

Can You Drink the Cup?

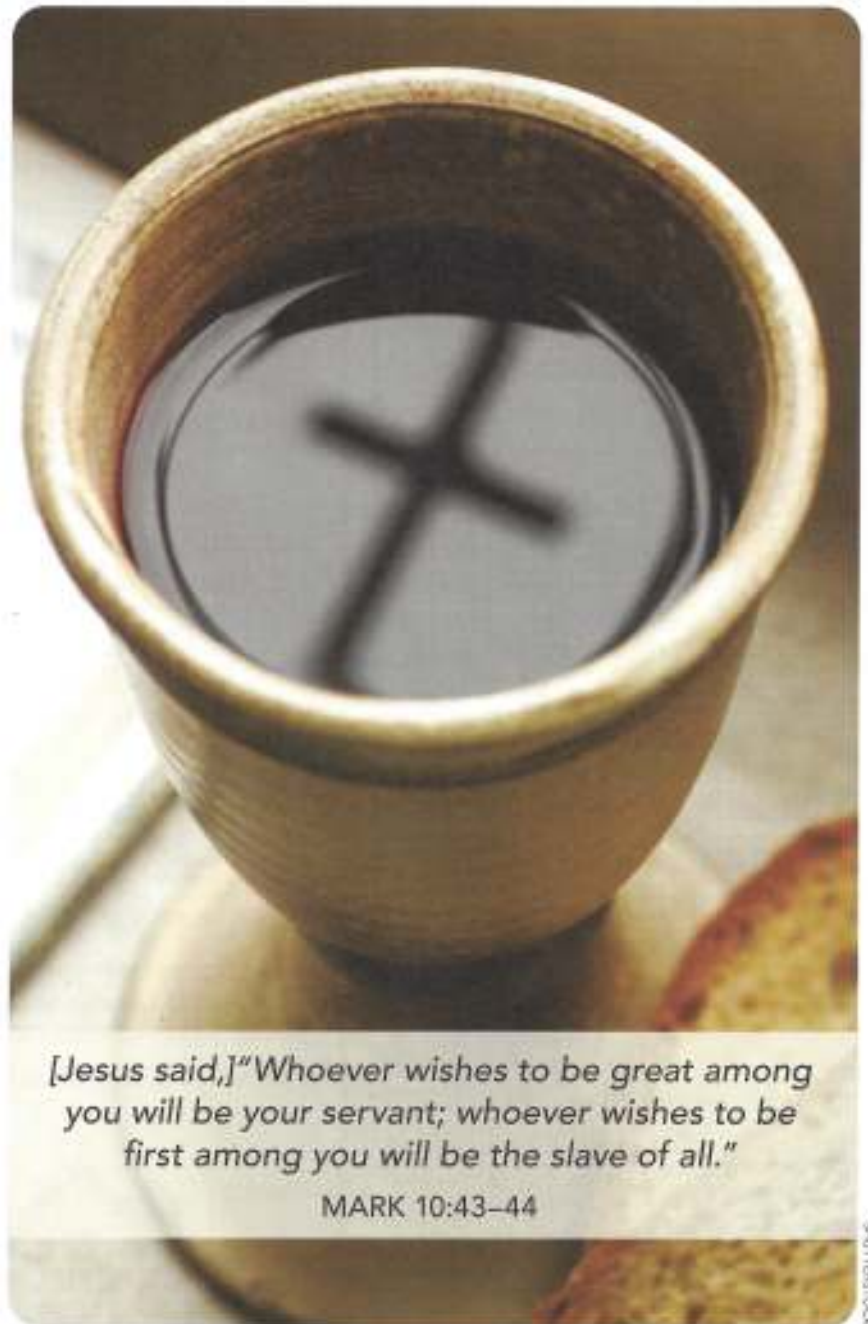
That is the question in today's Gospel that Jesus posed after James and John, two of his closest followers, asked for places of honor. They wanted to be recognized for their loyalty. Don't we all? Jesus asks them: "Can you drink the cup?" (Mark 10:38). Can you pay the price? And they both say: "We can" (10:39). Such confidence and self-assurance!

This is a Sunday that focuses on hardship—not the hardship that comes from the burdens of life itself, such as economic distress, racial and gender bias, or the loss of loved ones. Jesus was certainly concerned about these. However, today's readings have a specific focus. He asks: "Can you drink the cup that I drink?" Can you face and endure what I must? Can you follow me to suffering?

Isaiah refers to the servant of the Lord, that mysterious individual who suffers at the hands of others precisely because of his loyalty. However, his suffering is not in vain: "Because of his anguish...my servant, the just one, shall justify the many" (53:11). The spirit of this servant lives on in many stories about Jesus. It certainly does this Sunday. Like the servant, Jesus will suffer for the sake of others. How ready are James and John, you and I, for such a role?

Jesus then turns the values of society upside down. You want to be great? Then you have to serve others. You want to be first? Then, for the sake of others, you have to put yourself last. To follow Jesus means to follow him even through suffering. "Can you drink the cup?"

Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA



[Jesus said,] "Whoever wishes to be great among you will be your servant; whoever wishes to be first among you will be the slave of all."

MARK 10:43–44

FOR *Reflection*

- ✦ *Think of times when the welfare of another made you forget about yourself.*
- ✦ *Do you always seek praise? Are you indignant when others are praised? What can you do about this?*



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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 October In-Person @Hall

CCD 10/17—K-4th

CCD 10/24—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 Oct. 18 2021**

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

10/19** 8:00AM**STM

10/20**5:30PM **HT Mass/Rosary

10/21**9:00AM**HT

10/22** 8:00AM **STM

**Next Weekend's Mass Intentions
Weekend of Oct. 23-24, 2021**

Saturday:

Sunday:

**4:00PM **STM

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

St. Patrick, Arlington - 10:30 AM

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

Offered For

† No Mass

† No Mass

† Jack & Theresa McCallum

† Donna Sandrolini

† Randi McFadin

Offered For

† Betty Newhallhen

† Rita Hoscheid

† Ann Doyle

For The Parishioners

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

Latest Offering's

Weekend Oct. 10th

Holy Trinity - \$1417.00
St. Patrick - \$576.00
St. Thomas More - \$891.00

ALL SOULS DAY CANDLES

Candles will be available to purchase before & after masses on the weekends of Oct. 24 & Oct. 31st. Candles will be lit for the week of Nov. 1st \$5.00 per candle—Write your loved ones names on the labels provided

Children's Mass

Join us on Sunday Nov. 7, 2021 @ Holy Trinity 8:30am Our CCD classes will partake in helping with mass.



ADA Goals & Update 2021

Holy Trinity -\$14,062
\$3,740.00
St. Patrick-\$8,619
\$6,470.00
St. Thomas More -\$9,485
\$3,815.17

Fundraising Updates

STM Ravioli/Tortellini and/or Tortellacci \$8 per bag

SP Sausage Making/Sales in December

October, Month of The Holy Rosary

October usually is an enjoyable time of the year in the United States. The autumn season manifests itself with wonderful fall foliage in many parts of the country. The temperatures are cooler, inviting people outdoors for nature walks, apple or pumpkin picking. School routines are more established and football season is in full swing. The celebrations of the Church for the month of October are also wonderful and unique. The feasts of some of the most popular saints of the universal Church are celebrated during this month: St. Therese the Little Flower (France), St. Francis of Assisi (Italy) and St. Teresa of Avila (Spain).

Did You Know?.....

On October 16, 1978, the Archbishop of Kraków, Cardinal Karol Wojtyła was elected as Pope and took the name John Paul II. He was the first Pope in 455 years who was not Italian. He was Polish. October 16 is known as "Pope Day" on which we celebrate the gift of the papacy and our current pope.



Through the 2021 Diocesan Appeal, we all work together to change lives. Please join in and make your gift today! Thank you to all who have already sent your pledge.

Confessions

The next confessions will be Saturday - Oct. 23rd 10:30-11:15am - at St. Thomas More in the Hall.

Today's Gospel

Today we continue to read from Mark's Gospel. In this Gospel, we find evidence of Jesus' fame in the sizable crowd that accompanies him as he journeys to Jerusalem. Jesus' reputation as a healer has preceded him. When the blind man, Bartimaeus, hears that Jesus of Nazareth is passing by, he calls out to him, asking for his pity. When Jesus restores Bartimaeus's sight, no elaborate action is required. (In other healing stories in Mark's Gospel, actions accompany Jesus' words). In this instance, Jesus simply says that Bartimaeus's faith has saved him. Throughout Mark's Gospel, the success of Jesus' healing power has often been correlated with the faith of the person requesting Jesus' help. For example, it is because of her faith that the woman with the hemorrhage is healed. When faith is absent, Jesus is unable to heal; we see this after his rejection in Nazareth. Once his sight has been restored, Bartimaeus follows Jesus on his way to Jerusalem. In Mark's Gospel, Bartimaeus is the last disciple called by Jesus before he enters Jerusalem. Bartimaeus hears that Jesus of Nazareth is passing by, but he calls out to Jesus using words of faith—"Son of David." Many in Jesus' time believed that the anticipated Jewish Messiah would be a descendent of King David. Bartimaeus's words prepare us for the final episodes of Mark's Gospel, which begin with Jesus' preparation for the Passover and his triumphant entry into Jerusalem. As Mark has shown us in our readings over the past few Sundays, however, Jesus will be the Messiah in a way that will be difficult for many to accept. Jesus will show himself to be the Messiah through his suffering and death.

Dear Padre,

Can a minister of holy Communion who visits hospitals bless a doctor? I was recently asked to do this. I didn't know how to say no, so I said a prayer over him even though I'm not ordained. Was that OK?

You did the right thing. The Church's *Book of Blessings* gives guidelines for a variety of blessings, some of which may be given by laypeople (see page xxviii). For example, parents may bless their children. Baptized laypeople

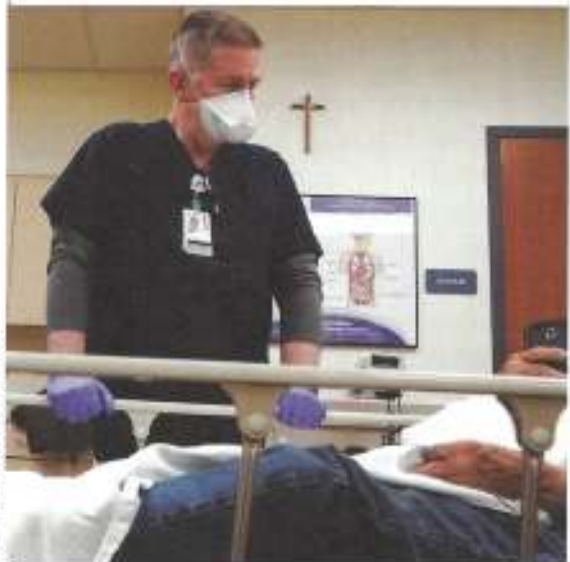
who carry out functions on behalf of the Church may also give blessings: catechists may bless their students, and eucharistic ministers who visit the sick may bless them.

Laypeople may give various other blessings, including blessing the sick, food, a new home, seeds at planting time, and throats on the feast of St. Blaise. A layperson may distribute ashes on Ash Wednesday, though the actual blessing of the ashes is reserved for the clergy. Also reserved for

the ordained are blessings of liturgical vessels and parishioners entering ministry as readers, altar servers, ministers of holy Communion, or musicians. Blessings of the cathedra (the bishop's chair in the cathedral church) and the consecration of the sacred chrism are reserved for bishops.

If you're trained to minister in the hospital and are there with the approval of your pastor and the hospital's pastoral team, you can give blessings. The *Book of Blessings* has texts to guide your words.

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A WORD FROM *Pope Francis*

The way of service is the most effective antidote against the disease of seeking first place....Therefore, as disciples of Christ, let us receive this Gospel passage as a call to conversion, in order to witness with courage and generosity a Church that bows at the feet of the least, in order to serve them with love and simplicity.

ANGELUS, OCTOBER 21, 2018



Calendar

Monday

OCTOBER 18
St. Luke, Evangelist
2 Tm 4:10-17b
Lk 10:1-9

Tuesday

OCTOBER 19
Sts. John de Brébeuf
and Isaac Jogues,
Priests, and
Companions, Martyrs
Rom 5:12, 15b,
17-19, 20b-21
Lk 12:35-38

Wednesday

OCTOBER 20
Weekday
Rom 6:12-18
Lk 12:39-48

Thursday

OCTOBER 21
Weekday
Rom 6:12-18
Lk 12:39-48

Friday

OCTOBER 22
Weekday
Rom 7:18-25a
Lk 12:54-59

Saturday

OCTOBER 23
Weekday
Rom 8:1-11
Lk 13:1-9

Sunday

OCTOBER 24
Thirtieth Sunday
in Ordinary Time
Jer 31:7-9
Heb 5:1-6
Mk 10:46-52