

# St. Agnes Catholic Church

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Sept. 22, Twenty Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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## MASSES FOR SEPT 22 – SEPT 29

### Saint Agnes

Sunday	10:30 a.m.	Gary & Kathy Eck
Tuesday	6:30 p.m.	Justice & Peace
Thursday	8:30 a.m.	+Poor Souls in Purgatory
Sunday	10:30 a.m.	Marilyn Adamson

### 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:

Monday, September 23

Tuesday, September 24

Friday, September 27

**Father Peter's Birthday**

**PCCW Meeting after 6:30 p.m. Mass**

**Memorial of Saint Vincent de Paul**

### UPCOMING EVENTS:

Monday, September 30

Tuesday, October 1

Wednesday, October 2

Friday, October 4

**Memorial of Saint Jerome, Priest and Dr. of the Church**

**Memorial of Saint Theresa of the Child Jesus, Virgin and Dr.**

**Rosary For Life 8:00 a.m.**

**Memorial of The Holy Guardian Angels**

**Memorial of Saint Francis of Assisi**

**YOUR GIFT TO THE CHURCH:** \$132.00

### ANNOUNCEMENTS:

#### Readers

#### Servers

#### Extra Ordinary Min.

#### Gift Bearers & Ushers

**Sept 22** Mary Streeter  
Petitions: Madeline Vacek

Michael Vacek  
Paul Streeter

Cheryl Elbert  
Carol Gripka  
Karen Drake

Claire Vacek  
Emma Streeter  
Cassidy McGilvry

Lee Kutz  
Ray Elbert

**Sept 29** Jane Kutz

Sterling Elbert

Doug Pickering  
Patrick Wolfe  
Cheryl (K) Elbert

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 (Wrobleski) Buchannon, Maura Sparks, Marilyn Adamson and all the sick and shut-ins of our parish.

**PCCW MEETING:** on Tuesday, Sept. 24, after 6:30 pm Mass. Discuss upcoming activities and projects. If you feel we need to be doing something outside our usual, please come with your ideas. We are open to changes. Games: Donna Adamson, Marilyn Adamson, Cheryl (Ray) Elbert, Rhoda Elbert Refreshments: Kathy Eck, Cheryl Elbert, Charlotte Pickering

**THANK YOU:** We thank the Lord for a great celebration and thanks for all the cards, prayers, gifts and well wishes. Thanks to Kathy Eck for her help. It was great seeing everyone. You made our day special. James & Bernadine Adamson

**SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAY'S:** Donna Adamson, Jacob Adamson, Gabrielle Duley, Robert Graskemper, Mark Heidlage, Dorthy Katzfey, Jane Kutz, Doug Pickering, Mary Schwartz, Rosalee Wolf, Patrick Wolfe & Cynthia Workes

**SEPT CHURCH CLEANERS:** Marilyn Adamson. Sandy Thorn, Donna Adamson, Jessica Chorum

## **Good News Reflection**

25<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 22, 2024

**Pray:** Jesus, help me serve you with the pure and humble heart of a child. Amen.

### **Year B**

Wis 2:12,17-20

Ps 54:3-8

Jas 3:16 – 4:3

Mk 9:30-37

### **A True Disciple Takes Up His Cross and Follows Jesus, the Humble Servant.**

Jesus tried to help His disciples understand the true nature of His kingdom. The people wanted to make Him king. He knew they hoped He would save them from civil turmoil and free them from Roman oppression. But Jesus came to establish the Kingdom of God, not a worldly kingdom. He came to teach them about His Father's love and the reign of God's holy will in their hearts. He wanted to take their souls to an everlasting spiritual kingdom for those willing to follow Him, accept self-denial, and take up their crosses.

Jesus' disciples didn't understand, and couldn't yet accept, the truths He tried to tell them about His upcoming passion, the suffering He would bear, His crucifixion and death on the cross, and His resurrection. They didn't realize that Jesus is the Servant Lord and we, all His disciples, are to follow His example. We are called to be servants to others. We must suffer and die, and then, because of our Savior Jesus Christ, our souls will rise to eternal life. Christ's disciples would not understand all this completely until they received the gift of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost.

Jesus found His disciples squabbling amongst themselves over rank and status, fussing over which one of them was the greatest. They were probably "counting their chickens before they hatched," as they dreamed of being part of the new King's inner circle. Jesus stopped all this when He used a child to show them that, in His Kingdom, true greatness comes from being last and serving all. Greatness is defined by humility, purity of intentions, and service to others. Those who love and follow Christ with the open, pure, and innocent heart of a child that is willing to trust and obey Him will be welcomed first in the Kingdom of God.

Jesus used a child to show that we must welcome and care for everyone, even those society sees as least important. Comparing ourselves to others only leads to jealousy, pride, and unhealthy ambition. God gives each of us unique gifts to serve others and do His will. The Holy Spirit can help us value ourselves and our gifts without competing with others.

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

What motivates you to serve others? How do you live out humility and service in your daily life?