

# St. Agnes Catholic Church

Terrier & Cherry Rd. Intersection, Sarcoxie, MO  
Aug. 9th. 2020 – Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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## MASSES FOR Aug. 9 – Aug. 16

### Saint Agnes

Sunday 10:30 a.m. +Deceased Family Members of Alfred & Josephine Wagner  
Tuesday 8:30 a.m. +Poor Souls in Purgatory  
Thursday 8:30 a.m. +Justice & Peace  
Sunday 10:30 a.m. +Jana Russell Townsend

### St. Mary's

Mon. 8:15 a.m. Rosary & Service  
Wed. 8:15 a.m.  
Friday 8:15 a.m.  
Saturday 4:00 p.m.  
Sunday 8:30 a.m.

## EVENTS OF THE WEEK:

Monday, Aug. 10 Feast of St. Lawrence, Deacon and Martyr  
Friday, Aug. 14 Memorial of St. Maximilian Kolbe, Priest and Martyr  
Saturday, Aug. 15 Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

## UPCOMING EVENTS:

Thursday, Aug. 20 Memorial of St. Bernard, Abbot and Dr. of the Church  
Friday, Aug. 21 Memorial of St. Pius X, Pope  
Saturday, Aug. 22 Memorial of the Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Your Gift to the Church: \$ 1340.75      DDF: \$100.00

Readers

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS:

**PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS** Sharon Wolfe, Theresa Heidlage, Paul Mettlach, Marie Jasumback, Mary Lenore Droska, Jim and Veda Perrin, Marion Tomlinson Williams, Linda Russell, Ray Williams, Trayven Williams, Michael Williams, Paula Wead and all the sick and shut-ins of our parish.

**SUNDAY MASSES** are open to anyone who wishes to attend. Our attendance is down due to covid-19, therefore the church is open to all who wish to attend. By Newton County ordinance there is still a restriction on the number that can attend and that number is 39.

**THANK YOU:** I want to thank everyone for all their prayers and for all the kindness and wonderful things they have done for me. God has truly Blessed me with a wonderful church family. God Bless You! Linda Russell

## A PRAYER FOR GUIDANCE:

Gracious, merciful Lord, Be my guide always.  
Draw me closer to You.  
Help me to suffer as I ought.  
You are the Great Comforter.  
Be with me, Lord, as I pray and fast.  
Teach me to pray and fast so I may join You and all the saints.  
Teach me to offer up my suffering to help those most in need.  
Guide me to be ever mindful of You and the greater purpose You have in mind for me.

## 19<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time

1 Kings 19:9,11-13  
Ps 85:8-14  
Romans 9:1-5  
Matthew 14:22-33

**Monday August 10**  
**St. Lawrence**

2 Corinthians 9:6-10  
Ps 112:1-2,5-9  
John 12:24-26

**Tuesday August 11**  
**St. Clare**

Ezekiel 2:8 – 3:4  
Ps 119:14,24,72,103,111,131  
Matthew 18:1-5,10,12-14

**Wednesday August 12**

Ezekiel 9:1-7;10:18-22  
Ps 113:1-6  
Matthew 18:15-20

**Thursday August 13**

Ezekiel 12:1-12  
Ps 78:56-59,61-62  
Matthew 18:21 – 19:1

**Friday August 14**

**St. Maximilian Kolbe**  
Ezekiel 16:1-15,60,63  
Isaiah 12:2-6  
Matthew 19:3-12

**Saturday August 15**

**Assumption of Mary**  
Rev 11:19a;12:1-6a,10ab  
Ps 45:10-12,16  
1 Corinthians 15:20-27  
Luke 1:39-56

In the Gospel reading, Jesus finishes with the miracle of multiplying a few loaves and fish to feed thousands of people, and then he goes off by himself to pray.

When you host a large dinner party or complete a big project or overcome difficult obstacles, do you give yourself time to recuperate and let God minister to you?

After spending time alone with his Father, Jesus was so uplifted by the experience that he walked on water!

Jesus frequently spent time in prayer. He probably went off by himself to pray a lot more often than what is written in scripture. So why did Matthew mention it here? What was significant about this particular prayer time?

Through Matthew, God is showing us how to achieve a well-balanced faith.

We need periods of prayer-filled solitude to restore our energies and renew our vision of what God is inspiring us to do. We all have work to

do for God in our families, in our workplaces, in social gatherings, in our parishes and in every problem that arises. Giving of ourselves to others will always drain us; to thrive and grow in our usefulness to God, we must allow him to replenish us often.

Prayer helps us to prepare for whatever lies ahead, even when we don't know what we're walking into.



What we gain from the Lord in our time alone with him is a gift designed for our benefit *and* for responding to the needs of others. It strengthens our faith, teaches us how to walk on water, and sends us to the next shore where people who need God's help are waiting. God wants to minister to them through us. Are you prayed up and ready?

### Reflect & Discuss:

1. How much time do you spend in quiet aloneness with the Lord?
2. Is it enough to restore the inner peace that comes from staying in touch with God? Or do you feel drained and unprepared to continue?
3. What's your favorite way of praying? What kind of prayer makes you feel most connected to God? Why?
4. How does this help you in the tasks of your daily life?