# St. Agnes Catholic Church

Terrier & Cherry Rd. Intersection, Sarcoxie, MO Feb 6, 2022 Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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## MASSES FOR feb 6 - Feb 13

Saint Agnes

Sunday 10:30 a.m. Tuesday 8:30 a.m.

Thursday 8:30 a.m.
Sunday 10:30 a.m.

St. Agnes Parish Family

Justice & Peace +Mary Lenore Droska St. Agnes Parish Family St. Mary's

Mon. 8:15 a.m. Rosary Service

Wed. 8:15 a.m. Fri. 8:15 a.m. Sat 4:00 p.m.

Sun. 8:30 a.m.

**EVENTS OF THE WEEK:** 

Thursday, February 10

Memorial of Saint Scholastica, Virgin

**UPCOMING EVENTS:** 

Monday, February 14

Tuesday, February 22 Wednesday, February 23 Memorial of Saints Cyril, Monk and Methodius Bishop

Feast of The Chair of Saint Peter the Apostle Memorial of Saint Polycarp, Bishop and Martyr

YOUR GIFT TO THE CHURCH: \$ 470.00 Catholic Education \$100.00 Storm Victims \$150.00 Latin America \$25.00

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

READERS

February 6 Kathy Heidlage

13 Jane Kutz20 Kathy Eck

27 Cheryl (K) Elbert

**MONEY COUNTERS** 

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

<u>PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS:</u> Margie Mettlach, Marie Jasumback, Jim and Veda Perrin, Marion Tomlinson Williams, Monta Heidlage, Louise Bellm, Lawrence Katzfey and all the sick and shut-ins of our parish.

**FEBRUARY BIRTHDAY'S:** Isaac Chorum, Mary Lenore Droska, Sarah Elbert, Tom Heidlage, Janet Jennett, Jared Jennett, Leroy Kutz, Paul Mettlach, Lillian Prince, Michael Schwartz, Amber Wagner & Ron Wagner.

#### **PRAYER**

In families striving to stay intact through adversity. Let us see Christ.

In the poor and lowly of the world. Let us see Christ.

In those forced to leave their homes because of war or famine. Let us see Christ

In children who go to bed hungry and who cannot attend school. Let us see Christ.

In those who are living with HIV/AIDS and other diseases. Let us see Christ.

In immigrants and refugees seeking freedom and hope. Let us see Christ.

In those who are orphaned or abandoned. Let us see Christ.

In the elderly who are forgotten. Let us see Christ.

In those who struggle to find meaningful work. Let us see Christ.

In those who work for justice and peace for all people. Let us see Christ.

Let us pray. Jesus, teach us to recognize your presence in those who are in need. May we give of ourselves in service to them and so hasten the coming of the Kingdom you have promised, where you live with the Father and Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.

# God News INSPIRATION FOR DAILY LIFE

## 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time

Isaiah 6:1-2a,3-8 Ps 138:1-5,7-8 1 Corinthians 15:1-11 Luke 5:1-11

> Monday February 7 1 Kings 8:1-7,9-13 Ps 132:6-10 Mark 6:53-56

Tuesday February 8 1 Kings 8:22-23,27-30 Ps 84:3-5,10-11 Mark 7:1-13

> Wednesday Feb. 9 1 Kings 10:1-10 Ps 37:30-31,39-40 Mark 7:14-23

Thursday February 10 St. Scholastica 1 Kings 11:4-13 Ps 106:3-4,35-36,37,40 Mark 7:24-30

Friday February 11 1 Kings 11:29-32;12:19 Ps 81:10-15 Mark 7:31-37

Saturday February 12 1 Kings 12:26-32;13:33-34 Ps 106:6-7ab,19-22 Mark 8:1-10 Very often, the Lord gives us help even when we don't ask for it. We see this in what he did for Simon Peter, James and John in the Gospel reading, when he provided a great catch of fish for them.

What's his motive? Was he rewarding these fishermen for lending him one of their boats? Do you think he does good things for you as a reward?

Well, it's not a reward. There's a bigger picture.

Note the pattern of Christ's interaction with us as illustrated by this Gospel story:

- 1. First, the fishermen already know Jesus; they call him "Master" because he's a master teacher and they are his students.
- 2. Second, Jesus helps them in an unexpected way.
- 3. Third, Jesus turns the gift

into a calling.

4. Fourth, the disciples give up everything that could interfere with answering the call.

Whenever God intervenes in our lives, he does it to benefit us and others. We belong to a community, God's family; we are not in relationship with God as isolated individuals. By connecting ourselves to God in prayer, in the Eucharist, and in worship, we are connecting ourselves to everyone else and to his concerns for them.



Our prayers for help are never answered only for our sake. God always sees a bigger picture. And he always cares about everyone who is affected.

If it seems like God isn't responding to your pleas, it's because he's working on a bigger plan. He's coordinating how the answer to your prayers will

help others - many others.

God cares very much about your personal needs and desires, but he cares about everyone else, too, whether they ask for his help or not. And he is turning your needs into a calling, a ministry designed specifically for you. This means that the moment you begin asking for help, you are called by God to share his help with others.

By thinking beyond ourselves while waiting for our troubles to end, we find peace and hope and value in the hardships we endure. This is the vocation of daily life.

#### Reflect & Discuss:

- 1. What prayer requests are you still waiting for God to answer?
- 2. What might God do during this delay that could benefit others?
- Recall a time when God answered one of your prayers. Identify the four stages of divine intervention that are mentioned in this reflection.