

# St. Agnes Catholic Church

Terrier & Cherry Rd. Intersection, Sarcoxie, MO

February 25, Second Sunday of Lent 1870

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## MASSES FOR FEB 25 – MARCH 3

### 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. Special Intentions

### 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:

Tuesday, February 27  
Thursday, February 29  
Friday, March 1

Lenten Penance Services at Sts. Peter & Paul in Pulaskifield at 6 p.m.  
Lenten Penance Services at St. Lawrence in Monett at 6 p.m.  
Stations of the Cross at St. Agnes at 7:00 p.m. lead by a volunteer. St. Mary's at 7:00 p.m. lead by Father Matt. Day of abstinence from meat on all Lenten Fridays  
Fish Fry 5-7 p.m. Adults \$10.00 and Kids 6 and under \$5.00

### UPCOMING EVENTS:

Tuesday, March 5  
Thursday, March 7  
Friday, March 8

Rosary for Life at 8:00 a.m.  
Lenten Penance Services at Holy Family in Shell Knob at 1 p.m.  
Stations of the Cross at St. Agnes at 7:00 p.m. lead by Father Matt. St. Mary's at 7:00 p.m. lead by a volunteer. Day of abstinence from meat on all Lenten Fridays  
Fish Fry 5-7 p.m. Adults \$10.00 and Kids 6 and under \$5.00  
Lenten Penance Services at St. Mary's in Pierce City at 4 p.m.

Sunday, March 10

YOUR GIFT TO THE CHURCH: \$ 585.00 The Mirror \$135.00 Catholic Education Assistance \$150.00

### ANNOUNCEMENTS:

	<u>Readers</u>	<u>Servers</u>	<u>Extra Ordinary Min.</u>	<u>Gift Bearers &amp; Ushers</u>
<u>February 25</u>	Kimberly Prince	Sarah Elbert	Dennis Heidlage Leah Heidlage Maria Wagner	Lee Kutz & Ray Elbert
<u>March 3</u>	Cheryl (K) Elbert	Isaac Chorum	Kimberly Prince Eric Prince Jane Kutz	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, Brenda (Wroblewski) Buchannon, Maura Sparks, Loretta Graskemper and all the sick and shut-ins of our parish.

FEBRUARY BIRTHDAY'S: Isaac Chorum, , Sarah Elbert, Tom Heidlage, Janet Jennett, Jared Jennett, Leroy Kutz, Paul Mettlach, Lillian Prince, Michael Schwartz, Amber Wilson & Ron Wagner.

FEBRUARY CHURCH CLEANERS: Marilyn Henderson, Margie Calentine, Kathy Eck, Pam Campbell, Brenda Schmitt

### PRAYER FOR FAMILIES

God and Father of us all, in Jesus, your Son and our Savior, you have made us your sons and daughters in the family of the Church. May your grace and love help our families in every part of the world be united in one another in fidelity to the Gospel. May the example of the Holy Spirit guide all families, especially those most troubled, to be homes of communion and prayer and to always seek your truth and live in your love, Through Christ our Lord, Amen Jesus, Mary and Joseph, pray for us!

## 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Lent

### Sunday, February 25

Gn 22:1-2,9a,10-13,15-18  
Ps 116:10,15-19  
Rom 8:31b-34  
Mk 9:2-10

### Monday, February 26

Dn 9:4b-10  
Ps 79:8,9,11,13  
Lk 6:36-38

### Tuesday, February 27

Is 1:10,16-20  
Ps 50:8-9,16b-17,21,23  
Mt 23:1-12

### Wednesday, February 28

Jer 18:18-20  
Ps 31:5-6,14-16  
Mt 20:17-28

### Thursday, February 29

Jer 17:5-10  
Ps 1:1-4,6  
Lk 16:19-31

### Friday, March 1

Gn 37:3-4,12-13a,17b-28a  
Ps 105:16-21  
Mt 21:33-43,45-46

### Saturday, March 2

Mi 7:14-15,18-20  
Ps 103:1-4,9-12  
Lk 15:1-3,11-32

Think of a "mountaintop experience" you've had. What generated it? Did it change your life forever or was it just a momentary high?

In Biblical symbolism, a mountain represents getting close to God. Did your mountaintop experience bring you closer to God?

It was at the top of Mount Tabor where Jesus revealed the glory of his Godliness to his closest friends. Called a "high mountain" in scripture, Mount Tabor is, in reality, not huge. What was huge is the event that took place there – and why.

The three disciples who witnessed Christ's transfiguration greatly benefited from seeing his glory revealed, because someday they would be commissioned to take over his earthly ministry.

The Father told them, "This is my beloved Son; listen to him." As we listen to Jesus, it is we who are now transfigured.

Lent is meant to be a mountaintop experience for each of us. If we follow Jesus up the mountain, his light will consume any darkness within us. The more we listen to his teachings and apply them to our daily lives and ministries, the more we become like him. And the more we become like Jesus, the more our lives are transfigured by his light, and the more our lives then transfigure the world around us.

As the first reading tells us, Abraham did not withhold his



son from the Lord; God the Father did not withhold his Son from us.

Likewise, we must not withhold the Son from the people we encounter. Whether it's by an evangelizing word or a helping hand, or a compassionate and

attentive ear, or the generous giving of mercy and forgiveness or money or time, we are Christ's hands and feet and voice in the world today. We are his earthly body. We are the answers to people's prayers.

We have been empowered through our baptisms to shine with the glory of Christ's love. We have all been commissioned to continue his earthly ministry. May the experience of Lent take us to new heights of union with Christ and his mission!

### Reflect & Discuss:

† Identify one area of your life that you would like Jesus to transfigure. What do you need to do to repent of it? How do you need to change (with God's help) so that others see more of Jesus?

† Share the story of a time when you let Jesus change you. How difficult was it to be transfigured? Why did you want to make the change? How did it impact others?