

St. Agnes Catholic Church

Terrier & Cherry Rd. Intersection, Sarcoxie, MO
October 25th. 2020 – Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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MASSES FOR Oct 25th – Nov.1

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.	+Justice & Peace
Sunday	10:30 a.m.	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:

Wednesday, Oct. 28
Sunday, Nov. 1

Feast of Saints Simon and Jude, Apostles
All Saints Day – Holy Day of Obligation
Daylight Savings Time Ends

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Monday, Nov. 2
Sunday, Nov. 8

All Soul's Day-The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed
Mass to Celebrate St. Agnes 150th Year Anniversary

Your Gift to the Church: \$450.00 Mission Sunday \$570.00

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

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.

November 1

Cheryl Elbert
Jane Kutz

November 8

James Campbell
Doug Pickering

November 15

Ron Wagner
Steve Schmitt

November 22

Cheryl Elbert
Jane Kutz

FRIEND AND FAMILY DINNER: will not be taking place this year because of Covid-19. You will receive a letter and information about a raffle the first Sunday in November.

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, Peggy Heidlage, Mary Lenore Droska and all the sick and shut-ins of our parish.

ST. AGNES WILL CELEBRATE IT'S 150 YEAR ANNIVERSARY: this year, but do to the Covid-19 virus we will not be celebrating it this year. Father Schoensetter was the first missionary priest to our area in 1868. There were 2 catholic families and he said mass in one of these two homes every 6 months. We now have 61 families. St. Agnes has had 31 Priests to present time. There will be a table set up in the back of church for more of the church history for anyone who would like to read up on the history of our small but amazing and giving church.

WE RECEIVED a call from Mark Schreiber Tuesday, to let everyone know that Kelly Murray, a McAuley graduate of the class of 1975 had died on Oct. 12. Many of those who went to McAuley from St. Mary's & St. Agnes will remember him. Please pray for the Happy Repose of his soul and for his family.

SCAM ALERT: If you receive a text message from Fr. Matt do not reply to it. Fr. Matt does not text, so he will never send anyone a text message.

30th Sunday of Ordinary Time

Exodus 22:20-26
Ps 18:2-4,47,51
1 Thessalonians 1:5c-10
Matthew 22:34-40

Monday October 26
Ephesians 4:32--5:8
Ps 1:1-4,6
Luke 13:10-17

Tuesday October 27
Ephesians 5:21-33
Ps 128:1-5
Luke 13:18-21

Wednesday October 28
Sts. Simon and Jude
Ephesians 2:19-22
Ps 19:2-5
Luke 6:12-16

Thursday October 29
Ephesians 6:10-20
Ps 144:1b,2,9-10
Luke 13:31-35

Friday October 30
Philippians 1:1-11
Ps 111:1-6
Luke 14:1-6

Saturday October 31
Philippians 1:18b-26
Ps 42:2,3,5
Luke 14:1, 7-11

Today's Gospel reading reminds us that we cannot love God without loving ourselves *and* others, but God must always come first.



When we have difficulty loving God with all our heart, mind and soul all the time, every day, every

moment, no matter what's going on, it's because we're spending too much time focused on other people and/or on our own plans and wishes.

Yes, we must focus on others in order to love them. And yes we must focus on our own needs so that we can love others *as much* as we love ourselves. Our own needs are important and we are responsible for seeing that our needs get met; otherwise we don't have enough to share with others—enough energy or enthusiasm or kindness or patience. Likewise, we

shouldn't focus so much on ourselves that we neglect the needs of others.

So the question then becomes: What are the priorities? In other words: How much time should we spend alone with God? How much time should we spend nurturing ourselves? How much of our time and needs and wants should be sacrificed for the sake of others?

Interestingly, we find the right balance only after we put God first and make our relationship with him our highest

priority. This divine friendship is what heals us in our unmet needs. It's what empowers us to love others even when they are difficult to love. And we don't have to be alone with God all day to have intimacy with him.

We love him first and foremost simply by relying on him for success in loving others and ourselves. If we keep turning to him for guidance, healing and strength, we are loving him with all our heart, mind and soul all the time, every day, every moment, no matter what's going on.

Reflect & Discuss:

1. How good are you at setting priorities and keeping God at the top?
2. What puts your priorities out of order?
3. What can you do to increase God's role in your everyday life?
4. Describe some of the techniques you've used to increase God's priority in your everyday life.
5. How has focusing on your relationship with God helped you to be more loving to yourself and kinder toward others?