



**St. Agnes  
Iron River**



**St. Cecilia  
Caspian**

## Fourth Sunday of Lent March 10, 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, March 9**

ST A 4:00 PM Special Intention on the 50th wedding anniversary of Thomas & Sharon Gorman by George & Andrea Goodison

### **SUNDAY, March 10**

ST C 8:00 AM +Millie Anderson (for her b-day 3-12) by her family

ST A 10:00 AM +Mary Ellen Burke by Micki Haydon

ST C 12:00 PM For the parishioners

### **MONDAY, March 11—NO MASS**

### **TUESDAY, March 12**

ST A 4:50 PM Rosary & Devotion precedes Mass

ST A 5:30 PM +Everett Angeli by Tim & Bonnie Peruzzi

ST A 6:00 PM Beautiful Eucharist book study & reflection—all are welcome

### **WEDNESDAY, March 13**

ST A 7:30 AM Rosary

ST A 8:00 AM +Bill Gendron—by his wife Joyce

### **ADORATION FOLLOWS 8:00am MASS**

### **THURSDAY, March 14**

ST C 7:20 AM Rosary & Devotion precede Mass

ST C 8:00 AM +Everett Angeli by Rose Carne & Barb Adamson

### **FRIDAY, March 15**

ST C 8:00 AM +Florence Brumm by Sharon Fitzpatrick

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### **SATURDAY, March 16**

ST A 4:00 PM For the parishioners

### **SUNDAY, March 17**

ST C 8:00 AM +Julia Migazzi by her son Mike

ST A 10:00 AM +Tierney Cayo by Sandy Dennis

ST C 12:00 PM +Todd Ingram—by his family

**ST A 3:00 PM—Lenten Retreat & Penance Service**

## **SCRIPTURE READINGS**

**Mar 11 Mon** Is 65:17-21 Jn 4:43-54

**Mar 12 Tue** Ez 47:1-9, 12 Jn 5:1-16

**Mar 13 Wed** Is 49:8-15 Jn 5:17-30

**Mar 14 Thu** Ex 32:7-14 Jn 5:31-47

**Mar 15 Fri** Wis 2:1a, 12-22 Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30

**Mar 16 Sat** Jer 11:18-20 Jn 7:40-53

**Mar 17 Sun** Jer 31:31-34 Heb 5:7-9 Jn 12:20-33

## **WELCOME**

### **PRO LIFE CORNER**

*The hairsplitting difference between formed and unformed makes no difference to us. Whoever deliberately commits abortion is subject to the penalty for homicide. (Saint Basil) Pray for God's mercy and healing touch for all who have participated in abortion. Jesus heals and forgives.*

### **Glimpses of the Life of Venerable Bishop Baraga**

Last winter Baraga went on snowshoes from L'Anse to Copper Harbor, a distance of fifty-seven miles, thought an uninhabited region, solely to baptize a child, of whom he had heard that it would probably die.

### **St. Vincent de Paul**

In the Gospel, God demonstrates great love for us by sending his Son so that we may believe in Him. We demonstrate our great love for God by doing good works: reaching out to others, acting in justice and charity.

**Through your almsgiving you are performing a good work; far greater than you think. Know that your nickel, dime, quarter or dollar is multiplied by coins from others.**

Lamp Stand Candle—St. Agnes  
March 9—March 17

**In memory of  
Fred Angeli**

by Carol & Mark Brunswick

### **Community Easter Dinner**

Items needed, please:

**Canned cut green beans**

**Canned pineapple—tidbits or chunks**

**Canned sweet potatoes or yams**

*Monetary donations are also needed to purchase items not donated or for perishable items, please place in an envelope and indicate it's for the Easter Dinner, then drop in the collection basket at Mass or drop it off at the Rectory Office. Thank you!*

Checks may be made out to the Altar Society.

### **Aquinas College—A Roman Catholic Liberal Arts College Open House—Saturday—March 23—9am to noon**

Aquinas College invites all high school students and their families to our Open House on Saturday, March 23!

Discover everything Aquinas has to offer—all at once!

Explore our academic programs and student life opportunities, connect with our faculty, staff and students, and tour our wooded campus.

Register here: [Aquinas.edu/openhouse](http://Aquinas.edu/openhouse)

## **GOSPEL MEDITATION—March 10, 2024 —4th Sunday of Lent**

Our national pastime isn't baseball. It's what the Bible calls "condemning the world." We generally enjoy pronouncing curses upon those whom we see as trouble, wrong, or evil. Don't believe me? Listen to almost any podcast, cable news network, or social media platform to hear it. It will be some version of: "We all agree that if they are eradicated, things will be great." Condemning is almost always clothed in virtue. It basks in its good intentions. That's why it is so attractive. Condemning seems like our best path to saving what is good.

What a shock, then, to hear Jesus announce: "For God did not send His Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through him" (Jn 3:17). He comes to save the world, as we all want, but he will accomplish it without an act of condemnation. How hard it is to accept this! Condemning feels godlike. I judge who and what must be lost to protect the good. But in the light of Jesus' endless mercy and love, this is the least godlike thing we can do.

Lenten challenge: This week, I invite you to give up the delicious experience of condemning whomever in the world you most would like to see gone. Perhaps write down their names. Secondly, I invite you to consider fasting from any media that feeds the tasty but deadly tendency to condemn.

*-Father John Muir ©LPi*

### **Lenten Penance Services**

**Sunday, March 10—3pm—St. Mary—Norway**  
**Thursday, Mar. 14—6:30pm—American Martyrs, Kingsford**  
**Friday, March 15—6pm—Guardian Angels, Crystal Falls**  
**Sunday, March 17—3pm—St. Agnes—Iron River**  
**Friday, March 22—6pm—Immaculate Conception—Iron Mt.**

### **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, 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—before 5:30pm Mass—St. Agnes

Thursdays—before 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:

#### **Beverly Weslin**

May she Rest in Peace

and perpetual light shine upon her.

### **PARISH CONTRIBUTIONS**

#### **ST. AGNES**

Adults.....	\$2102.00
Loose.....	278.00
Catholic newspaper.....	25.00
Votes.....	23.50
Immaculate Conception.....	10.00
Christmas offering.....	10.00
Catholic schools.....	113.00
Easter offering.....	245.00
Easter flowers.....	290.00
Fuel/utility.....	230.00
Total last week.....	\$3326.50

67 envelopes, 37%, averaging \$31.37

#### **ST. CECILIA**

Adults.....	\$1770.00
Loose.....	324.00
Missions.....	10.00
Easter collection.....	65.00
Change collection.....	21.83
Catholic newspaper.....	5.00
Easter flowers.....	120.00
First offering.....	4.00
Votes.....	46.25
Total last week.....	\$2366.08

52 envelopes, 29%, averaging \$34.04

*Thank you for your generosity!*