



St. Agnes
Iron River



St. Cecilia
Caspian



Immaculate Conception
Watersmeet



Third Sunday of Advent

December 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, 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, December 10

ST A 4:00 PM +Joel DeRoche
by Philip & Mary LaCourt

SUNDAY, December 11

ST C 8:00 AM +Dolores Jurecic & +Gerald Jurecic
by their children
ST A 10:00 AM +Robert J. Ross
by his wife Ramona & family
ST C 12:00 PM +Bud & +Mildred Anderson
by the McNamara family

MONDAY—December 12—NO MASS**TUESDAY, December 13**

ST A 5:00 PM Rosary
ST A 5:30 PM +Joel DeRoche
by Philip & Mary LaCourt

WEDNESDAY, December 14

ST A 7:30 AM Rosary
ST A 8:00 AM +Janice Bors-Stoychoff
by Tim & Bonnie Peruzzi

ADORATION follows Mass**THURSDAY, December 15**

ST C 7:30 AM Rosary
ST C 8:00 AM +Adam & +Julia Zorzin
by Jim & Elaine Baumgartner

FRIDAY, December 16

ST C 7:30 AM Rosary
ST C 8:00 AM +Bob Haydon
by Rose Carne & Barb Adamson

ADORATION follows Mass**SATURDAY, December 17**

ST A 4:00 PM +Ron Sykora
by Terry & Renee Verville

SUNDAY, December 18

ST C 8:00 AM For the parishioners
ST A 10:00 AM +Cathy (Brey) Johnson
by Al & Geri Silfven
ST C 12:00 PM +Ron Sykora
by Art & Dorothy Aregoni

ST A 4:00 PM PENANCE SERVICE**WELCOME****PRO LIFE CORNER**

“Human life must be respected and protected absolutely from the moment of conception. From the first moment of his existence, a human being must be recognized as having the rights of a person—among which are the inviolable right of every innocent being to life.” —Catechism of the Catholic Church 2270

Glimpses of the Life of Venerable Bishop Baraga

***Katolik Enamiad O Nangatawendamowinan.* Baraga’s Indian book opens with a beautiful explanation of Christmas, the feast that the Indians love so much. -Fr. Verwyst**

St. Vincent de Paul

In the Gospel, Jesus tells us that the good news can be seen, touched, felt and heard through the lives of God’s people. We are now charged to take up the ministry of Jesus’s, but we can’t just ask people to take our word for it; our actions must speak for us.

Since Christmas is a time of love and gift giving, please share so those in need can know the good news of Jesus.

Please pray for the Eternal Repose of the souls of:

William “Bill” Gendron

Wilma Hilberg

Robert “Bob” Lundquist

Greg Dellangelo

Margaret Contardi

May they Rest in Peace & may Perpetual Light Shine upon them.

**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

Dec 13 Mon Zec 2:14-17 or Rv 11:19a 10ab/Lk 1:26-38

Dec 13 Tue Zep 3:1-2, 9-13 Mt 21:28-32

Dec 14 Wed Is 45:6c-8, 18, 21c-25 Lk 7:18b-23

Dec 15 Thu Is 54:1-10 Lk 7:24-30

Dec 16 Fri Is 56:1-3a, 6-8 Jn 5:33-36

Dec 17 Sat Gn 49:2, 8-10 Mt 1:1-17

Dec 18 Sun Is 7:10-14 Rom 1:1-7 Mt 1:18-24

Lamp Stand Candle—St. Agnes—December 10

In loving memory of

Bill Gendron

by his family

Christmas this year is on a Sunday...there will be special Mass times: St. Agnes at 9am & St. Cecilia at 11am
Christmas Eve Masses: St. Agnes at 4pm & St. Cecilia at 6pm

GOSPEL MEDITATION—December 11, 2022—Third Sunday of Advent

For about a month I was consistently feeling annoyed by the people around me. A friend challenged me to simply notice my internal judgments against others throughout the day. Quickly I “heard” my internal voice saying things like: “He’s so lazy.” “She’s weak and self-centered.” “He’s arrogant.” “They are so stupid.” And so on. To have those thoughts was one thing. But I was choosing them and quietly agreeing with them. They perhaps protected my fragile ego, but it fueled my frustration. My friend invited me to commit to refuse to agree with those judgments, and I felt much more at peace.

The Bible says, “Beloved, do not grumble against one another, so that you may not be judged.” (James 5:9). That word — “grumble” — beautifully describes what I was doing: quietly judging the inner character of people in my life. Of course, we judge actions and ideas all the time. So we must. But the grumble-judgment is about persons. It is never loving and always isolates and attacks. Happily, we don’t have to waste that precious spiritual energy because Jesus alone is the judge of each person.

New year challenge: This week, I challenge you to do what my friend asked me to do: notice your internal judgments about those around you (perhaps also those on tv, social media, etc.), and then to refuse to agree with the judgments. Ask Jesus to help you resist those unloving judgments. It’s not easy, but you’ll be amazed at the peace that comes when Jesus liberates you from grumble-judgments.— Father John Muir ©LPi

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Please read today’s Gospel Meditation above...

it’s always the right thing to be nice & kind to all, for we haven’t walked in their shoes.

Advent Penance Services

Sunday, December 11th—3pm—St. Mary, Norway

Thursday, December 15th—6pm—St. Rose, Channing

~Sunday, December 18th—4pm—St. Cecilia, Caspian~

Thurs., Dec. 22nd—6:30pm—St. Mary & St. Joseph—Iron Mt.

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 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, Eddie Meyers, Rob Johnson, Emma St. Peter, Bobby Cheetham, Cara Kapczynski, Jim Mangone, Patricia Caldwell, Ken Routheaux, Rodney Camps, Romell Sims, Bruce Nichols, Arnold Craff, Klaryce Bilski, Dan Ross

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:

St. Agnes Altar Society

**Meeting the second Tuesday
of the month**

**At 1:00pm in the Little Flower Room
All women welcome—Come and join us.**

Pres. Marni Suliin ~ 906-265-9788

PARISH CONTRIBUTIONS—Nov. 27

ST. AGNES

Adults.....	\$1128.00
Loose.....	177.00
Christmas.....	5.00
Ascension.....	10.00
Votives.....	84.00
Total last week.....	\$1404.00

47 envelopes, 26%, averaging \$24.00

ST. CECILIA

Adults.....	\$1097.00
Loose.....	171.00
St. Vincent de Paul.....	75.00
Fuel/utility.....	20.00
Christmas.....	100.00
Total last week.....	\$1468.00

40 envelopes, 22%, averaging \$27.43

Thank you for your generosity!