

# St. Agnes Catholic Church

Terrier & Cherry Rd. Intersection, Sarcoxie, MO  
 October 15, Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time      1870

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## **MASSES FOR Oct 15 – Oct. 22**

### **Saint Agnes**

Sunday	10:30 a.m.	+Mary Lenore Droska
Tuesday	8:30 a.m.	Communion Service & Rosary
Thursday	8:30 a.m.	Communion Service
Sunday	10:30 a.m.	+Joe & Katie Boman 70 <sup>th</sup> Annv. Re.

### **St. Mary's**

Mon.	8:15 a.m.	Rosary & Communion
Wed.	8:15 a.m.	Rosary
Fri.	8:15 a.m.	Rosary & Communion
Sat	4:00 p.m.	
Sun.	8:30 a.m.	

### **EVENTS OF THE WEEK**

Monday, October 16-20th  
 Tuesday, October 17

**Father will be gone to the Annual Priest Institute  
 Memorial of Saint Ignatius of Antioch, Bishop and Martyr  
 Rosary for Life at 8:10 a.m. before Mass**

Wednesday, October 18  
 Thursday, October 19  
 Sunday, October 22

**Feast of Saint Luke, Evangelist  
 Memorial of Saints John de Brebeuf and Isaac Jogues, Priests & Companions, Martyrs  
 World Mission Sunday**

### **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

Tuesday, October 24  
 Saturday, October 28

**Rosary for Life at 8:10 a.m. before Mass  
 Feast of Saints Simon and Jude, Apostles**

**YOUR GIFT TO THE CHURCH:    \$ 1,037.00**

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

<u>Readers</u>	<u>Servers</u>	<u>Extra Ordinary Min.</u>	<u>Gift Bearers &amp; Ushers</u>
<b><u>October 15</u></b> Sandy Thorn	Sarah Elbert	Jane Kutz Thomas Adamson Mark Adamson	Mark Adamson & Jared Campbell
<b><u>October 22</u></b> Amber Wilson	Isaac Chorum	John Heidlage Charlotte Pickering Doug Pickering	James Campbell & Doug Pickering
<b><u>October 29</u></b> Sally Heidlage	Elsie Chorum	Patrick Wolfe Cheryl (K) Elbert Dennis Heidlage	Lee Kutz & Ray Elbert

**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.

**CHURCH CLEANERS FOR OCTOBER:** Leah Heidlage, Kimberly Prince, Jessica Wagner

**OCTOBER BIRTHDAY REMEMBERENCES:** James Adamson, Elsie Chorum, Evelyn Chorum, David Elbert, Matt Heidlage, Paul Heidlage, Linda Russell, Evelyn Chorum & Sophie Wagner.

**WEEKDAY MASS:** Our parish is very fortunate to have the opportunity to attend Mass on days other than Sunday. We are blessed to have a wonderful and caring priest, who travels to our parish twice during the week. If you are free to join us at Mass on these days, please do. We have so much to be thankful for. May God bless you!

### **FAMILY PRAYER**

Jesus, Mary and Joseph, as you lived God's plan for your family, you changed the shape and design of the human family. Watch over all families today as they struggle to live God's word in the midst of challenge and difficulty. We ask this in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen.

## 28th Sunday of Ordinary Time

### Sunday October 15

Isaiah 25:6-10a  
Ps 23:1-6  
Philippians 4:12-14,19-20  
Matthew 22:1-14

### Monday October 16

Romans 1:1-7  
Ps 98:1-4  
Luke 11:29-32

### Tuesday October 17

#### St. Ignatius of Antioch

Romans 1:16-25  
Ps 19:2-5  
Luke 11:37-41

### Wednesday October 18

#### St. Luke, Evangelist

2 Timothy 4:10-17b  
Ps 145:10-13,17-18  
Luke 10:1-9

### Thursday October 19

#### Sts. Isaac Jogues & John de Brébeuf, Priests, and Companions, Martyrs

Romans 3:21-30  
Ps 130:1b-6b  
Luke 11:47-54

### Friday October 20

Romans 4:1-8  
Ps 32:1b-2,5,11  
Luke 12:1-7

### Saturday October 21

Romans 4:13,16-18  
Ps 105:6-9,42-43  
Luke 12:8-12

In today's Gospel, Jesus addresses the problem of fakers: people who try to win his friendship by being religious and showing up for the banquet without entering into a genuine relationship with God.

You know the type: They are friendly as long as it works to their own advantage. They do good deeds but only when it's convenient. They perform Catholic rituals perfectly during Mass but at home they don't even take time to pray. Their faith is so shallow that distractions easily keep them away from Mass. When their relationship with you requires sacrifice or repentance, they abandon you.

Genuine Christians are identified by the presence of God's love within them radiating outward and blessing others, especially when it's not easy to love.

Jesus shows us in today's parable how to handle the fakers. The invitation to join the party is open to everyone, but when people want only the fun of being a friend of God and they ignore the hard work of sharing his love with others, God sets up

boundaries against them.

Think of the people you've invited to your banquet table, i.e., into a healthy, Godly relationship, but they've tried to reshape it according to their unhealthiness and immorality. We should



love them but not within harmful circumstances. We should do our own part to make the relationship healthy, but when others do not do their part, they've already abandoned the relationship.

God asks us to carry the cross of doing everything possible to invite them to repentance, conversion, and healing. However,

healthy boundaries need to remain in place, and when our efforts are fruitless, eventually God says it's time to let go and move on.

And always, we're to go back out into the byroads to find those who genuinely value Godly friendships.

### Reflect & Discuss:

- † How many Godly, healthy friendships do you really have?
- † Where can you go to find more people who want to be in a holy, Christ-centered, faith-building relationship with you?
- † What makes a friendship truly good?
- † How do you know when the time has come to say no to an unhealthy, unholy relationship? How have you handled it?
- † Where have you gone to find support and healing and growth?