



Our Parish COMMUNITY

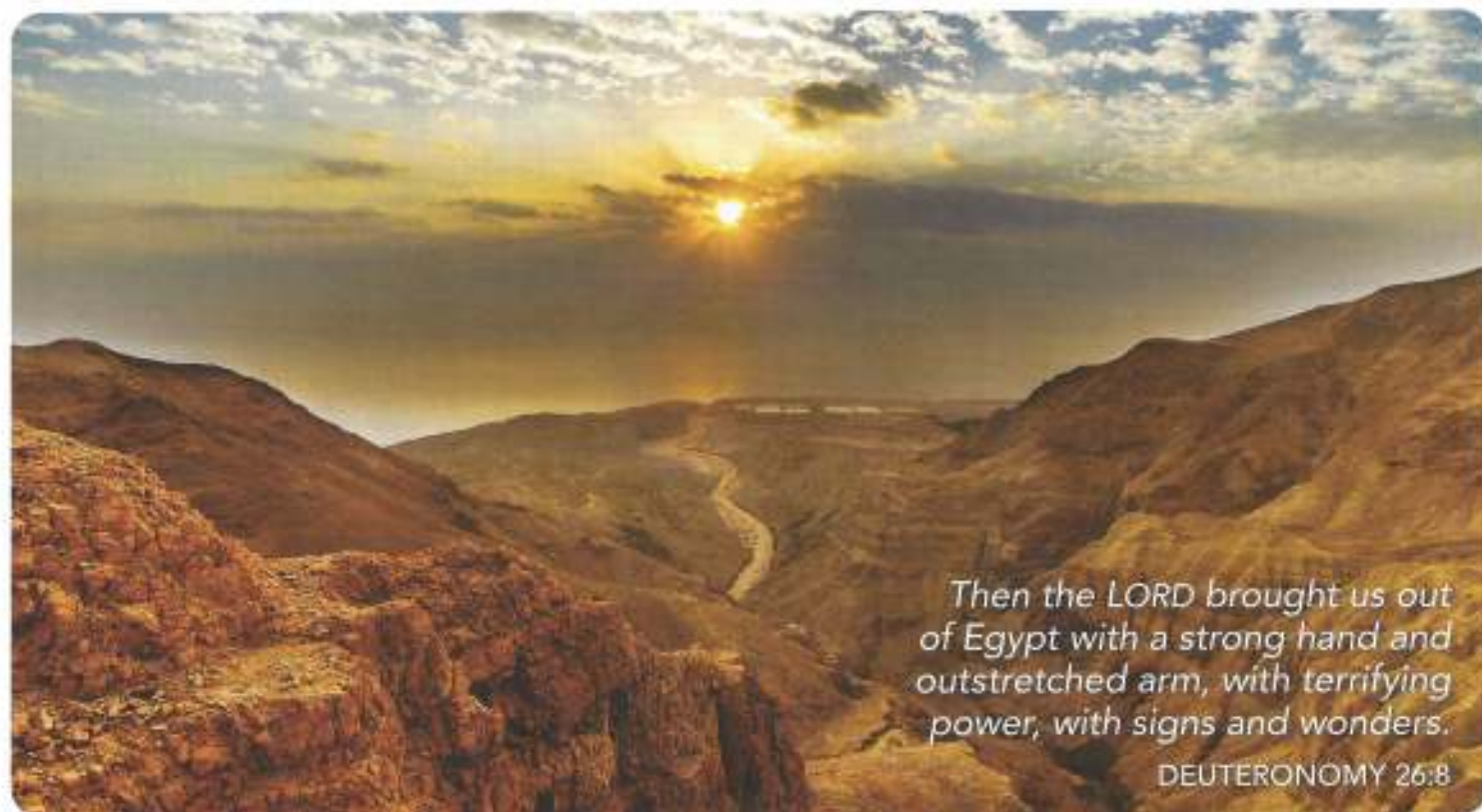
March 6, 2022

First Sunday of Lent (C)

Dt 26:4-10

Rom 10:8-13

Lk 4:1-13



Then the LORD brought us out of Egypt with a strong hand and outstretched arm, with terrifying power, with signs and wonders.

DEUTERONOMY 26:8

It's All Gift

There is one word that could almost be erased from our religious vocabulary. That word is *earn*. So many of us take on a Lenten program of penance to earn God's forgiveness. Or we engage in prayer to earn indulgences that will lessen our time in purgatory. Somewhere along the line we missed the class in which the primacy of God's free gift of grace was taught. Consequently, we still might use language that emphasizes our own hard-won merit apart from God rather than freely given love as the basis of all that follows. Today's first reading refutes such thinking.

The passage from Deuteronomy contains an important creedal statement, describing the heart of ancient Israel's faith. The people were instructed by Moses to commemorate the event of their founding as the special people of God. The creedal statement was probably recited during that commemoration. The statement itself describes how God called their

ancestor; from that ancestor called forth a great people, delivered those people out of slavery, and then settled them in a land that became their own. Every event was God's work. The people did nothing to deserve it. It was all gift. Why did God choose these people, make them great, free them, settle them, and provide them with abundant harvests? Because they were good? No! Because God is good. They earned nothing, deserved nothing. It was all gift.

Why is it so difficult for us to realize that we really do not give gifts to God? It's just the opposite. When it comes to God's grace, it's all gift.

Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

FOR *Reflection*

- ★ *Spend a moment thinking about all the free gifts God has given you.*
- ★ *Let your Lenten practice be graciousness to others.*



Holy Trinity Catholic Church

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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****

7th-8th Confirmation Class Fri. 3/11
-6-7:30pm @ hall

CCD In-Person March 13 Class for
K-4th will be held at the Hall



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 7, 2022

Monday

Tuesday

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

Wednesday

3/9** ~~8:00am~~ **STM 5:30pm HT

Thursday

3/10* 9:00AM**HT NO MASS -Fr. In Peoria

Friday

3/11**8:00AM**STM

3/11 Stations of the Cross @HT 6pm

Next Weekend's Mass Intentions Weekend of March 12-13, 2022

Saturday:

3/12 St. Thomas More 4:00PM

Sunday:

3/13**www.bureaucatholic.org- 8:30AM**HT

St. Patrick, Arlington - 10:30 AM

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

Offered For

† No Mass

† Linda Orlandi

† Wayne Pinter

† NO MASS

† Geraldine Sondgeroth

Offered For

† Alan Hahn

† Jerry Joiner

† Tony Taylor

† For The Parishioners

Latest Offering's
Weekend Feb 27th

Holy Trinity -	\$1106.00
St. Patrick -	\$315.00
St. Thomas More -	\$1150.00



In Sympathy
Remember in prayer, family
and friends of
Mary Konieczny - SP
Elizabeth "Liz" Olivero—STM
may their souls and the
souls of all the faithful depart-
ed, through the mercy of God,
rest in peace, Amen.

CCD IN Person Classes

Friday March 11th Confirmation
Class 6-7:30pm @HT Church Hall

Sunday March 13th K-4th Classes @
church hall 9:30-10:30am

****Reminder****

Daylight Saving Time Begins 3/13—
Set clocks forward 1 hour

SP SAUSAGE Fundraiser

A Special Thanks to all the
Volunteers who came out to support
the church and help make the
sausage!

Thank you to All who placed an
order, we are very grateful for your
support

ADA Update

HT Goal \$14,062-Rec'd \$8,325
SP Goal \$8,619- Rec'd \$6,675
STM Goal \$9,485- Rec'd \$4,340
We have had an excellent response
to our collection. We are still short
of our goals. If you have not yet
made a gift to the ADA, we invite
you to do so today.



STATIONS of the CROSS

We invite you to join us on Fridays
to pray the Stations of the Cross. It
is a great way to remember the true
meaning of lent with your family.
By remembering the Stations of the
Cross, walking with Jesus, and
taking up our own crosses., as Jesus
calls us to do, we are pulled out of
our selfishness. We become more
willing to be patient, love, and
sacrifice. We become more like the
people God created us to be when
we remember Christ's sacrifice.
As we embrace this great Lenten
practice, let us hear Our Lord's
voice whispering in our hearts,
"This is the way; walk in it" (Is
30:21). More info @osv.com
Stations will be at 6pm on Fridays
with the location rotating between
the 3 churches.



**STM will be taking Rav orders
until March 15th.**

The Rav group will be wrapping up
the twisting season on March 30th.
A BIG THANKS to ALL the
volunteers who make this
fundraiser successful. Your giving
of your time and hard work is very
much appreciated. You are all a

thank you =
= volunteers!

Confessions

The next confessions will be
Saturday - March 12th 10:30-11:15-
at St. Thomas More in the hall

Stations of the Cross

The next stations of the cross will be
Friday March 11th @HT 6pm

LENT
Pray + Fast + Give

Collection For Ukraine

Next weekend we will be taking a
collection for the people of Ukraine.

We will be joining Bishop Jeffrey
Monforton, Chairman of the USCCB
Subcommittee on Aid to Central and
Eastern Europe in an effort to help the
refugees in need. Thank you in
advance for your generosity.

Upcoming
**COMMUNITY
EVENTS**

**MARK'S GOSPEL
LIVE!**

Experience the entire Gospel of St.
Mark in two amazing hours of
awesome storytelling by priest and
actor, Rev. Joseph Morris. Not a
reading or talk but a dynamic
proclamation of an ancient story about
God's healing love. Pastors from the
UK, Canada, and the USA have called
this performance "mesmerizing,"
"powerful," and "a profound
experience."

Admission: Free-will offering.
Thursday March 24th
10am (abbreviated)
7pm (Complete Gospel)
Saint Bede Abbey
24 W. US HWY 6 Peru
815-250-0286 Call for more
Information

Dear Padre,

My fourteen-year-old daughter is very thin. She says giving up food during Lent is proof that she honors God. How can I convince her God doesn't want her to starve herself? Is there anything else she can do for Lent?

According to the *Code of Canon Law*, at age fourteen your daughter isn't required to fast (eating only one full meal a day, no snacks); the Church requires this only of people age eighteen through fifty-nine because people outside those age groups need more than one full meal a day to maintain good health (1252).

She is, however, old enough to abstain from meat, as required of Catholics age fourteen and older. But she should replace that meat with another source of protein like cheese or fish.

Please tell your daughter that the Lenten fast is about preparing our hearts to celebrate the joy of Easter. Fasting and abstinence are not about starving or losing weight. They're about making room for God and deepening our relationship with Christ.

And the word *abstain* isn't limited to matters involving food. Your daughter can abstain from watching television, using her mobile phone except in emergencies, or using

the computer for anything other than schoolwork. Prayer and almsgiving (donating money or time to charity) also are part of our Lenten practice. Anyone can safely do these things to achieve the same result: growing closer to God in preparation for Easter.

Fr. Patrick Keyes, 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 makes us share the situation of many people who face the torment of hunger and makes us more attentive to others; almsgiving is a blessed opportunity to collaborate with God's providence for the benefit of his children. And I invite you to make almsgiving a way of life and to persevere in concrete help to those in need.

ADDRESS TO PRO PETRI SEDE ASSOCIATION, FEBRUARY 16, 2018



Calendar

Monday

MARCH 7

Lenten Weekday

Lv 19:1-2, 11-18

Mt 25:31-46

Tuesday

MARCH 8

Lenten Weekday

Is 55:10-11

Mt 6:7-15

Wednesday

MARCH 9

Lenten Weekday

Jon 3:1-10

Lk 11:29-32

Thursday

MARCH 10

Lenten Weekday

Est C:12, 14-16,

23-25

Mt 7:7-12

Friday

MARCH 11

Lenten Weekday

Ez 18:21-28

Mt 5:20-26

Saturday

MARCH 12

Lenten Weekday

Dt 26:16-19

Mt 5:43-48

Sunday

MARCH 13

Second Sunday of Lent

Gn 15:5-12, 17-18

Phil 3:17-4:1 or

3:20-4:1

Lk 9:28b-36

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