







# Twenty-Fourth Sunday In Ordinary Time

**September 12, 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:**

1st Saturday at St. Cecilia—after 8am Mass until 9:30am 10:30am—11:30am on all the other Saturdays at St. Cecilia 3:00pm—right before 4pm Mass on Saturday at St. Agnes 3:00pm—3:45pm at Immaculate Conception, and at 8:45am until 9:15am on Sunday, 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 and St. Cecilia

#### SATURDAY, September 11

ST A 4:00 PM +Michael Hanmer by Sue

#### SUNDAY, September 12

ST C 8:00 AM +Michael Hanmer

by Sue

ST A 10:00 AM +Rose M. Johnson

by Tom Groppi

ST C 12:00 PM For the parishioners

# MONDAY, September 13-NO MASS

# **TUESDAY, September 14**

ST A 5:00 PM Rosary

ST A 5:30 PM +Everett & +Cecelia Frailing by Edward Ochylski

# WEDNESDAY, September 15

ST A 7:30 AM Rosary

ST A 8:00 AM +Edward & +Elizabeth Glocke

by Edward Ochylski

# ADORATION—follows Mass

# THURSDAY, September 16

ST C 7:30 AM Rosary

ST C 8:00 AM +Edmund R. Lelito

by Edmund Lelito family grand & great grandchildren

#### FRIDAY, September 17

ST C 7:30 AM Rosary

ST C 8:00 AM +Rev. Fr. George Kruzich

by cousin Mitzi McGreaham

#### **ADORATION**—follows Mass

# SATURDAY, September 18

ST A 4:00 PM +Marie Roche

by her son John Roche

# SUNDAY, September 19

ST C 8:00 AM +Julie McDonald

by her husband Don

ST A 10:00 AM Special Intentions of Dolores Ansay,

for her wedding anniversary

by her daughter

ST C 12:00 PM +Fr. Gondek

by Edward Ochylski

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

# **SCRIPTURE READINGS**

Sept. 13 Mon 1 Tm 2:1-8 Lk 7:1-10

Sept. 14 Tues Nm 21:4b-9 Phil 2:6-11 Jn 3:13-17

Sept. 15 Wed 1 Tm 3:14-16 Jn 19:25-27/Lk 2:23-25

Sept. 16 Thu 1 Tm 4:12-16 Lk 7:36-50

Sept. 17 Fri 1 Tm 6:2c-12 Lk 8:1-3

Sept. 18 Sat 1 Tm 6:13-16 Lk 8:4-15

Sept. 19 Sun Wis 2:12 Jas 3:16-4:3 Mk 9:30-37

# WELCOME

# PRO LIFE CORNER

The savagery of war, the atrocities of the Nazi holocaust, graphic violence, natural disasters and critical and bloody medical procedures are routinely shown on the media.

But NEVER an abortion!

# Glimpses of the Life of Venerable Bishop Baraga

"Let your faith be living; do not have dead faith."

# St. Vincent de Paul

The Gospel, Jesus says, "If a man wishes to come after me, he must deny his very self, take up his cross, and follow in my steps." The cross of Jesus and the crosses of his members can evangelize us: the sick, who bear illness with courage; the grieving, who hope against hope; the dying, who clearly trust in the resurrection; the suffering of our poor brothers and sisters who are hungry and homeless, but who still trust in God's love.

Is there a neighbor or friend of yours who is in temporary need because of a loss of a job or an illness? The Society of St. Vincent de Paul can help! Please call us.

This week our featured sponsor is:

# Bigari Ace Hardware, Inc.

Tim Novak, owner 605 Selden Rd/M-189 South Iron River, MI

906-265-9614

bigace@bigariace.com

# Please spread the word—about our new event that we are trying to get up and running!

A special monthly Mass, alternating between St. A & St. C, followed by a social gathering, light dinner, BINGO and/or card or board games. As of now it will take place one Friday a month at 4pm. This special event is for our widows, widowers and senior citizens. Transportation may be available. We will need several volunteers to make this all happen. If you are interested in participating or volunteering to help, please call the Rectory Office.

Also, we are looking for a name for this event. Please submit your suggestion to the Rectory Office. The winner will receive a prize! Please watch for updates in our weekly bulletins.

With enough volunteers, and participants, we can make this happen. Please help if you can.

# ~Volunteers Needed~

\*Sacristan help at St. Cecilia

\*<u>Ushers</u> and \*<u>Servers</u> at St. Agnes & St. Cecilia

\*Readers and \*EMHC at St. Agnes & St. Cecilia

<u>Call the Rectory Office</u> for more details

265-4557

Please, consider helping in any of these position.

The need is great the reward even greater!

Thank you.

GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE September 12, 2021, Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

We need to get our bearings straight and properly lay life's cornerstone. Otherwise, the rest of our journey will be skewed, and our judgment clouded. We can recall Jesus' famous rebuke of Peter, "You are thinking not as God does, but as human beings do." Even he, as one of Jesus' closest friends struggles with understanding things and grasping the big picture. Pierre Teilhard de Chardin (1881-1955) a renowned and learned French Jesuit priest often has these words attributed to him: "We are not human beings having a spiritual experience. We are spiritual beings having a human experience." Whether they were actually from his lips, they certainly mimic his thought. These wise words orient us and capture the essence of who we really are.

Many people consider spirituality an option. It is no wonder that they come to this conclusion when they predominantly define themselves using human terms and concepts. Immersed in this world view, they struggle finding any semblance of God because God does not work according to human expectations! This is especially true when suffering and death enter life's picture. If we are only human beings having a spiritual experience, then we wrongly expect our spirituality to serve us as we desire. The human expectation is that my spiritual life is something that is useful in avoiding pain, hardship, and death, not something that gives the courage to live through it!

So, when we protest and get upset with God because our journey is becoming difficult, painful, treacherous, disappointing, and even pointing us toward death, Jesus rebukes us as he did Peter and gently reminds us how to see. It is God who inspires and opens hearts to see truth and beauty. In God, the true meaning of things is understood, and we receive a depth of insight and understanding that is not found following purely human paths. It is not our task to understand God, as God is beyond human understanding. Ours is the joyful privilege of simply resting in God's presence simply because God is God and we are who we are. As spiritual beings having an exciting and adventurous human experience, it is in our DNA to do so. Through prayer we can let go and let be. This is how we lose our lives but then save them. **©LPi** 

Roland Kwasny, Mike Manfrom, Cheri Dennis, Doug Damp, Ken Damitz, 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, Tony Fittante, Leila Hope Adamson, Stephanie Tinkey, Zachary Lambert, Shannon DeRoche, Mary Ann VanWagner, 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 Grahn, Fay Grahn, 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-19 and their families, Linda Lindberg, Ava Gauthie, Maggie, Seantel Duda, Matt Greig, Dennis Day

Volunteering has many rewards 😬

Keep up-to-date on information as soon as it is made available, by following us on **Facebook** and on our web page.

For your convenience, you may use only 1 envelope (if you choose this option the other weekly envelopes are not needed) and make your contribution for church support once a month.

CHANGE COLLECTION: CANISTERS ALWAYS AT THE ENTRANCES

Nursing Facility Masses—on hold for now

Adoration—St. C follows Fri. 8am Mass Adoration-St. A follows Wed. 8am Mass

Holy Hour-St. Agnes 4th Sunday of the month 3pm-4pm (doors open at 2:45pm)

# **Holy Name Men's Club**

Sunday—September 12 after 8am Mass Fr. Sartorelli Hall

### **Knights of Columbus**

Thursday—October 14—6pm St. Agnes Little Flower Room

# St. Agnes Altar Society

Tuesday—September 14—1pm St. Agnes Little Flower Room

#### St. Anne's Society Meeting

Sunday—September 29 after 8am Mass Fr. Sartorelli Hall

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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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# CCD will be starting soon!

We've missed all our CCD students, our teachers, aides, & kitchen ladies and can't wait to see you all! And this year we welcome our new DRE!

#### PARISH CONTRIBUTIONS—Aug. 29

55 St. Agnes envelopes were returned last week, representing 28% of all envelopes sent out. The total was \$1290.00 averaging \$23.45 per contributor.

# ST. AGNES

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Adults	\$1290.00
Loose	590.00
Votives	61.75
Fuel/utility	5.00
Total last week	
ST. CECILIA	
Adults	\$1152.00
Loose	145.50
Spec. coll. Haiti	103.59
Fuel/utility	40.00
Total last week	\$1441.09

37 St. Cecilia envelopes were returned last week, representing 20% of all envelopes sent out. The total was \$1152.99 averaging \$31.14 per contributor.

Thank you for your generosity!