

St. Agnes Catholic Church

Terrier & Cherry Rd. Intersection, Sarcoxie, MO
July 17, 2022 Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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MASSES FOR July 17 – July 24

Saint Agnes

Sunday	10:30 a.m.	+Clemens Wagner
Tuesday	8:30 a.m.	No Mass-Communion Services
Thursday	8:30 a.m.	No Mass-Communion Services
Sunday	10:30 a.m.	+Mary Lenore Droska

St. Mary's

Mon.	8:15 a.m.	Rosary Service
Wed.	8:15 a.m.	No Mass
Fri.	8:15 a.m.	No Mass
Sat	4:00 p.m.	
Sun.	8:30 a.m.	

EVENTS OF THE WEEK:

Friday, July 22

Feast of Saint Mary Magdalene

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Monday, July 25

Feast of Saint James, Apostle

Tuesday, July 26

Memorial of Saints Joachim and Anne, Parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Friday, July 29

Memorial of Saint Martha

YOUR GIFT TO THE CHURCH: \$ 1275.00

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

<u>July</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>READERS</u>
	10	Kathy Heidlage
	17	Jane Kutz
	24	Kathy Eck
	31	Cheryl (K) Elbert
		Sandy Thorn

Extra Ordinary Ministers

Dennis Heidlage
Marilyn Adamson
Maria Wagner
Kimberly Prince
Eric Prince

MONEY COUNTERS

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

PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS: Margie Mettlach, Marie Jasumback, Jim and Veda Perrin, Marion Tomlinson Williams, Monta Heidlage, Loretta Graskemper and all the sick and shut-ins of our parish.

JULY BIRTHDAY REMEMBERENCES: Ray Elbert, John Heidlage, Annabelle Prince, Brenda Schmitt, Sandra Thorn, Jamie Welters, Kevin Welters, Liam Welters & Marion Williams

PRAYER FOR OUR PRIESTS

We thank you, God our Father, for those who have responded to your call to priestly ministry. Accept this prayer we offer on their behalf. Fill your priests with the sure knowledge of your love. Open their hearts to the power and consolation of the Holy Spirit. Lead them to new depths of union with your Son. Increase in them profound faith in the Sacraments they celebrate as they nourish, strengthen and heal us.

Lord Jesus Christ, grant that these, your priests, may inspire us to strive for holiness by the power of their example, as men of prayer who ponder your word and follow your will.

O Mary Mother of Christ and our mother, guard with your maternal care these chosen ones, so dear to the Heart of your Son. Intercede for our priests that, offering the Sacrifice of your Son, they may be conformed more each day to the image of your Son, our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen

16th Sunday of Ordinary Time

Genesis 18:1-10a
Psalm 15:1-5
Colossians 1:24-28
Luke 10:38-42

Monday July 18
Micah 6:1-4,6-8
Ps 50:5-6,8-9,16-17,21,23
Matthew 12:38-42

Tuesday July 19
Micah 7:14-15,18-20
Ps 85:2-8
Matthew 12:46-50

Wednesday July 20
Jeremiah 1:1,4-10
Ps 71:1-6,15,17
Matthew 13:1-9

Thursday July 21
Jeremiah 2:1-3,7-8,12-13
Ps 36:6-11
Matthew 13:10-17

Friday July 22
St. Mary Magdalene
Jeremiah 3:14-17
Jer 31:10-13
John 20:1-2,11-18

Saturday July 23
Jeremiah 7:1-11
Ps 84:3-6a, 8a,11
Matthew 13:24-30

In this Sunday's Gospel reading, Jesus speaks to us about our anxieties and worries. They distract us. They're harmful to us if we let them control our lives, because they take our eyes off of our Lord and focus us on what's going wrong and how it might get worse.

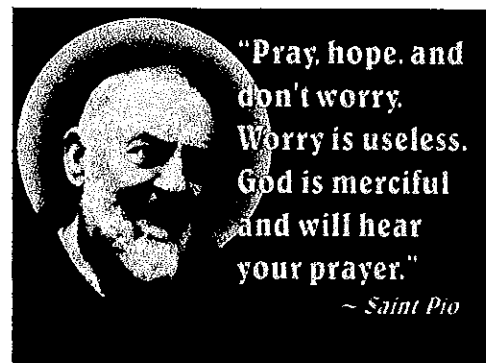
Mary chose the "better part"; she didn't let anything distract her from being a disciple learning avidly from Jesus. When we make the time to put aside the busyness of life to sit quietly and learn from Jesus, we discover reasons why our worries aren't really so worrisome.

Only as we sit quietly at the feet of Jesus do we find hope that overcomes despair, peace that conquers anxiety, and wisdom that gets us through trials. Even the littlest worry, such as Martha's concern that her kitchen chores wouldn't get done, is a sin when it takes our eyes off of Jesus. Nothing that distracts

us from Jesus is ever good for us.

We cannot grow in holiness when we're not watching Jesus and learning from him how to be holy. We cannot love as he loves nor receive all the love he gives us unless we have a prayer life that includes quiet time alone with him, drinking up his lessons and his loving embrace. Prayers said while driving or listening to homilies isn't enough.

Anxieties and worries are varying degrees of fear: We're afraid that something bad is going to happen.



Even when there's a legitimate reason to worry, fear blocks our view of Jesus, because it turns us away from him.

We need to recognize fear as a warning flag that's telling us to slow down, quiet down, and sit down with Jesus for a good discussion on whatever it is that's bothering us. He's got the answers, the encouragement, and the affirmation that will bring us peace.

Reflect & Discuss:

1. What has been worrying you lately? What are you anxious about? What are you fearing might happen? Write them on a list and take them to Jesus in a quiet prayer time.
2. What lessons is Jesus trying to teach you in those situations? Ask the Holy Spirit to help you learn from Jesus. Search the Bible for additional inspiration.
3. What are some of the ways we can slow down our lives and improve our prayer times?
4. Tell the story of an experience you had when quiet prayer relieved an anxiety or solved a problem.