

# St. Agnes Catholic Church

Terrier & Cherry Rd. Intersection, Sarcoxie, MO  
October 2, 2022 Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

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## **MASSES FOR October 2 – October 9**

### **Saint Agnes**

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

### **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, October 4

**Rosary before Mass at 8:10 a.m.**  
**Memorial of Saint Francis of Assisi**  
**Rosary before Mass at 8:10 a.m.**  
**Memorial of Our Lady of the Rosary**

Thursday, October 6

Friday, October 7

## **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

Tuesday, October 11

**Fr. Matt will be gone to the Annual Priest Institute - Rosary & Communion Services at 8:30 a.m.**

Thursday, October 13

**Rosary and Communion Services at 8:30 a.m.**

Saturday, October 15

**Memorial of Saint Teresa of Jesus, Virgin and Doctor of the Church**

**YOUR GIFT TO THE CHURCH: \$ 780.00**

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

### **READERS**

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

### **Extra Ordinary Ministers**

Eric Prince
Thomas Adamson
Jane Kutz
Doug Pickering
Leah Heidlage

### **MONEY COUNTERS**

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

## **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)

**THANK YOU:** Last weekend we had a wonderful Grand Opening of the St. Mary's Diner. Thank you again for allowing the school children to help serve at Mass! Thank you very much for the support of the diner. We served right at 200 guests. Dinner ticket sales brought in \$1910, we had donations towards the event totaling \$1080, and the students earned \$340 in tips. The dinner funds and the donations will cover the cost of the dinner and proceeds will go to the schools general fund. Fundraising efforts for the general fund are not always glamorous, but every bit that we can make means a lot to us and our sustainability. The students' tips will be used to fund projects that they will begin doing throughout the year. We would like to Thank Patty for all of her help in making this successful. We also would like to thank everyone who came out and supported the event. We will look at doing another dining experience later in the year. We will try out some new adjustments to try to accommodate more guests and help make things run even smoother.  
Thank you!

**CHURCH CLEANGING GROUPS:** have been revised. The new list is in the back of church.

**OCTOBER CHURCH CLEANING GROUP:** Charlotte Pickering, Leah Heidlage, Kimberly Prince, Brenda Schmitt

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

Habakkuk 1:2-3; 2:2-4  
Psalm 95:1-2,6-9  
2 Timothy 1:6-8,13-14  
Luke 17:5-10

### Monday Oct 3

Galatians 1:6-12  
Ps 111:1b-2,7-10c  
Luke 10:25-37

### Tuesday October 4 St. Francis of Assisi

Galatians 1:13-24  
Ps 139:1b-3,13-15  
Luke 10:38-42

### Wednesday October 5

Galatians 2:1-2,7-14  
Ps 117:1bc,2  
Luke 11:1-4

### Thursday October 6

Galatians 3:1-5  
Lk 1:69-75  
Luke 11:5-13

### Friday October 7 Our Lady of the Rosary

Galatians 3:7-14  
Ps 111:1b-6  
Luke 11:15-26

### Saturday October 8

Galatians 3:22-29  
Ps 105:2-7  
Luke 11:27-28

This Gospel reading is disturbing. After doing a lot of hard work, the last thing we want to hear from God is: "You're an unprofitable servant."

Think of how hard you work. Whether it's at home or for a business or in ministry, we're never rewarded enough, right? Instead, we're given *more* work! At home, we try to relax after a busy day but

one of the kids or an elderly relative needs help. On the job, we're given more work because our colleagues are either too lazy or they've been laid off. In the parish, most of the work gets done by only 10 to 20% of the people.

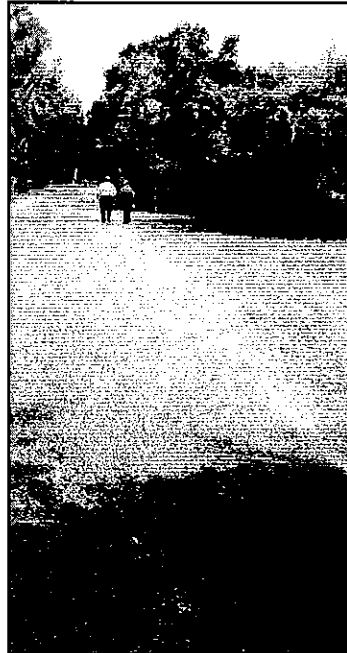
Jesus says that our reaction to all this should be: "Lord, I'm an unworthy servant of your kingdom, because I've only done what's expected of me."

Is he implying that it's right to

be burdened with more to do when we're tired? Not at all! What he is telling us is that there's a difference between doing what's required out of mere obedience and volunteering to go the extra mile because we love and we care.

When we stop short of going the extra mile, it's usually because we have an unbalanced view of faith. Unaware that we're serving Christ in our everyday tasks, and unaware that we're serving others *with* Christ, we settle for a mediocre, half-hearted attitude. We limit our potential.

And then we're astonished that Jesus would suggest that we can command



trees to cast themselves into the sea! When was the last time you saw *that* happen?

Here's the connection between doing more than the minimum and having a supernatural faith: For both to occur, we have to know that God's love is complete and unconditional and available all the time and that from this comes his desire to serve us.

Knowing this, we're confident that he can accomplish anything he wants in us and through us. If we care like he cares, we *want* to go the extra mile with him. And then when we get hurt or tired, he restores us. Do you believe that yet?

### Reflect & Discuss:

1. What's your mulberry tree? What problem is so deeply rooted that it seems immovable?
2. Who in your life is so stuck in sin that you've lost hope? Can you surprise that person with gestures of love that are unexpected and unrequested?
3. Describe examples of service that show the difference between doing our duty and doing more. How does volunteering to serve above and beyond what's expected reveal God's love?