



Our Parish COMMUNITY

March 27, 2022

Fourth Sunday of Lent (C)

Jos 5:9a, 10-12

2 Cor 5:17-21

Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

*Whoever is in Christ is a new creation: the old things have passed away;
behold, new things have come. And all this is from God.*

2 CORINTHIANS 5:17-18A



Rejoice!

Today is Laetare Sunday, the Lenten Sunday to rejoice. We are encouraged to rejoice, not because Lent is half over, but because something extraordinary has occurred. All three readings for today applaud some wondrous and joyous occasion.

The reading from Joshua notes the end of the Israelites' grueling Egyptian and wilderness experience. They settled in Canaan and now celebrated the anniversary of their deliverance by offering to God in gratitude the fruits of their own harvest. The people who once were landless have now been made anew. This is surely a reason to rejoice.

Paul's words to the Corinthians were reason for great rejoicing. He assured them that, because of the death and resurrection of Jesus, their sinfulness was not held against them. Instead, they were now reconciled with God. They were a new creation. This too is reason to rejoice.

Jesus' story about the merciful father touches every

life. The young son turned away from his home and his family, yet it was the father's actions that brought about the reconciliation. The story did not explicitly say that he simply forgave his son. More than that, it says that he was filled with deep compassion for him—a compassion that restored the bond between them. This compassion brought the son who was dead back to life. There is no greater reason for rejoicing.

God has brought us into a new land, has made each of us a new creation, has brought us back to the embrace of our Father. And so, we rejoice.

Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

FOR Reflection

- ★ *Think of a time when a severed relationship was repaired. Be grateful.*
- ★ *What might you do to repair a situation of alienation in your life?*



Holy Trinity Catholic Church

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"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 APRIL 8th



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**

Julie Hollinger

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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 28, 2022

Monday

Tuesday

3/29** 8:00AM **STM

Wednesday

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

Thursday

3/31** 9:00AM **HT

Friday

4/1** 8:00AM **STM

4/1 Stations of the Cross @SP 6pm

Next Weekend's Mass Intentions

Weekend of April 2-3, 2022

Saturday:

4/2 St. Thomas More 4:00PM

Sunday:

4/3** www.bureaucatholic.org - 8:30AM **HT

St. Patrick, Arlington - 10:30 AM

**St. Thomas More, Dalzell - 5:00 PM

Offered For

† No Mass

† Marlene Stillwell

† Dec. Memb Buckman Family

† Purgatorial Society

† Linda Orlandi

Offered For

† Liz Olivero

† Joseph & Clara Franco

† Laurence Fonderoli

† For The Parishioners

Latest Offering's
Weekend March 20th

Holy Trinity - \$909.00
St. Patrick - \$716.25
St. Thomas More - \$1231.00



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

SP CHURCH CLEANING

Looking for Volunteers to Clean SP
Church on Saturday April 9th at
9:00am



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.



Fourth Sunday in Lent (Laetare Sunday)

Station with Santa Croce in Gerusalemme (Holy Cross In Jerusalem):

This church is one of the seven pilgrim churches in Rome. St. Helen, mother of the emperor Constantine, had a church built in Rome to house the relics of the Passion of Our Lord which she had obtained during her pilgrimage to the Holy Land. St. Helen discovered the true Cross of Our Savior with its title and the instruments of His death such as the nails and the crown of thorns. She had the top layer from Mount Calvary removed and placed in barges that carried this material to Rome. She then had the builders use this soil as the ground on which she had the basilica built for the sacred relics. The true Cross and other holy items have been kept in this basilica since its consecration in the fourth century and can be visited to this day. Because of the great relic enshrined there, the basilica is called the Holy Cross and because it is built on the soil from Mount Calvary it is said to be in Jerusalem. To learn more about stational church visit catholicculture.com

A type of spiritual pilgrimage, the Lord desires to journey with all of us during Lent through the Stations of the Cross—to draw us each of us deeper into relationship as we meditate on His Passion and death.

Lisa Martinez

Confessions

The next confessions will be
Saturday - April 2nd 10:30-11:15- at
St. Patrick in the chapel

Stations of the Cross

The next stations of the cross will be
Friday April 1st @SP 6pm.



Congratulations to our newly
appointed Church Trustees
from

Holy Trinity—Carol Lauer
St. Patrick—Mary Stouffer
St. Thomas More—
Ben Schweickert

Being appointed by Bishop
Tylka, we wholeheartedly believe
they will be a great asset to their
respective church.

May they always be guided by the
Holy Spirit in their new roles as
advisors.

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for Mothers**

This is a parish ministry established by
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with dedicated volunteers and staff.
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3966 or 815-257-5520

Dear Padre,

When I'm trying to pray, I can't stop thinking about my to-do list. How do I keep my mind from racing when I pray?

Most spiritual directors encourage a person to enter gently into solitude and prayer. Real conversation with any friend begins with warm acknowledgment of that friend's presence, so as you sit or kneel, acknowledge that you are in a sacred place and that God is present.

Several techniques can help us find interior silence and solitude. Many people find it helps to sit in a comfortable position and pay close attention to their breathing. Taking slow, deep breaths relaxes our minds and hearts.

When repeated, a sacred word like *Jesus* or *Abba* can focus our attention and help us let go of the distractions that can so easily crowd our consciousness.

Another technique is to take a few moments to find quiet, then read a passage from Scripture. Many people choose the Gospel passage of the day; others read a Gospel through from beginning to end by reading a short passage each day. Other excellent techniques to focus your praying include the Church traditions of *lectio divina* as well as the imaginative prayer method advocated by St. Ignatius.

True conversation goes both ways. One way God speaks to us is through the word. Reading Scripture as part of our conversation with God is a good way to be sure we don't do all the talking.

Fr. Michael Brehl, 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*

Prayer often coexists with distraction. Indeed, the human mind struggles to dwell for long on a single thought. We all experience this constant whirlwind of images and illusions in perpetual motion, which accompanies us even during sleep. And we all know that it is not good to follow this inclination toward disorder.

GENERAL AUDIENCE, MAY 19, 2021

Calendar

Monday

MARCH 28

Lenten Weekday

Is 65:17-21

Jn 4:43-54

Tuesday

MARCH 29

Lenten Weekday

Ez 47:1-9, 12

Jn 5:1-16

Wednesday

MARCH 30

Lenten Weekday

Is 49:8-15

Jn 5:17-30

Thursday

MARCH 31

Lenten Weekday

Ex 32:7-14

Jn 5:31-47

Friday

APRIL 1

Lenten Weekday

Wis 2:1a, 12-22

Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30

Saturday

APRIL 2

Lenten Weekday

Jer 11:18-20

Jn 7:40-53

Sunday

APRIL 3

Fifth Sunday of Lent

Is 43:16-21

Phil 3:8-14

Jn 8:1-11

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