

St. Agnes Catholic Church

Terrier & Cherry Rd. Intersection, Sarcoxie, MO

September 10, Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

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MASSES FOR Sept 10 – Sept 17

Saint Agnes

Sunday	10:30 a.m.	+Anthony & Mary Barchak
Tuesday	8:30 a.m.	Justice & Peace
Thursday	8:30 a.m.	+Poor Souls in Purgatory
Sunday	10:30 a.m.	+Mary Ann Campbell

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, September 10
Wednesday, September 13
Thursday, September 14
Friday, September 15
Saturday, September 16

Special Collection for the fires in Maui
Memorial of Saint John Chrysotom, Bishop and Doctor of the Church
Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross
Memorial of Our Lady of Sorrows
Memorial of Saints Cornelius, Pope and Cyprian, Bishop, Martyrs

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Sunday, September 17
Wednesday, September 20
Thursday, September 21
Saturday, September 23

Collection for Retirement fund for Religious
Memorial of Saints Andrew Kim Tae-gon, Priest, and Paul Chong Ha sang, and Companions, Martyrs
Feast of Saint Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist
Memorial of Saint Pius of Pietrelcina, Priest
Father Peter's Birthday

YOUR GIFT TO THE CHURCH: \$1,068.00

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

<u>Readers</u>	<u>Servers</u>	<u>Extra Ordinary Min.</u>	<u>Gift Bearers & Ushers</u>
<u>September 10</u> Kathy Heidlage	Elsie Chorum	Kimberly Prince Eric Prince Jane Kutz	James Campbell & Doug Pickering
<u>September 17</u> Jane Kutz	Sterling Elbert Sarah Elbert	Thomas Adamson Mark Adamson John Heidlage	Lee Kutz & Ray Elbert
<u>September 24</u> Kathy Eck	Isaac Chorum	Charlotte Pickering Doug Pickering Patrick Wolfe	Ron Wagner & Steve Schmitt

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

QUARTERLY RCCW: meeting will be in Aurora on Thursday, September 14. Registration at 9:30 and Mass at 10. Speaker will be Karen Badger on the Aurora School's Doggy Bag Program that Holy Trinity runs. (Donation of a jar of peanut butter per attendee would be appreciated.) Also Stations of the Cross will be said at the church's newly established "Stations on church grounds, weather permitting. All invited. Bring a friend!

ST. MARY'S DINER TICKETS: are available for sale. It is Saturday, September 23, from 5:30 pm to 7:30 pm. Rhoda Elbert is graciously selling them after church. There is a flyer in the back of church.

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAY REMEMBRANCES: Donna Adamson, Jacob Adamson, Gabrielle Duley, Robert Graskemper, Mark Heidlage, Dorthy Katzfey, Jane Kutz, Doug Pickering, Mary Schwartz, Rosalee Wolf, Patrick Wolfe & Cynthia Workes.

Special Birthday Remembrance: Robert Graskemper turns 85 this month.

23rd Sunday of Ordinary Time

Sunday September 10

Ezra 33:7-9
Ps 95:1-2,6-9
Romans 13:8-10
Matthew 18:15-20

Monday September 11

Colossians 1:24-2:3
Ps 62:6-7,9
Luke 6:6-11

Tuesday September 12

Colossians 2:6-15
Ps 145:1b-2,8-11
Luke 6:12-19

Wednesday September 13

St. John Chrysostom, Bp, Dr
Colossians 3:1-11
Ps 145:2-3,10-13b
Luke 6:20-26

Thursday September 14

Exaltation of the Holy Cross
Numbers 21:4b-9
Ps 78:1b-2,34-38
Philippians 2:6-11
John 3:13-17

Friday September 15

Our Lady of Sorrows
1 Timothy 1:1-2,12-14
Ps 16:1b-2a,5,7-8,11
John 19:25-27 or Luke 2:33-35

Saturday September 16

**St. Cornelius, Pope and
St. Cyprian, Bishop**
1 Timothy 1:15-17
Ps 113:1b-7
Luke 6:43-49

This Sunday's readings all speak of the need to stand up for what is holy and right and true in a way that invites others to turn away from sin. If we don't, we indirectly play a part in the sins he or she commits, and we will be held accountable (see the first reading).

If we do take a stand against sin but without compassion and mercy and unconditional love, that, too, is a sin (the second reading).

Jesus shows us in the Gospel reading that in our efforts to stop a fellow Christian from sinning, it's important to rely on our Christian community for advocacy and prayer support. How?

First, we speak to the sinner. When we know that someone is harming himself and others (all sins are harmful even when we can't see the harm), if we don't try to impart this knowledge to him or her at least once, our silence is unloving and uncaring.

Once we've shared the truth, even if the sinner does not change, we're free of any guilt. But we must not stop trying, and so we take one or two others with us in a

stronger effort to help the sinner understand and repent.

And if that fails, we try again with still more backing.



When every attempt to help someone has failed, only then do we quit. In reality, it's not us who's walking away. The sinner is the one who has chosen the path of separation. However, remember how Jesus treated the Gentiles and tax collectors (i.e., the outsiders, the separated ones): He never stopped loving them. He still chose to die for them.

Reflect & Discuss:

- † Whose sins have greatly disturbed you lately?
- † What have you done about it? How loving and caring have you been while handling it?
- † What bothers you about the way some people have pointed out your sins or the sins of others? How could they have been more compassionate?
- † Share the story of a time when someone successfully led another into repentance and growth. Explain why the effort was effective.