

# St. Agnes Catholic Church

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February 2, The Presentation of The Lord

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## MASSES FOR FEB 2 – FEB 9

### Saint Agnes

Sunday 10:30 a.m. + Kenneth Elbert  
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. Mass  
Fri. 8:15 a.m. Mass  
Sat 4:00 p.m. Mass  
Sun. 8:30 a.m. Mass

## EVENTS OF THE WEEK:

Sunday, February 2

Tuesday, February 4

Wednesday, February 5

Thursday, February 6

**Feast of The Presentation of the Lord, Anointing of the Sick**

**Rosary For Life at 8:00**

**Memorial of Saint Agatha, Virgin and Martyr**

**Memorial of Saint Paul Miki and Companions, Martyr**

## UPCOMING EVENTS:

February 10

February 14

**Memorial of Saint Scholastica, Virgin**

**Memorial of Saints Cyril, Mark, and Methodius, Bishop**

**YOUR GIFT TO THE CHURCH: \$1,255.00 Catholic Education Assistance \$20.00 Church in Latin America \$340.00**

## ANNOUNCEMENTS:

	<u>Readers</u>	<u>Servers</u>	<u>Extra Ordinary Min.</u>	<u>Gift Bearers &amp; Ushers</u>
<u>Feb. 2</u>	Debbie Heidlage	Sarah Elbert	Kimberly Prince Eric Prince Jane Kutz	Dennis Heidlage & Paul Heidlage
<u>Feb. 9</u>	Leah Heidlage	Isaac Chorum	Mark Adamson John Heidlage Charlotte Pickering	Cheryl (K) Elbert & Jane Kutz

**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, Bernadine Adamson and all the sick and shut-ins of our parish.

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

**OUR PRAYERS AND SYMPATHY GO TO THE FAMILY OF ROBERT CAMPBELL,** who passed away. May he be living with God and may his family feel his peace.

**THANK YOU** to Father Matt, Father Joe, the organist, choir, Eucharistic minister, servers, pallbearers and the ladies for preparing the meal. It was greatly appreciated. The Robert Campbell family.

## NOTES FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK:

What a week! We have had a great Catholic Schools Week. Tomorrow is the St. Mary's Shootout to raise money for the USO. The students picked this charity on their own. We will be doing the shootout right after Mass. It should be a lot of fun! If you have not turned in your shootout pledge sheets or donations, tomorrow is the absolute last day we can accept those. We will send them back out to let you know what is owed by those who pledged. Thank you for your help on this.

St. Mary's would like to thank all the people that made this past week special for our students. A special thanks to Ben Layton and Derek Washam and their contributions to "Love Our Nation" Day.

We are still in need of volunteers to substitute teach. Lesson plans will be provided. This would not be a full-time commitment and it is a wonderful way to help our school.

**\*\*\*Exciting News\*\*\***

If you were at Mass last week, you heard about the MoScholars/ Bright Futures scholarship fund. This fund is now available for Catholic schools in our area. It covers 100% of St. Mary's tuition. It is available to kindergarteners, first graders, or newly enrolled students that were at a public school the previous semester. Once one of the children in a family qualifies, the rest of the children in that family will qualify. Go to <https://treasurer.mo.gov/MOScholars/ParentsStudents> or just put MoScholars into the search bar. If you have any questions please call the office at 476-2824. Go to the website to register. Registration begins on February 1

**March 1 Family Dance Night-** Come to St. Mary's for an evening of dinner and dancing. This differs from our usual Mother/Son Dance... The whole family is invited! Ticket prices are \$15 per adult, \$10 children 6-12, 5 and under free. This is an Italian dinner starting at 5:30, and then let the dancing begin! Tickets will be on sale in the office and at the Parish Trivia night.

The School Student Choir will be singing at the next All- Parish Mass. Any other children who wish to sing with the School Student Choir is invited as long as they attend the practice . Practice will be at 7am on Thursday, February 6th.

Good News Reflection for  
Feast of the Presentation of the Lord  
February 2, 2025

Malachi 3:1-4  
Ps 24:7-10  
Hebrews 2:14-18  
Luke 2:22-40

**How you, too, can be consecrated to God** This Sunday we celebrate the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord, recalling the consecration of the baby Jesus by Joseph and Mary. Because the infant was consecrated to God, his whole life and even his death were consecrated to God — for our sake.

Have you consecrated your life to God?

What about consecrating your death to God, too? Even your dying breath can serve God if you ask him to give you the opportunity. What kind of a testimony will your passage from earth to heaven be for those you leave behind?

At your baptism, you were reborn into the life, death and resurrection of Jesus, but have you consciously consecrated your life to him? This is a daily decision, even a moment-by-moment renewal of the decision, not just a one-time baptismal ceremony.

This means being in a constant state of prayer, no matter how busy we are.

It means tuning to God and acting on faith instead of reacting to circumstances.

It means getting in touch with God in our hearts and not letting our heads fool us into thinking we're living on the heart-level when we're not.

It means identifying what we are attached to in this world, then letting go so that we can become attached only to God.

It means staying spiritually awake.

It means deliberately growing in holiness each and every day.

It means continually asking ourselves, in each and every situation that occurs, "Am I experiencing God's love right now? If not, what must I do to unite myself to his love? Am I living in his love right now by giving it to others, even though it might be very difficult to do? If not, I choose to force myself to behave lovingly.

**For Personal Reflection:**

*Pray this if you want to consecrate your life to God:* Lord Jesus, help me to live the consecrated life each and every moment. Holy Spirit, make me aware of the times I fail to do this, and show me how to re-consecrate my life to You. Loving Father, accept my desire to be consecrated to You, and help me to immerse myself more fully into Your generous love for me. Amen!