

In Those Days...

This phrase is frequently found in the writings of the prophets. While it sometimes points to a future time of peace and happiness, it often portends imminent fear and trembling, as it does in today's readings. Both Daniel and Jesus speak of the suffering that will precede the end of the world. This suffering is often called the

"birth pangs of the Messiah" (Matthew 24:8; Mark 13:8; John 16:21). This apt metaphor includes both life-threatening distress and wondrous joy over new birth. Pain and subsequent happiness are both described in today's readings.

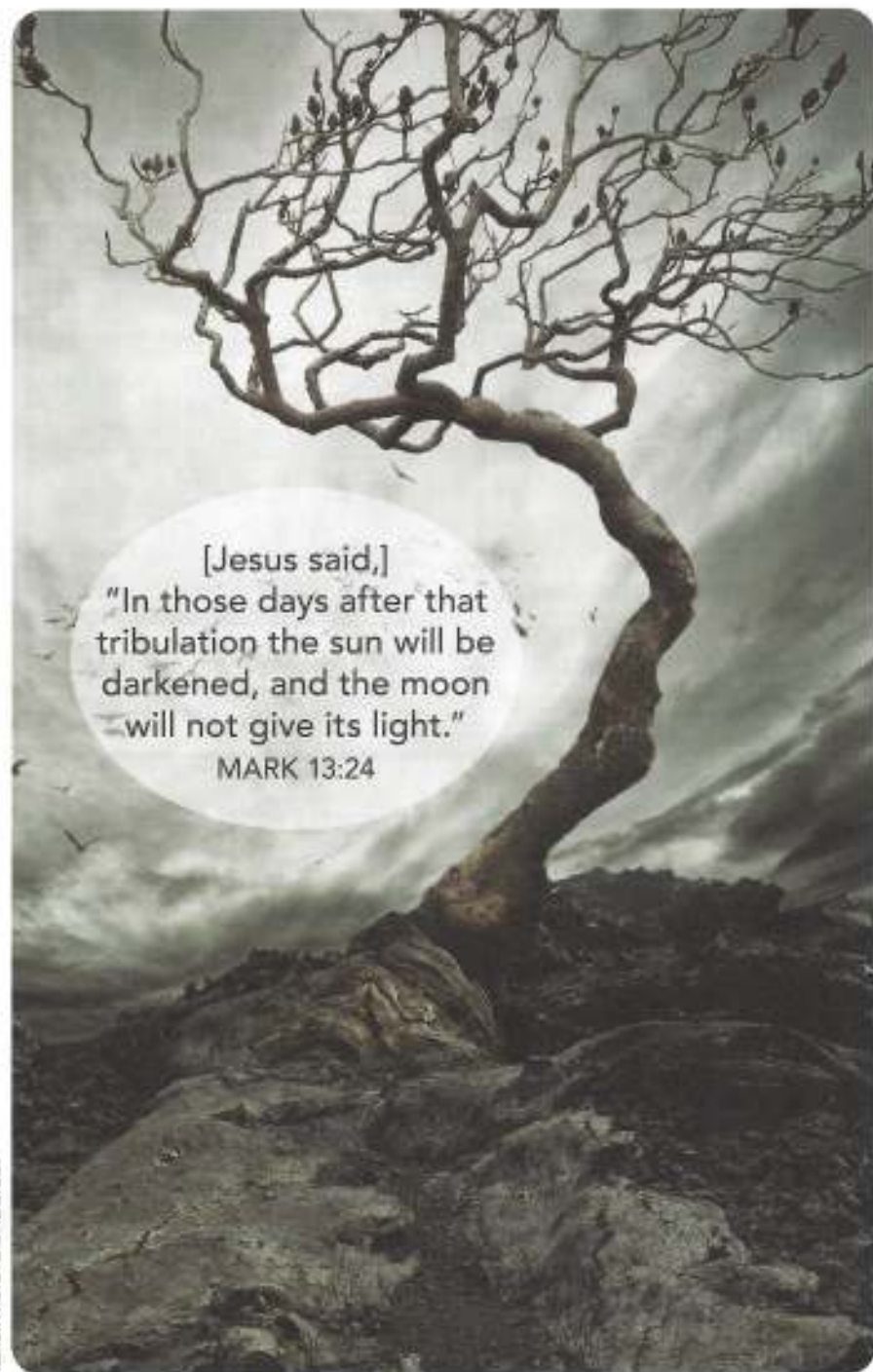
The author of Daniel may be referring to the end of the whole world but is probably also presenting that in terms of the end of his own world, which would have included the suffering and even death of Jews who remained faithful under persecution. Some interpreters suggest Jesus is speaking similarly. That is, he is using a familiar figure of speech that characterizes suffering as birth pangs. According to this metaphor, there might be terrible suffering, but at the end there is utter happiness.

Both Daniel and Jesus seek to encourage their hearers to remain faithful even in the face of torment, for new life can come out of such suffering. This is a message we all need to hear. Suffering is a reality in every life. How do we endure it? Does it sour us, break us down? Or do we come out of it new people, more sensitive and understanding? It is up to us.

Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

FOR *Reflection*

- ✦ *Pray for the strength to remain faithful, regardless of the difficulty.*
- ✦ *How has suffering made you a better person?*



[Jesus said,]
"In those days after that
tribulation the sun will be
darkened, and the moon
will not give its light."
MARK 13:24



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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****

CCD November In-Person @Hall

CCD 11/14—K-4th

CCD 11/21—5th-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: StTMoreDalzell32@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)

Wed - 9AM - 12PM

****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 Nov. 15 2021**

Offered For

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

11/16** 800AM**STM

11/17**5:30PM **HT Mass/Rosary

11/18**9:00AM**HT

11/19** 8:00AM **STM

† No Mass

† Gene Weberski

† Joyce Hoscheid

† Sr. Helen Martin

† Betty Newhalfen

Next Weekend's Mass Intentions

Weekend of Nov. 20-21, 2021

Offered For

Saturday:

**4:00PM **STM

Sunday:

www.bureaucatholic.org/Facebook Link - 8:30AMHT

St. Patrick, Arlington - 10:30 AM

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

† For The Parishioners

† Gordon & Ellen Enerson

† Michael Bickett

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Online masses WILL CONTINUE to be available @HT www.bureaucatholic.org

Latest Offering's

Weekend Nov. 7th

Holy Trinity -	\$1825.00
St. Patrick -	\$828.00
St. Thomas More -	\$678.00

In Sympathy...

Remember in prayer family and friends of

† Michael Campbell

May his soul and the souls of all the Faithful Departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.



A Great Time for All 3 parishes to help Support each other!!

STM-RAV/TORT SALES

HT-PICK 3

SP-SAUSAGE SALES

ADA Goals & Update 2021

Holy Trinity -\$14,062

\$5620.00

St. Patrick-\$8,619

\$6,470.00

St. Thomas More -\$9,485

\$4,040.17

Fundraising Updates

STM Ravioli/Tortellini and/or

Tortellacci \$8 per bag

Holy Trinity-Pick 3 Tickets \$20

St. Patrick-Sausage Sales 5lb \$20

Call Lauren 815-638-2224 or Ann 815-638-2691



We continue to pray for All the Holy Souls.

Between heaven and hell, all other souls, after death, enter what church teaching calls "purgatory." While not necessarily a place or time, purgatory is how a soul undergoes purification, a cleansing. This means that a soul is being perfected so it can move into the presence of God and behold "the beatific vision:" being with God. Souls in purgatory are assured of heaven. Thus, they are "holy," or blessed, souls. But since they are still in transit to heaven, they need our prayers. Most especially in need are souls with no one to pray for them. So the church prays for the dead. This is also why we "offer Masses" with the intention of deceased persons.

Nor are prayers a one-way street. Because they are in a state of holiness, souls in purgatory can and do pray for those of us who remain on earth.

In church teaching, the souls in purgatory have been called "the church suffering" – not because they have pain as we know pain, but because they have not yet achieved the joy of heaven. Since they have not gained heaven, they long for it. This longing can be a form of suffering. We on earth – called "the church militant" because we still go about our work, our active service to God – pray for them. The saints in heaven, called "the church triumphant," also pray for us and the holy souls.

All these shared prayers and good works involve "the communion of saints."

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LET US
PRAY

Confessions

The next confessions will be Saturday - Nov. 18th 10:30-11:15am - at St. Thomas More in the Hall.



Padre Pio and The Holy Souls

Some friars who lived in San Giovanni Rotondo with Padre Pio once heard a mysterious sound coming from the friary. It sounded, one of the friars said, like "voices singing in beautiful harmony." No one could find the source.

Padre Pio was deep in prayer at the time, and someone approached him to ask if he knew where the singing was coming from. Roused as if from a deep sleep, he answered, "Why are you all so surprised? They are the voices of the angels, who are taking souls from purgatory into paradise."

The Holy Souls are Powerful Intercessors

The holy souls need our prayers –and at the same time, they can be powerful intercessors for us. The Catechism (958) says that "our prayer for them is capable not only of helping them, but also of making their intercession for us effective." When we pray for them, it makes them able to pray for us.



Hall Township Toy Collection Box

Toy collection boxes are in back of churches at all 3 parishes. Please join in spreading some Holiday Spirit by donating new unwrapped toy or age-appropriate items. They are in need of toys, games, building kits, dolls and books for boys and girls ages 1-8th grade. Items Due December 9th.

We will continue to collect food items for the month of November for the pantry.

Dear Padre,

Is a homily necessary at every Mass?

The homily is “highly recommended” not only because it is an essential part of the liturgy but also because “it is necessary for the nurturing of the Christian life” (*General Instruction of the Roman Missal*, 65). “On Sundays and holy days of obligation there is to be a homily at every Mass that is celebrated with the people attending and it may not be omitted without a grave reason. On other days it is recommended, especially on the weekdays of Advent, Lent and Easter time, as well as on other festive days and occasions

when the people come to church in greater numbers” (*GIRM* 66). In practice, brief homilies are usually offered on nonfestive weekday Masses during Ordinary Time, too—especially in church parishes and religious communities—even for a minimal number of people in the congregation.

“Whoever preaches, let it be with the words of God” (1 Peter 4:11). To the office of an ordained minister belongs the tremendous sacred duty to preach a homily rooted in prayer, and with an understanding of the Scriptures and the needs of the particular faith community in mind. “If the words of Scripture are divinely inspired, as we believe them to be, then divine inspiration must be at work when those words are made alive and contemporary to the believing community in and through” the ministry of preaching (*Fulfilled in Your Hearing*, U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops, 1982).

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ZELINSKI V. AROZINSKI/OLYMPIA



A WORD FROM *Pope Francis*

Please, make the homily brief, but prepare it well. And how do we prepare a homily, dear priests, deacons, bishops? How should it be prepared? With prayer, by studying the word of God and by making a clear and brief summary; it should not last more than ten minutes, please.

GENERAL AUDIENCE, FEBRUARY 7, 2018

Calendar

Monday

NOVEMBER 15

Weekday

1 Mc 1:10–15, 41–43,
54–57, 62–63
Lk 18:35–43

Tuesday

NOVEMBER 16

Weekday

2 Mc 6:18–31
Lk 19:1–10

Wednesday

NOVEMBER 17

St. Elizabeth of
Hungary, Religious

2 Mc 7:1, 20–31
Lk 19:11–28

Thursday

NOVEMBER 18

Weekday

1 Mc 2:15–29
Lk 19:41–44

Friday

NOVEMBER 19

Weekday

1 Mc 4:36–37, 52–59
Lk 19:45–48

Saturday

NOVEMBER 20

Weekday

1 Mc 6:1–13
Lk 20:27–40

Sunday

NOVEMBER 21

Our Lord Jesus Christ,
King of the Universe

Dn 7:13–14

Rv 1:5–8

Jn 18:33b–37

Do you have
a question for
the Padre?

Go to DearPadre.org to
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Dear Padre.