

St. Agnes Catholic Church

Terrier & Cherry Rd. Intersection, Sarcoxie, MO

April 18, 2021 Third Sunday of Easter

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MASSES FOR April 18 – April 25

Saint Agnes

Sunday	10:30 a.m.	St. Agnes Parish Family
Tuesday	8:30 a.m.	Justice & Peace
Thursday	8:30 a.m.	Poor Souls in Purgatory
Sunday	10:30 a.m.	+Phyllis Schoen

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:

Friday, April 23
Saturday, April 24
Sunday, April 25

Memorial of Saint George, Martyr
Memorial of Saint Fidelis, Priest and Martyr
Catholic Home Mission Appeal
World Day of Prayer for Vocations

UPCOMING EVENT:

Wednesday, April 28
Thursday, April 29
Friday, April 30
Saturday, May 1

Memorial of Saint Peter Chanel, Priest and Martyr
Memorial of Saint Catherine of Siena, Virgin and Doctor of the Church
Memorial of Saint Pius V, Pope
Memorial of Saint Joseph the Worker

Your Gift to the Church: \$1275.00

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

READERS

May 2	Sandy Thorn
9	Martin Wagner
16	Doug Pickering
23	Cheryl (R) Elbert
30	Kathy Heidlage

MONEY COUNTERS

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

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 Family of Theresa Heidlage would like to thank Father Matt Rehrauer, Ronda Forgey, organist, choirs, PCCW of St. Mary's and St. Agnes for your thoughts and prayers. The Heidlages

The annual Diocesan Development Fund appeal will be held on May 1 and 2. This effort is conducted in every parish of the diocese to help finance the activities and ministries of the Catholic Church in southern Missouri. Our parish goal is \$10,338.00. We ask you to keep the DDF campaign in your prayers.

St Lawrence PCCW will be having their Annual Salad Luncheon April 21st from 11:00-1:00. There will be a wide variety of salads & desserts to choose from. The cost is \$8.00 per person, tickets may be purchased at the door. Bruner Pharmacy will also have tickets available

The Rosary will be said before weekday masses starting in May.

A PRAYER FOR THOSE WHO SUFFER

For those who suffer and those who cry this day, give relief from their burdens, dear Lord.
Let them experience Your true peace. Love them, Lord, when others cannot.
Hold them, Lord, when human arms fail.
Hear their prayers, O Lord, and let them hear Your word of peace in their lives.
Amen

3rd Sunday of Easter

Acts 3:13-15,17-19
Psalm 4:2,4,7-9
1 John 2:1-5a
Luke 24:35-48

Monday April 19

Acts 6:8-15
Ps 119:23-24,26-27,29-30
John 6:22-29

Tuesday April 20

Acts 7:51 – 8:1a
Ps 31:3cd-4,6,7b,
8a,17,21ab
John 6:30-35

Wednesday April 21

Acts 8:1b-8
Ps 66:1-7a
John 6:35-40

Thursday April 22

Acts 8:26-40
Ps 66:8-9,16-17,20
John 6:44-51

Friday April 23

Acts 9:1-20
Ps 117:1bc,2
John 6:52-59

Saturday April 24

Acts 9:31-42
Ps 116:12-17
John 6:60-69

Now that we're a renewed people – an Easter people – the scriptures at Mass remind us of the stark difference between living a redeemed life and living in sin. The first reading says: "Repent, therefore, and be converted, that your sins may be wiped away." The second reading says: "Those who say, 'I know him', but do not keep his commandments are liars, and the truth is not in them."

And the Gospel reading says: "Thus it is written that the Christ would suffer and rise from the dead on the third day and that repentance, for the forgiveness of sins, would be preached in his name...."

We are all liars in some way every day, professing our faith with our lips but not al-

ways in our behaviors. Our actions often say that we don't truly believe what we say about Christ's love. Our worries might be saying that we don't truly believe that God cares about each and every situation.

Our decisions say that we don't truly believe that Jesus knew what he was talking about when he commanded us to love our enemies and do good to those who hurt us. Our moral relativism says that we don't truly believe he was smarter than us when he gave us his commandments.



How loudly do your actions preach the truth about Jesus?

Many of us undervalue what Jesus has done for us, thinking that his death and resurrection is enough to get us into heaven; we neglect the need to humble ourselves under the reality of the need for daily redemption.

God's not expecting perfection from us on this side of heaven's gate. What he does want, however, is our desire to become more and more like Christ every day. As long as we're continually examining our lives and

educating ourselves about how we can improve, and as long as we follow through by doing what is necessary to produce changes, God is very pleased with us.

Reflect & Discuss:

1. What sinful tendencies still enslave you?
2. What will you do this week to turn these over to Christ and his redemptive power?
3. What do you do to stay in touch with your need for Christ and his redemptive power?
4. How do you rely on the resurrected life of Christ to overcome sinful tendencies and enter into victorious Christian living?