





Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time October 1, 2023

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ST. AGNES PARISH

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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.

ANOINTING 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, September 30

ST A 4:00 PM +Linda Bruno-Grossman by Darlene Bruno & Gerry Berezik

SUNDAY, October 1

ST C 8:00 AM +Alex Rigodanzo

by his cousin Corinne LaLuzerne

ST A 10:00 AM +Tierney Cayo

by Mark & Sheri Stauber

ST C 12:00 PM For the parishioners

ST A 2:00 PM RESPECT LIFE

NO MASSES:

Monday—Thursday, October 2 through October 5 Please keep Fr. Daniel in your prayers while he is on retreat.

NO ADORATION on Wednesday—October 4

FRIDAY, October 6

ST C 7:30 AM Rosary

ST C 8:00 AM +Don McDonald, Julie McDonald,

+Jean McDonald

by Kevin & Scott

ADORATION after 8am Mass

SATURDAY, October 7

ST C 8:00 AM Intentions of the deceased members of the Rosary Sodality

ST A 4:00 PM For the parishioners

SUNDAY, October 8

ST C 8:00 AM +Joseph Pangrazzi

by Jeanne, Duane & Dan

ST A 10:00 AM +Jim Donati

by Tim & Bonnie Peruzzi

ST C 12:00 PM For the parishioners

Widows & Widowers to Gather

Due to interest shown, there will be a gathering on Mon.—Oct. 16—6pm—Windsor Room 311

This is a social gathering NOT grief counseling and NOT a dating club. **Call 265-4771 or 284-3907**

SCRIPTURE READINGS

 Oct 2 Mon
 Zec 8:1-8 Mt 18:1-5, 10

 Oct 3 Tue
 Zec 8:20-23 Lk 9:51-56

Oct 4 Wed Neh 2:1-8 Lk 9:57-62

Oct 5 Thu Neh 8:1-4a, 5-6, 7b-12 Lk 10:1-12

Oct 6 Fri Bar 1:15-22 Lk 10:13-16

Oct 7 Sat Bar 4:5-12, 27-29 Lk 10:17-24
Oct 8 Sun Is 5:1-7 Phil 4:6-9 Mt 21:33-43

WELCOME

PRO LIFE CORNER

"The fact that the abortion pill will be imported from the People's Republic of China is both a public health issue and a human rights issue. It is a public health issue because chins is a major source of the impure drugs and the FDA cannot possible monitor a Chinses factory effectively. It is a human rights issue because Hua Lian Pharmaceutical is a major component of the Chinese government's population control program, which relies heavily on compulsory abortion."

Glimpses of the Life of Venerable Bishop Baraga

September 21, 1823, Frederic Baraga was ordained to the priesthood. Thanks be to god!

Per chronology page 29:

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St. Vincent de Paul

In the Gospel, we can trust that God knows our love and good deeds, and 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.

The Carmelite Fall Festival winners:

\$500—Danielle Laydon \$400—Julie Diercks \$300 Rich Ahnen \$200—Lynne Gussert \$100—Mary Ellen Johnson \$100 Sue Giesen

OCTOBER IS RESPECT LIFE MONTH

Iron county Right to Life will form a LIFE CHAIN to promote the protection of the unborn:

Sat.—Oct. 7—US HWY 2—use I.R. City Hall parking lot Signs available/bring a chair if desired/dress for the weather Life Chain is a peaceful, prayerful demonstration.

The 2nd Annual TAILGATE PARTY

which was the kickoff for our Religious Education year,
was a great success and the weather was perfect!
Thank you to our DRE Joe Velie & all the volunteers
who stepped up to help with the grilling,
serving and cleanup.
May God Bless you all!

GOSPEL MEDITATION -October 1, 2023—26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

A life-long Catholic friend of mine recently mumbled to me, "I can't stand all these converts to the faith. They're always rocking the boat." It surprised me because he is dedicated to evangelization, and yet he struggles with openness to new Catholics. It made me realize how easily I close my heart to those whom I perceive to be outsiders who become new members of the Catholic community. Almost unconsciously I reduce the world to the categories of "us" and "them." The result is that meaningful community silently shrinks in my life. Don't we all do that to some degree?

This week Jesus' punchy parable about the two sons blows up that black and white world. One son said he wouldn't get to work, and then did. The other said he would, and then he did not. "Which did the will of his father?" asks the Lord. Like so many of us, in identifying the first as the answer, the religious authorities manifest hidden hypocrisy in refusing to follow Jesus. They — like us — intuit the correct path but simply won't do it. The tax collectors and prostitutes are indeed following Jesus and thereby getting to work in the kingdom of God. Everyone is called to do God's will regardless of the labels we may apply to them.

This week let's reject the convenient but damaging categories of "insiders" and "outsiders." Instead, let's embrace a grateful attitude that Jesus is calling fallen, weak, and broken men and women like you and me. Then we begin to see that the tax collectors and prostitutes aren't them. They are us. And Jesus wants all of us working in his boat, no matter the rocking.

— Father John Muir ©LPi

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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 members

are selling Seroogy's Candy Bars—after weekend Masses at both churches, directly from members, or at the Rectory Office—until gone. A variety of the high quality chocolate bars will be selling for \$2.00 each.

This sale will benefit our Spiritual & Religious Education 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 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, Klaryce Bilski, Dan Ross, Carol Angeli, Dallas Duda, Roman VonHolle, Stephanie Cruz, Bill Swienty, Dolores Ansay, Mary Conlin, Mary Ann Richter, Mike Sheehy

Father Daniel is looking for volunteers to form a

"Fund Raising Committee"

Please call the Rectory Office at 906-265-4557 if you are interested.

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. Sartorellli 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

<u>Devotion in Honor of our Mother</u> <u>of Perpetual Help</u>

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 6 winner is: Bruce Fiorani

PARISH CONTRIBUTIONS

ST. AGNES

Adults	\$ 906.00
Loose	287.25
St. Vincent de Paul	135.00
Total last week	\$1328.25

36 envelopes, 21%, averaging \$25.17

ST. CECILIA

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Adults	\$ 921.00
Loose	243.00
St. Vincent de Paul	176.00
Fuel/utility	20.00
Votives	37.75
Total last week	\$1397.75

35 envelopes, 19%, averaging \$26.31

Thank you for your generosity!