

St. Agnes Catholic Church

Terrier & Cherry Rd. Intersection, Sarcoxie, MO

April 11, 2021 Second Sunday of Easter

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MASSES FOR April 11 – April 18

Saint Agnes

Sunday	10:30 a.m.	St. Agnes Parish Family
Tuesday	8:30 a.m.	Justice & Peace
Thursday	8:30 a.m.	+Pat Jennett
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.	
Sat.	4:00 p.m.	
Sun.	8:30 a.m.	

EVENTS OF THE WEEK:

UPCOMING EVENT:

Sunday, April 25 **Catholic Home Mission Appeal**

Your Gift to the Church: \$ 3,950.00 Holy Land \$215.00

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

READERS

April 4	Kathy Heidlage
11	Jane Kutz
18	Kathy Eck
25	Cheryl (K) Elbert

MONEY COUNTERS

Ron Wagner & Steve Schmitt
Cheryl (K) Elbert & Jane Kutz
James Campbell & Doug Pickering
Ron Wagner & Steve Schmitt

PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS Pauline Whitman, Sharon Wolfe, Paul Mettlach, Marie Jasumback, Mary Lenore Droska, Jim and Veda Perrin, Marion Tomlinson Williams, and all the sick and shut-ins of our parish.

The Mirror subscription is due. If you have not paid for your subscription to The Mirror yet The Diocese wishes that all families receive The Mirror – please help defray costs by paying the \$14 toward your subscription. Checks should be made out to St. Agnes. **We have received the bill for The Mirror, it is \$686.00. We have only collected \$490.00. If you have not yet paid for your Mirror you still have time.**

CHURCH CLEANERS FOR APRIL: Charlotte Pickering, Cynthia Workes, Pam Campbell

Dear Friends,

As we look toward the end of this school year, it is time for our special annual fundraiser called "Angels Among Us." We truly believe that St. Mary's School has *many angels* that are here for us in so many ways! Last year we did not do this fundraiser because of the covid 19 virus. With so many people experiencing pandemic related problems, we felt that it wasn't an appropriate time.

For everyone who donates \$10 or more, their names will be posted on angels and placed in the gym. For those who donate \$400 or more, they will also get their names engraved on a metal "leaf" and placed on our Giving/Endowment tree in the school's hallway. Donations may be made in the memory of a loved one. Please make a note telling us whose name you want on the angel and/or leaf. The fundraiser ends on May 1. The profits from this fundraiser will go directly to help the school. If you would like to make a donation to St. Mary's School, you may contact Sally Heidlage or mail it to the school at the following address. If it is not possible to give at this time, then we ask that you please remember us in your prayers. If you know of any alumni who do not live locally and do not get our newsletter, but would like to, please contact the office. Thank you and may God bless you!

St. Mary's School
Attn: Angels
202 Front Street
Pierce City, MO 65723

Your Friends in Christ
Jason Kramer (Principal)
Sally Heidlage (Chair Person)

2nd Sunday of Easter

Acts 4:32-35
Psalm 118:2-4,
13-15,22-24
1 John 5:1-6
John 20:19-31

Monday April 12

Acts 4:23-31
Ps 2:1-9
John 3:1-8

Tuesday April 13

Acts 4:32-37
Ps 93:1-2,5
John 3:7b-15

Wednesday April 14

Acts 5:17-26
Ps 34:2-9
John 3:16-21

Thursday April 15

Acts 5:27-33
Ps 34:2,9,17-20
John 3:31-36

Friday April 16

Acts 5:34-42
Ps 27:1,4,13-14
John 6:1-15

Saturday April 17

Acts 6:1-7
Ps 33:1-2,4-5,18-19
John 6:16-21

"My Lord and my God!" This exclamation of Thomas in the Gospel reading used to be our exclamation at the raising of the Eucharist during Mass. It would be good to renew this habit. It's an awe-filled, humble recognition of Christ's Lordship *and* of the reality of his presence in the form of bread and wine.

Notice how Jesus convinced the disciples that he had truly come back to life in the flesh. At first, they thought he was a ghost, or they didn't know what to think. They found the miracle of the resurrection too incredible to grasp.

Jesus opened their minds to the truth of the miracle by showing his wounds. He does the same for us in every Mass.

Through the use of our logic and our senses, it's difficult to grasp the truth that the bread

and wine miraculously become the actual body and blood of Christ – the same broken and bleeding body that died on the cross 2000+ years ago. It's even harder to see and understand that the resurrected Jesus is also there!

During Mass, we enter the timelessness of eternity to benefit from the living Christ. When we realize that we personally need the sacrifice he made on Good Friday, because we've sinned, we begin to look at his wounds from a crucial perspective. It is then that we begin to understand the truth about the Eucharist.



The first step toward believing in the miracle of the Eucharist is to want Christ's death to save us from our sins and to want his resurrection to take us to heaven. The final step occurs when our desire to unite to Jesus is so thorough that we yearn for him to consume our lives with his presence. We want the divine Jesus to come to us in the flesh, in whatever manner he chooses, to transform us into his likeness.

It is this desire that makes us exclaim whenever we see the Eucharist, "My Lord and my God!"

Reflect & Discuss:

1. Have you ever doubted Christ's real presence in the Eucharist?
2. How do you feel when you look at the Eucharist? Does your spirit exclaim, "My Lord and my God"? Why or why not?
3. How has Jesus revealed himself to you in surprising ways – "in his many forms of presence"?
4. When have you found him incredible, difficult to grasp? What helped you accept the truth of his presence in that situation?
5. How has Jesus revealed his presence to you in the Eucharist?