

St. Agnes Catholic Church

Terrier & Cherry Rd. Intersection, Sarcoxie, MO
October 16, 2022 Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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MASSES FOR October 16 – October 23

Saint Agnes

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

St. Mary's

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

EVENTS OF THE WEEK:

Monday, October 17	Memorial of Saint Ignatius of Antioch, Bishop and Martyr
Tuesday, October 18	Feast of Saint Luke, Evangelist
Wednesday, October 19	Memorial of Saints John de Brebeuf and Isaac Jogues, Priests, and Companions, Martyrs
Sunday, October 23	Special Collection For World Mission Sunday

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Friday, October 28 **Feast of Saints Simon and Jude, Apostles**

YOUR GIFT TO THE CHURCH: \$ 890.00

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

	<u>READERS</u>	<u>Extra Ordinary Ministers</u>	<u>MONEY COUNTERS</u>
Oct. 2	Doug Pickering	Eric Prince	James Campbell & Doug Pickering
9	Cheryl (R) Elbert	Thomas Adamson	Dennis Heidlage & Paul Heidlage
16	Kathy Heidlage	Jane Kutz	Ron Wagner & Steve Schmitt
23	Jane Kutz	Doug Pickering	Cheryl (K) Elbert & Jane Kutz
30	Kathy Eck	Leah Heidlage	James Campbell & Doug Pickering

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

PCCW COLLECTING big cans of fruit and vegetables for St. Peter's Outreach in Joplin. They serve hundreds on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. If you'd rather make a donation, please leave in envelope marked "St. Peter's Outreach" and if by check make out to them. Thank you.

OCTOBER BIRTHDAY REMEMBERENCES: James Adamson, Elsie Chorum, Evelyn Chorum, David Elbert, Matt Heidlage, Paul Heidlage, Linda Russell, Evelyn Chorum & Sophie Wagner.

ROSARY – The rosary will be led by ladies of the parish after weekday Masses during the month of October. Please come and join them.

FAMILY PRAYER

Jesus, Mary and Joseph, as you lived God's plan for your family, you changed the shape and design of the human family. Watch over all families today as they struggle to live God's word in the midst of challenge and difficulty. We ask this in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen.

29th Sunday of Ordinary Time

Exodus 17:8-13
Psalm 121:1-8
2 Timothy 3:14--4:2
Luke 18:1-8

Monday October 17
St. Ignatius of Antioch
Ephesians 2:1-10
Ps 100:1b-5
Luke 12:13-21

Tuesday October 18
St. Luke
2 Timothy 4:10-17b
Ps 145:10-13,17-18
Luke 10:1-9

Wednesday October 19
Sts. Isaac Jogues and John de Brebeuf & co.
Ephesians 3:2-12
Isaiah 12:2-6
Luke 12:39-48

Thursday October 20
Ephesians 3:14-21
Ps 33:1-2,4-5,11-12,18-19
Luke 12:49-53

Friday October 21
Ephesians 4:1-6
Ps 24:1-6
Luke 12:54-59

Saturday October 22
Ephesians 4:7-16
Ps 122:1-5
Luke 13:1-9

In our Gospel reading, God promises to secure the rights of his faithful ones who seek his justice. When we're abused, neglected, rejected, betrayed, or falsely accused, God comes to our rescue. And speedily, he says! What? He's not helping you fast enough? Is he breaking his promise with you?

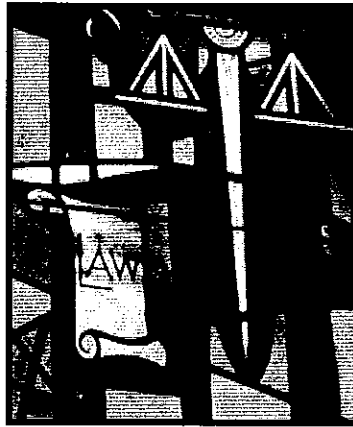
Although God often seems way too slow, whether it takes months or years (and it often does) before your problem gets resolved, Jesus is in fact at your side immediately delivering you from evil, in the very moment you begin to cry out to him.

The real question is not "Where is Jesus?" nor "Why doesn't he care enough to help me sooner?" The question that matters – for the healing of our souls – is stated in the last sentence of this Gospel passage: As he's arriving to help us, do we greet him with faith? Or is fear

spinning our minds in such turmoil that we don't see him as he stands right next to us offering a helping hand?

If we're not living by faith, we inadvertently expand our problems. Are you feeling miserable after calling upon God for help? Look! Jesus is at your side begging for your trust. Are you feeling frustrated because God is not removing the obstacles you're facing? Look! Jesus

wants you to follow him in a direction that's different than where you think you should go.



We all have adversaries. Jesus is wielding his sword of truth against the spirits of darkness who are working against us; he is driving them away. But if we reject the truth he wields, his sword is no help.

What about the troublemakers who continually annoy you? When our eyes are on them instead of on Jesus, we miss the healing that he's offering to us as vindication.

When we live by faith, we experience God's vindication every day, even while injustices continue. We experience it in our hearts as we receive his peace and his patience and his endurance.

Reflect & Discuss:

1. What injustices are frustrating you today? What evil is being done against you?
2. What will you do right now to be a faith-filled follower of Christ? What action will you take to conquer your fears and choose to give God your trust?
3. Describe an injustice that you recently witnessed or experienced. What shocked and dismayed you the most about it?
4. What is fearsome about it? And what does trust for the Lord encourage you to believe about it?