

St. Agnes Catholic Church

Terrier & Cherry Rd. Intersection, Sarcoxie, MO

September 13th. 2020 – Twenty Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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MASSES FOR Sept. 13 – Sept. 20

Saint Agnes

Sunday 10:30 a.m.

Tuesday 8:30 a.m.

Thursday 8:30 a.m.

Sunday 10:30 a.m.

+Deceased Family Members of John & Rose Graskemper

+Poor Souls in Purgatory

+Justice & Peace

St. Agnes Parish Family

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, September, 14

Feast of The Exaltation of the Holy Cross

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Monday, September, 21

Feast of St. Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist

Your Gift to the Church: \$1201.00

Readers

Servers

Extraordinary Min

Gift Bearers

Usher

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

We are now having readers during mass. We already have some parishioners who have volunteered and there is a list in the back of church.

September 6 Loretta Graskemper

13 Sandy Thorn

20 Martin Wagner

27 Doug Pickering

October 4 Jane Kutz

11 Kathy Eck

18 Cheryl Elbert

MONEY COUNTERS: We only have 4 attending mass at this time. If you would like to be put on the list please call Laura Wroblewski at 737-1404. Thank you.

September 13 James Campbell

Doug Pickering

September 20 Ron Wagner

Steve Schmitt

CHURCH CLEANERS for September are Charlotte Pickering, Cynthia Workes, & Pam Campbell

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

BIRTHDAY REMEMBERENCE: Father Peter's birthday is September 23. If anyone would like to send him a card his address is:

Father Peter Morciniec

1100 E. Montclair Room #327

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HAPPY GRANDPARENT'S DAY!

24th Sunday of Ordinary Time

Sirach 27:30–28:9
Ps 103:1-4, 9-12
Romans 14:7-9
Matthew 18:21-35

Monday September 14
Exaltation of Holy Cross
Numbers 21:4b-9
Ps 78:1bc-2,34-38
Philippians 2:6-11
John 3:13-17

Tuesday September 15
Our Lady of Sorrows
1 Corinth 12:12-14,27-31a
Ps 100:1b-5
John 19:25-27
or Luke 2:33-35

Wednesday September 16
Sts. Cornelius & Cyprian
1 Corinthians 12:31 – 13:13
Ps 33:2-5,12,22
Luke 7:31-35

Thursday September 17
1 Corinthians 15:1-11
Ps 118:1b-2,16ab-17,28
Luke 7:36-50

Friday September 18
1 Corinthians 15:12-20
Ps 17:1,6-7,8b,15
Luke 8:1-3

Saturday September 19
1 Corinth 15:35-37,42-49
Ps 56:10c-14
Luke 8:4-15

Jesus' message in this Sunday's Gospel reading explains a line from the "Our Father" prayer he had taught earlier (Matthew 6:12): "Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us."

The strongest word here is "AS" – the same as, just like, in equal measure.

If there is anyone we have not forgiven, if there is anyone we cannot pray for with love, we'd better keep our mouths shut during this part of the prayer to our Father, who is the Father of all.

Sometimes, it's difficult to forgive because we think "forgiving" means "forgetting". Jesus never said that we must forget what the debtor owes. Forgiveness means remembering – and learning from the memory – without demanding repayment or retribution.

Unforgiveness is a form of punishment: it's payback time. For example, if we remain angry, we hope that our anger or coldness will somehow punish the sinner into re-

pentance. Well, guess what. That never works.

Here's something else we do that never works: holding a grudge to protect ourselves from getting hurt again. Grudges do not free us from the pain of bad memories. It chains us to them.



When we free others from the debts they owe us for hurting us (whether they seek it or not, whether they're still alive or not), we free ourselves and our healing begins – *our* healing!

It's the most loving gift that we can give to ourselves, as it's a gift of love to others. Even when they don't recognize our gift, God does.

Reflect & Discuss:

1. Who angers you because they don't deserve your forgiveness?
2. What are you gaining from unforgiveness and resentment? What will you lose if you forgive?
3. What is the most difficult part of forgiveness?
4. What steps do you take for pushing yourself into truly letting go of unforgiveness so you can find healing? Sharing this with others will spread good ideas that could change someone's life!