

St. Agnes Catholic Church

Terrier & Cherry Rd. Intersection, Sarcoxie, MO
November 20, 2022 Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

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MASSES FOR November 20 – November 27

Saint Agnes

Sunday	10:30 a.m.	+Theresa Heidlage
Tuesday	8:30 a.m.	Justice & Peace
Thursday	8:30 a.m.	In Thanksgiving for All God's Blessings
Sunday	10:30 a.m.	+Louise Bellm

St. Mary's

Mon.	8:15 a.m.	Rosary & Communion
Wed.	8:15 a.m.	
Thurs.	10:30 a.m.	
Fri.	8:15 a.m.	
Sat.	4:00 p.m.	
Sun.	8:30 a.m.	

EVENTS OF THE WEEK

Sunday, November 20
Monday, November 21
Tuesday, November 22
Thursday, November 24

**Special Collection for Catholic Charities of Southern Missouri
Memorial of the Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Memorial of Saint Cecilia, Virgin and Martyr
Memorial of Saint Andrew Dung-Lac, Priest, and Companions, Martyr**

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Wednesday, November 30
Saturday, December 3

**Feast of Saint Andrew, Apostle
Memorial of Saint Francis Xavier, Priest**

YOUR GIFT TO THE CHURCH: \$ 1298.00 Charities of So. MO \$500.00 Military Service \$100.00

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

<u>Nov</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>READERS</u>
	13	Cheryl (K) Elbert
	20	Kimberly Prince
	27	Sandy Thorn
		Doug Pickering

<u>Extra Ordinary Ministers</u>
Charlotte Pickering
Mark Adamson
Patrick Wolfe
John Heidlage

<u>MONEY COUNTERS</u>
Dennis Heidlage & Paul Heidlage
Ron Wagner & Steve Schmitt
Cheryl (K) Elbert & Jane Kutz
James Campbell & Doug Pickering

PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS: Margie Mettlach, Marie Jasumback, Jim and Veda Perrin, Marion Tomlinson Williams, Monta Heidlage, Robert Graskemper, Brenda Schmitt and all the sick and shut-ins of our parish.

CHRISTMAS BAGS for St. Peter's Outreach will be prepared next month and then distributed at their Christmas dinner. St. Agnes PCCW has prepared 350 gift bags the past few years and will again this year. We buy in bulk to get the best buy. If you would like to help someone less fortunate than you and contribute toward this project, please include your donation in an envelope marked "Christmas Bag". If a check is written, please make out to St. Agnes PCCW. We have received many compliments and thanks because the contents of our bag are so useful and needed by the homeless and less fortunate. The church will contribute \$500 toward this project which will go towards purchasing socks. Our parish has been blessed with many wonderful giving benefactors. Your weekly donation to our church continues to bless the lives outside our parish. God bless you!

ST. MARY'S SCHOOL WILL BE SELLING CHRISTMAS CINNAMON ROLLS: The school is taking pre-orders for cinnamon rolls. Orders will be due back to the school office by Friday, December 2nd, 2022. They are selling half dozen (6) for \$10 per pan. Order forms are in the back of church.

CHURCH ROSTER is in the back of church. Please check your address to ensure it is correct so that we can make a new one for the year 2023.

NOVEMBER CHURCH CLEANERS: Jane Kutz, Jean Wagner, Linda Russell, Maria Wagner

CHURCH ENVELOPES: are in the back of church. **Please pay close attention to your name and number,** because of having to order so many boxes to cover the number of numbered boxes we have changed the number of boxes ordered to reduce the cost. **So everyone will have a different number.**

Our Lord Christ the King

2 Samuel 5:1-3
Ps 122:1-5
Colossians 1:12-20
Luke 23:35-43

Monday November 21
Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Revelation 14:1-3,4b-5
Ps 24:1b-6
Luke 21:1-4

Tuesday November 22
St. Cecilia
Revelation 14:14-19
Ps 96:10-13
Luke 21:5-11

Wednesday November 23
Revelation 15:1-4
Ps 98:1-3b,7-9
Luke 21:12-19

Thursday November 24
St. Andrew Dung-Lac & co.
Rev. 18:1-2,21-23;19:1-3,9a
Ps 100:1b-2,3,4,5
Luke 21:20-28

Friday November 25
Revelation 20:1-4,11--21:2
Ps 84:3-6a,8a
Luke 21:29-33

Saturday November 26
Revelation 22:1-7
Ps 95:1-7b
Luke 21:34-36

In the Gospel reading, one of the criminals hanging next to Jesus on the cross represents us. Jesus is our king and we want to spend eternity with him in his kingdom. As long as we have this attitude, there is no reason to doubt that when we die we will join Jesus in Paradise.

As the king of heaven, Jesus has the right and the authority to choose who is allowed into his kingdom. And as this Good Friday thief shows us, Jesus says, "Yes, come in, welcome!" to anyone who recognizes his authority.

Let's look at what the authority of Jesus is like. At the Last Supper, when he washed the feet of his disciples, he made it clear that the heavenly king exerts his authority by serving those who belong to his kingdom.

The next day, he took a crown of thorns instead of a crown of gold, because the glory of his kingship is not represented by earthly treasures but by riches that are given to others, the personal sacrifices that are motivated by love, even for those who don't deserve it.

After his resurrection, although he'd been healed from the destruction of death, his five crucifixion wounds were not healed. To this day, he still bears those wounds as a continual reminder to us that he does not



use his authority for his own benefit, but for ours. Earthly kings wear expensive rings on their hands; our heavenly king wears the marks of sacrifice.

We belong to God's kingdom when we lovingly serve others with Christ because we understand the glory of giving generously to others, of making personal sacrifices, and of loving those who don't deserve our love.

If we offer to Jesus our sufferings because we realize that they have value, we wear the five wounds of Jesus in our souls. Of course we will join Jesus in Paradise – we have already united ourselves to him!

Reflect & Discuss:

1. Reflect on a time when you submitted yourself to Christ's authority by obeying a difficult teaching of the Church or by doing something Christ-like that you didn't want to do. Did you feel loved by God? Did you feel served?
2. What will you do to become more aware of his service to you? What are you holding onto today that does not belong to his kingdom? What will you do this week to allow Jesus to be your king in every area of your life?
3. Name some of the ways that Jesus serves us. Does he do it directly to you or through other people in his kingdom? When you serve others, how is this a recognition of the kingship and authority of Christ?