

St. Agnes Catholic Church

Terrier & Cherry Rd. Intersection, Sarcoxie, MO

June 18, Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

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MASSES FOR June 18 – June 25

Saint Agnes

Sunday	10:30 a.m.	Father's of the Parish
Tuesday	8:30 a.m.	Justice & Peace
Thursday	8:30 a.m.	+Poor Souls in Purgatory
Sunday	10:30 a.m.	+Lawrence Katzfey, Jr.

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

Sunday, June 18

Father's Day

Wednesday, June 21

Memorial of Saint Aloysius Gonzaga, Religious

Saturday, June 24

Solemnity of The Nativity of Saint John the Baptist

Sunday, June 25

Peter's Pence Collection

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Monday, June 26

Father leaves for vacation

Wednesday, June 28

Memorial of Saint Irenaeus, Bishop and Martyr

Thursday, June 29

Solemnity of Saints Peter and Paul, Apostles

YOUR GIFT TO THE CHURCH: \$795.00 \$ Mission Co-op \$375.00 Communication Campaign \$95.00

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

	<u>Readers</u>	<u>Servers</u>	<u>Extra Ordinary Min.</u>	<u>Gift Bearers & Ushers</u>
18	Cheryl (K) Elbert Sandy Thorn	Elsie Chorum	Thomas Adamson Mark Adamson John Heidlage	Lee Kutz & Ray Elbert
25	Doug Pickering Cheryl (R) Elbert	Sterling Elbert	Charlotte Pickering Patrick Wolfe Doug Pickering	James Campbell & Doug Pickering

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

CHURCH CLEANERS: June - Cheryl (K) Elbert, Cheryl (R) Elbert, Rhoda Elbert

JUNE BIRTHDAY REMBERENCES: Marilyn Adamson, Dennis Heidlage, Lenore Wagner & Raymond Williams

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: to cut down and clean up debris from the dead tree in front of the rectory.

FR. PETER has moved back to Lacoba in Monett on June 7th. His new address will be

Lacoba Nursing Home

850 E. US Highway 60

Monett, Mo 65708

Attn: Fr. Peter Morciniec Room 409

HAPPY FATHER'S DAY

11th Sunday of Ordinary Time

Sunday June 18

Ex 19:2-6a
Ps 100:1-3,5 (3c)
Romans 5:6-11
Matthew 9:36 – 10:8

Monday June 19

2 Corinthians 6:1-10
Ps 98:1-2b,3-4
Matthew 5:38-42

Tuesday June 20

2 Corinthians 8:1-9
Ps 146:2,5-9a
Matthew 5:43-48

Wednesday June 21 St. Aloysius Gonzaga

2 Corinthians 9:6-11
Ps 112:1b-4,9
Matthew 6:1-6,16-18

Thursday June 22

2 Corinthians 11:1-11
Ps 111:1b-4,7-8
Matthew 6:7-15

Friday June 23

2 Corinthians 11:18,21-30
Ps 34:2-7
Matthew 6:19-23

Saturday June 24

**Nativity of
St. John the Baptist**
Isaiah 49:1-6
Ps 139:1b-3,13-15
Acts 13:22-26
Luke 1:57-66,80

In this Sunday's Gospel reading, notice how strongly Jesus was moved by the needs of the people. His heart ached for them, because he knew they felt troubled and abandoned. What's surprising, however, is how he responded. Although he likened them to sheep without a shepherd, and elsewhere he describes himself as the Good Shepherd, instead of taking action as that shepherd, he immediately turned to his disciples and called them to do the work!

Today, there are many who suffer troubles and feel abandoned because not enough is being done to help them. So, when we see a parish lacking a pastor, or a ministry lacking a shepherd, or a need lacking a ministry, we do as Jesus tells us to do: We beg the master of the harvest to send forth more laborers. And Jesus taps us on the shoulder and says, "You do it."

We ask God to increase the number of priest vocations, because there are too few men entering the seminary. And Jesus says, "Don't just pray, get up and do some of the work! You have a vocation, too!"

The reason why many people feel that God hasn't answered their prayers (and has therefore abandoned them) is because Jesus responds to their needs through us — and too few of us are giving him a free hand to use. We don't have enough lay people assisting the priests we do have. We don't have enough Christians standing up against injustices and other



evils, and so of course, to many who suffer, God seems distant and uncaring.

Jesus was one man serving a whole nation, and he accomplished much in only three years because of the apostles who assisted him. The harvest needs collaborators. There are a few things that only a priest-shepherd can do; everything else can be done by his assistants, under his guidance, so that all needs are met. This is how the Church is made whole and holy and effective in evangelization.

Reflect & Discuss:

- † What has Jesus asked you to do as an extension of himself?
- † Which of his gifts are you using to help in the work of his kingdom?
- † Which gifts has he given you that you're not using? Why not?
- † What would our Church be like if everyone became an extension of Jesus using the gifts and talents that God has given them? How would this change the face of your parish?