

Fear Not

Easier said than done. There is so much to be afraid of today: war; the loss of life and the devastation caused by it; unemployment and poverty; illness and the pain and diminishment that often accompany it; the threat of ecological collapse; to say nothing of personal anxiety and trauma. The readings for this Sunday all speak of the hardships that loom over every life.

But these hardships are not the last word. Jeremiah ends his announcement of gloom on a positive note: “Praise the LORD, / For he has rescued the life of the poor / from the power of the evildoers!” (Jeremiah 20:13). The psalm of lament picks up the same message: “the LORD hears the poor” (Psalm 69:34).

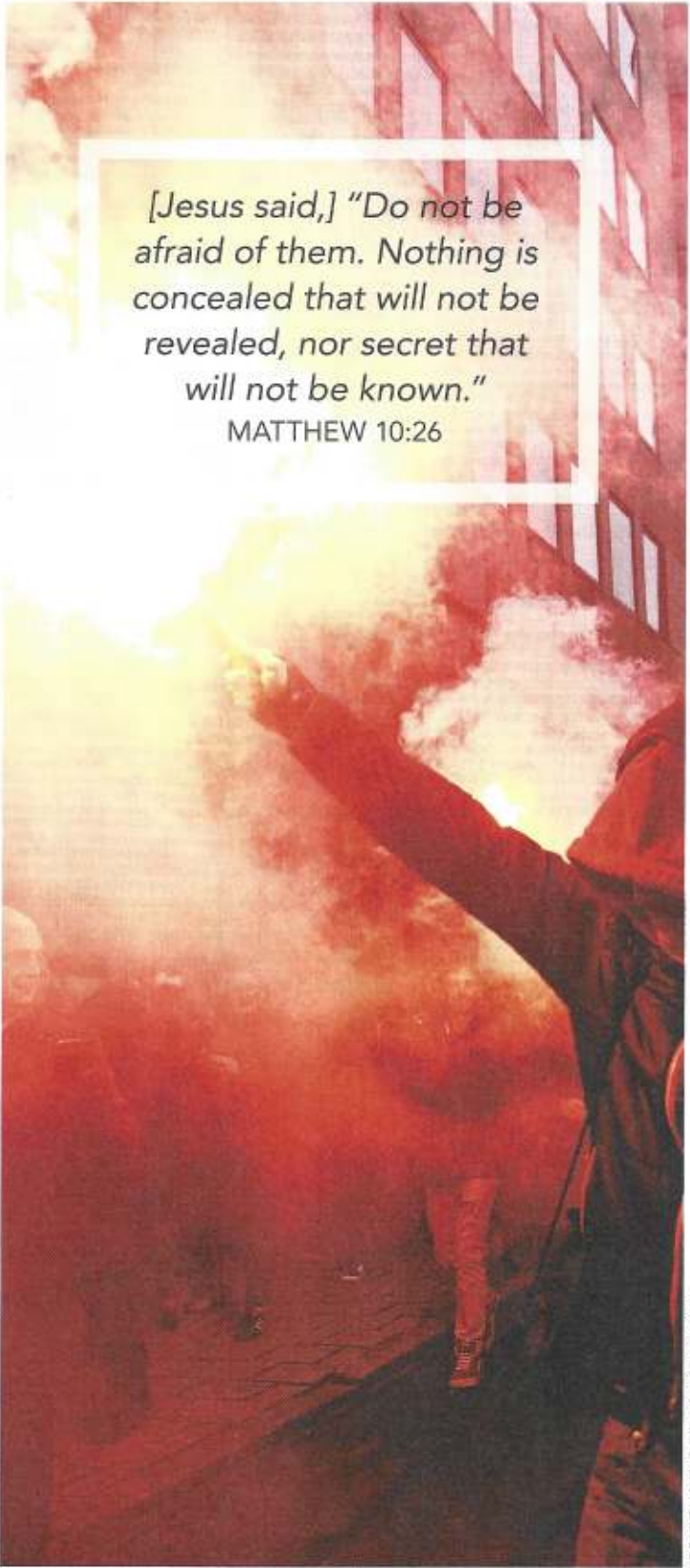
Saint Paul insists that sin and death don’t win: “...How much more did the grace of God...overflow for the many” (Romans 5:15). Caught in the throes of misfortune, people cry out—but God responds.

It is in the Gospel that the reassurance of God’s care unfolds. The struggles described there are real, but they will not last. The imagery employed to characterize God’s care is picturesque and extraordinarily tender. If God is attentive to the lowly sparrows, how much more will God be attentive to us? Even more personally, God knows us so well that the very hairs on our head are counted. The admonition here is clear: Never fear! If catastrophes threaten, don’t be afraid! Even if they engulf you or carry you away, don’t be afraid. It is only temporary. God is always there, attentive to our needs, so fear not!

—Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

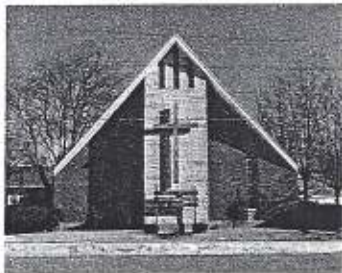
FOR *Reflection*

- * *What societal situation frightens you most? Here is where you might pray for trust in God’s loving care.*
- * *What might you do to change, even so slightly, what frightens you?*



[Jesus said,] “Do not be afraid of them. Nothing is concealed that will not be revealed, nor secret that will not be known.”

MATTHEW 10:26



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

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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

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Mass Schedule

Sunday Mass - 10:30 AM

***3 Churches Pastoral Assistant**

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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

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**Daily Mass Intentions for
Masses the Week of June 22, 2020**

Monday

**www.bureaucatholic.org/Facebook Link

Tuesday

www.bureaucatholic.org/Facebook Link - 11:15AMHT

Wednesday

Facebook Link - 11:15AMSP

Thursday

www.bureaucatholic.org/Facebook Link - 11:15AMHT

Friday

**Facebook Link - 11:15AM **STM

Offered For

† No Mass

† Purgatorial Society

† Bernard Schwamberger

† Dec Memb Justin Legner Family

† Madelyn Hahn

**Next Weekend's Mass Intentions
Weekend of June 27-28, 2020**

Saturday:

**www.bureaucatholic.org/Facebook Link - 4:00PM **STM

Sunday:

Facebook Link - 11:00 AMHT

St. Patrick, Arlington - 10:30 AM

† No Mass

**St. Thomas More, Dalzell - 6:00 PM (Last Chance Communion) † No Mass

(**Recommendation Watch A Mass Online Or EWTN Mass Before Receiving Communion)

Offered For

† For The Sick

† For The Parishioners

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	2pm - 2pm
Saturday	3pm - 6pm
Sunday	9am - 2pm

****Temporarily Closed****

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 ThatWeek)

Need For Volunteers At All Three Churches When Masses Begin Again

Our diocese, in conjunction with the Archdiocese of Chicago, is seeking volunteers to help assure at the Masses, at each church, we are adhering to social distancing guidelines and disinfecting after each Mass.

We will not be opening the church just yet for people to attend Mass. After each church is certified to begin Masses again, the limit right now is 25 people. Soon it will be 50 people and it seems more prudent to wait until that limit is approved.

Even when the churches are opened again for Mass, the dispensation from Mass will still remain in effect for those who have health problems.

Mass Plans When Entering Next Reopening Phase

Somewhere between the end of June into the beginning of July, we should be up to 50% occupancy in churches. As long as we have some people certified to help at our churches, they can be reopened through our self-certification.

St. Patrick shouldn't be a problem with the usual attendance for what we have had in the past and have social distancing. St. Thomas More also should be OK with social distancing. Holy Trinity might be a problem but we will have to see.

After recommendations from Peoria, one Mass at each church will be celebrated when we return. Unless the need comes to have the Last Chance Mass return! Holy Trinity and St. Thomas More also have the ability to handle overflow Mass attendees in their halls. So as with everything today, it depends on what the state and our diocese says is best. Thank you!

Confessions

The next confessions will be at Holy Trinity in parking lot on Saturday, June 27th from 11-11:45am.

End Times Conference

The fourth, and final, conference on the End Times and what we need to do to be prepared for it will be this week on Wednesday, June 24th at 5:30PM followed by the Rosary. Any previous conferences can be watched through our church website by clicking "Watch The Mass" and then click "Previous Broadcasts" and they will be listed chronologically.

In case you missed it, our Facebook link on our home page, on our website, takes you directly to where the Masses can be watched. And an account is not needed to watch these Masses. In case you missed it, the Facebook page name is now under "Bureau Catholic Churches".

After celebrating Pentecost, the Holy Trinity, and Corpus Christi, now we return to Ordinary Time for the Twelfth Week. The readings help us to recall the days of Christ's Passion and how those close to Him left being at His side when they could have supported Him. The Gospel also includes a verse that brings to mind an event that we are very close to experiencing, the Warning or Day of Illumination. It is when Jesus says "Nothing is concealed that will not be revealed". This as our Guardian Angel will show us our lives, review, all we have done with it, both good and bad.

Thank you to everybody who has offered to help at Masses once we can re-open! However, we still need some volunteers, preferably under 65 years old (if we have any?) to participate. Right now, we are short of help at St. Patrick. And it would be nice to have a rotation of health safety assistants. My hands are tied from celebrating a Mass in them until we are set up with people to help. God Bless!

Dear Padre,

Why does the Church oppose stem-cell research, especially when it has the potential to cure illnesses like Parkinson's disease?

Stem cells are unspecialized cells with the ability to divide and produce a variety of more specialized cells. Scientists hope that one day they can be coaxed into specific kinds of cells that can cure disease or repair diseased organs.

In its 2008 statement On Embryonic Stem Cell Research, the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops noted that there are two kinds of stem cells. Adult stem cells come from umbilical cord blood, adult tissue, and placenta. The bishops say they “can be obtained without harm to the donor and without any ethical problem.”

Embryonic stem cells, on the other hand, are obtained by destroying embryonic human beings in the first days of development. Since harvesting these cells involves the deliberate killing of humans, obtaining or using this kind of cell is immoral. This is why the Church has opposed extending federally funded stem-cell research beyond currently existing cell lines.

Although stem-cell research may hold vast therapeutic potential, it's never permissible to sacrifice a human being for the good of others. The bishops clarify the moral hazards when they say, “The same ethic that justifies taking some lives to help the patient with Parkinson's or Alzheimer's disease today can be used to sacrifice that very patient tomorrow, if his or her survival is viewed as disadvantageous to other human beings considered more deserving or productive.”

Catholics should support further research on adult stem cells, which show great promise, and resist efforts to expand research using embryonic cells.

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A WORD FROM *Pope Francis*

There is a tendency to justify transgressing all boundaries when experimentation is carried out on living human embryos. We forget that the inalienable worth of a human being transcends his or her degree of development. In the same way, when technology disregards the great ethical principles, it ends up considering any practice whatsoever as licit.

—LAUDATO SI', MAY 24, 2015

Calendar

Monday

JUNE 22

Weekday

2 Kgs 17:5–8,

13–15a, 18

Mt 7:1–5

Tuesday

JUNE 23

Weekday

2 Kgs 19:9b–11,

14–21, 31–35a, 36

Mt 7:6, 12–14

Wednesday

JUNE 24

Nativity of

St. John the Baptist

Is 49:1–6

Acts 13:22–26

Lk 1:57–66, 80

Thursday

JUNE 25

Weekday

2 Kgs 24:8–17

Mt 7:21–29

Friday

JUNE 26

Weekday

2 Kgs 25:1–12

Mt 8:1–4

Saturday

JUNE 27

Weekday

Lam 2:2, 10–14,

18–19

Mt 8:5–17

Sunday

JUNE 28

Thirteenth Sunday in

Ordinary Time

2 Kgs 4:8–11, 14–16a

Rom 6:3–4, 8–11

Mt 10:37–42