



Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 17, 2023

**God's Blessings and Congratulations to
Bob & Sandy (Atanasoff) Johnson
on their 65th Wedding Anniversary—September 20th**



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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, September 16

ST A 4:00 PM +John Myefski
by his wife Joyce

SUNDAY, September 17

ST C 8:00 AM For the parishioners
ST A 10:00 AM +Phil Roberts
by Vince & Chara Wiegand
ST C 12:00 PM +Bob Watts
by Richard & Veronica Junak

NO MASSES—

Monday—September 18 through

Wednesday—September 20

Please keep Fr. Daniel in your prayers as he attends the Priest's Convocation.

NO ADORATION on Wednesday—September 20

THURSDAY, September 21

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

FRIDAY, September 22

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

ADORATION after 8am Mass

SATURDAY, September 23

ST A 4:00 PM +Dolly Stafford
by Micki Haydon & family

SUNDAY, September 24

ST C 8:00 AM +Lynn Burke
by Mark & Sheri Stauber
ST A 10:00 AM For the parishioners
ST C 12:00 PM For the living and deceased of the
St. Anne Society of St. Cecilia

St. Anne Society

will be hosting a luncheon on Sept. 24, following noon Mass. This Mass is for all living and deceased of the society. Join us in Fr. Sartorelli Hall. All are invited to attend the Mass & lunch.

SCRIPTURE READINGS

<u>Sept 18 Mon</u>	1 Tm 2:1-8 Lk 7:1-10
<u>Sept 19 Tue</u>	1 Tm 3:1-13 Lk 7:11-17
<u>Sept 20 Wed</u>	1 Tm 3:14-16/Lk 7:31-35
<u>Sept 21 Thu</u>	Eph 4:1-7, 11-13 Mt 9:9-13
<u>Sept 22 Fri</u>	1 Tm 6:2c-12 Lk 8:1-3
<u>Sept 23 Sat</u>	1 Tm 6:13-16 Lk 8:4-15
<u>Sept 24 Sun</u>	Is 55:6-9 Phil 1:20c-24, 27a Mt 20:1-16a

WELCOME

PRO LIFE CORNER

The fact that what we believe about marriage—that it should be between a man and a woman—and that we're pro-life, somehow that becomes radical? Why is that? It's because our culture has changed. But the truth is, culture may change, people change, but the Word of God never changes, and that's what we believe and trust in.

Glimpses of the Life of Venerable Bishop Baraga

Bishop Baraga's fame as a writer and a linguist is eclipsed somewhat by his success as a missionary; still his literary work alone would suffice to preserve his name to posterity. His Ojibwa dictionary is still in print today.

St. Vincent de Paul

The challenge in today's gospel, is to forget how others have behaved toward us and to look to God's way of loving and forgiving. Our focus must be on God.

Is there a neighbor or friend of yours who is in temporary need because of a loss of a job or an illness? Please leave a message for the Society of St. Vincent de Paul...we want to help!

OutReach Ministry will be hosting a fall event on Thurs. Sept. 21—with a light supper at 5:30pm, followed by a presentation by Kristin Olsen from Northpointe Behavioral Healthcare System with Q&A at 6:00pm. A hands-on Wine to Water Filter Build experience will follow. All these events are open to our St. Agnes & St. Cecilia parishioners. So we may know how much food to prepare, please use the sign-up sheets at the church entrances.

Religious Education—Kickoff

TAILGATE PARTY!!!

All Religious Education students, their families and our St. Agnes & St. Cecilia parish family members are invited!

September 20

6:00pm

St. Agnes School—South Parking Lot

Come hungry!

We will be grilling up brats and hot dogs.

GOSPEL MEDITATION—Sept. 17, 2023—24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

When I was in second grade, my prized possession was a metal Star Wars-themed lunch box. After school one day, another student ripped it from my hands. I helplessly watched in horror as my classmate threw it to the ground and violently stomped it into an unrecognizable heap of junk. I came home covered in tears of shame and rage. After a few months, I never thought about it again ... until I was almost thirty years old and on a retreat to prepare for ordination to the priesthood.

That childhood memory — and the attendant outrage — came back afresh. My spiritual director helped me in the process of acknowledging that I was angry because that kid owed me my lunch box. Then she helped me, through the grace of Jesus, to forgive the debt. Almost immediately I felt a new peace. I was amazed that I hadn't forgotten what I had lost, even from years before. Aren't we human beings simply amazing at remembering what people owe us?

We see this week in Jesus' parable a servant who is forgiven much but then commands another servant: "Pay back what you owe!" He can't forget or let go of how he was wronged. He remembers — and he becomes a monster because of it. If only he had remembered not only the debts owed to him, but also his greater debt owed to — and forgiven by — his master. It's natural for us to remember what others owe us. But when we contextualize those offenses in Jesus' mercy toward us and them, we're free to be merciful like the Master and less like a monster who never forgets.
— Father John Muir ©LPi

October is Respect Life Month

Iron County right to Life will form a LIFE CHAIN to promote the protection of the unborn.

The Life Chain will take place on:

Saturday, October 7, 2023

10:00am—11:30am

Along US HWY 2 in Iron River

Park in the Iron River City Hall parking lot.

Bring a chair & dress for the weather.

St. Anne Society

will again be selling Seroogy's Candy Bars. A variety of the high quality chocolate bars will be selling for **\$2.00 each—beginning on Sept. 23—**after weekend Masses at both parishes, directly from members, or at the Rectory Office. To benefit our spiritual & educational programs.

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

Please pray for the Eternal Repose of the soul of

Ernest G. "Ernie" Schmidt

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

CHANGE COLLECTION canisters always at the church entrances

Adoration—St. C follows Fri. 8am Mass

Adoration—St. A follows Wed. 8am Mass

Nursing Facility Masses

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

Meeting the second Sunday of the month
in Fr. Sartorelli Hall after 8 Mass

Knights of Columbus

Meeting the second Thurs. of the month—6pm—LFR

St. Agnes Altar Society

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

St. Anne's Society of St. Cecilia

Meeting the third Tuesday of the month—Noon
Fr. Sartorelli Hall

ORM (Outreach Ministry)

Meeting the third Thursday of the month—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.

Knights of Columbus

20-20 Raffle Drawing

Week 4 winner is:

Mary Hainline

PARISH CONTRIBUTIONS—Sept. 3

ST. AGNES

Adults.....	\$2496.00
Loose.....	532.00
Mission.....	10.00
Assumption of Mary.....	10.00
St. Vincent de Paul.....	40.00
Fuel/utility.....	20.00
Votives.....	59.50
Total last week.....	\$3167.50

70 envelopes, 40%, averaging \$35.66

ST. CECILIA

Adults.....	\$1396.00
Loose.....	447.00
National Church.....	5.00
St. Vincent de Paul.....	25.00
Change collection.....	5.57
Fuel/utility.....	81.00
Votives.....	87.00
Total last week.....	\$2046.57

41 envelopes, 23%, averaging \$34.05

Thank you for your generosity!