St. Agnes Catholic Church

Terrier & Cherry Rd. Intersection, Sarcoxie, MO March 2, Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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MASSES FOR MARCH 2 - MARCH 9

Saint Agnes			St. Mary's	
Sunday	10:30 a.m.	+ Brian Bradley	Monday	8:15 a.m. Rosary & Communion
Tuesday	8:30 a.m.	Justice & Peace	Wed	8:15 a.m. Mass
Thursday	8:30 a.m.	+Poor Souls in Purgatory	Fri.	8:15 a.m. Mass
Sunday	10:30 a.m.	+Lawrence Katzfey	Sat	4:00 p.m. Mass
			Sun.	8:30 a.m. Mass

EVENTS OF THE WEEK:

Wednesday, March 5

Ash Wednesday – Day of Abstinence (No Meat) and a Day of Fasting(No eating in between meals) Mass Schedule: St. Agnes at 10:30 a.m. St. Mary's at 8:15 a.m. & 7:00

p.m.

Friday, March 7

Day of Abstinence

Stations of the Cross at St. Agnes at 8:30 in the morning lead by a volunteer. St. Mary's

at 7:00 p.m. lead by Father Matt.

Fish Fry at St. Mary's 5-7 p.m. Adults \$10 Kids 5 (ages 6-12) 5 & under Free. Sponsored by

the Knights of Columbus

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Thursday, Mar. 13

Region II DCCW meeting at Sts. Peter and Paul in Pulaskifield. Registration at 9:30 with

Mass at 10. Speaker will be from the Rapha House speaking on child trafficking

Friday, March 14

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Friday, March 14

Sunday, March 16

Tuesday, Mar. 25

Lenten penance Service at Verona at 6:00 p.m. Lenten Penance Service at Aurora at 5:30 p.m.

PCCW meeting after 6pm Mass. Games: Kathy Heidlage, Marilyn Henderson, Jessica

Wagner, Tricia Heidlage Refreshments: Brenda Schmitt, Jane Kutz, Leah Heidlage

YOUR GIFT TO THE CHURCH: \$853.00 Mirror \$57.00

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

	Readers	<u>Servers</u>	Extra Ordinary Min.	Gift Bearers & Ushers
March 2	Kathy Heidlage	Sarah Elbert	Kimberly Prince Eric Prince Jane Kutz	Lee Kutz & Ray Elbert
March 9	Jane Kutz	Isaac Chorum	Mark Adamson John Heidlage Charlotte Pickering	Ron Wagner & Steve Schmitt

<u>PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS:</u> Margie Mettlach, Marie Jasumback, Jim and Veda Perrin, Marion Tomlinson Williams, Monta Heidlage, Rosemary Boes, Father Peter Morciniec, Brenda (Wrobleski) Buchannon, Maura Sparks ,Bernadine Adamson, Lenore Wagner and all the sick and shut-ins of our parish.

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

THANK YOU everyone for their kindness and support at the time of our bereavement. The Lawrence Katzfey Family

ANNUAL CATHOLIC WOMEN'S SPRING ASSEMBLY will be held at the Double Tree by Hilton in Springfield on Fri, Apr. 25-Sat., Apr. 26. There are registration forms on the table in the back of church if you are interested in going. They usually have

excellent speakers. If you wish to go just Friday that is an option for \$50 which includes the evening banquet and entertainment. Region II is responsible for greeting the other regions and directing them to proper rooms for the assembly. (At this time I intend to go for Friday if anyone is interested in riding with me - you do need to preregister).

NOTES FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK: 2/26/25

We are back from a week off due to snow, but it feels like spring! We are getting ready for the busy spring season with spring sports and other exciting spring activities. Track will begin on March 12th with the first practice on March 12th. These practices will be from 5-6pm on Wednesdays. Students in second grade and older may participate.

Preschool and pre-k registration has begun for parishioners and current preschool students and goes through Feb. 26th and then it opens to surrounding parishes as well. March 15th will open general registration for any other available spots that are still open. There is a \$100 non-refundable deposit that holds your child's spot. Please come to the office for registration forms.

Make up days from our snow absences will be March 17, April 21, and May19.

HELP WANTED

St. Mary's is in need of a school cafeteria cook for next school year. Please call Shelly at the church office at 476-2827 or Susan Salsman at 476-2824. Hours are from 8-2 Tuesday-Friday. We will also be looking for cafeteria volunteers to help as well. VIRTUS training is required.

Additionally, we will need some help next year in first and second grade to assist during class and teach religion. This is a part-time position on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 8-12. We need a Catholic for this position as it will involve instruction for first communion. This is a paid or volunteer position.

P.E. is needing a new teacher for next year as well. This position is only one day a week from 12-3pm. This is a volunteer position. Anyone wanting to help would need to undergo Virtus Child Safety training online.

Exciting News MORE MOSCHOLARS NEWS

We will be joining with the Parish Outreach Committee to have a MOScholars Night/ Day. We will be available to help families who qualify sign up for MoScholars/ Bright Futures Scholarship Fund. If your student qualifies, the entire tuition for St. Mary's could be covered. Please stay tuned for a day and time.

We will also have a MoScholars event to further explain how to donate to the Bright Futures fund.

<u>Another very important aspect of this scholarship program is the donation of tax credits. Individuals and companies can to donate up</u>

Good News Reflection for 8th Sunday in Ordinary Time March 2, 20251 Sirach 27:4-7 Ps 92:2-3,13-16 Corinthians 15:54-58 Luke 6:39-45

The 4 lies that have ruined lives A blind person, in the analogy that Jesus makes in this Sunday's Gospel reading, is anyone who cannot see things in the light of truth. It can be due to sin or ignorance, but it's always dangerous. There are many wrong decisions that we bump into when we don't see things the way God sees them. We make mistakes that hurt us and others. We feel safe with temptations that lead us away from God. Here are four popular lies that are ruining lives by leading people into spiritual blindness, followed by the truths that everyone needs to know.

- 1. Your happiness is the most important goal. To achieve it:
 - 2. Put yourself first.
 - 3. Trust your feelings.
 - 4. If you dream it, you can have it.
- 2. This never works. Happiness is elusive or, at best, short. So people try even harder, stuck in the trap of these lies. When it still doesn't work, they get rightfully angry, but at others, blaming others. Conflicts worsen. Anger increases. Violence is the eventual outcome, and spiritual hell.
- 3. The only way that does work is what Jesus revealed.
- 4. 1. Happiness is based on externals, which you cannot control very long. Joy, on the other hand, comes from within and is discovered when you understand that God loves you so much that he gave you his only begotten Son to conquer evil and lead you to the eternal joy of heaven.
- 5. 2. When you lay down your life for others, you experience fulfillment from making a difference, and this is a great joy. And it unites you to Christ, bringing heaven to earth.
- 6. 3. Realize your natural tendency to sin and the limitations of your finite brain, which make it easy to misinterpret everything. Do not trust your own understanding. Feelings can change quickly. Receive the infilling of the Holy Spirit so you can discern God's guidance. Trust only God.
- 7. 4. When you seek to know God's dreams for you, you develop good vision. You discover which talents, knowledge, and experiences will give you your greatest fulfillment, because he had these in mind when he created you. And when you work hard to make these dreams come true, forsaking distractions, persisting past obstacles, and accepting the lessons that are hidden in hardships, you realize the best that life can offer.