

# *Prayer Service*

*Sister Janice Funk*

*May 14, 1934 — June 23, 2021*



*Nazareth Center Chapel*

*July 1, 2021*

*11:00 a.m.*

## Welcome

**Opening Song:** *I Have Loved You*  
BB #602, vs. 1, 2, 3

**Leader:** God of Faithfulness, you have called  
Sister Janice into Your loving presence.  
May she be united with all the saints  
and rest in your peace forever. **Amen**

**Psalm 16:** *Center of My Life* BB #497

**Reading:** Romans 11: 33—36

**Poem:** *Life: A Bit of Smoke*  
written by Sister Janice Funk

Upward, outward, downward,  
Yet ever upward and gone  
Varied hues of white, gray, and black.  
Wispy, curly, ever changing  
Constant, yet never the same  
Here now, gone now, never to be back.  
Near the source, 'tis steady, but...  
Momentarily swallowed up  
In short-lived trek through space.

Smoke--Life's like that  
Rhythms of upward, outward, downward  
Yet ever onward, bathed in grace.

Happy, sad, a changing game  
Hanging on through births and deaths  
Here today, gone tomorrow; live it well.  
Jesus is its Source, The Eternal Always  
Surrounding, enveloping with constancy  
This creature called to heaven forever to dwell.

**Reflection:** *Reflection on My Life*  
written by Sister Janice Funk

### **Prayer to St. Agnes**

Behold, what I long coveted, I already see; what I hoped for, I now hold safe. To God alone I am associated in heaven, whom on earth I loved with all devotedness.

**Leader:** Pray for us, St. Agnes,

**All:** That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

**Let us pray:** Almighty and eternal God, who choose the weak of the world to confound the strong, mercifully grant that we, who are placed under the patronage of your virgin and martyr, Agnes, may feel the benefit of her intercession with you. Through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

**Closing Song:** *Remember Your Love* BB #651



*“BE STILL and know that I am God...”*

PSALM 46:10