



**St. Agnes
Iron River**



**St. Cecilia
Caspian**

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time February 11, 2024

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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, February 10

ST A 4:00 PM +Bob Horbach
by John Roche

SUNDAY, February 11

ST C 8:00 AM +Elvira Mitchell
by Geoff & Terri Stockero
ST A 10:00 AM Special Intention
ST C 12:00 PM For the parishioners

MONDAY, February 12—NO MASS

TUESDAY, February 13

ST A 4:50 PM Rosary & Devotion precedes Mass
ST A 5:30 PM +Bill Gendron
by his wife Joyce

ASH WEDNESDAY, February 14

ST C 8:00 AM—Mass & Ashes
+Emma St. Peter—by Skip
ST A 6:00 PM—Mass & Ashes
+Joseph McGann
by Bertha & Mike McGann

ST A 12:10 PM—Distribution of Ashes

ST C 12:10 PM—Distribution of Ashes

ADORATION FOLLOWS 8:00am MASS at St. C

THURSDAY, February 15

ST C 7:30 AM Rosary
ST C 8:00 AM +Guiseppe Meggiolaro
by the Maki sisters

FRIDAY, February 16

ST C 7:20 AM Rosary & Devotion precede Mass
ST C 8:00 AM +Michael Hanmer—by Sue
ST A 5:10 PM STATIONS OF THE CROSS
ST C 5:10 PM STATIONS OF THE CROSS

SATURDAY, February 17

ST A 4:00 PM For the parishioners

SUNDAY, February 18

ST C 8:00 AM +Todd Ingram—by his family
ST A 10:00 AM +Fr. Joseph Savino Gyimah
ST C 12:00 PM +Jerry Fitzpatrick
by Kathy Saylor

WELCOME

PRO LIFE CORNER

In 1857, the Supreme Court said: “Black people are not legal ‘persons’” according to the US constitution (Dred Scott). They were wrong then and wrong again in 1973 when the Supreme Court said: “Unborn babies are not legal ‘persons’” according to the Constitution (Roe v Wade).

Glimpses of the Life of Venerable Bishop Baraga

I am ashamed now to be the successor of so saintly a Bishop, the people, even the Protestants, have such veneration for him, as I never knew before. Bishop Ignatius Mrak (Consecrated Feb. 7, 1869

St. Vincent de Paul

In the Gospel Jesus moved with pity touched the leper and healed him. Let us pray today for the grace to be generous with our gifts to help those who are suffering.

By your gift to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul you indeed put your faith into action as you bring healing to the poor, hungry and weeping.

National Eucharistic Congress

July 17-21/Indianapolis, Indiana

The Diocese of Marquette has purchased 75 tickets thanks to a Legacy of Faith grant.

If you'd like to register for one, visit: petersway.com/1049.htm and click the “Make a Deposit” button before January 13.

If you don't need to reserve a hotel room (at the reduced price listed) you won't have to enter your credit card info. The 75 free tickets are available first come/first served. If you need assistance call Megan at Petersway, 516-605-1551 ext. 18 or go to: megan@petersway.com

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Feb 12 Mon Jas 1:1-11 Mk 8:11-13

Feb 13 Tue Jas 1:12-18 Mk 8:14-21

Feb 14 Wed JI 2:12-18 2 Cor 5:20—6:2 Mt 6:1-6

Feb 15 Thu Dt 30:15-20 Lk 9:22-25

Feb 16 Fri Is 58:1-9a Mt 9:14-15

Feb 17 Sat Is 58:9b-14 Lk 5:27-32

Feb 18 Sun Gn 9:8-15 1 Pt 3:18-22 Mk 1:12-15

Our Annual Community Easter Dinner

will be held at St. Agnes in the parish hall

on Easter Sunday—March 31

There will be

Dine-in

Take-out

and

Delivery available!

More details will be available soon!

GOSPEL MEDITATION—February 11, 2024 —6th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Recently I had a skin rash, and it was awful. (Please don't tell anyone.) I am embarrassed to admit that I didn't handle it well. Complaining, whining, begging for sympathy, and crying were my responses to the merciless itching and burning. In the aftermath, a silver lining emerged. I feel a new heartfelt sympathy for all those vexed with chronic skin problems. If you've ever had a seemingly unending skin problem, you know how that sympathy flows up from deep inside.

This gut-level compassion is something like what the Gospel describes in Jesus when the sore-covered leper says, "If you will it, you can make me clean." At this, just before the healing, Jesus was "moved with compassion." The Greek word used here is strong and earthy, closer to "his bowels and guts trembled with the deepest emotions of sadness, pity, and love." In Jesus, God heals our infirmities not from a divine distance but by learning what it feels like to be us. He acquires first-hand experience of what it costs us to be afflicted and still be faithful to God. He sympathizes with the burning, itching, and blistering of human existence in the deepest, first-hand way. To discover that is to touch Jesus' heart.

What in your life, right now, is breaking out like diseased skin? What is getting worse the more you try to soothe it? Perhaps only you feel it. Or maybe it's exposed to all. A bad habit, broken relationship, loneliness, fear of failure, self-hatred? Name it, and then find a way to bring it confidently to Jesus who will feel what we are feeling, and thereby heal us.

-Father John Muir ©LPi

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, 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, Mike Sheehy, Jean Bess, Nancy Shepich, Chuck Wiegand, Jr., Bernice Waite, Lou Baumgartner, Rawson Mangone, Bob Cole

CHANGE COLLECTION:
CANISTERS ALWAYS AT THE 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 Tues. of the month—1pm—LFR

St. Anne's Society of St. Cecilia

Meeting the third Tuesday of the month—9:00am

Outreach Mission Team—(formerly ORM)

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

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 the soul of:

Patricia Roberts

May she Rest in Peace and
Perpetual Light shine upon her.

PARISH CONTRIBUTIONS

ST. AGNES

Adults.....	\$2552.00
Loose.....	237.00
Catholic newspaper.....	55.00
Votives.....	57.00
Fuel/utility.....	157.00
Total last week.....	\$3058.00

76 envelopes, 44%, averaging \$33.58

ST. CECILIA

Adults.....	\$1184.00
Loose.....	152.00
Catholic Newspaper.....	20.00
Catholic Schools.....	50.00
Fuel.....	50.00
Votives.....	52.00
Total last week.....	\$1508.00

35 envelopes, 20%, averaging \$33.83

Thank you for your generosity!