



St. Agnes  
Iron River



St. Cecilia  
Caspian



Immaculate Conception  
Watersmeet



## Twenty-Fourth Sunday In Ordinary Time

September 11, 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, Saturday 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.

**SATURDAY, September 10**

ST A 4:00 PM +John Korpi  
by Deb Bomaster

**SUNDAY, September 11**

ST C 8:00 AM +Todd Ingram  
by his family  
ST A 10:00 AM +Al Anderson  
by Tim & Bonnie Peruzzi  
ST C 12:00 PM For the parishioners

**MONDAY—September 12—NO MASS**

**TUESDAY, September 13**

ST A 5:00 PM Rosary  
ST A 5:30 PM +Marie Roche  
by her son John Roche

**WEDNESDAY, September 14**

ST A 7:30 AM Rosary  
ST A 8:00 AM +The Brule Lake Bachelors  
by Edward Ochylski

**ADORATION follows Mass**

**THURSDAY, September 15**

ST C 7:30 AM Rosary  
ST C 8:00 AM +Nancy Perdzock  
by her husband Norb

**FRIDAY, September 16**

ST C 7:30 AM Rosary  
ST C 8:00 AM +Del Liptak  
by Tony & Melody Fittante

**ADORATION follows Mass**

**SATURDAY, September 17**

ST A 4:00 PM +John Korpi  
by Lawrence & Patti Wiegand

**SUNDAY, September 18**

ST C 8:00 AM +Charles & Norma Wiegand  
by their family  
ST A 10:00 AM +Greg Lindsay—by John Roche  
ST C 12:00 PM +Nancy Perdzock—by husband Norb

~Hand sanitizer, for use by anyone, is always available  
at our church entrances~

**WELCOME**

**PRO LIFE CORNER**

**...the People of god have to elect public servants who know  
the difference between serving the public and killing the  
public, and that those who can't tell the difference don't  
belong in public office.  
*Fr. Frank Pavone***

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

***"Today performed everything in our church as a simple  
priest usually performs; and so it will probably be all  
winter because I have little hope of finding a qualified  
priest for the Sault this fall." Sept. 16, 1860***

**St. Vincent de Paul**

In the Gospel, Jesus tells us that the shepherd rejoices when he  
finds one lost sheep. The story tells us that nothing and no one  
is insignificant to God who is compassionate and loving to all.

**Is there a neighbor or friend of yours who is in temporary  
need because of a loss of a job or an illness? Please leave a  
message for the society of St. Vincent de Paul...we want to  
help!**

**Lamp Stand Candle—St. Agnes  
Sept. 3—Sept. 10  
Continued recovery of  
Rodney Camps**

**"ORM (OutReach Ministry)**

**Fall Kick Off Meeting will be held on Thursday, September 15th, in the Little Flower Room, 6:00pm to 7:30pm.  
Presently we have 20 members and welcome more to join this endeavor  
to reach out to our parishioners in all three parishes!  
Our agenda will be to review our newly established Prayer Chain and to discuss our next outreach project."**

**SCRIPTURE READINGS**

**Sept 12 Mon 1 Cor 11:17-26, 33 Lk 7:1-10**  
**Sept 13 Tue 1 Cor 12:12-14, 27-31a Lk 7:11-17**  
**Sept 14 Wed Nm 21:4b-9 Phi 2:6-11 Jn 3:13-17**  
**Sept 15 Thu 1 Cor 15:1-11 Jn 19:25-27 or Lk 2:33-35**  
**Sept 16 Fri 1 Cor 15:12-20 Lk 8:1-3**  
**Sept 17 Sat 1 Cor 15:35-37, 42-49 Lk 8:4-15**  
**Sept 18 Sun Am 8:4-7 1 Tm 2:1-8 Lk 16:1-13**

**Lamp Stand Candle—St. Cecilia  
Sept. 10—Sept. 17  
In loving memory of  
Sally Atanasoff-Roberts  
by her sister Sandy Johnson**

## **GOSPEL MEDITATION**—Sept. 11, 2022—24th Sun. in Ordinary Time

Since God created human beings, we have struggled to keep our focus on God. We wrestle with the question of “who is God” and foolishly believe some of God’s job description can be better completed by us. We wander in different directions, lose our way, think that happiness can be found elsewhere and even construct golden calves to worship. Are we simply too independent or just blatantly stubborn? It’s a good question to ask. Even with all of our silliness and distractions, God compassionately and patiently waits. He lets us assert our wills and knows that perhaps one day we will actually wake up and realize how lost we are.

“Since happiness is nothing other than the enjoyment of the highest good and since the highest good is above, no one can be made happy unless he rises above himself, not by an ascent of the body but of the heart. But we cannot rise above ourselves unless a higher power lifts us up ... Divine aid is available to those who seek it from their hearts, humbly and devoutly; and this means to sigh for it in this valley of tears, through fervent prayer (St. Bonaventure).” One of the biggest human struggles is discerning what, exactly, is the highest good. We are ordered to achieve it but if we pursue it with clouded vision, we will never truly find it.

One of the greatest obstacles to God’s power and love is a stubborn, closed heart of stone. When we are fiercely determined to set our sights elsewhere for happiness or simply ride the popular currents of the day, we will never satisfy the deep ache and longing within. We know that ache well. It is precisely why we scurry all over the place, attempting to find the next best thing to take away its pain. Nothing in the created world ever can or will. We continue our journey. One day, people may wake up and realize that they are grazing in the wrong pasture and putting themselves in harm’s way. When this awakening occurs, it will be a most joyous day as we will see God’s wide-open arms waiting to receive us. “Lead me, Lord, in your path, and I will enter in your truth. Let my heart rejoice that it may fear your name (St. Bonaventure).”

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### PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK

Roland Kwasny, Cheri Dennis, Doug Damp, Robert LaMarche, Kelly & Stacy Williams, Gary P. Johnson, August Menghini, Cari & Pierce Dzanbazoff, Jody Pederson, Debbie Ponzio 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, 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, 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, Tom Roth, 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, 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, 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, Tiemey Cayo, Ken Routheaux, Rodney Camps, Romell Sims, Bruce Nichols, Arnold Craff

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—Meeting September 11

**Knights of Columbus**

Second Thursday of the month—6pm

St. Agnes Little Flower Room—Meeting Sept. 8

**St. Agnes Altar Society**

Second Tuesday of the month—1pm

Little Flower Room Meeting September 13

**St. Anne’s Society of St. Cecilia**

Third Tuesday—12 Noon—Fr. Sartorelli Hall

Meeting September 20

**~ORM (Outreach Ministry)~**

Third Thursday of the month at 6pm

St. Agnes Little Flower Room

Meeting on September 15, 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

**All of the above  
will resume their meetings  
in September**

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#### **ST. AGNES**

Adults.....	\$1658.00
Loose.....	507.00
National Church.....	5.00
UP Catholic.....	10.00
Fuel/utility.....	45.00
Total last week.....	\$2225.00

59 envelopes, 33%, averaging \$28.12

#### **ST. CECILIA**

Adults.....	\$1250.00
Loose.....	178.00
Fuel/utility.....	40.00
St. Vincent de Paul.....	20.00
Total last week.....	\$1448.00

51 envelopes, 29%, averaging \$24.51

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