

Walk in Faith

Lanfranco's *Christ Saves Peter From Sinking in the Water* is placed in a rather hidden place in the Vatican—on purpose. When a newly elected pope walks out of the Sistine Chapel, he processes across the Sala Regia (royal hall) and into the Loggia della Benedizione (blessing hall) to step out onto the façade of St. Peter's and greet the world for the first time. Along the way he passes this painting of Peter sinking in the water. It speaks to that sinking feeling he probably experiences at that time!

This Gospel passage holds a great lesson for us all, even the pope. When Jesus comes walking on the water, he scares the disciples; they think he is a ghost. Sometimes Jesus scares us by what he asks, by how he wants to bless and shape us if we say "yes." Jesus tells us not to be afraid, but Peter says, "Lord if it is you, command me to come to you on the water." That the ghostly figure responds doesn't prove it is Jesus; it just proves whoever it is has heard Peter and answered.

To really know if it is Jesus, Peter has to get out of the boat. He has to walk in faith and take a risk. Only once he steps out on the water, can he do the impossible? Even then, his faith falters and he notices the waves. Such is our experience. Even when we trust, step out, and Jesus does great things, we are still weak! But no need

Piece: *Christ Saves Peter From Sinking in the Water*, 1626-28

Artist: Giovanni Lanfranco

Location: Pinacoteca, Vatican Museums



For Reflection

When have you felt Jesus' presence most strongly in your life?

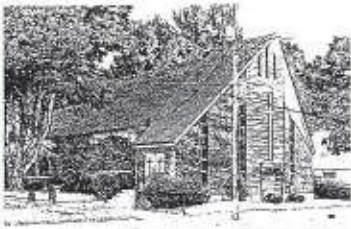
Did it coincide with a difficult task or time of trouble?

Which winds distract you from Jesus?

to worry: Jesus loves our effort and will always reach out and grab us. In the end, that is what we want, isn't it? To touch Jesus, to know it is him.

—Fr. Mark Haydu, LC

"At once [Jesus] spoke to them, 'Take courage, it is I; do not be afraid.' Peter said to him in reply, 'Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water'" (Matthew 14:27-28).



Holy Trinity - Cherry

St. Patrick - Arlington

St. Thomas More - Dalzell

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Mass & Confession Schedule

Holy Trinity Catholic Parish

Weekend Masses

Sunday Vigil (Saturday) - 4:00 PM
Sunday Mass - 8:30 AM

Daily Mass (Weekdays) & Holy Days

Tuesday & Thursday - 12:15 PM

Confessions

Saturday - 3:15 - 3:45PM or By Appointment

Mass Schedule

St. Patrick Catholic Parish

106 Church St.

Arlington, IL

Sunday Mass - 10:30 AM

Holy Days of Obligation Refer To Schedule

Mass Schedule

St. Thomas More Church - Dalzell, IL

Vigil Mass (Saturday) 5:30 PM

Weekday Mass (Wednesday & Friday) 8:30 AM (Summer)

Sunday Last Chance Mass 5:30 PM

Confessions Every 2nd & 4th Sunday - 4:45-5:15pm

Holy Day of Obligation Refer To Schedule

****First Saturday Mass - 8:30AM (Devotions Following)**

Divine Mercy Adoration Chapel - Open 8am - 8pm (M-Sat)

Sunday - Open 8am until conclusion 5:30pm Mass

****Divine Mercy Chaplet - Every Friday at 3 PM**

Daily Mass Intentions for

Masses the Week of August 14, 2017 (** - Holy Day Masses)

Offered For

<u>Monday</u>	St. Patrick, Arlington - **5:30PM	† Ivon Sharkey
<u>Tuesday</u>	Holy Trinity, Cherry - **12:15pm	† Wayne Jaraczewski
	St. Thomas More, Dalzell - **6:00PM	† For The Parishioners
<u>Wednesday</u>	St. Thomas More, Dalzell - 8:30am	† Madonna Mini
<u>Thursday</u>	Holy Trinity, Cherry - 12:15pm	† Robert Pozzi Jr.
<u>Friday</u>	St. Thomas More, Dalzell - 8:30am	† Margaret Fonderoli

***** Divine Mercy Chaplet every Friday at 3PM in Divine Mercy Chapel at St. Thomas More**

Next Weekend's Mass Intentions

Weekend of August 19-20, 2017

<u>Saturday Vigil:</u>	Holy Trinity, Cherry - 4:00 PM	† Lois Anderson
	St. Thomas More, Dalzell - 5:30 PM	† For The Parishioners
<u>Sunday:</u>	Holy Trinity, Cherry - 8:30 AM	† Eddy Cassidy
	St. Patrick, Arlington - 10:30 AM	† Dianne Smith
	St. Thomas More, Dalzell - 5:30 PM	† Mildred Downie

Ministry Schedule
For Next Weekend

Holy Trinity

LECTOR

Saturday - 4:00PM - Carol Lauer

Sunday - 8:30AM - Mary Jane Marincic

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Saturday - 4:00PM - Bill Lauer

Sunday - 8:30AM - Mary Jo Brust

SERVERS

Saturday - 4:00PM -

RJ Talbot & Antonia Cattani

Sunday - 8:30AM -

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St. Patrick

LECTOR

Sunday - 10:30AM - Linda Beattie

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER

Sunday - 10:30AM - Joanne Oberheide

SERVERS

Sunday - 10:30AM -

Carter & Casen Cherry

St. Thomas More

ROSARY

Sat 5:30PM - Cheryl Stowe

LECTOR

Sat 5:30PM - Alice Berogon

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER

Sat 5:30PM - Frank Magana

SERVERS

Sat 5:30PM - ?

UPCOMING
CHURCH EVENTS

August 16 - Rosary Against Evil -
Holy Trinity (Cherry) - 5:30PM

September 10 - Religious ED
Classes Begin (More Later)

September 10 - St. Thomas More
Chicken Dinner - STM Hall -
11-2PM

Last Sunday's Offering

Holy Trinity - \$964.00

Needed Weekly - \$1700

St. Patrick - \$720.00

Needed Weekly - \$700

St. Thomas More - \$1028.00

Needed Weekly - \$700

Holy Trinity
Ice Cream Social
Thank You

Many thanks to the Lauer's and everyone who helped raise a little money for Holy Trinity Church. And the church needs more help with fundraising, as we have more repairs needed and little funds to cover them all!

St. Thomas More
Chicken Dinner

It is time for another chicken dinner but this time at St. Thomas More on Sunday, September 10, 2017 between 11AM and 2PM. The dinner will include fried chicken, or limited baked chicken, spaghetti, salad, bread and a drink. Adults are \$10, kids 6-10 are \$5, and 5 and under are free. Carry-outs will be available. Looking forward to seeing you!

The Rosary Against Evil

The rosary we continue to pray on Wednesday nights at 5:30PM will be prayed at Holy Trinity Church during the month of August in Cherry. It is our time to show God, Jesus, Mary how much we need them to fight evil around us. The rosary is and always has been our greatest weapon against evil! So please come and join us, it will be the most important time you spend. With the evil in the world the church should be full, so where is everybody!

Holy Day Mass Schedule

Assumption of Mary (Holy Day)

Monday - August 14 - 5:30PM - St. Pat

Tuesday - August 15 - 12:15PM - HT
6:00PM - St. Thomas More

For The Week

The Gospel about the boat with the disciples being bounced about on the sea is more relevant today than we could ever imagine. Everybody could easily say they love Jesus! But it isn't easy to love Jesus in today's world.

We have had the abuse scandal, church's closed, people lose loved ones, maybe lose money due to a job loss or another financial burden. Then we blame Jesus and don't go to church. Jesus is testing us as He tested Peter. If our depth of belief in Christ is not deep enough, we sink into darkness. And more darkness is on its way, so pray and above all live your faith! If life is not great now it will be in Heaven. May God always be with us!

ADA Goals 2017-18

Holy Trinity - \$16,569.00

Pledges To Date \$5,920.00 (36%)

St. Patrick - \$10,065.00

Pledges To Date \$4,815.00 (48%)

St. Thomas More - \$9,493.00

Pledges To Date \$5,100.00 (54%)

Sacramental Preparation

Baptisms: Preparation is required for the first child in the family. Baptisms are scheduled on Sundays at noon or by special arrangement. Please contact Father to setup an appointment.

Marriages: Preparations need to be started one year before the Wedding date. Please contact Father for more information.

Rite of Christian Initiation: Per Canon Law of the Catholic Church, anyone over the age of seven years old is to observe the requirements of the RCIA, unless there is a danger of death. If anyone has not received all of the sacraments; baptism, First Communion or Confirmation, please talk to Father.

Calendar

Monday

August 14

St. Maximilian Kolbe,
Priest and Martyr

Dt 10:12–22

Mt 17:22–27

Tuesday

August 15

Assumption of the
Blessed Virgin Mary

Rv 11:19a; 12:1–6a, 10ab

1 Cor 15:20–27

Lk 1:39–56

Wednesday

August 16

Weekday

Dt 34:1–12

Mt 18:15–20

Thursday

August 17

Weekday

Jos 3:7–10a, 11, 13–17

Mt 18:21–19:1

Friday

August 18

Weekday

Jos 24:1–13

Mt 19:3–12

Saturday

August 19

Weekday

Jos 24:14–29

Mt 19:13–15

Sunday

August 20

Twentieth Sunday
in Ordinary Time

Is 56:1, 6–7

Rom 11:13–15, 29–32

Mt 15:21–28

Dear Padre,

I look at what's going on in our world today and I start to lose faith. How can I keep my faith strong in a time that seems faithless?

Evil isn't a new phenomenon. The Book of Judges, for example, presents a faithless time that may rival what's happening in our world today. Judges' twenty-one chapters are so filled with vandalism and war, murder and assassination, fratricide and suicide, that it makes a grim statement on the worst of humanity. Judges reminds us of humanity's need for salvation. "Left to itself, humanity degenerates into a frightful caricature of what we ought to be. We see such lessons repeated in recent history....In the Book of Judges, we see our need for God" (Oscar Lukefahr, *A Catholic Guide to the Bible*, Liguori Publications, 1998).



LOVE THE WIND/SHUTTERSTOCK

It's easy to lose faith when our focus is on how bad the world is rather than on how we can do our part to make it holy. Pope St. John Paul II wrote: "Awareness of our own sinfulness, including that which is inherited, is the first condition for salvation; the next is the confession of this sin before God, who desires only to receive this confession so that He can save man. To save means to embrace

and lift up with redemptive love, with love that is always greater than any sin" (*Crossing the Threshold of Hope*, 58, Knopf, 1994). Don't lose Christian hope! While Christ already triumphed over sin and death, the reality of evil remains until God's kingdom is fully realized on earth as it is in heaven (1 John 5:18–20).

Fr. Byron Miller, CSSR
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A Word From Pope Francis

"We all know that when water stands still it stagnates. There's a saying in Spanish that says: 'Standing water is the first to go bad.' Do not stand still. We all have to walk, to take a step every day, with the Lord's help. God is Father, he is mercy, he always loves us....He welcomes us and forgives us....He never tires of forgiving....He makes us rise and fully restores our dignity. God has a memory, He is not forgetful. God does not forget us, He always remembers."

—Address to detainees in a penitentiary in Isernia, Italy, July 5, 2014