

**St. Agnes
Iron River**

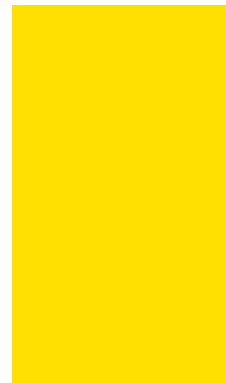


**St. Cecilia
Caspian**



Fourth Sunday In Lent

March 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.

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

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

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, March 18

ST A 4:00 PM +Tom Roth—by Mark & Ann Roth

SUNDAY, March 19

ST C 8:00 AM +Robert Lundquist

by Rosemary & Terry Tarsi

ST A 10:00 AM +Julia Bruno

by her daughter Darlene

and sons Robert & John

ST C 12:00 PM For the parishioners

MONDAY—March 20—NO MASS

TUESDAY, March 21

ST A 5:00 PM Rosary

ST A 5:30 PM +Mary Benzer

by her niece Jeanne Pangrazzi

Wednesday, March 22

ST A 7:30 AM Rosary

ST A 8:00 AM +Bob Horbach—by John Roche

ADORATION follows Mass

THURSDAY, March 23

ST C 7:30 AM Rosary

ST C 8:00 AM +Louis Mitchell—for his birthday

by mom Vera & sister Ann

FRIDAY, March 24

ST C 7:30 AM Rosary

ST C 8:00 AM +Mildred Anderson—1st anniv. 3-28

by her family

ADORATION follows Mass

ST A 3:10 PM—STATIONS OF THE CROSS

ST C 5:10 PM—STATIONS OF THE CROSS

SATURDAY, March 25

ST A 4:00 PM +Jean DeMay

by Duane & Jane Lombardini

SUNDAY, March 26

ST C 8:00 AM +Arthur Carne—by his daughters

ST A 10:00 AM +Tom Roth—by Jim Roth family,

LaCombe family & Tarvainen family

ST C 12:00 PM +Marie & Vincent Bello

by Jack & Cecilia LaRock

ST AGNES—4:00pm—Penance Service

PRAYER CHAIN—forms at the St. Joseph statue

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)

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Mar 20 Mon 2 Sm 7:14-5a 16 Rom 4:13, 16-18 Mt 1:16

Mar 21 Tue Ez 47:1-9, 12 Jn 5:1-16

Mar 22 Wed Is 49:8-15 Jn 5:17-30

Mar 23 Thu Ex 32:7-14 Jn 5:31-47

Mar 24 Fri Wis 2:1a, 12-28 Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30

Mar 25 Sat Is 7:10-14, 8:10 Heb 10:4-10 Lk 1:26-38

Mar 26 Sun Ez 37:12-14 Rom 8:8-11 Jn 11:1-45

WELCOME

PRO LIFE CORNER

**Freedom does not mean that right to do whatever we
please, but rather to do as we ought.**

**The right to do whatever we please reduces freedom to a
physical power and forgets that freedom is a moral power.**

Glimpses of the Life of Venerable Bishop Baraga

I then take care to have these catechumens instructed in the
first rudiments of the Christian faith by others who are already
Christians and live near them, and then they are
solemnly received into the Church.

St. Vincent de Paul

In the Gospel, as Jesus gives sight to the blind man.

**Through grace we are also transformed from not seeing to
seeing and then Jesus sends us to help others see and to
believe.**

Your gift to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul brings joy, peace,
forgiveness, mercy and kindness to the hurting hearts of the
poor.

Aquinas College Open House
Saturday, March 25th

*Aquinas College welcomes any high school students and families to our
Open House on Saturday, march 25! Choose your own path throughout
the day to get the inside scoop on academics, athletics and scholarships,
as well as our Dominican pillars of prayer, study, community and ser-
vice! Details and registration information can be found at:
aqinas.edu/openhouse.*

Please pray for the Eternal Repose of the soul of:

Vivian Leonoff

May She Rest in Peace and
Perpetual Light Shine Upon Her

The Crosses in Our Lives
by Lorene Hanley Duquin

Jesus tells us that if we are going to be his followers, we have to “pick
up our cross and follow him” (Matthew 16:24). There is an old story
about a married couple that had a lot of crosses that they dragged
around with them. Every day, they begged the Lord to take away some
their crosses. One night Jesus appeared and said, “show me the
crosses.” The couple emptied their sack. They had many black cross-
es in various sizes, and one gold cross. Jesus picked up the gold cross
and said: “This is the true cross. The black crosses are all of your own
making. Get rid of them and you’ll discover that the true cross will be
light because I will help you carry it.” ***We all experience pain and
difficulties in life. But how many of the crosses that we carry
are of our own making?***

GOSPEL MEDITATION—March 19, 2023—Fourth Sunday in Lent

God asks a rhetorical and slightly sarcastic question to Samuel, the prophet: “How long will you grieve for Saul, whom I have rejected as king of Israel?” Like us, Samuel is depressed that the old king failed. It’s painful to admit that the old regime is done. But God won’t let us wallow our pity-party forever. “I am sending you to Jesse of Bethlehem,” announces the Lord, “for I have chosen my king from among his sons.” Samuel finally goes and anoints the young David as the new king. And his kingdom is glorious; it’s the golden age of Israel’s earthly history.

How discouraging to see that my own selfish ego is no longer in charge! How long will I grieve that money, power, pleasure, and reputation have been rejected as the ruler of my life? How wonderful that God has a new future in store for you and me. He is sending us to Bethlehem to anoint the new David as our king. His kingdom won’t fail us. He’ll slay our goliaths, unite our dispersed energies, and build a Temple where God himself will dwell.

So how long will you grieve? How long?

— Father John Muir ©LPi

Contrition means to be sorry for things we did or failed to do that have hurt our relationship with God. If you have ever had someone offer you a sincere apology for hurting you, the power of this type of prayer probably hits home. Acknowledging you have made a poor or wrong choice takes courage and, therefore, very much pleases Jesus.

Forgiveness is the heart of Jesus’ teaching,
making this a very special prayer for us to offer.

Taken in part from OSV Take Out

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, 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, Dallas Duda

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 Society of St. Cecilia

Third Tuesday—12 Noon—Fr. Sartorelli Hall

Next meeting Feb. 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

St. Vincent de Paul—Food Pantry

2nd Collection will be held

the last Sunday of each month

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PARISH CONTRIBUTIONS

ST. AGNES

Adults.....	\$1276.00
Loose.....	101.00
Easter flowers.....	115.00
Fuel/utility.....	65.00
Total last week.....	\$1557.00

47 envelopes, 27%, averaging \$27.15

ST. CECILIA

Adults.....	\$1593.00
Loose.....	73.00
Easter flowers.....	300.00
U.P. Catholic paper.....	20.00
Fuel/utility.....	10.00
Votives.....	66.99
Total last week.....	\$2062.99

56 envelopes, 31%, averaging \$28.45

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