

St. Agnes Catholic Church

Terrier & Cherry Rd. Intersection, Sarcoxie, MO
September 27th. 2020 – Twenty Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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MASSES FOR Sept. 27 – Oct. 4th

Saint Agnes

Sunday 10:30 a.m. St. Agnes Parish Family
Tuesday 8:30 a.m. +Poor Souls in Purgatory
Thursday 8:30 a.m. +James & Veda Perrin
Sunday 10:30 a.m. +Deceased Family Members of Joseph & Anna Katzfey

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:

Tuesday, September 29 **Feast of Saint Michael, Gabriel and Raphael, Archangels**
Thursday, October, 1 **Memorial of Saint Therese of the Child Jesus, Virgin and Doctor of the Church**
Friday, October, 2 **Memorial of the Holy Guardian Angels**
Sunday, Oct. 4 **Respect Life Sunday**

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Monday, Oct. 5 **Memorial of Blessed Francis Xavier**
Wednesday, Oct. 7 **Memorial of Our Lady of the Rosary**

Your Gift to the Church: \$115.00

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
25 Kathy Heidlage

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 .If you need an alternate please call Jared Campbell

September 27
James Campbell
Doug Pickering

October 4
Ron Wagner
Steve Schmitt

CHURCH CLEANERS FOR THE MONTH OF OCTOBER: Jane Kutz, Jean Wagner, & Linda Russell

PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS Sharon Wolfe, Theresa Heidlage, Paul Mettlach, Marie Jasumback, Mary Lenore Droska, Jim and Veda Perrin, Marion Tomlinson Williams, Ray Williams, Rosemary Boes, who is having back surgery and all the sick and shut-ins of our parish.

A PRAYER FOR OUR COUNTRY

Almighty God, bless our nation and make it true to the ideas of freedom and justice and brotherhood for all who make it great. Guard us from war, from fire and wind, from compromise, fear, confusion.

Be close to our president and our statesmen: give them vision and courage, as they ponder decisions affecting peace and the future of the world.

Make me more deeply aware of my heritage: realizing not only my rights but also my duties and responsibilities as a citizen.

Make this great land and all its people know clearly Your will, that they may fulfill the destiny ordained for us in the salvation of the nations, and the restoring of all things in Christ. Amen.

26th Sunday of Ordinary Time

Ezekiel 18:25-28
Ps 25:4-5, 8-10, 14
Philippians 2:1-11
Matthew 21:28-32

Monday September 28

Job 1:6-22
Ps 17:1b-3,6-7
Luke 9:46-50

Tuesday September 29 Sts. Michael, Gabriel & Raphael, archangels

Daniel 7:9-10,13-14
or Revelation 12:7-12a
Ps 138:1-5
John 1:47-51

Wednesday September 30

St. Jerome
Job 9:1-12,14-16
Ps 88:10bc-15
Luke 9:57-62

Thursday October 1 St. Thérèse of Lisieux

Job 19:21-27
Ps 27:7-9c,13-14
Luke 10:1-12

Friday October 2 Holy Guardian Angels

Job 38:1,12-21; 40:3-5
Ps 139:1-3,7-10,13-14ab
Matthew 18:1-5, 10

Saturday October 3

Job 42:1-3,5-6,12-17
Ps 119:66,71,75,91,125,130
Luke 10:17-24

Today's Gospel story was meant to shock people who think they're okay spiritually but do not honestly examine how well they do the Father's will.

Jesus said that tax collectors and prostitutes (professions considered to be the most contemptible and unholy) were entering the kingdom of God ahead of religious experts!

These so-called "ex-perts" knew the correct answer to the question that Jesus posed – they knew to say yes to God – but knowing the right answer and actually DOing the right answer is the dividing line between heaven and hell.

God doesn't want right answers; he wants righteous actions. God doesn't want dutiful compliance to Church teachings; he wants obedience motivated by love and an enthusiastic attitude of serving in the mission of the Church.

What's the value of going to Mass every Sunday, for example, if it doesn't result in deeds of holiness outside the Mass?

Do you know someone who's saying "no" to coming to Mass? If they're doing good works because they genuinely love God, who's to say they won't reach full



unity with him sooner than people who attend every Mass but do little to help others?

God wants us to do both: Know the right answers and be righteous. Go to Mass faithfully and be changed by it. Say yes to his calling to make the world a better place by uniting ourselves to Christ

in church and following out him out the door, taking him to everyone we meet.

Reflect & Discuss:

1. What opportunities to serve God in your parish or out in the community have you said "no" to? Spend some time praying to understand whether or not that was an invitation from Christ himself.
2. What can you say "yes" to now?
3. What types of people today are despised the most?
4. Who seems least likely to get into heaven? (A terrorist perhaps? An ex-spouse?) How is it possible (to our surprise) that we might be greeted by them when we arrive in heaven? How would you feel about it?