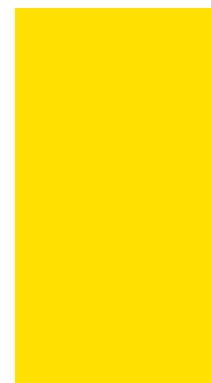


Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

February 20, 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 19

ST A 4:00 PM For the parishioners

SUNDAY, February 20

ST C 8:00 AM +Lorraine Maki

by Dean & Jeanne Kaczorowski

ST A 10:00 AM +Patricia Hebert

by Faye Atanasoff

ST C 12:00 PM +Annabelle Marcell

by Jeanne Pangrazzi

MONDAY, February 21, NO MASS

TUESDAY, February 22

ST A 5:00 PM Rosary

ST A 5:30 PM +Joseph Bourgoine

by Tim & Bonnie Peruzzi

WEDNESDAY, February 23

ST A 7:30 AM Rosary

ST A 8:00 AM +Bernard Worth

by John Roche

ADORATION—follows Mass

THURSDAY, February 24

ST C 7:30 AM Rosary

ST C 8:00 AM +L. Arlyne Luba

by Art & Dorothy Aregoni

FRIDAY, February 25

ST C 7:30 AM Rosary

ST C 8:00 AM +Ken Jacques—6 yr. anniversary

by wife Theresa & family

ADORATION—follows Mass

SATURDAY, February 26

ST A 4:00 PM +James Davis

by St. Agnes Sat. Night Choir

SUNDAY, February 27

ST C 8:00 AM +Chalmers McGreaham

by his wife Mitzi

ST A 10:00 AM +Jean Penkivech

by Pete & Denise Maloney

ST C 12:00 PM +Theresa (Capello) Habeck

by Gloria Miravete

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

~Hand sanitizer is always available at the entrances~

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Feb. 21 Mon Jas 3:13-18 Mk 9:14-29

Feb. 22 Tues 1 Pt 5:1-4 Mt 16:13-19

Feb. 23 Wed Jas 4:13-17 Mk 9:38-40

Feb. 24 Thu Jas 5:1-6 Mk 9:41-50

Feb. 25 Fri Jas 5:9-12 Mk 10:1-12

Feb. 26 Sat Jas 5:13-20 Mk 10:13-16

Feb. 27 Sun Sir 24:4-7 1 Cor 15:54-58 Lk 6:39-45

WELCOME

PRO LIFE CORNER

“My aim is to hasten the day when being publicly pro-choice will be as reprehensible as being publicly racist. Racism might...result in the killing of innocent humans. But abortion always results in the killing of innocent humans.” John Piper, Theologian

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

Having left his office and taken his tea, Fr. Baraga lay down in the name of God on his cold bed and slept a little from time to time, with no roof over his head but the starry canopy of heaven.

St. Vincent de Paul

In the Gospel, Jesus gives us the challenge to: “Love your enemies...Give to everyone who asks of you...Do to others as you would have them do to you...Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful.

In the month of February, through your gifts, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul was able to assist many families, providing in food, and for utility and rent bills, etc. Thank You!

Community Easter Dinner

**will be held at St. Agnes
in the Parish Hall on Easter Sunday.
Dine-in, Take-out, & Delivery will be available.
More details to come.**

Lamp Stand Candle—St. Agnes

**For Special Intentions of
Al & Kim Anderson
by Mom Haydon & family**

This week our featured sponsor is:

**West End Home Furnishings
Downtown Iron River
906-265-1401**

www.westendhomefurnishings.com

**Living Room, Dining Room, Bedroom,
Blinds, Floor Coverings & More**

~Concert~

***by musician & composer
Jacob Rudd***

**Thurs.—Feb. 24—6:00pm
at St. Agnes
Join us, all are welcome!**

GOSPEL MEDITATION—Feb. 20, 2022—Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sometimes, Jesus' teachings don't seem to make practical sense. When we hear things like love your enemies and do good to them, turn the other cheek when struck, give to anyone who asks, do to others as you would have them do to you, be merciful, stop judging, forgive, and give to others, we get a bit unsettled. After all, it's okay for God to do all of these things, but does He really want us to do them, too? Many good-hearted Christians really draw the line with some of these ideals and say, "No way!" They even remark that if someone did something hurtful to someone they loved, they would have no reservations seeking severe retribution. There is still this persistent thinking, even among those who consider themselves Christian, that a violent action deserves a violent response. Somehow, we continue to justify this.

Yet, it is most clearly against the very grain of the Gospel. Part of our difficulty has more to do with understanding God's love. We wrongly think that sinful or hurtful actions and evil people somehow are seen as lesser in God's eyes. They are not. God loves the sinner as much as He does the saint. And, both of these inclinations exist in every human being, even those who consider themselves holy. Both the capacity for good and the disposition toward evil exist in every one of us. Viktor Frankl has this to say when reflecting on the Holocaust: "Our generation is a realistic generation because we have learned what a human being really is. When all is said and done, man is that same creature who invented the gas-chambers of Auschwitz; but he is also that being who walked upright into those chambers with the prayer 'Shema Yisrael' on his lips."

If we believe in God, we have to act like God. Whether we like that idea is another issue. If we don't then perhaps, we need to reconsider our faith and whether we really believe in Jesus Christ. We are made in the image of God, not the image of ourselves. The Christian must, at all costs, leave resentment and the need for retaliation behind, lose defensiveness and bring into the mind and heart the realization of who we represent in this world. ©LPi

ALTAR SERVER TRAINING Wednesday—February 23 6:00pm—St. Agnes

Please prayer for the
Eternal Repose of the souls of:
Edwin Redig, Jr.
Karen Fesnick
who will have services in the spring.

Please pray for the Eternal Repose
of the soul of
Catherine Vignali
We thank you for being our devoted
sacristan for 25 years, taking meticulous
and loving care of the altar, and whatever
else was needed at St. Cecilia Church.
Rest in Peace Cathy
and may Perpetual Light Shine upon you.

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 Dzanbazzoff, Jody Pederson, Debbie Ponzozzo 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, 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 Grahn, Fay Grahn, Bob Lantz, John Otto, Jerry Petts, Matt Sherman, Dixie Lee Denis, Phil Jensen, 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, Cara Kapczynski

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—NOT on FEB. 23

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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.....	\$1824.00
Loose.....	196.00
Fuel/utility.....	225.00
U.P. Catholic.....	373.00
<u>Votives.....</u>	<u>67.00</u>
Total last week.....	\$2685.00

51 envelopes, 27%, averaging \$35.76

ST. CECILIA

Adults.....	\$1369.00
Loose.....	89.00
U.P. Catholic.....	185.00
Easter flowers.....	5.00
<u>Votives.....</u>	<u>71.25</u>
Total last week.....	\$1739.25

51 envelopes, 27%, averaging \$26.84