St. Agnes Catholic Church

Terrier & Cherry Rd. Intersection, Sarcoxie, MO
July 23, Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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MASSES FOR July 23 – July 30

Saint Agnes

10:30 a.m.

+Terry Campbell

Mon.

St. Mary's

8:15 a.m. Rosary & Communion

Tuesday 8:30 a.m.

No Mass No Mass Wed. Fri. No Mass.

Thursday

Sunday

8:30 a.m.

No Mass

Sat

No Mass 4:00 p.m.

Sunday 10:30 a.m.

+Mary (Boes) Nisson

Sun.

8:30 a.m.

EVENTS OF THE WEEK

Tuesday, July 25

Feast of Saint James, Apostle

Wednesday, July 26 Saturday, July 29 Memorial of Saints Joachim and Anne, Parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Memorial of Saints Martha, Mary and Lazarus

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Monday, July 31 Tuesday, August 1

Memorial of Saint Ignatius of Loyola, Priest

Rosary for Life 8:00 a.m.

Memorial of Saint Alphonsus Liguori, Bishop and Doctor

Friday, August 4

Memorial of Saint John Vianney. Priest

YOUR GIFT TO THE CHURCH: \$ 628.00

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Readers

Servers

Extra Ordinary Min.

Gift Bearers & Ushers

July 23 Kimberly Prince

Isaac Chorum

John Heidlage Charlotte Pickering Cheryl (K) Elbert & Jane Kutz

Doug Pickering

Cheryl (K) Elbert

July 30 Cheryl (K) Elbert Elsie Chorum

Patrick Wolfe

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James Campbell & Doug Pickering

Dennis Heidlage

<u>PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS:</u> Margie Mettlach, Marie Jasumback, Jim and Veda Perrin, Marion Tomlinson Williams, Monta Heidlage, Bernard Boes, Rosemary Boes and all the sick and shut-ins of our parish.

PRAYER

In families striving to stay intact through adversity. Let us see Christ.

In the poor and lonely of the world. Let us see Christ.

In those forced to leave their homes because of war or famine. Let us see Christ

In children who go to bed hungry and who cannot attend school. Let us see Christ.

In those who are living with HIV/AIDS and other diseases. Let us see Christ.

In immigrants and refugees seeking freedom and hope. Let us see Christ.

In those who are orphaned or abandoned. Let us see Christ.

In the elderly who are forgotten. Let us see Christ.

In those who struggle to find meaningful work. Let us see Christ.

In those who work for justice and peace for all people. Let us see Christ.

Let us pray. Jesus, teach us to recognize your presence in those who are in need. May we give of ourselves in service to them and so hasten the coming of the Kingdom you have promised, where you live with the Father and Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.

16th Sunday of Ordinary Time

Sunday July 23

Wisdom 12:13,16-19 Ps 86:5-6,9-10,15-16(5a) Romans 8:26-27 Matthew 13:24-43

Monday July 24

Ex 14:5-18 Ex 15:1b-6 Matthew 12:38-42

Tuesday July 25 St. James, Apostle 2 Corinthians 4:7-15

Ps 126:1b-6 Matthew 20:20-28

Wednesday July 26 Sts. Joachim and Anne

Ex 16:1-5,9-15 Ps 78:18-19,23-28 Matthew 13:1-9

Thursday July 27

Ex 19:1-2,9-11,16-20b Daniel 3:52-56 Matthew 13:10-17

Friday July 28

Ex 20:1-17 Ps 19:8-11 Matthew 13:18-23

Saturday July 29 Sts. Martha, Mary, and Lazarus

Ex 24:3-8 Ps 50:1b-2,5-6,14-15 John 11:19-27 OR Luke 10:38-42 Go and Make Disciples, published by the US Bishops in 1992, names three important layers of evangelization:

- (1) Nurture your own faith-growth,
- (2) invite others to conversion, and (3) transform society through true Christian living. Jesus teaches us these same three strategies, using parables.



(1) Nurture your own faith-growth: In the kingdom of God, we are like good wheat growing amidst weeds. This takes effort; the weeds will take over if we're not working daily at growing in holiness. What have you been doing to prevent the weeds around you from taking over and strangling your holiness? How is your faith life benefiting from living in the midst of non-believers and evil? Your Father-Creator is empowering you to grow.

(2) Invite others to conversion: In the kingdom of God, we are like the tiniest of seeds that grow into a bush so large that others benefit from our growth. Who is benefiting from your faith? How is your spiritual growth inviting them into a closer relationship with Jesus? The Holy Spirit is

empowering you to evangelize others if you're willing to minister to them using what you've learned from your experiences.

(3) Transform society: In the kingdom of God, we are like yeast that helps the whole batch swell up and mature into the

bread of life that nourishes others. What are you involved in, as a Christian, that improves the world? Is your faith making a difference in your

workplace, your community, and your parish? During Mass, as you receive the nourishment the Eucharist, you are empowered to become Eucharist for the world. Mass ends with

Christ commissioning you, through the presider, to be the yeast of goodness that affects those around you.

Reflect & Discuss:

- † Maybe you never saw yourself as an "evangelist", but you are! This is your calling as a baptized Christian. Which of the above three areas of evangelization are you most actively doing?
- † Which needs more of your attention?
- † Give an example from your own life (or from the life of someone you know or have heard about) that illustrates one of the three goals above.
- † What about the other goals? Make sure that, in your discussion as a family or faith sharing group, examples are given for all three goals of evangelization.