



St. Agnes
Iron River



St. Cecilia
Caspian



Immaculate Conception
Watersmeet



First Sunday in Advent

First Sunday of Advent

November 27, 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, and before daily Masses

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, November 26

ST A 4:00 PM For the parishioners

SUNDAY, November 27—FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

ST C 8:00 AM +Gerald Jurecic
by his children

ST A 10:00 AM +Mark Martini
by Tim & Bonnie Peruzzi

ST C 12:00 PM +Patricia Ann (Dascola) Cederna
by Jim & Carol Cederna

MONDAY—November 28—NO MASS

TUESDAY, November 29

ST A 5:00 PM Rosary

ST A 5:30 PM +Michael Lind
by Tim & Bonnie Peruzzi

WEDNESDAY, November 30

ST A 7:30 AM Rosary

ST A 8:00 AM +Ron Sykora
by Bob & Catherine Cole

ADORATION follows Mass

THURSDAY, December 1

ST C 5:00 PM Rosary

ST C 5:30 PM +Ron Sykora
by Rose Carne & Barb Adamson

FRIDAY, December 2

ST C 7:30 AM Rosary

ST C 8:00 AM +John & +Marion Erickson
by Bob & Mary Ann Lundquist

ADORATION follows Mass

SATURDAY, December 3

ST C 8:00 AM +Dolores & +Gerald Jurecic
by their children

ST A 4:00 PM +Linda Bruno-Grossman (her b-day)
by Darlene Bruno & Gerry Berezik

SUNDAY, December 4

ST C 8:00 AM +Deceased of the Dobson Family
by Mark & Sheri Stauber

ST A 10:00 AM +Joel DeRoche
by friend Lee Routheaux

ST C 12:00 PM For the parishioners

WELCOME

PRO LIFE CORNER

What it is coming down to is who runs the country. It's us against them. It's the good guys versus the bad guys. It's the God-fearing people against the pagans, and some of the pagans are going to church. How can one be a supporter of abortion when abortion is the rejection of God's gift of life?

Glimpses of the Life of Venerable Bishop Baraga

***"Omnia ad maiorem Dei gloriam—
All for the greatest glory of god."***

St. Vincent de Paul

There is an Advent spirit in the heart of every human person. It is one of longing, of yearning for a fulfillment that somehow lies beyond ourselves; for we long for the coming of the Lord.

**The 2022 TV6 Canathon runs November 7—December 5.
The number of families seeking food is up 35% from the
same time last year. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.**

The Church celebrates many important events each year.
ADVENT is the beginning of the liturgical year.

Purple symbolizes waiting...

During Advent we wait and prepare for Christ's birth. We also prepare for his return at the end of time. Advent begins four Sundays before Christmas and ends at the Christmas Eve Vigil.



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

Nov 28 Mon Is 4:2-6 Mt 8:5-11

Nov 29 Tue Is 11:1-10 Lk 10:21-24

Nov 30 Wed Rom 10:9-18 Mt 4:18-22

Dec 1 Thu Is 26:1-6 Mt 7:21, 24-27

Dec 2 Fri Is 29:17-24 Mt 9:27-31

Dec 3 Sat Is 30:19-21, 23-26 Mt 9:35—10:1, 5a, 6-8

Dec 4 Sun Is 11:1-10 Rom 15:4-9 Mt 3:1-12

Please Pray for Vocations...

November is
National Vocations Awareness Month.
Thank you.

St. Anne Society of St. Cecilia

Christmas Party at Alice's—Dec. 8—after 4:30pm Mass
~RSVP by calling the Rectory Office at 265-4557~

GOSPEL MEDITATION—November 27, 2022—First Sunday of Advent

We can embrace and relish each moment of our lives as a sacred sacrament or nonchalantly and robotically attend to what life presents. We have our feet in two worlds. One is holy and sacred, and the other is profane and secular. Which one has the greater claim on us? To what do we devote most of our energy? We can easily be consumed with the particular demands and essentials of daily life: family, work, obligations, and the like, that we don't really notice anything more than what is right before us. We become masters at "doing" and neglect our need to "savor." Jesus reminds his friends that "as it was in the days of Noah, so it will be at the coming of the Son of Man. In those days before the flood, they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, up to the day Noah entered the ark. They did not know until the flood came and carried them all away."

While certain things require our daily attention, we cannot become so consumed with them that we fail to see the larger picture of what is coming. For the Christian, Advent is the time to pause, reflect, and savor. It is a time to see life as a sacrament of the moment and not just an investment in secular interests, pleasures, and personal obligations. It is easy to get distracted, lazy, preoccupied, and tired. Apathy can quickly wreak havoc on the most dedicated of souls. Whatever we can do this Advent season to be more attentive, focused, alert, and watchful will serve us well. It will make us eager and well-prepared to meet our Lord when he comes. It is for certain that he will come.

Who made me? What is my purpose? What will happen to me when I die? These are pivotal questions that, in life's busyness, we hardly find time to ask and answer. They define who we are, and the answers we provide serve as guideposts and anchors in the seas of our lives. Advent is the perfect time to make friends with our souls. It is a time to perk ourselves up, open our eyes, ears, and hearts and seek God's presence in the simple moments of our lives. God is with us. Ask God to grant you a deeper appreciation for His presence and the gift of attentiveness. ©LPi

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK

Roland Kwasny, Cheri Dennis, 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 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 Grahm, Fay Grahm, 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, 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, Klaryce Bilski

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

NO meetings in December or January

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

This weeks featured bulletin sponsor:

"Dukes" Garage Sale

"Biggest Little Garage Sale in the UP"

405 McGillis Ave., Caspian, Mi

US2 to M189 to Co. Rd. 424 to Caspian

Follow the Yellow Signs!

Proceeds to Restore Historical Building & Grounds

CLOSED DURING THE WINTER MONTHS

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906-284-9733 or 402-312-2257

PARISH CONTRIBUTIONS—Nov. 13

ST. AGNES

Adults.....	\$1760.00
Loose.....	152.00
All Saints.....	20.00
All Souls.....	20.00
Christmas flowers.....	160.00
Fuel Utility.....	70.00
Votives.....	102.35
Total last week.....	\$2284.35

56 envelopes, 31%, averaging \$31.43

ST. CECILIA

Adults.....	\$2074.00
Loose.....	107.25
Fuel/utility.....	250.00
All Souls.....	70.00
All Saints.....	99.00
Christmas flowers.....	198.00
Votives.....	33.10
Total last week.....	\$2831.35

70 envelopes, 39%, averaging \$29.63

Thank you for your generosity!