



Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

February 6, 2022



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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.

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, February 5

ST A 4:00 PM +Willie Ketchum
by Deb

SUNDAY, February 6

ST C 8:00 AM +Fr. Norm Clisch
by Rose Carne & Barb Adamson
ST A 10:00 AM For the parishioners
ST C 12:00 PM +Mary Benzer
by her niece Jeanne Pangrazzi

MONDAY, February 7, NO MASS

TUESDAY, February 8

ST A 5:00 PM Rosary
ST A 5:30 PM +James Corbett
by John Roche

WEDNESDAY, February 9

ST A 7:30 AM Rosary
ST A 8:00 AM +Matt Butorac
by Lisa McMullen

ADORATION—follows Mass

THURSDAY, February 10—NOTE the TIME change

ST C 3:30 PM Rosary
ST C 4:00 PM +Jean McDonald
by her husband Kevin

FRIDAY, February 11

ST C 7:30 AM Rosary
ST C 8:00 AM +Caroline Bernadette Applin
by her niece Jeanne Pangrazzi

ADORATION—follows Mass

SATURDAY, February 12

ST A 4:00 PM +Jackie Bomaster
by Don

SUNDAY, February 13

ST C 8:00 AM Special Intentions of
Mitzi McGreaham
ST A 10:00 AM +Leonard Wurzer
+David Baumgartner
by Mary Wurzer
ST C 12:00 PM +Theresa (Capello) Habeck
by Micki Haydon

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

Hand sanitizer is always available at the entrances.

SCRIPTURE READINGS

<u>Feb. 7 Mon</u>	1 Kgs 8:1-7, 9-13 Mk 6:53-56
<u>Feb. 8 Tues</u>	1 Kgs 8:22-23, 27-30 Mk 7:1-13
<u>Feb. 9 Wed</u>	1 Kgs 10:1-10 Mk 7:14-23
<u>Feb. 10 Thu</u>	1 Kgs 11:4-13 Mk 7:24-30
<u>Feb. 11 Fri</u>	1 Kgs 11:29-32, 12-19 Mk 7:31-37
<u>Feb. 12 Sat</u>	1 Kgs 12:26-32, 13:33-34 Mk 8:1-10
<u>Feb. 13 Sun</u>	Jer 17:5-8 1 Cor 15:12 Lk 6:17, 20-26

WELCOME

PRO LIFE CORNER

***"It is the right of
every pregnant
woman to
give birth...and the
right of every child
to be born."***

Birthright International

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

***"God demands nothing
else from you but your
goodwill."***

St. Vincent de Paul

**In the Gospel, the disciples
decide to leave everything
to follow Jesus. We are also
called to follow Jesus, who
tells us that, "whatever you
do to the least of mine, you
do for me."**

Your donations to the Society
of St. Vincent de Paul will
help the poor by bringing the
love and peace of Jesus to
those who live in fear and
doubt, loneliness and dread.

Easter Dinner Committee Meeting

Feb. 17—4pm

St. Agnes Little Flower Room

If you would like to help, please come join us.

Lamp Stand Candles—St. Cecilia—in memory of:

Art Bal, Sr. and John Bal

by Betty Bal

ORM

(Outreach Ministry)

New meeting day—THURSDAY—still in the St. Agnes Little Flower Room.

Next meeting will be on Thursday—February 17—6:00pm

If you are using the generic

Donation Envelopes—those without a number or your name

PLEASE BE SURE TO WRITE YOUR NAME ON THEM.

Thank you.

This week our featured sponsor is:

**Snyder Drug
Riverside Plaza
265-5149**

**Corner Drug
Downtown Iron River
265-2312**

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

***Nancy Perdzock
Donna Hebert Banks
Margaret Testini***

GOSPEL MEDITATION—February 6, 2022—Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

“Depart from me, Lord, for I am a sinful man,” these words, uttered by Simon Peter, can be found on any one of our lips. What real significance do I have in the big picture of God’s Divine plan? Even though we try our best to hide it, we all suffer from a lack of faith. We get tired, confused, and often lack any sincere desire to put anything into our relationship with God. It’s easier to simply reap whatever benefits the world has to offer and call it a day. Floating along on the superficial currents of life doesn’t require much effort and seems to get us through the day. Confronting our own infidelity, apathy, weakness of spirit, and doubt in God’s providence, how can we even remotely be considered a worthy vessel of God’s presence or credible voice for His message?

This is the irony of faith. God doesn’t seek the perfect vessels. He likes the broken ones. There is something to be said about living honestly and sincerely, and wrestling with sin, imperfection, and weakness rather than skipping through the peripheries of life with pretention, arrogance, and mendacity. If we believe ourselves to be our own “god” and serve only ourselves, we close the door to ever being used by the real and only True God. But, if we at least acknowledge that there is One greater than ourselves, then even in our deepest poverty and lowliness, God can enter.

Lessons are best learned from those who suffer. Only someone who has been lonely and lost can attest to the beauty of both Divine and human friendship. Only those who have really lost their way know what happens when they are found. Only those who are afraid know what it is to be calmed by God. The Gospel is messy because life is messy. There are no black and white solutions to problems and challenges that are hazy and gray. When our hesitancy to encounter God gets replaced by friendship with God, we become more aware of our dignity and the fact that we are loved just as we are. We cannot be afraid to share our struggles, reservations, fears, and sinfulness with others. Our genuineness and sincerity will speak of the God who blesses us in our weakness. ©LPi

~Immediate opening for a Housekeeper at the St. Agnes Rectory~
Please call 265-4557 for information.

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK

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 Tomaskoski, 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 McGraham, 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 Grahm, Fay Grahm, 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, Julie Brown, Craig Barker, Eddie Meyers, Rob Johnson, Emma St. Peter, Cathy Johnson, Bobby Cheetham

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

Last Sunday of the month

3pm—4pm (doors open at 2:45pm)

Holy Name Men’s Club

Second Sunday of the month—after 8am Mass

Father Sartorelli Hall

Knights of Columbus

Second Thursday of the month—6pm

St. Agnes Little Flower Room

St. Agnes Altar Society

Second Tuesday of the month—1pm

Little Flower Room

St. Anne’s Society of St. Cecilia

Third Sunday, after the 8am Mass

Fr. Sartorelli Hall

~ORM (Outreach Ministry)~

Third Thursday of the month at 6pm

St. Agnes Little Flower Room

Study in the Bible

Mondays—6pm—Fr. Sartorelli Hall—St. Cecilia

Tuesdays—10am—Little Flower Room—St. Agnes

(On break Feb. 21, 22, 28 & Mar. 1—
 resuming on March 7 & 8 and during Lent)

**Devotion in Honor of our Mother
 of Perpetual Help**

Tuesdays—after 5:30pm Mass—St. Agnes

Thursdays—after 8am Mass—St. Cecilia

Families at His Feet/Adoration

6pm—7pm, last Wed. of the month—NO CCD classes
 this day, all children and adults will meet in the
 St. Agnes Church for music, adoration, and more.

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All other Wednesdays there will be Adoration
 for adults from 6pm—7pm,
 while youth are at CCD

PARISH CONTRIBUTIONS

ST. AGNES

Adults.....	\$1642.00
Loose.....	360.00
Change collection.....	2.97
Christmas.....	20.00
Fuel/utility.....	3.00
<u>Votives.....</u>	<u>119.75</u>
Total last week.....	\$2147.72

50 envelopes, 27%, averaging \$32.84

ST. CECILIA

Adults.....	\$ 964.00
Loose.....	401.00
Christmas.....	150.00
<u>Votives</u>	<u>22.60</u>
Total last week.....	\$1537.60

46 envelopes, 25%, averaging \$20.96

Thank you for your generosity!