

St. Agnes Catholic Church

Terrier & Cherry Rd. Intersection, Sarcoxie, MO
September 25, 2022 Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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MASSES FOR September 25 – October 2

Saint Agnes

Sunday	10:30 a.m.	+Mary Lenore Droska
Tuesday	8:30 a.m.	Justice & Peace
Thursday	8:30 a.m.	+Poor Souls in Purgatory
Sunday	10:30 a.m.	+Jana Russell Townsend

St. Mary's

Mon.	8:15 a.m.	Rosary
Wed.	8:15 a.m.	
Fri.	8:15 a.m.	
Sat.	4:00 p.m.	
Sun.	8:30 a.m.	

EVENTS OF THE WEEK:

Tuesday, September 27

Rosary before mass at 8:10 a.m.
Memorial of Saint Vincent de Paul, Priest

Thursday, September 29

Rosary before mass at 8:10 a.m.
Feast of Saints Michael, Gabriel and Raphael, Archangels

Friday, September 30

Memorial of Saint Jerome, Priest and Doctor

Saturday, October 1

Memorial of Saint Therese of the Child Jesus, Virgin and Doctor of the Church

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Tuesday, October 4

Memorial of Saint Francis of Assisi

Friday, October 7

Memorial of Our Lady of the Rosary

YOUR GIFT TO THE CHURCH: \$ 265.00

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

<u>Oct.</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>READERS</u>
	2	Doug Pickering
	9	Cheryl (R) Elbert
	16	Kathy Heidlage
	23	Jane Kutz
	30	Kathy Eck

<u>Extra Ordinary Ministers</u>
Eric Prince
Mike Bartkoski
Thomas Adamson
Jane Kutz
Doug Pickering

<u>MONEY COUNTERS</u>
James Campbell & Doug Pickering
Dennis Heidlage & Paul Heidlage
Ron Wagner & Steve Schmitt
Cheryl (K) Elbert & Jane Kutz
James Campbell & Doug Pickering

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

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament: will be September 28 at 9:00a.m. to 7:00 p.m. at St. Mary's. As part of Eucharist renewal, Bishop Rice has chosen St. Mary's to be the location for a special day of Eucharistic Adoration for this part of the diocese. There are sign-up sheets in the pew along the east wall at the back of church. If you are able and desire to take part, please sign-up for an hour of adoration time. We are hoping to not only have parishioners from St. Agnes and St. Mary's, but also the other parishes in our area. The time of adoration closes with benediction, (blessing with the Blessed Sacrament, at 7:00 p.m. Even if you cannot be present for adoration, please try to make it for benediction. That blessing brings great spiritual benefit.

PCCW dates to remember:

Nov. 6 Friend and Family Dinner (Circle A hosting)
Dec. 8 Region II DCCW meeting (Circle B hosting)
Dec. 11 Celebrate Fr. Matt's birthday (Dec. 17)
Dec. 14 Decorate church for Christmas (Pizza after)

26th Sunday of Ordinary Time

Amos 6:1a, 4-7
Ps 146:(1b) 7-10
1 Timothy 6:11-16
Luke 16:19-31

Monday September 26

Job 1:6-22
Ps 17:1b-3,6-7
Luke 9:46-50

Tuesday September 27

St. Vincent de Paul

Job 3:1-3,11-17,20-23
Ps 88:2-8
Luke 9:51-56

Wednesday September 28

Job 9:1-12,14-16
Ps 88:10b-15
Luke 9:57-62

Thursday September 29

Archangels Michael,

Gabriel & Raphael

Daniel 7:9-10,13-14
or Revelation 12:7-12a
Ps 138:1-5
John 1:47-51

Friday September 30

St. Jerome

Job 38:1,12-21; 40:3-5
Ps 139:1-3,7-10,13-14b
Luke 10:13-16

Saturday October 1

St. Therese of Lisieux

Job 42:1-3,5-6,12-17
Ps 119:66,71,75,91,125,130
Luke 10:17-24

What was the rich man's sin in this Sunday's Gospel story? What tormented him after he died? Being wealthy is not sinful; what tortured his soul was his decision to not share his wealth with Lazarus while he had the opportunity.



Death is not a closing of life; it's the opening up of our souls so we become fully alive in God's love. Death awakens us to the full reality of who God is and all the gifts he has given us and how well – or how poorly – we've invested those gifts. Whenever we share the gifts that we've received, we're investing in God's kingdom. In God's economy, our investments always pay off very well. We receive more than we give away so that we can share even more!

In contrast, when we protect and keep something for ourselves, we lose it like a flower that's "protected" in a dark box. The flower wilts. It cannot

grow. Everything we try to protect ends up useless or even poisonous: We stagnate spiritually as well as emotionally. The gift rots. Our selfishness destroys our union with God who is the Master of Generosity.

Every day, we're given opportunities to share something – some blessing from God – with others. Perhaps

the rich man in the parable turned away from Lazarus because of the poor man's disease. He was probably a leper and highly contagious.

Do we share less because we feel disgust toward those who need what we have? Or maybe fear holds us back. Or resentment. To be united to God and experience everlasting joy, we cannot live in this state. We have to let love motivate us. Love has no limits; it's always generous.

In the second reading, we hear: "Compete well for the faith." Against whom do we compete? Ourselves! Are you holier today? Are you spiritually stronger because you've worked hard at becoming more loving and generous?

Reflect & Discuss:

1. Bring to mind someone you find disgusting. How generous are you toward him or her? If you've missed an opportunity to share a blessing with this person, the Sacrament of Reconciliation will give you strength, through special grace, to overcome this sin.
2. Give examples of times when people turn away from opportunities to be generous. Explain reasons why this happens.
3. How have you personally been a Lazarus who was denied what you needed because of prejudice? What did you learn from that which changed your own attitudes about generosity?