

St. Agnes Catholic Church

Terrier & Cherry Rd. Intersection, Sarcoxie, MO

January 14, Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

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MASSES FOR JAN 14 – JAN 21

Saint Agnes

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

St. Mary's

Monday 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:

Sunday, January 21

St. Agnes Feast Day

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Thursday, January 25

Feast of The Conversion of St. Paul, Apostle

Friday, January 26

Memorial of Saint Timothy and Saint Titus, Bishops

YOUR GIFT TO THE CHURCH: \$464.00 Catholic Education Assistance \$720.00

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

	<u>Readers</u>	<u>Servers</u>	<u>Extra Ordinary Min.</u>	<u>Gift Bearers & Ushers</u>
<u>January 14</u>	Debbie Heidlage	Elsie Chorum	John Heidlage Charlotte Pickering Doug Pickering	Lee Kutz & Ray Elbert
<u>January 21</u>	Doug Pickering	Sterling Elbert	Patrick Wolfe Cheryl (K) Elbert Dennis Heidlage	Ron Wagner & Steve Schmitt

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

ST AGNES FEAST DAY is Jan. 21. We will celebrate with our annual Soup/Chili Dinner after Mass. We had several ladies volunteer to bring soup/chili at our meeting in Sep. They are Soup: Cheryl(K) Elbert, Jane Kutz, Kathy Eck. Chili: Leah Heidlage, Linda Russell and Cheryl (R) Elbert. We NEED a few more volunteers. If you can bring a soup or chili please let Kathy (434-4575) know. Other families attending should bring a dish to compliment the meal - cheese & crackers, veggies, fruit, dessert, etc. Thank you and hope to see you there!

JANUARY BIRTHDAY'S: Thomas Adamson, Brenda Campbell, Jared Campbell, John Campbell, Kathy Eck, John Jennett, Lawrence Katzfey, Deloris Nimsick, Michael Nimsick, & Bryan Wagner.

Special Birthday wishes to Lawrence Katzfey who turns 92 this month.

END OF YEAR CONTRIBUTION TAX LETTER: If you would like a copy of your contributions for the 2023 year, please print your name on the sign-up sheet in the back of church.

PRAYER

Good and generous Lord. You have once more brought the year full circle, through planting and growing and ripening to harvest time.

We thank You for the sun and the rain, the minerals of the earth, and all the plants that grow. We marvel at Your wonderful ways of bringing food from the earth for us to live. Dear God, help us to use Your rich gifts as You want us to. Teach us to share them with our neighbor when he is in need. Make us see the merciful, generous hand of Your divine providence. Help us to realize, too, that if we keep Your commandments and live according to the inspirations of Your grace, we shall also reap a plentiful harvest in the autumn of our lifetime: a harvest that we will be able to enjoy forever and ever. Amen.

2nd Sunday of Ordinary Time

Sunday, January 14

1 Sm 3:3b-10,19
Ps 40:2,4,7-10
1 Cor 6:13c-15a,17-20
Jn 1:35-42

Monday, January 15

1 Sm 15:16-23
Ps 50:8-9,16b-17,21,23
Mk 2:18-22

Tuesday, January 16

1 Sm 16:1-13
Ps 89:20-22,27-28
Mk 2:23-28

Wednesday, January 17

St. Anthony, Abbot

1 Sm 17:32-33,37,40-51
Ps 144:1b,2,9-10
Mk 3:1-6

Thursday, January 18

1 Sm 18:6-9; 19:1-7
Ps 56:2-3,9-13
Mk 3:7-12

Friday, January 19

1 Sm 24:3-21
Ps 57:2-4,6,11
Mk 3:13-19

Saturday, January 20

2 Sm 1:1-4,11-12,19,23-27
Ps 80:2-3,5-7
Mk 3:20-21

Like Jesus did to Simon Peter, he says to each of us: "What are you looking for?" When you pray, and when you look at a crucifix, or when you see a picture of Jesus, what exactly are you looking for?



Jesus says: "Come and see!" Come and see what? His love? His healing power? His supernatural ability to answer our prayers? Whatever we're looking for, the reason we're seeking it is because we don't yet have it.

Jesus is the fulfillment of every promise by God the Father. Jesus is the fullness of love, the provider of mercy, the divine healer, the perfect mediator of all our prayers and concerns, and everything else we truly need. So, why does it feel like something is still missing? Why do our lives feel incomplete? Why do our prayers seem unanswered?

The answer is revealed in what happened after Peter began to follow Jesus. We read about it in Samuel's

response to God's invitation. We proclaim it in the Responsorial: "Here am I, Lord; I come to do your will."

Peter was privileged to witness first-hand the wondrous miracles of Jesus. He personally experienced God's love through the gentle eyes of Jesus, the tone of kindness in his voice, and the forgiveness that was visible in his smile.

Yet with all of this, Peter did not really find all that he was

looking for (remember how easily he felt afraid or confused or uncertain) until he was on the giving end of it. He didn't discover the fullness of Jesus until Jesus was no longer present in the flesh and Peter accepted the call to continue Christ's earthly

ministry.

The same is true for us who have never seen Jesus' actual eyes or heard his actual voice. We find what we're seeking when we give it to others. Why? Because then we discover that we really had it all along! This is the miracle of "Here am I, Lord; I come to do your will."

Reflect & Discuss:

- † What do you need from Jesus that he doesn't seem to be providing yet? At the core, what is it you're really seeking?
- † How can you find it by doing the will of God? Figure out something to do, then do it and see what happens.
- † Describe a time when you gave away what you thought you did not have (money? time? patience? hope? love?) How were you doing the will of God?
- † What happened to your own needs afterward?