

# St. Agnes Catholic Church

Terrier & Cherry Rd. Intersection, Sarcoxie, MO

Oct. 20, Twenty Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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## MASSES FOR OCT. 20 – OCT 27

### Saint Agnes

Sunday 10:30 a.m. +Mary Margaret Kientz  
Tuesday 8:30 a.m. Justice & Peace  
Thursday 8:30 a.m. +Poor Souls in Purgatory  
Sunday 10:30 a.m. +Loretta Bartkoski

### 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, October 20

**World Mission Sunday**

**Rosary before Mass**

Tuesday, October 22

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

## UPCOMING EVENTS:

Sunday, October 27

**Rosary before Mass**

**YOUR GIFT TO THE CHURCH:** \$591.75

## ANNOUNCEMENTS:

### Readers

### Servers

### Extra Ordinary Min.

### Gift Bearers & Ushers

**Oct 20** Cheryl (K) Elbert Elsie Chorum

Mark Adamson  
John Heidlage  
Charlotte Pickering

Mark Adamson & Jared Campbell

**Oct 27** Sandy Thorn Sterling Elbert

Doug Pickering  
Patrick Wolfe  
Cheryl (K) Elbert

James Campbell & Doug Pickering

**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.

**ROSARY:** weekly before the Sunday mass. Please come early and join in.

**THANK YOU** to Maria Wagner for decorating the altar area for the Fall season. It is beautiful!

**SUNDAY, Nov 3-** Friend and Family Dinner after Mass. Circle A will host and prepare the meat and vegetables. All other families attending are asked to bring salad or dessert.

## Friend & Family 2024 Worklist

**Raffle Tickets** (11:15-12:15) – Pam Campbell & Kim Prince  
(12:15-1:00) – Linda Russell

**Door Prize Tickets** (11:15-12:15) – Tricia Heidlage

**Fish Pond** (12:15- ) – Allison Darrow, Kylin Wagner & Sophie Wagner

**Bingo** (12:15- 1:45)

Caller: Gary Eck Cashier: Steve Schmitt  
Jim Campbell, Kevin Welters, Tom Heidlage, Eric Prince, Jonathan Wagner, Martez Wilson  
(1:45 – 3)

Caller: Ron Wagner Cashier: Jared Campbell  
Dennis Heidlage, John Heidlage, Mark Heidlage, Paul Heidlage, Mike Bartkoski, Patrick Wolfe

**Drinks:** Leah Heidlage, Sally Heidlage, Jessica Wagner, Jamie Welters

## 29<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 20, 2024: Is 53:10-11 | Ps 33:4-5,18-20,22 | Heb 4:14-16 | Mk 10:35-45

### Service, Not Slavery

To be great in the kingdom of God means to be a servant, says Jesus: We are to serve the needs of others for the benefit of the kingdom.

This does not mean that our own needs and desires and dreams don't matter. Being a servant for God is not slavery; it's an honor and a blessing, because it unites us to the saving servanthood of Christ.

Being a servant like Christ means that we are treated by the Father the same way Jesus was treated. Our Master will not belittle us, disrespect us, nor overwork us.

The alternative is to be a slave to our worldly passions and possessions and the ways of the world. Worldly enslavement does belittle us. It reduces us to less than what God created us to be.

The ways of Christ empower us to be like Christ himself: free to enjoy all of the benefits of the kingdom of God, free to live a holy life, and therefore, free to be great in the eyes of our Father.

In this freedom, there is great joy. Although the ways of Christ are not easy and sometimes lead to the Cross, this cup of suffering increases our holiness and makes us even greater in heaven. When we make sacrifices for the benefit of others and we understand that our sufferings are part of

our growth in holiness, they become much more bearable, because what had seemed like a curse is redeemed into a very significant blessing.

Do you know anyone whose prayers have not been answered? It's not because God doesn't care, nor because he can't help them. He answers the prayers of others through our servanthood.

Jesus serves others through us.

Our top priority must always be our own relationship with God, so that we receive an abundance of whatever he wants us to share with others in service to their needs. We cannot give what we don't have. We cannot serve others well – we cannot be the presence of Christ for them – unless we ourselves have first been served by Jesus.



### Reflect & Discuss:

- † What has God blessed you with abundantly? What insights, gifts, talents, wisdom, etc., do you have?
- † How are these indications that Jesus has served you?
- † Share how you have passed this service onto someone else (or would like to). For example, how has he served you with his unconditional, forgiving love? Or how has he served you by meeting an unmet need? In turn, how has this helped you to be a loving servant for others?