

Live By Faith

The story of Abraham is one of extraordinary blessing. However, his story is also one of extraordinary faith. At major points of his life, Abraham had no idea what was in store for him or his family. He was directed to leave his home and become a wandering herder. He was an immigrant in a foreign land, bereft of social support structures. He was promised descendants but waited many years for that promise to be realized. Once he had an heir, he was then told to sacrifice that son of promise without any assurances of a favorable future. Time and again, Abraham was asked to live by faith.

The phrase "seeing is believing" is misleading. It is really an expression of skepticism that means, "I won't believe it unless I see it." However, true belief means that we accept something even though we don't see it, don't understand it. That is a very difficult way for most of us to live. Yet live like this we must, whether

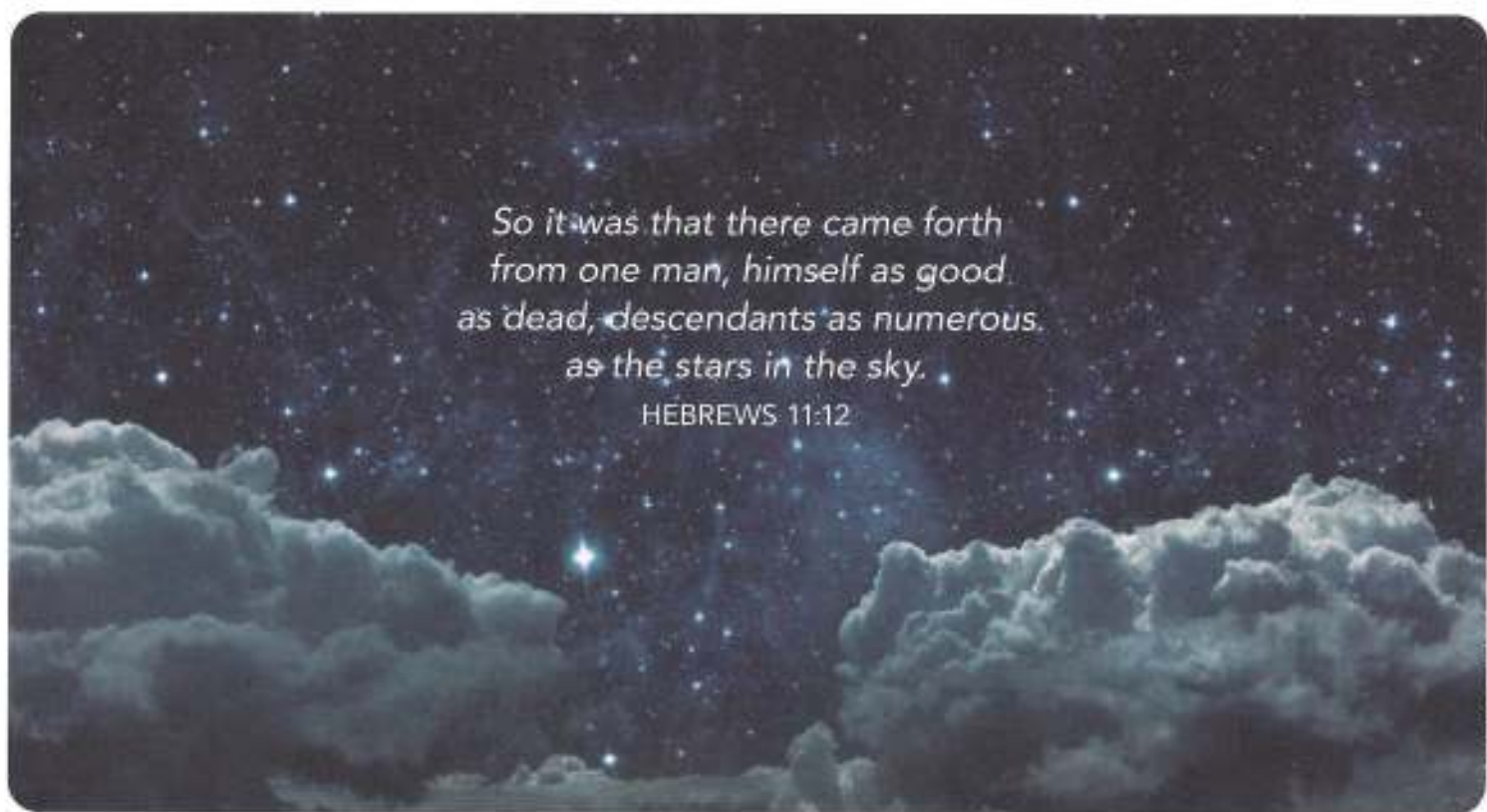
we are believers or unbelievers, because so much of life is beyond our control or understanding.

So how do we learn to live by faith? We have something that Abraham did not have. We have his story to encourage us. In that story we see that again and again he stepped forward in faith, and God brought things together. If God did this in Abraham's life, surely God can and will do it in ours. We must only live by faith.

Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

FOR Reflection

- ✦ *Do you always need certainty before you act? Has that always worked?*
- ✦ *Be grateful for the times when you stepped forward in faith and God brought things together.*



*So it was that there came forth
from one man, himself as good
as dead, descendants as numerous
as the stars in the sky.*

HEBREWS 11:12



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

**** Events At Church****



St. Thomas More Catholic Church

For All Three Churches

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Mass Schedule

Weekday Mass -

Tues. & Fri. - 8:00am

Saturday Vigil Mass - 4:00 PM

Sunday Mass-5:00pm

Adoration Room

Open Monday-Sunday 9AM-6PM—

Permanent Hours

**** Events At Church****

STM Rav Group Taking orders
Now—Orders will start being filled
in September—Call 815-252-2215 to
place an order



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St. Patrick Church

(Office at Holy Trinity Church)

106 Church St.

Arlington, IL 61312

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Mass Schedule

Sunday Mass - 10:30 AM

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****Office Hours****

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9am-1pm

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****Events At Church****

Daily Mass Intentions for Masses the Week of Aug. 8 2022

Monday

Tuesday

8/9** 8:00AM **STM

Wednesday

8/10**5:30PM **HT (Rosary before mass)

Thursday

8/11** 9:00AM **HT

Friday

8/12**8:00AM**STM

Offered For

† NO MASS

† Geraldine Sondgeroth

† Alan Hahn

† Bernard Schwamberger

† John Micheli

Next Weekend's Mass Intentions

Weekend of Aug. 13-14, 2022

Saturday:

8/13** St. Thomas More 4:00PM

Sunday:

8/14**Holy Trinity, Cherry** 8:30AM

St. Patrick, Arlington - 10:30 AM

St. Thomas More, Dalzell - 5PM -

Offered For

† Francee Wolf

† Kenny & Mary Lehn

† Jim Smith

† For the Parishioners



Feast of the Transfiguration of the Lord

From the day Peter confessed that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of the living God, the Master "began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and suffer many things... and be killed, and on the third day be raised." Peter scorns this prediction, nor do the others understand it any better than he. In this context the mysterious episode of Jesus' Transfiguration takes place on a high mountain, before three witnesses chosen by himself: Peter, James and John. Jesus' face and clothes become dazzling with light, and Moses and Elijah appear, speaking "of his departure, which he was to accomplish at Jerusalem". A cloud covers him and a voice from heaven says: "This is my Son, my Chosen; listen to him!"

august saint's

Feast of St. Lawrence, Deacon and Martyr August 10th

Saint Lawrence was chief among the seven deacons who served the Roman Church during the mid-third century. The young cleric held a position of great trust, caring for the goods of the Church and distributing its alms among the poor. He was arrested under the Emperor Valerian in 258, laid upon a gridiron and slowly roasted to death. Lawrence rejoiced in his gruesome martyrdom and died praying for the conversion of the city of Rome, in the hope that from it the faith of Christ might spread throughout the world. From that time idolatry began to decline in Rome.



What is the difference...a "permanent deacon" and a "transitional deacon"?

There is only one diaconate. All priests are first ordained as deacons. For them, the diaconate is transitional as they also go on to be ordained priests. They then live their life in priestly ministry. Permanent deacons are what the name implies. They are ordained for a life-long commitment to a ministry of service as deacons.

The deacon is an ordained person living a lifestyle that in some aspects is similar to the laity. He may be married and most often holds primary employment outside the church, while also living a life of service to the church. The deacon is a member of the clergy but firmly rooted in the day to day world of family life, workplace, and community.



If you or someone you know has been thinking of becoming a permanent deacon, contact Fr. Thaddeus or visit cdop.org scroll to vocations and click on Diaconate to learn more information.



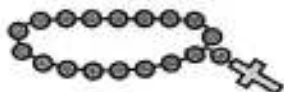
Again we are urgently seeking volunteer teachers and helpers. Otherwise if we continue to see a lack of interest among our members and parents, then the CCD program might have to be moved to another church. This will be a devastating thing that we don't want to happen to our churches.

LATEST OFFERING'S

WEEKEND JULY 31ST

HT— \$ 869.00
SP— \$ 329.00
STM— \$ 889.00

Please contact the church office whenever a member or yourself become sick, hospitalized or is in the nursing home. Fr. Thaddeus can visit. Also let us know if you would like a bulletin mailed.



Confessions

The next confessions will be Saturday— Aug. 13th
10:30-11:15 at St. Thomas
More in the hall

Dear Padre,

When I was young, we never had eucharistic devotions. Why are they so popular now?

Prior to the Second Vatican Council, many Catholics found solid food for their spiritual lives in eucharistic devotions, which include visiting the Blessed Sacrament (eucharistic adoration), attending Forty Hours devotion, and assisting at benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.

However, as the modern liturgical movement began picking up steam, scholars and theologians began questioning the amount of energy and attention going toward eucharistic devotion. They urged us to focus our spirituality more clearly on the Mass—the action of the sacred liturgy and the Eucharist itself—and to understand that all eucharistic devotions outside of the sacred liturgy are meant to direct us back to the action of the Mass, the eucharistic sacrifice, and its high point of Communion.

The drop-off in eucharistic devotions after Vatican II can be positively understood as an attempt to take the insights of liturgical reform seriously and develop a more liturgical piety. At the same time, the resurgence of eucharistic adoration is a worthy retrieval of a beloved practice that both scholars and the faithful understand as complementing a full, conscious, and active participation in the sacred liturgy that is the “source and summit” of our lives.

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A WORD FROM Pope Francis

We do well to spend time in adoration before the Eucharist....Let us allow Jesus the Living Bread to heal us of our self-absorption, open our hearts to self-giving, liberate us from our rigidity and self-concern, free us from the paralyzing slavery of defending our image, and inspire us to follow him wherever he would lead us.

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Calendar

Monday

AUGUST 8

St. Dominic, Priest

Ez 1:2–5, 24–28c

Mt 17:22–27

Tuesday

AUGUST 9

Weekday

Ez 2:8–3:4

Mt 18:1–5, 10, 12–14

Wednesday

AUGUST 10

St. Lawrence,

Deacon and Martyr

2 Cor 9:6–10

Jn 12:24–26

Thursday

AUGUST 11

St. Clare, Virgin

Ez 12:1–12

Mt 18:21–19:1

Friday

AUGUST 12

Weekday

Ez 16:1–15, 60, 63

or 16:59–63

Mt 19:3–12

Saturday

AUGUST 13

Weekday

Ez 18:1–10, 13b, 30–32

Mt 19:13–15

Sunday

AUGUST 14

Twentieth Sunday

in Ordinary Time

Jer 38:4–6, 8–10

Heb 12:1–4

Lk 12:49–53



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