

# St. Agnes Catholic Church

Terrier & Cherry Rd. Intersection, Sarcoxie, MO

January 21, Third Sunday in Ordinary Time 1870

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## **MASSES FOR JAN 21 – JAN 28**

### **Saint Agnes**

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

### **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

Thursday, January 25

Friday, January 26

**St. Agnes Feast Day**

**Feast of The Conversion of St. Paul, Apostle**

**Memorial of Saint Timothy and Saint Titus, Bishops**

### **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

Monday, February 5

Tuesday, February 6

Saturday, February 10

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

**Memorial of Saint Paul Miki and Companions, Martyrs**

**Rosary for Life at 8:00 a.m.**

**Memorial of Saint Scholastica, Virgin**

**YOUR GIFT TO THE CHURCH: \$ 595.00 Catholic Education Asst. \$500.00**

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

#### **Readers**

#### **Servers**

#### **Extra Ordinary Min.**

#### **Gift Bearers & Ushers**

#### **January 21**

Doug Pickering

Sterling Elbert

Patrick Wolfe  
Cheryl (K) Elbert  
Dennis Heidlage

Ron Wagner & Steve Schmitt

#### **January 28**

Cheryl (R) Elbert

Sarah Elbert

Leah Heidlage  
Maria Wagner  
Kimberly Prince

Dennis Heidlage & Paul Heidlage

**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!

**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**

Oh, God, when I have food, help me to remember the hungry:

When I have work, help to remember the jobless:

When I have a warm home, help me to remember the homeless:

When I am without pain, help me to remember those who suffer:

And remembering, help to destroy my complacency and bestir my compassion.

Make me concerned enough to help, by word and deed,

## 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time

### Sunday, January 21

Jon 3:1-5,10

Ps 25:4-9

1 Cor 7:29-31

Mk 1:14-20

### Monday, January 22

#### Pray for the Legal Protection of the Unborn

2 Sm 5:1-7,10

Ps 89:20-22,25-26

Mk 3:22-30

### Tuesday, January 23

2 Sm 6:12b-15,17-19

Ps 24:7-10

Mk 3:31-35

### Wednesday, January 24

#### St. Francis de Sales

2 Sm 7:4-17

Ps 89:4-5,27-30

Mk 4:1-20

### Thursday, January 25

#### Conversion of St. Paul

Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1-22

Ps 117:1bc,2

Mk 16:15-18

### Friday, January 26

#### Sts. Timothy and Titus

2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5

Ps 96:1-3,7-8a,10

Mk 4:26-34

### Saturday, January 27

2 Sm 12:1-7a,10-17

Ps 51:12-17

Mk 4:35-41

Today's Gospel reading is a call to surrender ourselves fully to God. "Now is the time of fulfillment" – not just 2,000 years ago, not at the Second Coming of Christ, but right now in your life when and where you need Jesus the most.

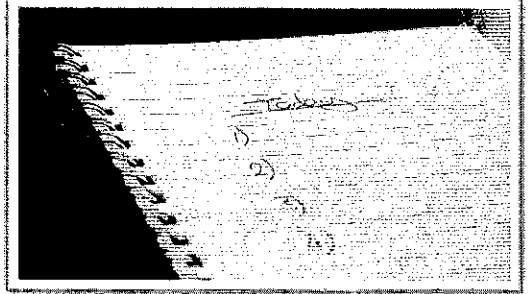
"The kingdom of God is at hand" – what you need from the Lord is right here, at hand, ready for you.

"Repent, and believe in the gospel" means "Come follow Me and learn from Me to become like Me." For the first disciples, it meant dropping whatever they were doing to spend so much time with Jesus that their whole lives were forever affected.

And this is what it means for you and for me: We have to put aside our own agendas and overly busy schedules to spend more time following Jesus wherever he leads us.

In the modern world, we have become more dependent on our technological devices than on Jesus. Many of us cannot even go on vacation without remaining accessible to their employers via the cell phone. Somehow, we need to find a way to take a stand against this.

It's one of the social justice teachings of the Church: We are actually called by God to rebel against working on Sundays and other days of rest. Why? Because we need to spend that time with Jesus quietly being restored and re-energized.



Unfortunately, Jesus doesn't walk through the door and circle dates on our calendar and write "Rest with Jesus" on it so that we can plan ahead. We have to follow his lead at a moment's notice – every moment. To experience the kingdom of God on the earthly side of heaven, we have to be willing to drop everything to follow Jesus into unfamiliar places at unexpected times. We have to learn to follow his lead even in situations where his way is the surprising way.

#### Reflect & Discuss:

- † What's on your to-do list? What keeps you busy? What are your goals for the future? What are you dreaming of?
- † If Jesus has a different plan for your day or for your life, how easily could you switch over to new ideas and plans?
- † What are some of the nets you've abandoned in the past in order to follow Jesus? How difficult was that to do?
- † Are you happy about it now? Why? How was this an experience of the kingdom of God on earth?