

# St. Agnes Catholic Church

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November 12, Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

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## **MASSES FOR NOV 12 – NOV 19**

### **Saint Agnes**

Sunday	10:30 a.m.	+John & Agnes Gremling
Tuesday	8:30 a.m.	Justice & Peace
Thursday	8:30 a.m.	+Poor Souls in Purgatory
Sunday	10:30 a.m.	+Bernard Boes

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

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

## **EVENTS OF THE WEEK**

Monday, November 13

Friday, November 17

Sunday, November 19

**Memorial of Saint Frances Xavier Cabrini, Virgin**

**Memorial of Saint Elizabeth of Hungary, Religious**

**Collection for Catholic Charities of Southern Missouri**

## **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

Tuesday, November 21

Wednesday, November 22

Thursday, November 23

Friday, November 24

Sunday, November 26

**Memorial of The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

**Memorial of Saint Cecilia, Virgin and Martyr**

**Thanksgiving Day – Mass St. Agnes 8:30 a.m. & St. Mary's 10:30 a.m.**

**Memorial of Saint Andrew Dung-Lac, Priest, and Companions, Martyrs**

**Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe**

**YOUR GIFT TO THE CHURCH: \$703.00**

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

### **Readers**

### **Servers**

### **Extra Ordinary Min.**

### **Gift Bearers & Ushers**

**November 12** Doug Pickering

Sarah Elbert

Eric Prince  
Jane Kutz  
Thomas Adamson

Dennis Heidlage & Paul Heidlage

**November 19** Cheryl (R) Elbert

Isaac Chorum

Mark Adamson  
John Heidlage  
Charlotte Pickering

Cheryl (K) Elbert & Jane Kutz

**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.

**THANK YOU** to Jane Kutz, Cheryl Elbert and all the ladies of Circle B for hosting the Friend and Family Dinner. The meal was superb!! Thank you to the young ladies who worked the Fish Pond and the men for helping with the 50-50 game. Thank you to all who helped clean up. We are grateful for all of our friends and family who were able to share in an afternoon of good food and fellowship. Our parish is blessed!

**FRIEND AND FAMILY DINNER** was a success! Donations were \$1200.00, Raffle Tickets were \$730.00, Bingo was \$182.35, Fish Pond \$39.75 for a grand total of \$2152.10. Raffle ticket winners were: Leah Heidlage \$100.00, Patrick Wolfe \$50.00 and Cheryl(R)Elbert \$25.00.

**MEDIUM/LARGE BOXES** are needed to tote the Outreach gift bags that we will be sacking up in Dec. Please bring to church and leave in the basement. Thank you.

## 32<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time

### Sunday November 12

Wisdom 6:12-16

Ps 63:2-8

1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

Matthew 25:1-13

### Monday November 13

St. Frances Xavier Cabrini

Wisdom 1:1-7

Ps 139:1b-10

Luke 17:1-6

### Tuesday November 14

Wisdom 2:23 – 3:9

Ps 34:2-3,16-19

Luke 17:7-10

### Wednesday November 15

Wisdom 6:1-11

Ps 82:3-4,6-7

Luke 17:11-19

### Thursday November 16

Wisdom 7:22b – 8:1

Ps 119:89-91,130,135,175

Luke 17:20-25

### Friday November 17

St. Elizabeth of Hungary

Wisdom 13:1-9

Ps 19:2-5b

Luke 17:26-37

### Saturday November 18

Wisdom 18:14-16; 19:6-9

Ps 105:2-3,36-37,42-43

Luke 18:1-8

This Sunday's Gospel reading shows us what it means to be truly foolish. We believe in Christ – good! We pray – good! We put time into our faith growth and we value opportunities for more faith formation – very wise! And we say that we trust God – wonderful!

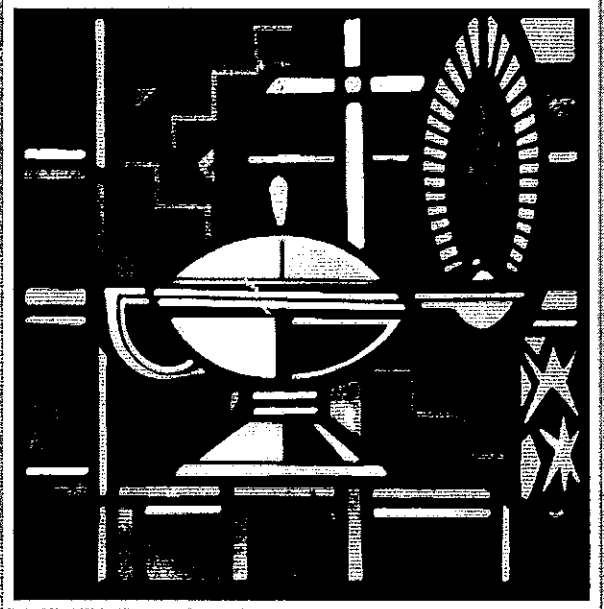
But what happens when God doesn't answer our prayers fast enough? What if we need Christ's loving embrace or his protection from evil and yet we're suffering with no end in sight? Where is Jesus then?

Usually, God's timing is not ours. We think we have the right idea about how soon God should intervene when we ask for his help. Right now is a good time for it, right? Of course! But perhaps not from God's perspective. (Why do we want to leave God in charge anyway, if he doesn't see things our way, huh?)

When we despair over unanswered prayer, the reality behind it is that we're emotionally unprepared for any timing that's different from what we think it should be.

The foolish bridesmaids thought the groom would arrive before their lamps burned out. They thought they understood the situation. Do we? Furthermore, if God's plans are illogical – if they don't make sense to us – we distrust them. And then we get ourselves into the mess of trying to handle things apart from God.

We cannot trust our logic. We cannot trust our perception or



our understanding of the situations we're in. The sooner we decide to enjoy the absurdity of being a Christian, the sooner we will find out that God's ways are awesomely much, much better than anything we can imagine!

### Reflect & Discuss:

- † What have you resisted doing because it doesn't make sense?
- † What can you do, where can you turn, to whom can you go for help in discerning whether or not it's God's plan for you?
- † How do you know when an illogical plan is really what God wants you to do?
- † What's happened in your life that has taught you to trust the Holy Spirit's surprises?
- † Share a lesson you learned when you weren't ready for God's plan because you didn't believe it.