



## Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 25, 2021



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### PARISHES' MEMBERSHIP

New families and individuals are welcome to the Parishes. It is important that every family or independent adult register in the Parish of their choice: to keep our records, especially addresses, and telephone numbers, current. Please contact the Parish Office, to register, as soon as you are able.  
**Thank you, and Welcome!**

### BULLETIN NOTICES

Submit bulletin notices *in writing* to the St. Agnes Rectory Office 8 days prior to publication.

**St. Vincent de Paul Ministry—Iron River** (906) 265-9390

### SACRAMENTS:

#### WEEKEND HOLY MASS SCHEDULE:

**St. Agnes** 4:00 PM **Sat.** & 10:00 AM **Sun.**

**St. Cecilia** 8:00 AM & 12 NOON **Sun.**

**Immaculate Conception** 4:00pm **Sat.** & 9:30 am **Sun.**

Weekdays: Mon., Fri. & Sat. at 8am

### CONFESSIONS:

10:30am—11:30am Saturday at St. Cecilia

3:00pm—right before 4pm Mass on Saturday at St. Agnes

3:00pm—3:45pm Saturday at Immaculate Conception, at

8:55am until 9:15am on Sunday and on

Monday, Friday & Sat. 7:30am—7:55am

### INFANT BAPTISM:

Parents desiring the Sacrament of Baptism for their children must be registered and be actively participating in Parish life. Parents must also attend a Baptism class before the Baptism of their first child. Contact the Church Office in advance.

**MATRIMONY:** Arrangements for Marriages must be made at least six months in advance. At least one of the parties must be a practicing Catholic.

### ANOINTING OF THE SICK:

Whenever someone is seriously ill, hospitalized, or is dying, contact the parish office immediately.

**Mass Intentions for St. Agnes & St. Cecilia Parishes**

**SATURDAY, July 24**

NO Saturday 8am Mass

ST A 4:00 PM +Pete Paraventi—by his wife Donna  
+Jack Waite—by his wife Bernice

**SUNDAY, July 25**

ST C 8:00 AM +Dolores Jurecic  
by her children

ST A 10:00 AM +Rick Commenator  
by 4th Degree

Knights of Columbus  
ST C 12:00 PM +Ernie & +Mary Sykora  
by Ron & Mary Sykora

**MONDAY, July 26—NO MASS**

**TUESDAY, July 27**

ST A 5:00 PM Rosary

ST A 5:30 PM +Marino & +Hila Pusatari  
by Ron & Mary Sykora

**WEDNESDAY, July 28**

ST A 7:30 AM Rosary

ST A 8:00 AM +Larry Leonarduzzi  
by wife Tracey &  
mother-in-law Mary Pellizzaro

**ADORATION FOLLOWS MASS**

**THURSDAY, July 29**

ST C 7:30 AM Rosary

ST C 8:00 AM +Julie McDonald  
by her husband Don

**FRIDAY, July 30**

ST C 7:30 AM Rosary

ST C 8:00 AM +Joseph Pangrazzi  
by his family

**ADORATION FOLLOWS MASS**

**SATURDAY, July 31**

ST C 8:00 AM NO MASS

ST A 4:00 PM For the parishioners

**SUNDAY, August 1**

ST C 8:00 AM +Lillian Busakowski  
by Mary Ann Lundquist

ST A 10:00 AM +Charles & +Leona Shimun  
by their daughter Patricia

ST C 12:00 PM Special Intentions of Fr. Jose and  
the St. Cecilia parishioners and guests

**Please remember, if you are ill  
it is okay/and expected that you stay home  
until you are feeling better.**

**SCRIPTURE READINGS**

**July 12 Mon** Ex 1:8-14, 22 Mt 10:34—11:1

**July 13 Tues** Ex 2:1-15a Mt 11:20-24

**July 14 Wed** Ex 3:1-6, 9-12 Mt 11:25-27

**July 15 Thu** Ex 3:13-20 Mt 11:28-30

**July 16 Fri** Ex 11:10—12:14 Mt 12:1-8

**July 17 Sat** Ex 12:37-42 Mt 12:14-21

**July 18 Sun** Jer 23:1-6 Eph 2:13-18 Mk 6:30-34

Welcome to our Tri-Parishes of Iron River, Caspian & Watersmeet

**PRO LIFE**

**God gave us the gift of life.  
Each and every baby is  
a gift from God to be  
loved and nurtured,  
not to be  
aborted or abused.  
Abortion is the  
WRONG CHOICE.  
It is a sin that destroys  
a life.**

**Glimpses of the Life of  
Venerable Bishop Baraga**

**“A Christian without prayer  
is like a soldier without  
arms, exposed to every  
attack and easily overcome,  
therefore  
be vigilant and pray.”**

**St. Vincent de Paul**

In the Gospel, Jesus super-  
sedes both the apostles' and  
God's lavish presence and  
love. Your donation to the  
society of St. Vincent de Paul  
is indeed a sign of god's ex-  
travagant love to the lonely  
and the poor.

**This month, through your  
gifts, the society of St. Vin-  
cent de Paul was able to as-  
sist many families, provid-  
ing food, help with utility,  
rent and other bills.  
God Bless You!**

This week our featured sponsor is:

**St. Agnes Altar Society**

**Meetings 2nd Tues. of the month  
1pm—in the Little flower Room**

**All women are welcome.  
Come and join us!**

**President Marni Suliin 265-9788**

**CHANGE COLLECTION:**  
CANISTERS ALWAYS AT THE ENTRANCES

**Adoration—St. Cecilia:**

**follows 8am Mass on Fridays**

**Adoration—St. Agnes:**

**Follows 8am Mass on Wednesdays**

**Nursing Facility Masses—on hold for now**

Bible Study—on hold for now

Faith Class—on hold for now

**Holy Name Men's Club—info to come**

St. Agnes Altar Society

Next meeting in September

St. Anne's Society Meeting

Next meeting in September

**\*Knights of Columbus\***

**Summer Recess—next meeting September**

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HOME COMMUNION VISITS

First Friday each month.

If you would like Father to bring  
Holy Communion to you, please call the  
Rectory Office at **265-4557**

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**Thank you for doing your part to  
keep all safe.**

Please pray for the Eternal Repose of

**Patricia Hebert**

**Regina Mae Petroski-Robertson**

**James “Jim” LaRock**

If you know of anyone that is ill  
or going through an illness,  
please call the Rectory Office  
and we can add them to our  
prayer list.

Although we can all use addi-  
tional prayers for ourselves or  
for loved ones and friends,  
please remember to call and let  
us know if someone can be re-  
moved from our Prayer List.

**ADORATION**

**Has resumed at both**

**St. Cecilia, on Fridays**

**following the 8am Mass**

**&**

**St. Agnes, on Wednesdays**

**following the 8am Mass**

## GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

St. Oscar Romero said, "We cannot do everything, and there is a sense of liberation in realizing that. This enables us to do something and to do it very well. It may be incomplete, but it is the beginning, a step along the way, an opportunity for the Lord's grace to enter and do the rest."

There were a group of ladies many years ago who made quilts. They were beautiful creations reflecting inspirational designs artfully composed from the simple scraps of fabric each woman would bring to their individual pieces. There was no plan for the finished project as each finished work became the combined creation of what each woman contributed. They abounded in vibrant colors and dazzled the beholder with intricate patterns and their myriad textures. They were so beautiful that they became coveted family treasures passed from generation to generation. Those women never realized the power of their work. Countless babies rested in the comfort of those quilts warmly nestled in the legacy of tradition they were fortunate to inherit. They adorned countless homes with their beauty and brought joy and solace to many faces.

We cannot do everything. We are not meant to. Our work in life is to contribute our individual piece, a piece that reflects the unique thumbprint I claim as my own. We only have to do small things well. Then, as St. Oscar Romero reminds us, the Lord's grace will enter and do the rest. We have to trust that this is true just as those women trusted in the eventual beauty of their final work.

Eucharistic blessings are blessings that start small and multiply. We all come to life with only a few loaves of bread and a few fish. Not any single one of us has all that it takes to transform our world. Who knows what God will do with the little we have and how many will benefit from our kindness, compassion, wisdom, courage, conviction, love, warmth, zeal, faith, and hope? That young lad never dreamed that his few leftovers would do all that they did. God shows up in unexpected ways! Where would life's adventure and fun be if it were any other way? Being able to be part of bringing God's creative, transforming, healing to the world opens us up to wonder, awe, and excitement! We can all bring our little piece to the bigger work of God that can result in being a coveted jewel passed generation to generation. This is good news indeed!

Bread and wine transform into Christ's Body and Blood and we become what we eat. Trust that.

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### PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS THE ILL FROM ST. AGNES & ST. CECILIA PARISHES

Roland Kwasny, Mike Manfrom, Cheri Dennis, Doug Damp, Suzette Camomilli, Robert LaMarche, Kelly & Stacy Williams, Gary P. Johnson, August Menghini, Cari & Pierce Dzanbazoff, Jody Pederson, Debbie Ponozzo-Clark, Chris Bal, Betty Webber-Williams, Mary S., Shelly Silfven, Lee Routheaux, Sharon Warner, Patricia Sebastian, Jacob Tomasoski, David Eberhard, Joyce Singleton, Jerry Schinella, Ed Lau, Juanita Frostell, Marshall Henke, Tony Fittante, Leila Hope Adamson, Stephanie Tinkey, Zachary Lambert, Shannon DeRoche, Mary Ann Van-Wagner, Allyce Westphal, Kathleen Miller, Jerry Koski, Arla Thomas, Jayni Angeli, Ginny Benson, Jim Condon, Teresa Cristan, Regina Robinson, Sandy Moln, Adam Wilson, Marge Phillips, Frances Kozicki, Sue Hanmer, Lois Langford, Mitzi McGreaham, Ron Sykora, Nancy Russo, John Brunswick, Gary Lane, Donna Paraventi, Nancy Clements, Julie Powell, David Coates, Bob & Dolly Watts, Barbara B., Chelsie Hartline, Rhonda Angeli, Katherine Sporer, Mike McIntosh, Ray Cole, Dr. Chuck Newby, Ann Marie Kenny, Lois Brown, Al Anderson, Tom Roth, Don McDonald, Dave Juncer, Tootsie Amelio, Kevin Ellis, Jim Fleury, Edward "Ta Wash" McGeshick, Marlene Locke, Jason Locke, Lois Moln-Brown, Elizabeth Parchim, Butch Redig, Tony Serbinski, Carole Mottes, Kate, Amy Fisco, Ken Shimun, Jeanne Novak-Smith, Tom Ingold, Gloria Wills, Sara Grah, Fay Grah, Bob Lantz, John Otto, Jerry Petts, Matt Sherman, Dixie Lee Denis, Phil Jensen, Pat C., Tom & Kristina Korpi, Vickie, Everett Angeli, Preslie Mantsch, Terri, Theresa LaFountain, Mary Woodworth, Lavinia, Alex, Marion, Fr. Jeffrey Kurtz, all our Parishioners with COVID & their families, Linda Lindberg, Ava Gauthier

### **Installation of Fr. Jose Cherian by Most Reverend John F. Doerfler**

**August 8, 9:30am Mass, at Immaculate Conception—Watersmeet**

**August 14, 4pm Mass, at St. Agnes—Iron River**

**There will be a meet and greet along with refreshments  
after both of these Installation Masses**

#### **PARISH CONTRIBUTION**

##### **ST. AGNES**

Adults.....	\$1525.00
Loose.....	520.00
Fuel/utility.....	35.00
Total last week.....	\$2086.00
51 envelopes, 26%, averaging \$29.90	

##### **ST. CECILIA**

Adults.....	\$2047.00
Loose.....	627.00
Fuel/utility.....	235.00
Votives.....	247.00
Total Last Week.....	\$3156.00
56 envelopes, 29%, averaging \$34.11	

***Thank you for your generosity!***

#### Prayer to Our blessed Mother

Take my hand, O Blessed Mother  
Hold me firmly, lest I fall  
I grow nervous while walking and  
Humbly on Thee call.

Guide me over every crossing  
Watch me when I'm on the stairs  
Let me know that you're beside me  
Listen to my fervent prayers.

Bring me to my destination  
Safely along the way  
Bless my every undertaking  
And my duties for the day.

And when evening creeps upon me  
I'll never fear to be alone  
Once again, O Blessed Mother  
Take my hand and lead me home.