March 20, 2022

Third Sunday of Lent (C) Ex 3:1-8a, 13-15 1 Cor 10:1-6, 10-12 Lk 13:1-9

# I Am!

f you have ever tried to explain a profound experience of love, fear, or excitement; of music, nature, or life itself, you know that no words can adequately capture the essence of that experience. If it is thus with a human experience, what must it be like with an experience of God?

Such was the situation with Moses. He came upon a bush that was burning, yet not burning up. He probably thought that this was an unfamiliar natural phenomenon. It was only as he got closer, and a voice spoke to him that he realized it was not natural at all. It was a sacred event unfolding at a sacred place. There God said: "I am the God of your father" (Exodus 3:6). This was an identification, but not a name. It was only later when Moses asks for God's personal name that God's real identity was revealed. Or was it?

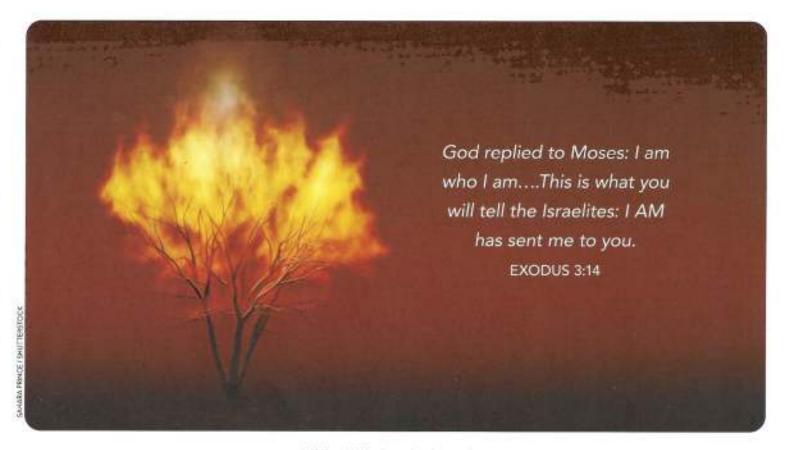
Scholars agree that the name given is some form

of the verb "to be," but they are not in agreement as to which form. Is it "I am who I am," "I will be who I will be," or "I cause to be what has come to be"? The name indicates that God is the power of existence, but it is not clear what this means or how it works. Some commentators maintain that God is telling Moses and us: This is as close to my full identity as you can come. You wouldn't understand it anyway. Be satisfied knowing that "I Am."

Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

# FOR Reflection

- \* Reflect on this idea: profound human experiences open our minds and hearts to the experience of God.
- \* Remember, this mysterious incomprehensible God cares for each of us.





#### Holy Trinity Catholic Church

#### \*\*Main Office\*\*

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And on Facebook at "Bureau Catholic Churches".

#### Mass Schedule

Weekdays - Wednesday 5:30pm and Thursday - 9:00am Saturday Confessions - 10:30-11:15 AM or by appointment

Sunday Mass - 8:30am

#### \*Pastor of the Three Churches

Fr. Thaddeus Tran

#### \*\*Upcoming Events At Church\*\*

CCD In-Person April 3rd Class for K-4th will be held at the Hall CONFIRMATION IN PERSON FRIDAY MARCH 25



#### 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 Email: thomasmore32@gmail.com

#### 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\*\*

Ravioli Making-Call to order Phone # 815-252-2215 \*CCD Classes @HT Church Hall



#### 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, Thurs, & Fri. - 9AM-12PM St. Thomas More (Hrs may vary)

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

#### \*\*Upcoming Events At Church\*\*

CCD Class time 9:30-10:30

#### Daily Mass Intentions for Masses the Week of March 21, 2022

Monday

Tuesday

3/22\*\* 8:00AM \*\*STM

Wednesday

3/23\*\*5:30pm\*\*HT (Rosary before mass)

Thursday

3/24\*\* 9:00AM\*\*HT

Friday

3/25\*\*8:00AM\*\*STM

3/25 Stations of the Cross @HT 6pm

Next Weekend's Mass Intentions

Weekend of March 26-27, 2022

Saturday: Sunday:

\*\*3/26\*\* St. Thomas More 4:00PM

3/27\*\*www.bureaucatholic.org- 8:30AM\*\*HT

St. Patrick, Arlington - 10:30 AM \*\*St. Thomas More, Dalzell - 5:00 PM

# † Mike Ray

Offered For

† Felix & Eileen Bonucchi

† Roy & Molly Chapman

† John Micheli

† No Mass

#### Offered For

† Dec. Membs of Bacidore Family

† Norma Templeton † Kathy Sondgeroth † For The Parishioners

## Latest Offering's Weekend March 13rh

Holy Trinity -\$1,073.00 St. Patrick -\$417.00 St. Thomas More - \$938.00

## FISH FRY TIME!

ST. THOMAS MORE DINE-IN Friday April 8, 2022 4:30-7:30pm at the Parish Hall Menu: Fried Fish, Fries, Coleslaw, Bread, Dessert & Drink Adults: \$12 Kids 7yrs & under \$6 Carry Outs Available by Calling Jyll @815-252-4377





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## SUMMER MOWING

Looking For Mowing Volunteers @ HT Church Hall Lot 2-3 Times for the Summer If interested in being on the list contact Larry at 815-325-2608

### Prayer To St. Joseph

Oh, St. Joseph, whose protection is so great, so strong, so prompt before the throne of God. I place in you all my interests and desires. Oh, St. Joseph, do assist me by your powerful intercession, and obtain for me from your divine Son all spiritual blessings, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. So that, having engaged here below your heavenly power, I may offer my thanksgiving and homage to the most loving of Fathers .

# come to st. Joseph



# Month of St. Joseph

The month of March is dedicated to St. Joseph.

The Church encourages us to be devoted to Joseph because he was a model in the heroic practice of all the virtues. The example of virtuous living that he gave in the exact fulfillment of the duties of his state of life is worthy of our reflection. Read the gospel and you will see his faith, hope and charity practiced under trying circumstances. He was prudent in caring for his wife and the child; he showed great leadership in protecting them and assisting them. He was religious in every sense, with that delicacy and sincerity of conscience that is proper to the saints of God. He was just in his dealings with God and man. He was conspicuous for his fortitude and courage. He was truly outstanding in the practice of virginal chastity. More: he protected and defended Mary's virtue in the time of courtship and all during their life together. They had made a promise of chastity, and because they were resolved to live it for God they were blessed above all others. While Mary inspired him to practice this virtue perfectly, he, as a real man, understood the profound meaning of her inspiration and how it came from a heart that was steeped in the love of God. Time and again the Church has made it clear that Joseph is not a saint for only a certain number of souls, but that he can help all men.

Excepted from St. Joseph: a Theological Introduction by Michael D. Griffin, O.C.D.

#### Confessions

The next confessions will be Saturday - March 26th 10:30-11:15at St. Thomas More in the Hall Stations of the Cross The next stations of the cross will be Friday March 25th @HT 6pm

## Weekly Catholic Lent IQ

- 1.Catholics are encouraged to receive the sacrament of during Lent.
- A) matrimony b) holy orders c) reconciliation d) baptism
- 2. Lent ends when
- A) you break your Lenten promises b) the Easter Bunny comes c) the Easter Triduum begins d) you cat a hot dog
- Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and me" (Matthew 16:24) a) follow b) listen to c) email d) text
  - 4. People with the wounds of Christ on their body have the .
    - a) stigmata b) crown of thorns c) cross d) most doctor's visits
  - 5. The Stations of the Cross is a common spiritual devotion during Lent. True | False
  - 6. The "passion" of Christ refers to his suffering and death on the cross. True | False
  - 7. Mary has the title of Our Lady of \_\_\_\_\_because she suffered so much watching her son crucified. a) Snows b) Queen of Peace c)

Sorrows d) Guadalupe

Answers: c,c,a,a,T,T,c

# Dear Padre,

## Can people convert to Catholicism only during Lent and Easter?

People can convert to Catholicism at any time, but Lent and Easter are especially associated with the journey of believers into our communion. If a person is in danger of imminent death, reception into the Church can happen in a matter of moments at any time during the year. However, most



people who want to join the Church needn't rush. The Church can gradually tutor them in the life and faith of the community over the course of a year or more. Adult converts normally do this through the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA), which helps move people from a stage of curiosity and inquiry into fully conscious and active participation in the

faith and life of the Church. It does this while attending to the rhythm of the Church's liturgical year.

Lent plays a key role in the RCIA as a season of intense spiritual preparation for those who will be received into the Church at the Easter Vigil. The Easter season is the traditional time for new converts to engage in the period of mystagogy—when they explore with the faith community the significance of the mysteries they're now living in their baptism, confirmation, and celebration of the Eucharist.

Fr. Matthew Allman, CSsR / Sundaybulletin@Liguori.org

Do you have a question for the Padre?

Go to DearPadre.org to send your question and to learn more about Dear Padre.



# A WORD FROM Pope Francis

Fasting, prayer and almsgiving, as preached by Jesus, enable and express our conversion. The path of poverty and self-denial (fasting), concern and loving care for the poor (almsgiving), and childlike dialogue with the Father (prayer) make it possible for us to live lives of sincere faith, living hope, and effective charity.

LENTEN MESSAGE FOR 2021, NOVEMBER 11, 2020

## Calendar

Monday MARCH 21 Lenten Weekday 2 Kgs 5:1-15ab Lk 4:24-30

Tuesday MARCH 22 Lenten Weekday Dn 3:25, 34–43 Mt 18:21–35

Wednesday MARCH 23 Lenten Weekday Dt 4:1, 5-9

Mt 5:17-19 Thursday

MARCH 24 Lenten Weekday Jer 7:23-28

Lk 11:14-23 Friday

MARCH 25 The Annunciation of the Lord Is 7:10–14; 8:10

> Heb 10:4-10 Lk 1:26-38

Saturday MARCH 26 Lenten Weekday Hos 6:1-6

Lk 18:9-14

Sunday MARCH 27 Fourth Sunday of Lent Jos 5:9a, 10–12 2 Cor 5:17–21 Lk 15:1–3, 11–32

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