

# St. Agnes Catholic Church

Terrier & Cherry Rd. Intersection, Sarcoxie, MO

May 12, The Ascension of the Lord 1870

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## **MASSES FOR MAY 12 – MAY 19**

### **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. Allyson Darrow High School Grad.

### **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:**

Tuesday, May 14

**Feast of Saint Matthias, Apostle**

**Rosary at 8:10 a.m.**

Thursday, May 16

**Rosary at 8:10 a.m.**

Sunday, May 19-

**There will be a reception after Mass to congratulate Allison Darrow who graduated from Sarcoxie High School. Please join us.**

## **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

Tuesday, May 21

**Rosary at 8:10 a.m. No Mass**

Thursday, May 23

**Rosary at 8:10 a.m. No Mass**

**YOUR GIFT TO THE CHURCH:** \$493.00 Home Mission \$20.00

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

### **Readers**

### **Servers**

### **Extra Ordinary Min.**

### **Gift Bearers & Ushers**

**May 12** Kimberly Prince Sterling Elbert

Doug Pickering  
Patrick Wolfe  
Cheryl (K) Elbert

James Campbell & Doug Pickering

**May 19** Cheryl (K) Elbert Sarah Elbert

Dennis Heidlage  
Leah Heidlage  
Maria Wagner

Lee Kutz & Ray Elbert

**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, Curtis Feather and all the sick and shut-ins of our parish.

**DDF:** The Annual Diocesan Development Fund appeal will be held on May 5, 2024. This effort is conducted in every parish of the diocese to help finance the activities and ministries of the Catholic Church in Southern Missouri. Our parish goal is \$10,345.00. We ask you to keep the DDF campaign in your prayers.

**MAY BIRTHDAY REMEMBERENCES:** Jim Campbell, Sterling Elbert, Leah Heidlage, Kathy Heidlage & Doris Katzfey

**"The family of Julius Abramovitz** invite you to an open house celebrating his 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday on Saturday May 18, 2024 at the Pierce City Senior Center from 1-4pm. Refreshments will be served. No gifts please but cards would be appreciated. If unable to attend, please keep Julius in your prayers & cards can be sent to 714 Myrtle St Pierce City."

# HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY

## **Good News Reflection**

Pentecost Sunday

May 19, 2024

**Pray:** Holy Spirit, pour your graces and gifts into our hearts and fuel our passion to love and serve you as ambassadors of Christ. Amen.

### **Year B**

Acts 2:1-11

Ps 104:1,24,29-31,34

1 Cor 12:3b-7,12-13 or Gal 5:16-25

Jn 20:19-23 or Jn 15:26-27; 16:12-15

**Holy Spirit, fill me to overflowing so I may be a channel of God's goodness and grace.**

What a gift Jesus promised His disciples! He would send them a mighty Advocate, the Spirit of Truth, to be with them forever. The great news is that He meant this for ALL His followers, including us! The Holy Spirit was given to us over 2,000 years ago at Pentecost, the birthday of our Church. The Spirit of God remains a mighty source of power, hope, and transformation, always ready to propel believers toward truth, holiness, God's Holy Will, and heaven.

Every Catholic receives the Holy Spirit's gifts and grace when they receive the Sacrament of Baptism. When we are baptized, we experience our own personal Pentecost. This Sacrament and the gifts of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit are indelibly bonded to our souls, along with all the promises, powers, and graces given to the early disciples.

These gifts and graces of the Holy Spirit are meant to help us become who God created us each to be. They are intended to last forever to help us do the work we were designed to do in God's infinite plan. Wisdom, understanding, counsel, fortitude, knowledge, piety, and fear of the Lord are the "seven gifts" mentioned in John's Gospel that the Holy Spirit offers to all baptized believers. Today, more than ever, we need to ask for and accept these gifts to follow God's Holy Will. The Holy Spirit enlightens our understanding of the Word and equips us to be bright beacons of light, truth, and hope for others.

After baptism, and again through confirmation, the Holy Spirit continues to pursue us and draw us closer to the image of God in which we were created. God wants to lavish these gifts upon us, but our hearts must be open and docile to receive all He freely wants to give us. We must cooperate using our free will and reach for these gifts to activate them. Prayer, reading Scripture, daily examination of conscience, and frequently receiving the Sacraments of Reconciliation and the Holy Eucharist will help us grow in the Spirit of Christ to set the world on fire with His love, hope, truth, and peace.

### **Questions for Personal Reflection:**

What are you doing to grow in the Holy Spirit's gifts? What specific gift(s) do you need to ask for right now, and why? How are you using the Holy Spirit's gifts in your personal life?