

St. Agnes Catholic Church

Terrier & Cherry Rd. Intersection, Sarcoxie, MO

July 2, Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time 1870

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MASSES FOR July 2 – July 9

Saint Agnes

Sunday	10:30 a.m.	+Mary Ann Campbell
Tuesday	8:30 a.m.	No Mass
Thursday	8:30 a.m.	No Mass
Sunday	10:30 a.m.	+Christine Rhymer

St. Mary's

Mon.	8:15 a.m.	Rosary & Communion
Wed.	No Mass.	
Fri.	No Mass	
Sat	4:00 p.m.	
Sun.	8:30 a.m.	

EVENTS OF THE WEEK

Monday, July 3

Feast of Saint Thomas, Apostle

Tuesday, July 4

Rosary For Life at 8:00 a.m.

Independence Day

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Tuesday, July 11

Memorial of Saint Benedict, Abbott

Friday, July 14

Memorial of Saint Kateri Tekakwitha, Virgin

Saturday, July 15

Memorial of Saint Bonaventure, Bishop and Dr. of the Church

YOUR GIFT TO THE CHURCH: \$642.00 Peter's Pence \$190.00

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

<u>Readers</u>	<u>Servers</u>	<u>Extra Ordinary Min.</u>	<u>Gift Bearers & Ushers</u>
July 16 Kathy Eck	Sterling Elbert	Jane Kutz Thomas Adamson Mark Adamson	Ron Wagner & Steve Schmitt
July 23 Kimberly Prince	Isaac Chorum	John Heidlage Charlotte Pickering Doug Pickering	Cheryl (K) Elbert & Jane Kutz

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: July Kathy Heidlage, Tricia Heidlage, Sally Heidlage, Jamie Welters

JULY BIRTHDAY REMEMBERENCES: Ray Elbert, John Heidlage, Brenda Schmitt, Sandra Thorn, Jamie Welters, Kevin Welters, Liam Welters, Annabelle Prince, Louis Wagner, Marion Williams & Bishop Edward Rice

CONSECRATION OF FAMILIES TO THE SACRED HEART OF JESUS

Most Sacred Heart of Jesus, as we consecrate our family to you, each day we wish to live Your life, to nurture in our home those virtues which bring us Your peace and to avoid the worldliness and selfishness which leads us away from You. O Divine Heart of Jesus, be pleased to watch over our family, to bless all that we do, to dispel our troubles, to sanctify our joys, and to lighten our sufferings. If one of us should ever offend You by sin, remind us, O Merciful Jesus, of Your goodness and mercy shown to the repentant sinner. When the time of separation arrives within the family and death brings its grief into our midst, may those of us who go and those of us who stay be committed to Your Holy Will. May the hope of Your promise remind us that the day will come when our entire family, reunited in Heaven, will be able to sing forever of Your glory and mercy. As we entrust our family to Your loving mercy, may the Immaculate Heart of Mary and St. Joseph, her Beloved Spouse, present to You our Act of Consecration and keep us ever mindful of it all the days of our life. All glory to the Sacred Heart of Jesus, our King and our Redeemer!

13th Sunday of Ordinary Time

Sunday July 2

2 Kings 4:8-11, 14-16a
Ps 89:2-3, 16-19(2a)
Romans 6:3-4, 8-11
Matthew 10:37-42

Monday July 3

St. Thomas, Apostle
Ephesians 2:19-22
Ps 117:1bc, 2
John 20:24-29

Tuesday July 4

Genesis 19:15-29
Ps 26:2-3, 9-12
Matthew 8:23-27

Wednesday July 5

Genesis 21:5, 8-20a
Ps 34:7-8, 10-13
Matthew 8:28-34

Thursday July 6

Genesis 22:1b-19
Ps 115:1-6, 8-9
Matthew 9:1-8

Friday July 7

Genesis 23:1-4, 19;
24:1-8, 62-67
Ps 106:1b-5
Matthew 9:9-13

Saturday July 8

Genesis 27:1-5, 15-29
Ps 135:1b-6
Matthew 9:14-17

In this Sunday's Gospel reading, Jesus emphasizes the importance of keeping our eyes on him and always making him our top priority. Nothing else matters as much as our relationship with God. This means following Jesus wherever he leads, doing everything his way, all the way, every day, giving him our 100% (no excuses for being mediocre in our faith), laying down our lives in service to others like he did.

Laying down our lives means making sacrifices, such as giving our cup of cold water to someone who's thirsty. It means receiving someone into our busy schedules and listening for the prophet in him; for example: What is God saying to us through this person?

When we refuse to lay down our lives for others, we reject the Cross of Christ and his sufferings, which he submitted to for our sake. This does not mean, however, that we can never say no to others. Jesus wants

to lead us away from the harm of abuse or demands that are sinful or the enabling of unhealthy behaviors. Saying no in such cases is yet another Way of the Cross.

When we truly follow Christ, we can receive all that he is and all that he has for us. When we let go of our fears and personal goals, letting Jesus lead us into new places and new ways of handling problems, we discover new life in Christ.



His ways are always far better than what we had feared would happen.

This is the difference between a mediocre faith and a life in Christ that is full of adventures, miracles, surprising solutions, healing, victories, and realizing how very precious and important we are to God.

Reflect & Discuss:

- † Who has asked you (either consciously or unaware) to lay down a part of your life for them?
- † When have you said no?
- † When have you said yes – and was it worth the sacrifice?
- † Why is laying down our lives for the needs or requests of others worthwhile? Share a story from your own life that illustrates this.