



St. Agnes
Iron River



St. Cecilia
Caspian



Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

February 19, 2023



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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.**

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

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, February 18

ST A 4:00 PM +Tom Roth

by John & Margaret Roth

SUNDAY, February 19

ST C 8:00 AM For the parishioners

ST A 10:00 AM +Wilma Hilberg—by Janet Tarsi

ST C 12:00 PM +Anthony Receniello

by Jack & Cecilia LaRock

MONDAY—February 20—NO MASS

TUESDAY, February 21

ST A 5:00 PM Rosary

ST A 5:30 PM +Jean DeMay

by Duane & Jane Lombardini

ASH WEDNESDAY—February 22—FAST & ABSTINENCE

ST C 8:00 AM +Kim Anderson & +Emika Anderson

Mass & Ashes by Terrence, Katie & Carla

ST A 6:00 PM +Jean DeMay

Mass & Ashes by Steven & Julie Aderman

ST C 12:10 PM Distribution of Ashes

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ADORATION follows Mass

THURSDAY, February 23

ST C 7:30 AM Rosary

ST C 8:00 AM +Robert Watts

by Richard & Cecilia Harrison

FRIDAY, February 24

ST C 7:30 AM Rosary

ST C 8:00 AM +Robert Watts—by Rose Ann Carne

ST A 12:10PM Stations of the Cross/with Father

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ADORATION follows Mass

SATURDAY, February 25

ST A 4:00 PM +Bev Gustafson—St. Agnes Sat. Choir

SUNDAY, February 26

ST C 8:00 AM +Ken Jacques—7th anniversary

by Theresa & family

ST A 10:00 AM For the parishioners

ST C 12:00 PM +Edward Simeone

by Jack & Cecilia LaRock

WELCOME

PRO LIFE CORNER

“If a physician presumes to take into consideration in his work whether life has value or not, the consequences are boundless and the physician becomes the most dangerous man in this state.”

Dr. Christopher Hufeland, Germany

Glimpses of the Life of Venerable Bishop Baraga

The churches were filled, the confessionals were besieged, and our indefatigable missionaries cooperated with the Master of the Vineyard while doing the most divine work on earth: ‘for of all the divine things, the most divine is to cooperate with God in the salvation of souls.’ Bishop Baraga/January 24, 1859

St. Vincent de Paul

In the Gospel, Jesus challenges us by saying, “You must be perfected as your heavenly Father is perfect.”

This month our local St. Vincent de Paul assisted 95 families with food, 1 with rent, 2 water bills, 1 night of emergency housing, 2 clothing vouchers, 3 kids boots.

This weeks featured bulletin sponsor:

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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

Feb 20 Mon Sir 1:1-10 Mk 9:14-29

Feb 21 Tue Sir 2:1-11 Mk 9:30-37

Feb 22 Wed Jl 2:12-18 2 Cor 2:20—6:2

Feb 23 Thu Dt 30:15-20 Lk 9:22-25

Feb 24 Fri Is 58:1-9a Mt 9:14-15

Feb 25 Sat Is 58:9b-14 Lk 5:27-32

Feb 26 Sun Gn 2:7-9; 3:1-7 Rom 5:12-19 Mt 4:1-11

ASH WEDNESDAY—Feb. 22—a day of Fast & Abstinence

STATIONS OF THE CROSS—12:10pm—Fridays in Lent

On the first day of Lent, Ash Wednesday, we receive ashes in the form of a cross on our forehead and are reminded to “turn away from sin and be faithful to the gospel.” In receiving ashes, we embrace Jesus’ journey: the cross of suffering and the promise of Resurrection. We are marked as believers, as sinners, as people in need of Christ’s forgiveness and salvation.

GOSPEL MEDITATION —Feb. 19—7th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Of all the things Jesus says which seem totally bat-crazy, this one might take the cake: “But I say to you, love your enemies, and pray for those who persecute you.” An enemy is someone who desires the destruction of you, your projects, or those you care about. To love and pray for them is to want their health, strength, and flourishing. But if they thrive, they are more likely to hurt you and others. So, aren’t you indirectly willing your own destruction, or that of your friends? If you doubt that this problem is embedded in this teaching, when was the last time you actually prayed honestly for the people you really hate?

How can we solve this riddle so we might actually live this command? Recall that enemy-love is the surest sign that you love someone with God’s love, and not with indirect egotism. After all, if my love for my enemy ends up hurting me or my loved ones, it can’t be for me. Enemy-love costs more because there are no tit-for-tats. No reciprocity — just love poured out, and often pain in return. That’s why it is so precious and rare. “What is unusual about that?” asks the Lord about love for our friends. Jesus wants us to experience the unusual love which only comes from him.

When Jesus was being killed on the cross, he was loving his executioners. In fact, he was holding them in being as they nailed him to the cross. He loved those who were spiritually piercing his Mother’s heart, while they were doing it. And when he rose from the dead, he showed us that this kind of love is always worth it. It’s stronger than death. Real love is unusual. ©LPi

— Father John Muir

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 Tomaskoski, 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, Dolly Watts, Barbara B., Chelsie Hartline, Rhonda Angeli, Mike McIntosh, Ray Cole, Dr. Chuck Newby, Ann Marie Kenny, Lois Brown, 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, 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, Carol Angeli

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 Tues. of the month—12pm
Fr. Sartorelli Hall
February 21**

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*

Catholic Schools Collection
will take place soon.
A special envelope is in your box.

PARISH CONTRIBUTIONS

ST. AGNES

Adults.....	\$ 976.00
Loose.....	258.00
Newspaper.....	217.00
Total last week.....	\$1451.00

37 envelopes, 37%, averaging \$26.38

ST. CECILIA

Adults.....	\$1863.00
Loose.....	352.30
Catholic schools.....	20.00
Newspaper.....	113.00
Votives.....	37.75
Total last week.....	\$2386.05

64 envelopes, 40%, averaging \$29.11

Thank you for your generosity!