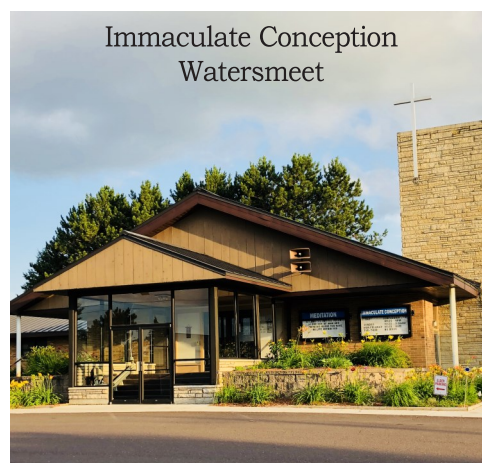


St. Agnes  
Iron River



St. Cecilia  
Caspian



Immaculate Conception  
Watersmeet



## Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 24, 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.**

### 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,

### 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**

### **SATURDAY, July 23**

ST A 4:00 PM For the parishioners

### **SUNDAY, July 24**

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

ST A 10:00 AM Intentions of Mike & Linda Golas  
In honor of their 50th wedding anniversary

ST C 12:00 PM +Joseph Pangrazzi  
by his family

### **MONDAY—July 25—NO MASS**

### **TUESDAY, July 26**

ST A 5:30 PM +Ronald Piwarski  
by Edward Ochylski

### **WEDNESDAY, July 27**

ST A 7:30 AM Rosary

ST A 8:00 AM +Betty Schurfranz  
by Bob & Catherine Cole

### **ADORATION—follows Mass**

### **THURSDAY, July 28**

ST C 7:30 AM Rosary

ST C 8:00 AM +Donna Hebert-Banks  
by Jerry & Janet Anderson

### **FRIDAY, July 29**

ST C 7:30 AM Rosary

ST C 8:00 AM +Nancy Perdsock  
by Gloria Teifke

### **ADORATION—follows Mass**

### **SATURDAY, July 30**

ST A 4:00 PM +Chris Clement  
by Al & Gerry Silfven

### **SUNDAY, July 31**

ST C 8:00 AM +Nancy Perdsock  
by Mark & Sheri Stauber

ST A 10:00 AM +George & +Carol Pond  
by Edward Ochylski

ST C 12:00 PM For the parishioners

**Hand sanitizer**, for your use, is always available at our churches' entrances. 6 foot spacing is suggested.

### **SCRIPTURE READINGS**

**July 25 Mon** 2 Cor 4:7-13 Mt 20:20-28

**July 26 Tue** Jer 14:17-22 Mt 13:36-43

**July 27 Wed** Jer 15:10, 16-21 Mt 13:44-46

**July 28 Thu** Jer 18:1-6 Mt 13:47-53

**July 29 Fri** Jer 26:1-9 Jn 11:19-27 or Lk 10:38-42

**July 30 Sat** Jer 26:11-16, 24 Mt 14:1-12

**July 31 Sun** Eccl 1:2;2:21-23 Col 3:1-5 Lk 12:13-21

## **WELCOME**

### **PRO LIFE CORNER**

**Many people today are afraid of speaking out in defense of unborn life. If we truly believe abortion is murder, then we must act as though it is murder! Find out what you can do to help stop this horrible holocaust. Join the pro-life movement today!**

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

**“Solemnly blessed the church of Portage Lake to the name of St. Ignatius, whose feast is today (July 31, 1859), with the assistance of three priests. I sang the Pontifical Mass and preached in English, French and German. The collection for the church today amounted to \$304.00”**

### **St. Vincent de Paul**

In the Gospel, Jesus teaches us that God is our “Father” and just as a parent’s love for their children is unlimited, so is God’s love and care for us unlimited.

**In the month of June, through your gifts, the local Society of St. Vincent de Paul was able to assist 85 families with food, 3 families with rent, 5 families with electric bills, and 1 family with a water bill.**

***The recent food drive hosted by the St. Anne Society of St Cecilia Church was a huge success. The food drive benefited the local St. Cecilia and St. Agnes Conference of St Vincent de Paul Food Pantry. Because of your donations, there were 434 pounds of non-perishable items collected, as well as \$235 in cash! Thank you all for your support and generosity to our community!***

**Annual Milestone Wedding Anniversary Celebration**  
**St. Peter Cathedral, Marquette**  
Sunday, Aug. 28—3:30pm ET  
Registration forms are at our Rectory Office or you may call Marti at: 906-227-9155

Lamp Stand Candle—St. Cecilia  
7/23—7/30  
**In Memory of**  
**Rolando Ansay**  
**for his July 15th birthday,**  
by his wife Dolores & daughter Dr. Marites



### **PRAYER CHAIN**

Prayer Request forms may be picked up at the basket by the statue of St. Joseph. Contact info is on the form.

**This weeks featured bulletin sponsor:**

### **St. Anne Society**

St. Cecilia Church, Caspian  
**Meetings on the Third Tuesday of the month at 12pm**

New members always welcome!  
**For more info call: 906-265-4557**

## **GOSPEL MEDITATION—July 24, 2022—17th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Meister Eckhart asks, “Who is the man whose prayers God always hears?” He answers, “God hears the man who appeals to God as God. When, however, man appeals to God, hoping for some worldly good, he is not appealing to God at all, but to what he is asking of God. He is trying to make God his servant. On this point, St. Augustine says: ‘You pray to what you love, for true whole prayer is nothing but love!’ Thus, we pray to what we love, and no one rightly prays to God but he who prays for God and has nothing on his mind but God.” We struggle with what we want God to do and how we want our prayer validated. Meister Eckhart is correct. We often want God to be our servant. We further struggle with trusting that God knows what we need and that His will is best.

God’s will is not some predetermined outcome of events that we must simply suggest. “Thy will be done” is not an invocation beckoning us to accept a particular state of affairs passively. Rather, it is the humble and confident placement of ourselves in the presence of the God we seek, whom we call “Father.” We must remember that God is the God of life and light. It is from nothing that God brings something and from the darkness that God brings life. Prayer allows us to seek the One we love with the assurance that all will be well regardless of what course the events of our lives take. God is not about passive submission but the humble trust of love.

That’s what makes the Lord’s Prayer the perfect prayer. It provides us with proper disposition and focus, putting in line all of the essential relationships of our lives. It celebrates and fosters the ever-deepening relationship of trust we have with our Creator. It also calls us to keep open the doors of love between our brothers and sisters with the power that comes with forgiveness. If in one’s darkest hour they can find the resolve to fervently pray this perfect prayer of Jesus’ conviction, then there is no doubt that God will hear their plea, reach out in love, and bring them ever closer to His heart. What more does one need to weather the storms of life besides faith, hope, and love? These are God’s most perfect gifts and all we really need. ©LPi

### **PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK**

Roland Kwasny, Mike Manfrom, Cheri Dennis, Doug Damp, Robert LaMarche, Kelly & Stacy Williams, Gary P. Johnson, August Menghini, Carl & Pierce Dzanbazoff, Jody Pederson, Debbie Ponozzo Clark, Chris Bal, Betty Webber Williams, Mary S., Shelly Silven, 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, 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, Mike McIntosh, Ray Cole, Dr. Chuck Newby, Ann Marie Kenny, Lois Brown, Al Anderson, Tom Roth, Don McDonald, Tootsie Amelio, Kevin Ellis, Jim Fleury, Edward “Ta Wash” McGeshick, Marlene Locke, Jason Locke, Lois Moln-Brown, Elizabeth Parchim, Carole Mottes, Kate, Ken Shimun, Jeanne Novak-Smith, Tom Ingold, Gloria Wills, Sara Grahn, Fay Grahn, Bob Lantz, John Otto, Jerry Petts, Matt Sherman, 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, Cara Kapczynski, Jim Mangone, Patricia Caldwell, Tierney Cayo, Ken Routheaux

**Please pray for the Eternal Repose of  
the soul of:**

**Katherine Sporer**

**Nancy R. Ambrose**

**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*

*Next meeting in September*

**Knights of Columbus**

*Second Thursday of the month—6pm*

*St. Agnes Little Flower Room*

*Next meeting in September*

**St. Agnes Altar Society**

*Second Tuesday of the month—1pm*

*Little Flower Room—Next meeting in September*

**St. Anne’s Society of St. Cecilia**

*Third Tuesday of the month—12 Noon*

*Fr. Sartorelli Hall—Next meeting in September*

**~ORM (Outreach Ministry)~**

*Third Thursday of the month at 6-7:30pm*

*St. Agnes Little Flower Room*

*Next meeting September 15th, 6-7:30pm*

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

*Tuesdays—after 5:30pm Mass—St. Agnes*

*Thursdays—after 8am Mass—St. Cecilia*

### **PARISH CONTRIBUTIONS—July 24**

#### **ST. AGNES**

Adults.....	\$1497.00
Loose.....	350.00
Votives.....	96.00
<u>Fuel/utility.....</u>	<u>55.00</u>
Total last week.....	\$1998.00

58 envelopes, 32%, averaging \$25.81

#### **ST. CECILIA**

Adults.....	\$1173.00
Loose.....	427.00
Fuel/utility.....	10.00
<u>Votives.....</u>	<u>30.25</u>
Total last week.....	\$1640.25

46 envelopes, 26%, averaging \$25.93

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