

St. Agnes Catholic Church

Terrier & Cherry Rd. Intersection, Sarcoxie, MO
April 14, Third Sunday of Easter 1870

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MASSES FOR APRIL 14 – APRIL 21

Saint Agnes

Sunday	10:30 a.m.	+ Theresa Heidlage-Birthday Rem.
Tuesday	8:30 a.m.	Justice & Peace
Thursday	8:30 a.m.	+Poor Souls in Purgatory
Sunday	10:30 a.m.	First Communicants

St. Mary's

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

EVENTS OF THE WEEK:

Sunday, April 21

Reception after Mass to Celebrate our two First Communicants: Karson Campbell and Lillian Prince

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Thursday, April 25

Feast of Saint Mark, Evangelist

Sunday, April 28

Home Mission Appeal

Monday, April 29

Memorial of Saint Catherine of Siena, Virgin and Dr. of the Church

Thursday, May 2

Rosary at 8:10 a.m.

Friday, May 3

Feast of Saints Philip and James, Apostles

YOUR GIFT TO THE CHURCH: \$ 408.00 Holy Land \$79.00

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

<u>Readers</u>	<u>Servers</u>	<u>Extra Ordinary Min.</u>	<u>Gift Bearers & Ushers</u>
April 14 Cheryl (R) Elbert	Sterling Elbert	Doug Pickering Patrick Wolfe Cheryl (K) Elbert	Ron Wagner & Steve Schmitt
April 21 Kathy Heidlage	Sarah Elbert	Dennis Heidlage Leah Heidlage Maria Wagner	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, Brenda (Wrobleski) Buchannon, Maura Sparks, and all the sick and shut-ins of our parish.

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SUNDAY, APRIL 21 - There will be a reception after Mass to celebrate our two First Communicants: Karson Campbell and Lillian Prince. Please attend and extend your congratulations.

APRIL BIRTHDAY REMEMBERENCES: Michael Bartkoski, Helen Campbell, Jessica Chorum, Jillian Curtis, Kenneth Elbert, Monta Heidlage, Margaret Mettlach, Charlotte Pickering, Eric Prince, Kimberly Prince, Maria Wagner, & Jax Welters

APRIL CHURCH CLEANERS: Leah Heidlage, Kimberly Prince, Jessica Wagner

Good News Reflection

3rd Sunday of Easter

April 14, 2024

Pray: Loving Jesus, help me to know and love you better each day so I will recognize your face in others and hear your voice speak to my heart. Amen.

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Acts 3:13-15,17-19

Ps 4:2,4,7-9

1 Jn 2:1-5a

Lk 24:35-48

Christ's Forgiveness and Peace are Offered to All

Jesus knew his apostles well. He knew some felt shame and remorse for having denied and abandoned him. However, His sign of peace let them know that they were forgiven and that He still loved them. Our Divine Savior continues to offer Himself in peace and forgiveness to us all.

How can we find this peace in Christ? What if you have doubts? What if you're angry? What if life has been challenging, and things don't seem fair? What if you feel abandoned and God doesn't seem to be answering your prayers? What if you feel guilty because of sin and mistakes? Christ's peace and unconditional love are offered to all, especially to you.

First, ask the Holy Spirit to open your heart and tell Him in your own words that you need Jesus and want Him to help. "Apart from me, you can't do anything," says the Lord (Jn. 15:5). Then, read the Bible, go to Confession, and nourish your soul with Holy Communion.

Prayer is another crucial element in reaching interior peace, as it raises your mind and heart to God in a relationship of love, trust, and peace. God wants to hear from you! He wants to hear about your praise, thankfulness, frustrations, anger, worries, needs, and repentance.

Many people begin with standard memorized prayers and then move into more honest, intimate conversations. Meditative prayer can be fruitful as well, like praying with Scripture, spiritual books, or the rosary.

To hear back from God, we must listen. Begin by letting go of all the busy conversation and spiritual reading and just sit silently in love and total surrender with our Lord. The goal is to bask in His glory, trusting His holy will in all things.

Saint Mother Teresa of Calcutta once said, "The fruit of silence is prayer. The fruit of prayer is faith. The fruit of faith is love. The fruit of love is service. The fruit of service is peace." May the peace of our Lord be with you always.

Questions for Personal Reflection:

What matters are troubling you that you can bring to prayer? As Christ displayed patience with the disciples' lack of understanding and unbelief, how has he been patient with you? How are you patient with others?