



Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 20, 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.

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.

ANOIDTING OF THE SICK:

Whenever someone is seriously ill, hospitalized, or is dying, contact the parish office immediately.

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, August 19

ST A 4:00 PM Nancy Rosso
by Jim & Sandy Dennis

SUNDAY, August 20

ST C 8:00 AM +Mildred Anderson
by her family
ST A 10:00 AM For the parishioners
ST C 12:00 PM +Bob Watts
by Monica Fiorazo

MONDAY—August 21—NO MASS

TUESDAY, August 22

ST A 5:00 PM Rosary
ST A 5:30 PM +Ron Sykora
by friends

WEDNESDAY, August 23

ST A 7:30 AM Rosary
ST A 8:00 AM +Dolly Stafford
by Micki Haydon & family

ADORATION after 8am Mass

THURSDAY, August 24

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

FRIDAY, August 25

ST C 7:30 AM Rosary
ST C 8:00 AM +David Capello
by his sister Donna Capello

ADORATION after 8am Mass

SATURDAY, August 26

ST A 4:00 PM For the parishioners

SUNDAY, August 27

ST C 8:00 AM +David Adamson
by Rose Carne
ST A 10:00 AM +Phil Roberts
by Vince & Chara Wiegand
ST C 12:00 PM +Don McDonald, Julie McDonald,
+Julie McDonald—by Kevin & Scott

SCRIPTURE READINGS

<u>Aug 21 Mon</u>	Jgs 2:11-19 Mt 19:16-22
<u>Aug 22 Tue</u>	Jgs 6:11-24a Mt 19:23-30
<u>Aug 23 Wed</u>	Jgs 9:6-15 Mt 20:1-16
<u>Aug 24 Thu</u>	Rv 21:9b-14 Jn 1:45-51
<u>Aug 25 Fri</u>	Ru 1:1, 3-6, 14b-16, 22 Mt 22:34-40
<u>Aug 26 Sat</u>	Ru 2:1-3, 8-11; 4:13-17 Mt 23:1-12
<u>Aug 27 Sun</u>	Is 22:19-23 Rom 11:33-36

WELCOME

PRO LIFE CORNER

The reason abortion and euthanasia have gone unchecked is because many of today's religious and political leaders do not obey natural law and God's law. Bishop Sheen stated, "Civilization is always in danger when those who have never learned to obey and given the right to command."

Glimpses of the Life of Venerable Bishop Baraga

"My dearly beloved children," Fr. Baraga said time and time again, "go and sin no more."

St. Vincent de Paul

The Gospel announces that the kingdom and salvation are for all people. It is our persistent calling out to Jesus and our faith that count, for Jesus always responds.

With love for your neighbors who have nothing, look around your house to see what furniture, household items, and clothing you no longer use...and give it to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul.

Please pray for the Eternal Repose of the souls of

**James "Jimmer" Donati
Ernest Schmidt, Sr.**

May they Rest In Peace and Perpetual Light shine upon them.

Rummage Sale Total

\$1752.30

**Thank you to all who
donated or purchased items.**

~SCRIP~

**Sales to date this year—have paid for Totus Tuus fees,
food, and outdoor activities, and supplies.
Thank you for supporting the SCRIP program
and helping our youth**

Our weekly featured bulletin sponsor is

St. Agnes Altar Society

Meeting second Tuesday of the month at 1pm—in the Little Flower Room

All women welcome—Come and join us!

Marni Suliin, president

906-265-9788

GOSPEL MEDITATION -Aug. 20, 2023-20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

The suffering of a child symbolizes uniquely terrible evil as well as despair about the future. This week's Gospel gives a "limit" case in which Jesus encounters this evil in the form of a mother with a suffering daughter. What he does is stunning and massively helpful for us if we bravely ponder the details.

The Canaanite woman comes to Jesus and begs his mercy. "My daughter is tormented by a demon," she declares to him. Shockingly, he responds first with silence, then with a dismissive comment, and only then finally accedes to her third request. Is this simply a lesson in perseverance in our petitions to God, who is like a genie in a bottle? Does that justify the humiliation and pain this woman suffers? Is the Lord cruel?

I don't think so. Notice how the encounter ends. She compares herself to a dog at the table of a master. Jesus responds by praising her great faith and fulfills her deep desire. Somehow this non-Israelite woman intuits that this harrowing situation is not dumb suffering. She senses that the door of God's family is, in Jesus, being opened to her and her loved ones. She trusts she is at the Lord's table, and her desires will be fulfilled and that all her sufferings — and her daughter's, too — will lead a great banquet. In our sufferings this week, the Lord wants us to treat him less like a genie in a bottle and more like the Master who has taken us — lost little dogs that we are — into his home forever. Trust that and keep praying in the face of evil.

Father John Muir ©LPi

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 second Sunday in Sept., after 8 Mass

Knights of Columbus

Next meeting second Thursday in September—6pm

St. Agnes Altar Society

Next meeting second Tuesday in September—1pm

St. Anne's Society of St. Cecilia

Next meeting third Tuesday in September—Noon

ORM (Outreach Ministry)

Next meeting third Thursday in September—6pm

**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.

**How to Pray the Rosary
pamphlets, in large print,
are available at the
St. Agnes & St. Cecilia entrances**

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 Hammer, 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, Klaryce Bilski, Dan Ross, Carol Angeli, Dallas Duda, Roman VonHolle, Stephanie Cruz, Bill Swienty, Dolores Ansay, Mary Conlin, Mary Ann Richter, Johanna Ciochetto

PARISH CONTRIBUTIONS

ST. AGNES

Adults.....	\$1961.00
Loose.....	292.00
National Church.....	205.00
Assumption.....	50.00
Fuel/utility.....	25.00
Votives.....	102.50
Total last week.....	\$2635.50

60 envelopes, 34%, averaging \$32.68

ST. CECILIA

Adults.....	\$1898.00
Loose.....	233.00
National Church.....	65.00
Catholic Development.....	12.00
Retirement.....	27.00
Military.....	26.00
Catholic schools.....	15.00
Fuel/utility.....	165.00
Votives.....	41.25
Total last week.....	\$2502.25

56 envelopes, 31%, averaging \$33.89

Thank you for your generosity!