



St. Agnes  
Iron River



St. Cecilia  
Caspian



Immaculate Conception  
Watersmeet



## Twenty-Seventh Sunday In Ordinary Time

October 2, 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, October 1**

ST C 8:00 AM +Delina Liptak

by her daughter Maria

ST A 4:00 PM +Linda Bruno-Grossman

by Darlene Bruno &amp; Gerry Berezik

**SUNDAY, October 2— RESPECT LIFE SUNDAY**

ST C 8:00 AM +Charles &amp; +Norma Wiegand

by their family

ST A 10:00 AM For the parishioners

ST C 12:00 PM +Catherine Vignali

by Dean &amp; Jeanne Kaczorowski

**ST C 3:00 PM Respect Life Service/Prayers****MONDAY—October 3—NO MASS****TUESDAY, October 4**

ST A 5:00 PM Rosary

ST A 5:30 PM +Alyce Westphal

by Jim &amp; Elaine Baumgartner

**WEDNESDAY, October 5**

ST A 7:30 AM Rosary

ST A 8:00 AM +Helene Osier-Frye

by Micki Haydon &amp; family

**ADORATION follows Mass****THURSDAY, October 6**

ST C 7:30 AM Rosary

ST C 8:00 AM +Julia Zorzin

by Jim &amp; Elaine Baumgartner

**FRIDAY, October 7**

ST C 7:30 AM Rosary

ST C 8:00 AM Intentions of the deceased members  
of the Rosary Sodality**ADORATION follows Mass****SATURDAY, October 8**

ST A 4:00 PM +Don Marinoff—by Faye Atanasoff

**SUNDAY, October 9**

ST C 8:00 AM +Pat Cole

by Rose Carne &amp; Barb Adamson

ST A 10:00 AM +Fr. Norm Clisch

by Edward Ochylski

ST C 12:00 PM +Bob &amp; +Sue Shepich

by aunt Mitzi McGraham

**WELCOME****PRO LIFE CORNER**

**The gift of motherhood can be destroyed by the evil abortion, and also by thinking that other things like jobs or positions are more important than loving, than giving oneself to others. No job, no plans, no possessions, no idea of “freedom” can take the place of love. So anything that destroys God’s gift of motherhood destroys His most precious gift to women—the ability to love as a woman.**

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

***“Today I was alone and had to perform everything; first Mass at 8, high Mass and 2 sermons at 10. I believe that I never have seen so few people in church as today. This is the fruit of my frequent exhortations for diligent church attendance. In the afternoon catechism and Stations of the Cross.”***

**St. Vincent de Paul**

In the Gospel, Jesus tells his disciples, “When you have done all you have been commanded, say: We are unprofitable servants; we have only done what we were obliged to do.”

**This week, please help the Society of St. Vincent de Paul to bring the love and mercy of Jesus to those who feel left out and abandoned, for indeed we are only doing “what we are obliged to do.”**

Thank you to all for your support. The Silver Tea Fundraising was a success.

**THE WINNERS OF THE MAIN RAFFLE PRIZES ARE:**

- 1—\$500—Gerald Cieslak
- 2—\$500—Linda Grandquist
- 3—\$300—Shelly Neuens
- 4—\$200—Resurrection Parish, Menominee
- 5—\$100—Mary Calo
- 6—\$100—Jeanne Santini

**PRAYER CHAIN**

For Prayer Requests and/or to be a Prayer Warrior (those who pray for the request)  
**Call or Text 612-709-7868** (disregard out of area code #, this is a local parishioner)  
 Forms are also available at the St. Joseph statue, at St. Agnes & St. Cecilia

**SCRIPTURE READINGS**

<b><u>Oct 3 Mon</u></b>	<b>Gal 1:6-12 Lk 10:25-37</b>
<b><u>Oct 4 Tue</u></b>	<b>Gal 1:13-24 Lk 10:38-42</b>
<b><u>Oct 5 Wed</u></b>	<b>Gal 2:1-2, 7-14 Lk 11:1-4</b>
<b><u>Oct 6 Thu</u></b>	<b>Gal 3:1-5 Lk 11:5-13</b>
<b><u>Oct 7 Fri</u></b>	<b>Gal 3:7-14 Lk 11:15-26</b>
<b><u>Oct 8 Sat</u></b>	<b>Gal 3:22-29 Lk 11:27-28</b>
<b><u>Oct 9 Sun</u></b>	<b>2 Kgs 5:14-17 2 Tm 2:8-13 Lk 17:11-19</b>

**ORM Prayer Chain Pilot Results**

We have been in pilot phase with our new prayer chain program since May. During this phase, we answered 32 prayer requests.

We are happy with the results so we are officially keeping the program and have moved it into the Growth phase where we will continue to recruit prayer warriors and educate our community to use & benefit from the program.

Prayer Warriors: 30 Prayer Requests: 31

Church Affiliation: St. Agnes-21, St. Cecilia-5, unknown-5

Request Type: 20 text, 7 basket, 3 phone, 1 verbal

## **GOSPEL MEDITATION**—Oct. 2, 2022—27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

As adults, unless we are dealing with children, “obedience” is not a word we typically like to hear. It often brings connotations of military protocols, deference to superiors at work, or conforming to laws and practices. In a culture that has learned to challenge authority, being obedient is understood more as something I “have” to do, not “want” to do. Do you ever see merit in wanting to be obedient? Encouraged to develop independent, self-sufficient egos and personas, we learn to focus on our own wills and merits as we strive for success and achieve a sense of well-being. Giving ourselves over to the will of another, especially when done blindly, can sometimes carry more risk than we are willing to take. Also, blindly following orders without any deference to ethics or morality can lead to atrocious crimes and violence against humanity.

St. Ignatius of Loyola states, “There are three sorts of obedience; the first, obedience when a strict obligation is imposed upon us, and this is good; the second when the simple word of the superior, without any strict command, suffices for us, and this is better; the third, when a thing is done without waiting for an express command, from a knowledge that it will be pleasing to the superior, and this is the best of all.” St. Ignatius sees obedience as an act of love. When the person we are obeying genuinely has our best interest in mind, acting themselves with love and integrity, then what St. Ignatius says makes excellent sense. When mutual trust and a bond of love and respect are present, obedience can lead to freedom and truth.

We ask God to increase our faith. In other words, increase our trust that God knows best how to live and act in this world. We desire the same confidence, determination, and patience Jesus had that the fulfillment of God’s vision would one day come. Nurturing a deep love of God and trusting in his providence, we obediently do what we know is pleasing to God: love, repent of sin, show mercy, be compassionate and fight injustice. As we willingly give witness to our faith, we do only what we are obliged to do, expecting nothing in return. Spared from the task of having to figure it all out for ourselves, we discover freedom.

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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, Bobby Cheetham, Cara Kapczynski, Jim Mangone, Patricia Caldwell, Tierney 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

**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 Tuesday—12 Noon—Fr. Sartorelli Hall

**~ORM (Outreach Ministry)~**

Third Thursday of the month at 6pm

St. Agnes Little Flower Room

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

Tuesdays—after 5:30pm Mass—St. Agnes

Thursdays—after 8am Mass—St. Cecilia

**Watch for ORM team members  
who will be at our Church  
entrances, ready to have you  
sign-up for our  
Eucharistic Revival Retreat!**

This weeks featured bulletin sponsor:

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### **PARISH CONTRIBUTIONS**

#### **ST. AGNES**

Adults.....	\$ 970.00
Loose.....	415.00
St. Vincent de Paul.....	5.00
UP Catholic Schools.....	50.00
<u>Votives.....</u>	<u>114.00</u>
Total last week.....	\$1755.00

38 envelopes, 21%, averaging \$25.53

#### **ST. CECILIA**

Adults.....	\$1334.00
Loose.....	286.00
Fuel/utility.....	30.00
Votives.....	56.75
<u>St. Vincent de Paul.....</u>	<u>236.00</u>
Total last week.....	\$1959.75

39 envelopes, 22%, averaging \$34.21

**Thank you for your generosity!**