holy Trinity - Tues, Thurs, & Fri.
- 9AM-12PM

St. Thomas More -

Wed - 9AM - 12PM

****Facebook:** Use Link on Home
Page - www.bureaucatholic.org

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

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Daily Mass Intentions for
Masses the Week of August 3, 2020

Monday

****www.bureaucatholic.org/Facebook Link - 5*30PM**HT**

Tuesday

****www.bureaucatholic.org/Facebook Link - 9:00AM**HT**

Wednesday

****Facebook Link - 9:00AM**SP**

Thursday

****www.bureaucatholic.org/Facebook Link - 9:00AM**HT**

Friday

****Facebook Link - 9:00AM **STM**

† No Mass

Special Intention (For Sick)

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† Charlie & Hazel Keutzer

† Amelia Nanni

Next Weekend's Mass Intentions
Weekend of August 8-9, 2020

Saturday:

****Facebook Link - 4:00PM **STM**

Sunday:

****www.bureaucatholic.org/Facebook Link - 9:00 AM**HT**

St. Patrick, Arlington - 10:30 AM

****St. Thomas More, Dalzell - 6:00 PM (Last Chance Communion)**

Offered For

† John Micheli

† For The Parishioners

† No Mass

† No Mass

(Just Holy Communion)

On-Line Giving Offering's

Holy Trinity - \$0.00
St. Patrick - \$0.00
St. Thomas More - \$0.00

Visit Venerable Fulton Sheen At Cathedral in Peoria

Monday - Friday 12pm - 2pm
Saturday 3pm - 5pm
(Re-Opened Again)

Ministry Schedule For Next Weekend

Holy Trinity

LECTOR

Saturday - 4:00PM - ?

Sunday - 8:30AM - ?

SERVERS

Saturday - 4:00PM -

?

Sunday - 8:30AM - ?

COUNTERS

Sunday - 8:30AM -

? & ?

Mass Intentions

We are in need of Mass Intentions for weekday Masses. The Masses on the web are a great occasion for family members not living in this area to pray with us for family members who have died. Please consider having a weekday Mass for a deceased member of your family and thank you. Mass intentions can be paid through our online giving program, mail or dropping by our office.

Recurring Special Church Events

Wednesday's - Rosary - 6PM (On Website)
(Rotates Between 3 Churches)

Friday's - Divine Mercy Chaplet - Suspended
3PM - St. Thomas More Adoration Chapel

Third Monday of the Month -

Mass for Reparation of Sins & Rosary -
5:30PM (No Wednesday Rosary That Week)

Where We Are With Churches Reopening

Our first requirement to reopening the churches was to have some volunteers to help to ensure we adhered to social distancing guidelines. As of now, we have 3 to help at St. Thomas More and at least 2 at Holy Trinity. And, as of now we have one at St. Patrick's. The volunteers also have been asked to be 65 or under and not have any health conditions. It would be great if we could have at least 2 people at each Mass.

Again, if anybody can help with this need, please let the office know so we can send a link to you to watch an instructional video. After this we can be certified to re-open.

At this time we still don't have approval for 50% occupancy in our churches. The increase in infections probably slowed that process down.

Even when we do reopen, the dispensation from attending Mass will still be in place for the older generation and those with health conditions.

When we do return to the churches for Masses and people attending them, we will be just going to one Mass at each church. Right now, the plan is to have the 4PM Mass at St. Thomas More, the 9AM Mass at Holy Trinity and, eventually, an 11AM at St. Patrick. So far of the churches in our area that have opened, attendance has been way down and understandably. The return of the Last Chance Mass will come when needed! In the meantime, Father is doing a 6PM Last Chance Holy Communion in the St. Thomas More parking lot in Dalzell. Thank you!

Our Masses can be watched on our website or on the Facebook page "Bureau Catholic Churches".

Confessions

The next confessions will be at St. Thomas More in parking lot on Saturday, August 8th from 11-11:45am.

This Week's Update

We submitted the paperwork last week to allow 10 people back into church at Holy Trinity. And hopefully we will have the paperwork in Tuesday to get 10 people into St. Thomas More church. Then, by the end of the week, we should have the paperwork in to have 10 people back into St. Patrick church. The 10 people is the limit of phase 1 of the re-opening. Then we will start on getting phase 2 approval for seating up to 25 people. Also we hope to have the adoration room at St. Thomas More open by this next weekend. It will be limited to 2 people or members of one family at a time per hour in the room. The seating has been adjusted for social distancing. The use of the adoration room and, when we are able, the seating at Mass will be available by reservation through a website with a link on our website homepage or by calling the office.

As we celebrate the 18th week of Ordinary Time, we are reminded that Jesus is always giving Himself to us. We receive Him in the Gospel at every Mass when we hear Jesus speaking to us, when we pray together, and, in a very special way, through our reception of the Holy Eucharist during Mass, (or today at the distribution of Holy Communion after Mass). We hear another connection this week of Jesus and water. We need water to live in this world and we need our relationship with Jesus to live in Heaven in our next life. Both are essential to our lives.

PLEASE KEEP PRAYING HARD, stash some food for when our food supply will be interrupted. May God always protect us and be with us!

Fr. Pat Fixsen

Dear Padre,

Recently a visiting priest went completely off script during the eucharistic prayer at Mass. Is this allowed?

The eucharistic prayer is the summit of the entire Mass, culminating in what it means for the Church to celebrate the Eucharist. *The Roman Missal* offers ten options in English: Eucharistic Prayers 1, 2, 3, and 4; two for reconciliation; and four for various needs. Also, an additional three are available for Masses with children. Not all of these options appear regularly in missalettes.

In exercising his office of celebrant, the priest is allowed to offer brief explanations, such as before the preface to the eucharistic prayer, but never during the prayer itself (*General Instruction of the Roman Missal*, 31).

In general, "the Priest will remember that he is the servant of the Sacred Liturgy and that he himself is not permitted, on his own initiative, to add, to remove, or to change anything in the celebration of Mass" (*GIRM* 24). The mystery of the Mass "is too great for anyone to permit himself to treat it according to his own whim, so that its sacredness and its universal ordering would be obscured" (*Redemptionis Sacramentum*, 11).

Overall, presiders desire a meaningful ritual experience for those hungering and thirsting for holiness to encounter the living presence of Christ. If some actions and proclamations by presiders appear misguided, they're seldom due to a lack of genuine pastoral care.

—Fr. Byron Miller, CSSR
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A WORD FROM *Pope Francis*

Obedient to Jesus' commands, the Church organized the eucharistic liturgy into moments which correspond to the words and the actions performed by him on the eve of his passion....In the eucharistic prayer, we give thanks to God for the whole work of redemption, and the offerings become the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ.

—GENERAL AUDIENCE, FEBRUARY 28, 2018

Calendar

Monday

AUGUST 3

Weekday

Jer 28:1–17

Mt 14:22–36

Tuesday

AUGUST 4

St. John Vianney,
Priest

Jer 30:1–2, 12–15,
18–22

Mt 14:22–36 or

Mt 15:1–2, 10–14

Wednesday

AUGUST 5

Weekday

Jer 31:1–7

Mt 15:21–28

Thursday

AUGUST 6

Transfiguration
of the Lord

Dn 7:9–10, 13–14

2 Pt 1:16–19

Mt 17:1–9

Friday

AUGUST 7

Weekday

Na 2:1, 3; 3:1–3, 6–7

Mt 16:24–28

Saturday

AUGUST 8

St. Dominic,
Priest

Hb 1:12–2:4

Mt 17:14–20

Sunday

AUGUST 9

Nineteenth Sunday
in Ordinary Time

1 Kgs 19:9a, 11–13a

Rom 9:1–5

Mt 14:22–33