



Thirty-First Sunday In Ordinary Time

October 31, 2021



Veteran's Day—November 11

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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, October 30

ST A 4:00 PM +Helen Cindrich-Bigari
by her sister Mary Cindrich-Guzowski

SUNDAY, October 31

ST C 8:00 AM Special Intention of Fr. Greg
by Dawn Holt

ST A 10:00 AM +Rose M. Johnson
by Tom Groppi

ST C 12:00 PM +Jean McDonald
by Scott & Carole Karney

MONDAY, Nov. 1—All Saints, not a Holy Day—NO MASS

TUESDAY, November 2—All Souls' day

ST A 5:30 PM MEMORIAL MASS

WEDNESDAY, November 3

ST A 7:30 AM Rosary
ST A 8:00 AM +George & Carol Pond
by Edward Ochylski

THURSDAY, November 4

ST C 8:00 AM MEMORIAL MASS

FRIDAY, November 5

ST C 7:30 AM Rosary
ST C 8:00 AM +Jean Carne
by daughters-Linda, Rose, Barb

ADORATION—follows Mass

SATURDAY, November 6

ST C 8:00 AM +Adam Zorzin (his birthday)
ST A 4:00 PM +Frank E. Guzowski
by his wife Mary

SUNDAY, November 7

ST C 8:00 AM For the parishioners
ST A 10:00 AM +Judy Pond
by Edward Ochylski
ST C 12:00 PM For all the deceased Priests and
Bishops of our Diocese

*Per Bishop John Doerfler,
masks are highly encouraged.*

Hand sanitizer is always available at the entrances.

SCRIPTURE READINGS

<u>Nov. 1 Mon</u>	Rv 7:2-4, 9-14 1 Jn 3:1-3 Mt 5:1-12a
<u>Nov. 2 Tues</u>	Any readings from no. 668 or lectionary
<u>Nov. 3 Wed</u>	Rom 13:8-10 Lk 14:25-33
<u>Nov. 4 Thu</u>	Rom 14:7-12 Lk 15:1-10
<u>Nov. 5 Fri</u>	Rom 15:14-21 Lk 16:1-8
<u>Nov. 6 Sat</u>	Rom 16:3-9, 16, 22-27 Lk 16:9-15
<u>Nov. 7 Sun</u>	1 Kgs 17:10-16 Mk 12:38-44 or 12:41-44

WELCOME

PRO LIFE CORNER

"The fight for the right to life is not the cause of a special few, but the cause of every man, woman and child who cares not only about his or her own family, but the whole family of man."

Dr. Mildred Jefferson

Glimpses of the Life of Venerable Bishop Baraga

"When a person begins to grow careless about their exercise of devotion, they very soon begin to neglect their religion."

St. Vincent de Paul

In the Gospel, Jesus tells us: "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength...and you shall love your neighbor as yourself."

Through your gifts to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul you can show your love for our Lord and your love of your neighbor who is hungry, hopeless, alone and frightened.

Right of Initiation of Adults ~RCIA~

will be held on the 1st, 3rd, and 4th Thursdays of the month and will take place in the St. Agnes Little Flower Room at 6pm.

MEMORIAL MASSES

**~St. Agnes~
Tuesday, November 2
5:30pm**

**~St. Cecilia~
Thursday, November 4
5:30pm**

These special Masses will be in honor of our deceased parishioners of St. Agnes and St. Cecilia, who have died between Oct. 1, 2020—Sept. 30, 2021

This year we are looking for pictures of those we will be honoring, who died between the above dates. We will have them displayed during the Mass. A special prayer will be recited and Holy Water will be sprinkled and a candle will be lit for each person.

Please bring pictures to the Office.

Euthanasia and Blessed Clemens von Galen

"Once admit the right to kill unproductive persons...then none of us can be sure of his life." Cardinal Clemens von Galen, of Munster, Germany in 1941. On Oct. 9, 2005, he was beatified at St. Peter's Basilica in Rome, the Cardinal protested with special force against euthanasia:

"The opinion is that since they (the old) can no longer make money, they are obsolete machines, comparable with some old cows that can no longer give milk or some horse that has gone lame...here we are dealing with human beings, with our neighbors, brothers and sisters, the poor and the invalids...unproductive, perhaps. But have they, therefore, lost the right to live? Have you or I the right to exist only because we are productive?" (Aug. 3, 1941)

In part from Pro-Life Articles

GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE—October 31, 2021—31st Sunday in Ordinary Time

Centuries of God's devoted people have found this prayer on their lips: "Hear, O Israel! The Lord is our God, the Lord alone!" The fundamental prayer has been laid as the cornerstone of many spiritual lives. Where did you learn how to pray or did you? Maybe there is a wisdom figure in your life who inspired and guided you by the genuine, holy simplicity of their lives. His or her example may have led you to God and taught you how to pray. Or perhaps you discovered this art on your own after stumbling over yourself enough times and finally realizing it was time to reach out to Someone greater than yourself. There is a timeless truth that we not only tend to forget, but may have never learned. There is only one God, the Lord alone! As a result, we often worship other gods rather than the One true God. Everything in our life gets distorted and we find ourselves lost and off center.

If we haven't learned it yet, there is a life lesson at the top of all of the possible lessons to be learned. There is One True and Eternal God who alone has a solitary claim on us and must be loved with all our heart, soul, mind, and strength. Until we learn this primary lesson, we run the risk of getting distracted and sidetracked. We will also never really figure out what is at the heart of the relationships we share with the other human beings on this planet with whom we share life. That one primary lesson will teach us the second most valuable lesson: that we must love our neighbor as ourselves. You cannot have one without the other. The presence of God in the core soul of each one of us requires that all of our relationships work together. This truth is at the heart of the Gospel.

If every human being, each in their own way, could stumble upon and genuinely embrace this truth, look how different life would be! Our priorities will immediately shift from "I and me" to "us and we" and we will develop a more inclusive vision for our brothers and sisters. Concerned not only about my own wellbeing and happiness but also that of our brothers and sisters, humanity stands a chance at succeeding in the struggle with injustice, abuse, inequity, violence, war, entitlement, and privilege. It seems that getting to this point has been at the heart of the Gospel and the kingdom of God from the moment Jesus first started to preach. It's a wonder why, then, why so many centuries later, we have still failed to achieve his vision. Maybe we just haven't learned our primary lessons yet. ©LPi

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK

Roland Kwasny, Mike Manirom, 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 Routhaux, 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, 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, Carole Mottes, Kate, 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 affected by COVID-19, Ava Gauthier, Maggie, Seantel Duda, Matt Greig, Dennis Day, John Cummings, Shannon Housveiner, Todd Ingram, Julie Brown

PARISH CONTRIBUTION

ST. AGNES

Adults.....	\$1138.00
Loose.....	266.10
World Mission.....	20.00
All Saints/All Souls.....	20.00
Fuel/utility.....	10.00
Votives.....	48.87
Total last week.....	\$1502.97
56 envelopes, 29%, averaging \$20.32	

ST. CECILIA

Adults.....	\$1596.00
Loose.....	73.00
World Mission.....	90.00
Fuel/utility.....	15.00
Total last week.....	\$1774.00
48 envelopes, 25%, averaging \$33.25	

Thank you for your generosity!

**Please Pray for the Eternal Repose
of the Souls of:**

**Doctor and Congressman
Daniel "Dan" Benishek**

David Carlson

Judy Summers

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)

St. Agnes Altar Society

Tuesday—November 9—1pm
St. Agnes Little Flower Room

Knights of Columbus

Thursday—November 11—6pm
St. Agnes Little Flower Room

Holy Name Men's Club

Sunday—November 7 (**change this month**)
after 8am Mass
Fr. Sartorelli Hall

St. Anne's Society Meeting

Sunday—November 21
after 8am Mass
Fr. Sartorelli Hall

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**The St. Agnes Altar Society
is in need of a**

Secretary and Vice President

Please see Marni or call the Office.

Memorial Masses

(To honor those who died Oct. 1 2020—Sept. 30, 2021)

**Due to the health situation over the last year
and a half or so, there have been several
burials only—NO Masses.**

**We would like to honor these people at our
Memorial Masses, also.**

**Please call the Rectory Office, 265-4557
if you have someone to honor at the
St. Cecilia or St. Agnes Masses.**

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