



Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time July 23, 2023

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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.

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.

PRAYER CHAIN

For Prayer Requests and/or to be a Prayer Warrior (those who pray for the request)
Call or Text 612-709-7868 (this is a local parishioner)



MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, July 22

ST A 4:00 PM Health of Seantel Duda
by friends

SUNDAY, July 23

ST C 8:00 AM +Gerald Jurecic
by his family
ST A 10:00 AM +Yvonne "Judy" Komblevicz
Memorial Mass—by her family
ST C 12:00 PM For the parishioners

MONDAY—July 24—NO MASS

TUESDAY, July 25—MASS TIME CHANGE TODAY

ST A 7:30 AM Rosary
ST A 8:00 AM +Ron Sykora
by friends

WEDNESDAY, July 26

ST A 7:30 AM Rosary
ST A 8:00 AM +Dolly Stafford
by her St. Agnes Parish Family

ADORATION after 8am Mass

THURSDAY, July 27

ST C 7:30 AM Rosary
ST C 8:00 AM +Bob Watts
by Tim & Bonnie Peruzzi

FRIDAY, July 28

ST C 7:30 AM Rosary
ST C 8:00 AM +Don McDonald, +Julie McDonald
+Jean McDonald—by Kevin & Scott

NO ADORATION

SATURDAY, July 29

ST A 4:00 PM +Beatrice & +Geno Marana
by the Kmiecik children

SUNDAY, July 30

ST C 8:00 AM +Dolores Jurecic
by her family
ST A 10:00 AM For the parishioners
ST C 12:00 PM +Alessandro & +Angeline Capello
by daughter Donna Capello

SCRIPTURE READINGS

<u>July 24 Mon</u>	Ex 14:5-18 Mt 12:38-42
<u>July 25 Tue</u>	2 Cor 4:7-15 Mt 20:20-28
<u>July 26 Wed</u>	Ex 16:1-5, 9-15 Mt 13:1-9
<u>July 27 Thu</u>	Ex 19:1-2, 9-11, 16-20b Mt 13:10-17
<u>July 28 Fri</u>	Ex 20:1-17 Mt 13:18-23
<u>July 29 Sat</u>	Ex 24:3-8 Jn 11:19-27 Lk 10:38-42
<u>July 30 Sun</u>	1 Kgs 3:5, 7-12 Rom 8:28-30 Mt 13:44-52

WELCOME

PRO LIFE CORNER

**"Reproductive rights should mean the right to be free to produce children, not the right to kill children."
Pray and work to end abortion on demand.**

Glimpses of the Life of Venerable Bishop Baraga

Today it is two years since I have begun making entries in this booklet. Since then I have seen much, heard much, learned much, received much. God be thanked for all!
Bishop Baraga, June 27, 1854

St. Vincent de Paul

Hearing this Gospel, we can trust that God knows our love and good deeds, & that he will mercifully gather us into his kingdom.

This week, please say a special prayer each day for the poor and forgotten in our parish.

Our local St.VdP assisted 132 families with food, 3 with electricity, 1 with rent, 3 with water bills, 2 clothing vouchers, and 1 voucher for household items, in the month of June. Thank you!

God's Blessings and Congratulations

Jocelyn Wiegand

&

Nathin Voeller

*who recently received the Sacrament of Marriage at
St. Cecilia Parish.*

~Upcoming~

July 31—Ghana Presentation by Fr. Daniel—5:15pm

Authentic meal will be served.

RSVP for the meal at 906-265-4557

Come join us in the St. Agnes Parish Hall.

All are welcome!

August 6—St. Agnes & St. Cecilia Parishes' Picnic

1pm—3pm, the meal will be served at 1:30pm

South lawn area at St. Agnes, in/outdoor seating

Kids Games/Prize Drawings/50-50

Parishioners & their families & guests welcome!

There will be plenty of food! Come join us.

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GOSPEL MEDITATION—July 23, 2023—16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Patience is rooted in Hope (an image of a bush filled with birds would be great)

Life, like the church, is often burdened with evil, smallness, and impurities. The Lord's parables give us a hope-filled perspective on all three.

Evil: in Jesus' parable about the good farmer whose enemy plants weeds at night, Jesus tells us that God is not the cause of evil but permits evil to exist with good out of his patient love. He will finally deal with it, but his love lets things stay messy for a time.

Smallness: It's funny that Jesus says his kingdom looks like ... wait for it ... a bush. What a letdown! Yet this little shrub still somehow has room for all the birds of the sky. The smallness of the Church, and even our own little lives, still provides plenty of room for all whom God sends.

Impurities: divisions and hypocrisies in the Church and our own hearts exasperate us. Recall that Jesus compares his kingdom to a lump of dough with impure leaven eating away at it and therefore making it expand. It's the secret of the Cross. Not how we'd prefer it. But finally, great news.

The field, the bush, the loaf: all three parables invite us to embrace a patience rooted in hope: one day the field will be weeded, the bush filled with birds, and the risen loaf leaven-free.

Father John Muir ©LPi

Special 2nd Collection Results

For the benefit of St. Kateri Parish in Bay Mills that was tragically lost to a fire and will be rebuilt:

St. Agnes—\$635.00

St. Cecilia—\$642.00

Thank you to everyone who donated to this worthy cause.

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 Pono-zo Clark, Chris Bal, Betty Webber Williams, Mary S., Shelly Silfven, Lee Routheaux, Sharon Warner, Patricia Sebastian, Jacob Tomasoski, David Eberhard, Joyce Single-ton, Jerry Schinella, Ed Lau, Juanita Frostell, Tony Fittante, Leila Hope Adamson, Stephanie Tinkey, Zachary Lambert, Shannon DeRoche, Mary Ann VanWagner, Kath-leen Miller, Jerry Koski, Arla Thomas, Jayni Angeli, Jim Condon, Teresa Cristan, 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, Roman VonHolle, Stephanie Cruz, Bill Swienty, Dolores Ansay, Mary Conlin, Mary Ann Richter

CHANGE COLLECTION:
CANISTERS ALWAYS AT THE ENTRANCES

Adoration—St. C follows Fri. 8am Mass

Adoration—St. A follows Wed. 8am Mass

Nursing Facility Masses—Starting in June

ICMCF—10am—First Wednesday of the month

IRCC—10am—Second Wednesday of the month

Holy Hour—St. Agnes

Last Sunday of the month

3pm—4pm (doors open at 2:45pm)

Holy Name Men's Club

Next meeting in September

Knights of Columbus

Next meeting in September

St. Agnes Altar Society

Next meeting in September

St. Anne's Society of St. Cecilia

Next meeting in September

-ORM (Outreach Ministry)-

Next meeting in September

**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.

Please pray for the Eternal Repose of

Michael T. Schwartz

*May he Rest in Peace and
Perpetual Light shine upon him*

PARISH CONTRIBUTIONS

ST. AGNES

Adults.....	\$1067.00
Loose.....	237.00
Fuel/utility.....	50.00
Votives.....	61.80
Total last week.....	\$1565.80

49 envelopes, 28%, averaging \$21.78

ST. CECILIA

Adults.....	\$2268.00
Loose.....	551.00
National Church.....	5.00
Fuel/utility.....	30.00
Votives.....	45.50
Total last week.....	\$2899.50

53 envelopes, 30%, averaging \$42.79

Thank you for your generosity!

Don't forget!!

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by our Pastor, Fr. Daniel Fosu
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