



Epiphany of the Lord

January 5, 2025



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ICC 4:00 PM MASS For the people

ST A 6:15 PM +Frank Hartman
by the Sundquists

SUNDAY, January 5—*COFFEE SOCIAL follows both Masses*

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

ST A 10:00 AM +Dan Vignali (9 year anniversary)
by Sandy & Mike Kabat

MONDAY, January 6—NO MASS

TUESDAY, January 7

ICC 9:00 AM Intentions of Fr. Daniel

WEDNESDAY, January 8

ST A 8:00 AM +Pete Romitti
by Jane & Greg Townsend

ST A—ADORATION 8:30am—10:30am Benediction

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ST C 5:30 PM +Tammy Keliin
by Sandy & Jim Dennis

FRIDAY, January 10

ST C 8:00 AM +Marilyn Sabol
by Randy & Kathie Thunander

ST C—ADORATION 8:30am—noon Benediction

ICC 10:00 AM Health of Stevie Fitz

by the Howard family

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SATURDAY, January 11

ICC 4:00 PM +Schemmer family
by Wayne Schemmer

ST A 6:15 PM For the people

SUNDAY, January 12—Baptism of the Lord

ST C 8:00 AM +Todd Ingram
by his family

ST A 10:00 AM +Bob Haydon
by wife Micki & family

SCRIPTURE READINGS

<u>Jan. 6 Mon</u>	1 Jn 3:22-4:6 Mt 4:12-17, 23-25
<u>Jan. 7 Tue</u>	1 Jn 4:7-10 Mk 6:34-44
<u>Jan. 8 Wed</u>	1 Jn 4:11-18 Mk 6:45-52
<u>Jan. 9 Thu</u>	1 Jn 4:19-5:4 Lk 4:14-22
<u>Jan. 10 Fri</u>	1 Jn 5:5-13 Lk 5:12-16
<u>Jan. 11 Sat</u>	1Jn 5:14-21 Jn 3:22-30
<u>Jan. 12 Sun</u>	Is 42:1-4 Acts 10:34-38 Lk 3:15-16, 21-22

WELCOME

PRO LIFE CORNER

Prior the legalization of abortion, advocates for abortion held out the panacea of the elimination of “unwanted children” if only abortion was legal. In fact, it was Planned Parenthood, which led this charge, coining the familiar slogan, “Every child a wanted child”. Despite the fact that some 60 million “unwanted” babies have died in the intervening period, the pro-choice lobby still uses this argument to justify abortion.

Glimpses of the Life of Venerable Bishop Baraga

In January 1852, Fr. Baraga wished to visit a group of Native Americans, but to cover the vast distance he walked without stopping for twenty-four hours, day and night on snowshoes, with only a piece of bread in his pocket.

St. Vincent de Paul

In the Gospel Jesus tells us: “I want you to observe that this poor widow contributed more than all the others who donated to the treasury. They gave from their surplus wealth, but she gave from her want, all that she had to live on.”

Ask yourself, “Am I only giving from my surplus wealth?” and then make your donation to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul so that those who are suffering will be able to know God’s love and care.

Lamp Stand Candles—St. Cecilia
In loving memory of

Jean & Bud Carne

by daughters—Linda, Rose, and Barb

The Diocese of Marquette presents...
A “Rolling” Retreat/Pilgrimage to
Catholic Shrines of the Midwest from
April 29 to May 1, 2025

Join Spiritual Director Fr. Corey Litzner and travel hosts Den. Steve & Jackie Gretzinger on an amazing motorcoach journey to visit Catholic Shrines in Wisconsin and upper Illinois. It’s a retreat; it’s a pilgrimage; it’s a fun-filled, religious ride! Pilgrimage starts/ends at Holy Spirit Church, Menominee. \$995.00 per person/double occupancy includes round-trip motorcoach travel, 2 nights lodging, 3 meals, and entrance fees. Deposit due February 1st. See the U.P. Catholic newspaper for more details. Full itinerary/reservations, contact: Megan at: 516-605-1551 x18 or megan@petersway.com

GOSPEL MEDITATION—January 5, 2025, Epiphany of the Lord

Have you ever wondered why the magi had gold, frankincense, and myrrh? Matthew's Gospel tells us, "Then they opened their treasures and offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh" (Matt. 2:11). Why are these things their "treasures"? One possible answer is they were magicians and astrologers, and these three items were the tools of their questionable trade. In offering them to Christ, they demonstrate that they will cease using such items to predict or control life. They place this baby-king, the God of Israel, at the center of their lives, and not their own devices of control, manipulation and prediction.

Isn't that what we need to do, too? Consider, for example, the magical power of money, symbolized by the magi's gold. Seemingly whatever we ask of money, it does. It wields a god-like power over the world. It can predict the future by guaranteeing better outcomes for us — which is why it is such a tempting alternative to trusting in God. The problem is such absolute trust in money enslaves us to the economic forces that make money so powerful. In paying homage to Jesus with "gold" (i.e., tithing), we participate in his authority over (and therefore freedom from) the magical sway of money.

What things in your life do you use to predict or control your future? What in your life seems to give you power over the world? Those are your treasures. Are you tired of feeling enslaved to them? Find a way to open them and give them to Christ, & you will be freer.

Father John Muir ©LPi

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Assessment \$27,031	Assessment \$26,434	Assessment \$11,819
Pledged 15,235	Pledged 11,494	Pledged 2,825
Unpledged 11,796	Unpledged 14,940	Unpledged 8,994
Families 172	Families 173	Families 53
#participants 43	#participants 36	#participants 12
25% participants	21% participants	23% participants
56% of goal	43% of goal	24% of goal

Kindness

**Let your kindness
shine through,
for all to see,
not for a brief
moment, nor for a
few to see, but for
EVERYONE,
ALWAYS.**

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK OF ST. AGNES & ST. CECILIA

Roland Kwasny, Cheri Dennis, Robert LaMarche, Kelly & Stacy Williams, Gary P. Johnson, August Menghini, Cari & Pierce Dzanbazzoff, Jody Pederson, Debbie Ponozzo Clark, Chris Bal, Betty Webber Williams, Mary S., Shelly Silfven, Lee Routheaux, Sharon Warner, Patricia Sebastian, Jacob Tomaskoski, David Eberhard, Joyce Singleton, Jerry Schinella, Ed Lau, Juanita Frostell, Tony Fittante, Leila Hope Adamson, Stephanie Tinkey, Zachary Lambert, Shannon DeRoche, Kathleen Miller, Jerry Koski, Arla Thomas, Jayni Angeli, Jim Condon, Teresa Cristan, 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, Preslie Mantsch, Terri, Theresa LaFountain, Lavinia, Alex, Marion, Fr. Jeffrey Kurtz, Maggie, Seantel Duda, Matt Greig, Dennis Day, John Cummings, Shannon Housveiner, Julie Brown, Rob Johnson, Bobby Cheetham, Jim Mangone, Patricia Caldwell, Ken Routheaux, Rodney Camps, Romell Sims, Klaryce Bilski, Dan Ross, Dallas Duda, Roman Von-Holle, Stephanie Cruz, Bill Swienty, Dolores Ansay, Mary Conlin, Mike Sheehy, Jean Bess, Nancy Shepich, Chuck Wiegand, Jr., Bernice Waite, Rawson Mangone, Bob Cole, Carl Fitzpatrick, Dolores Sapletal, Joyce Gendron, Ken Silfven, Joe Kadulski, Mark Shimun, Sr., Gary Shimun, Sara Jean Tarsi, Holly Erickson, Zack Stuck, Stella Patricia Hebert, Teena Maki, Carol Bastianello, Gloria Jean Sterling, Pauline Brolet, Cyrus Bilderback, Carol Hynous, Jim & Geneva Anderson, David Anderson, Sheri Stauber, Jack Jacobson, Jim Brennan, Karen Dobson, Terry Rivard

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HOLY HOUR

**On the first Thursday of the month
6pm—at St. Cecilia**

Please pray for the Eternal Repose of the souls of

Arlene Manfredi

Jeff Franzmeier

son of John & Monica

*May they Rest in Peace and
perpetual light shine upon them.*

OUR TREASURE SHARED—Dec. 29

ST. AGNES

Adults.....	\$1655.00
Loose.....	1308.25
Immaculate Conception.....	5.00
Christmas.....	1616.00
Christmas flowers.....	20.00
Fuel/utility.....	50.00
Votives.....	65.50
Total last week.....	\$4719.75

52 envelopes, 31%, averaging \$31.83

St. VdP food pantry.....\$289.00

ST. CECILIA

Adults.....	\$1227.00
Loose.....	381.00
Christmas.....	995.00
Votives.....	28.25
Total last week.....	\$2693.25

44 envelopes, 25%, averaging \$27.89

St. VdP food pantry.....\$162.00

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

Adults.....	\$ 476.00
Loose.....	196.00
Votives.....	32.00
Total last week.....	\$ 704.00

14 envelopes, 26%, averaging \$34.00

Thank you for your generosity!



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by the Waite family

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ST A 10:00 AM +Karen Clements
by Dr. Don & Karen Patton
and family

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TUESDAY, January 21

**ICC 9:00AM Intentions of Sandy Vignali
by the Howard family**

WEDNESDAY, January 22

USA: Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children

ST A 8:00 AM Intentions of Mariella Rudd
by her Godparents

ST A ADORATION 8:30am—10:30am Benediction

THURSDAY, January 23

ST C 5:30 PM Special intentions of Fr. Daniel & Staff

NO HOLY HOUR—February or March

FRIDAY, January 24

ST C 8:00 AM +Joseph Pangrazzi
by his daughter Jeanne Pangrazzi

ST C ADORATION 8:30am—noon Benediction

**ICC 10:00 AM Intentions of Evelyn Winotski
by the Howard family**

ICC Adoration 10:30am—noon Benediction

SATURDAY, January 25

**ICC 4:00 PM +Donna Burley—5th anniversary
by Nancy Clements**

NO 6:15pm Mass tonight...please come to 10am Mass
We will be celebrating the Feast Day of St. Agnes then
with brunch to follow. All are welcome. Come join us!

SUNDAY, January 26

ST C 8:00 AM +Dolores Jurecic
by her family

ST A 10:00 AM +Patty Waite—by the Waite family
~Join us for BRUNCH following Mass. All welcome!~

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Jan. 20 Mon Heb 5:1-10 Mk 2:18-22

Jan. 21 Tue Heb 6:10-20 Mk 2:23-28

Jan. 22 Wed Heb 7:1-3, 15-17/Mk 3:1-6

Jan. 23 Thu Heb 7:25—8:6 Mk 3:7-12

Jan. 24 Fri Heb 8:6-13 Mk 3:13-19

Jan. 25 Sat Acts 22:3-16 or 9:1-22 Mk 16:15-18

Jan. 26 Sun Neh 8:2-4a 1 Cor 12:12-30 Lk 1:1-4, 4:14-21

WELCOME

PRO LIFE CORNER

Tell a lie often enough and people will eventually believe it. Just consider their terminology (with words such as “fetus” “pro-choice” “non-viable”, etc) which is carefully designed to disguise the humanity of the unborn child and obscure what abortion really does.

**This is the story of the pro-abortion deception of America.
*Pro-Life Articles***

Glimpses of the Life of Venerable Bishop Baraga

Remembering the life of Bishop Baraga who died, January 19, 1868. O God, we thank you for the life and holiness of your servant, Frederic Baraga; dear Bishop Baraga, thank you for coming to the Upper Peninsula of Michigan and planting the seed of Faith here for us. Please intercede for us as we continue the work of evangelization. Bless us all, and bless our ministry. Amen.

St. Vincent de Paul

In the Gospel, Jesus asks Bartimaeus: “What do you want me to do for you?” And he answers, “Master, I want to see.” Let us ask Jesus for the grace to “see” our brothers and sisters who are poor and lonely.

This, through your gifts, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul was able to bring God’s love and mercy to many families, providing in food, for utility, rent and other bills.

God Bless You!

Lamp Stand Candle—St. Agnes

1-25-2025

***In loving memory of
Patty Waite***

by the Waite family

Lamp Stand Candle—St. Agnes

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***In loving memory of
Jack Waite***

by the Waite family

**St. Agnes, you refused to give up your faith;
help us to be proud of our faith, to love it,
to be strong in it, and to give witness to it daily.**

**St. Agnes, patron saint of children,
watch over the children of the world;
keep them safe from harm;
be with them in their hour of need;
and always pray for them. Amen**

GOSPEL MEDITATION—January 19, 2025—Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

A friend invited me to an invitation-only wine-tasting event. There were over two hundred varieties of wine. Having no idea how to approach such a massive selection, I wandered aimlessly among the tables, sipping this and that. At the end of the evening my friend asked if I had tried some of the exceptionally expensive wines. I hadn't. "The really good stuff disappears first," he said. "My man, you missed out on some amazing vino." I was so disappointed. I wasted my chance for amazing once-in-a-lifetime wine. The wine I tasted was, well, blah.

Don't we often feel a similar disappointment in life? I missed this or that opportunity. If only I had known. Optimism sputters and fades. The glory days are gone. The chances, it seems, for the really great things in life come and go so quickly. Then they are gone forever. The good stuff goes first. Then life is just blah.

Not so with the Lord Jesus. In Jesus' miracle at the wedding at Cana, the steward of the feast says, "Everyone serves good wine first, and then...an inferior one" (John 2:10). That's the natural downward progression of life. The good stuff disappears quickly. But he says of the groom (who symbolizes Jesus), "But you have kept the good wine until now." This is the ever-improving trajectory of the realm of God's grace. With Jesus, the "good wine" of divine love, hope and peace gets better as our journey of faith progresses. Where are your greatest disappointments? Don't give in to the lie that the really good stuff is gone. Tell Jesus you've run out. Then learn how to taste that amazingly good wine, because he saves the best until now

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(NOT in Feb./March of 2025)**

Please pray for the repose of the souls of:

**Arnoldine Basanese
Debbie Waite
Norbert "Norb" Perdsock**

May they Rest in Peace and
perpetual light shine upon them.

OUR TREASURE SHARED—Jan. 12, 2025

ST. AGNES

Adults.....	\$1267.00
Loose.....	196.00
Mission collection.....	40.00
Solemnity of Mary.....	30.00
All Souls.....	10.00
Votives.....	68.25
Fuel/utility.....	140.00
Total last week.....	\$1756.25

53 envelopes, 32%, averaging \$23.91

(ONLINE GIVING...\$519.20)

ST. CECILIA

Adults.....	\$2062.00
Loose.....	140.25
Mission collection.....	45.00
Solemnity of Mary.....	76.00
First offering.....	95.00
Votives.....	7.50
Total last week.....	\$2425.75

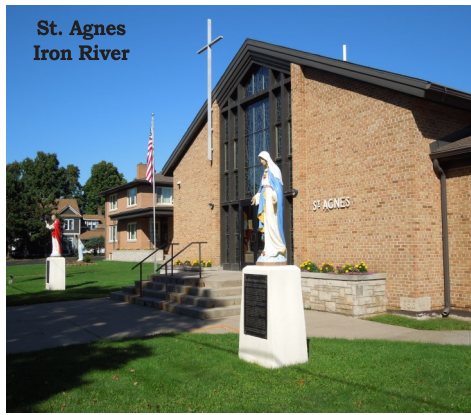
62 envelopes, 36%, averaging \$33.26

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

Adults.....	\$ 620.00
Loose.....	88.00
Fuel/utility.....	20.00
Solemnity of Mary.....	125.00
Votives.....	22.00
Total last week.....	\$ 875.00

20 envelopes, 38%, averaging \$31.00

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ICC 4:00 PM MASS +Donna Burley—5th anniv.
by Nancy Clements

ST AGNES—NO 6:15 PM MASS TONIGHT

Instead all are invited to the Sun. 10am Mass
Celebrating the St. Agnes Feast Day.
Join us for Mass with brunch to follow.
Games will be played, and a 50-50 drawing!
Please join our parish family in this celebration
of our Patron Saint. All are welcome!

SUNDAY, January 26

ST C 8:00 AM +Dolores Jurecic—by her family
ST A 10:00 AM +Patty Waite—by the Waite family
Join us after Mass for our Patron Saint Feast Day
brunch and more.

MON., Jan. 27—NO MASS—Fr. Daniel leaves for Ghana

TUESDAY, January 28—March 12 there will be NO
weekday Masses while Father Daniel is vacationing
in Ghana. There WILL BE priest coverage for all
weekend Masses & Ash Wednesday & for confession

Tues. January 28—ICC 9:00AM—NO MASS

WEDNESDAY, January 29—NO MASS/NO ADORATION

ST A 8:00 AM +Karen Clements
by Dr. Don & Karen Patton—changed to March 26

THURSDAY, January 30—NO MASS

ST C 5:30 PM +Joseph Pangrazzi—by Jeanne
Changed to Jan. 24

FRIDAY, January 31—NO MASS—ST C or ICC & NO Adoration

SATURDAY, February 1

ICC 4:00 PM +Philip Cunningham
by the Howard family

ST A 6:15 PM +Jack Waite
+Luree Baumgartner
by the Waite family

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by the Gene Pellizzaro family
ST A 10:00 AM +Carol Ann Angeli
by Sandy & Jim Dennis

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Jan. 27 Mon Heb 9:15, 24-28 Mk 3:22-30

Jan. 28 Tue Heb 10:1-10 Mk 3:31-35

Jan. 29 Wed Heb 10:11-18 Mk 3:31-35

Jan. 30 Thu Heb 10:19-25 Mk 4:21-25

Jan. 31 Fri Heb 10:32-39 Mk 4:26-34

Feb. 1 Sat Heb 11:1-2, 8-19 Mk 4:35-41

Feb. 2 Sun Mal 3:1-4 Heb 2:14-18 Lk 2:22-40

WELCOME

PRO LIFE CORNER

There have been too many shootings recently in America—shootings claiming the lives of innocent people. No one human being has the right to take the life of another! We are upset by these killings! ‘They must stop’, we say! The victims’ lives were cut short before they could reach their full potential.

But what has society taught these killers? Maybe we are all to blame. After all, what example have we been giving our youth?

Our society has a law which says if someone is an inconvenience or is in the way or an unwelcome expense, then it’s OK to kill that person. That law is called ‘abortion’. There is no one to mourn their death. Where is the public outcry against these killings? That law has been in effect for 52 years! Abortion, too, must stop!

Glimpses of the Life of Venerable Bishop Baraga

In honor of Catholic Schools Week, listen to what Frederic Baraga is teaching you: “My dear children make use of your faith; learn well and firmly believe all that Jesus taught us.”

St. Vincent de Paul

In the Gospel, Jesus reads the words of scripture: “The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring glad tidings to the poor.”

In December our local St. Vincent de Paul assisted a record 210 families (517 people!) with food, 5 clothing vouchers to the St. Vincent Store, 6 vouchers for gasoline to medical appointments, and 1 each request for help with rent and utilities.

**Please keep Father Daniel in your prayers
as he travels to Ghana to spend time
with family and friends.**

**He will be leaving on Monday, January 27th
and will return March 12th**

**Dear Father, your staff and parish family will miss
you. Relax and enjoy your well deserved vacation!**

**There will be NO first Thursday HOLY HOUR at St. Cecilia
in February or March, while Fr. Daniel is in Ghana.**

GOSPEL MEDITATION—January 26, 2025—Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

A young couple in my parish told me they were expecting their second child, a baby boy. I knew that their five-year old only child Emma had been desperately wanting to be a big sister for years, so I said, “Emma must have been so happy when you told her the news.” “Actually,” they said, “she burst into tears. She wanted a baby sister!” How often in life God wonderfully fulfills our desires and we are sad because we don’t approve of the way he does it. We want to control the gift and the delivery method.

The same thing occurs in the Gospel this week when Jesus announces in his hometown that the promise of an Anointed One bringing glad tidings to the poor is “fulfilled in your hearing” (Luke 4:21). After a moment of elation, his fellow townsfolk realize this man is the way God is fulfilling his promises, and they erupt into a violent outburst. So Jesus departs. How sad for them.

Every single Sunday at Mass, including this one, some version of this happens to many of us. God’s word announces the fulfillment of God’s promises in Christ, and we easily overlook or disdain it. His way is almost never according to our narrow expectations. What’s required of us is to set these aside, and to embrace a new openness to God’s gifts, no matter how he wishes to give them. God is fulfilling his promises the way He likes — why be sad?

Father John Muir ©LPi

UPCSA—1/15/2024 St. Agnes

Assessment \$27,031
Pledged 15,720
Unpledged 11,311
Families 172
#participants 46
27% participants
58% of goal

UPCSA—1/15/2024 St. Cecilia

Assessment \$26,434
Pledged 12,584
Unpledged 13,850
Families 173
#participants 39
23% participants
48% of goal

UPCSA—1/15/2024 Immaculate Conception

Assessment \$11,819
Pledged 2,825
Unpledged 8,994
Families 53
#participants 12
23% participants
24% of goal

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Adults.....	\$ 831.00
Loose.....	189.00
Mission collection.....	135.00
Solemnity of Mary.....	5.00
Fuel/utility.....	165.00
Total last week.....	\$1325.00
42 envelopes, 25%, averaging \$19.79	

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Adults.....	\$2645.00
Loose.....	72.00
Mission collection.....	85.00
Solemnity of Mary.....	5.00
First offering.....	5.00
Votives.....	59.50
Total last week.....	\$2885.50
32 envelopes, 18%, averaging \$82.66	

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Adults.....	\$ 600.00
Loose.....	101.00
Mission collection.....	125.00
Solemnity of Mary.....	20.00
Votives.....	27.00
Total last week.....	\$ 873.00
17 envelopes, 32%, averaging \$35.29	

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TUESDAY, February 4

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WEDNESDAY, February 5—there will be Adoration 8:30am

ST A 8:00 AM—NO MASS

Mass for Alan Clements rescheduled to 4-2-2025

ST A ADORATION 8:30am—10:30am Benediction

THURSDAY, February 6

ST C 5:30 PM NO MASS and

NO HOLY HOUR—February or March

FRIDAY, February 7—there will be Adoration 8:30am

ST C 8:00 AM—NO MASS

ST C ADORATION 8:30am—noon Benediction

ICC 10:00 AM—NO MASS & NO ADORATION

SATURDAY, February 8

ICC 4:00 PM *Repose of the soul of Ralph Scheuster*
by the Howard family

ST A 6:15 PM For the people

SUNDAY, February 9

ST C 8:00 AM +Estelle Pangrazzi
by her daughter Jeanne Pangrazzi

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

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Feb. 3 Mon Heb 11:32-40 Mk 5:1-20

Feb. 4 Tue Heb 12:1-4 Mk 5:21-43

Feb. 5 Wed Heb 12:4-7, 11—15 Mk 6:1-6

Feb. 6 Thu Heb 12:18-19, 21-24 Mk 6:7-13

Feb. 7 Fri Heb 13:1-8 Mk 6:14-20

Feb. 8 Sat Heb 13:15-17, 20-21 Mk 6:30-34

Feb. 9 Sun Is 6:1-2a 1 Cor 15:1-11 or 15:3-8 Lk 1:1-11

WELCOME

PRO LIFE CORNER—Pro-Life Articles

Motherhood is a rewarding and often difficult job. A mother is a child's first teacher and affects a child's life like few others can. Loving and selfless mothers can inspire their children to love themselves and others, work hard, make healthy choices, serve causes greater than self, and achieve their dreams. Mothers who protect, teach, and nurture their children with all their hearts strengthen their families and help build a better future for our country.

Glimpses of the Life of Venerable Bishop Baraga

A good rule of life is Bishop Baraga's motto:
"Only one thing is necessary: to love and serve God, and each other."

St. Vincent de Paul

In the Gospel, we learn of the first sword in Mary's heart—the knowledge of her Son's death. Though many would live forever in fear, Mary found courage in faith in the Lord.

Your gift to the poor can help them to overcome their swords of fear and doubt.

Lamp Stand Candles—St. Agnes

2-1-2025

In memory of
Jeff Franzmeier

by Micki Haydon, Lisa Masnova, Sandy Rometti
and Carol Aschinger

Lamp Stand Candle—St. Agnes

2-8-2025

In Loving Memory of
Larry Leonarduzzi

For his 4th anniversary on Jan. 13th and for his birthday on Jan. 20th
by his sister Marsha and family

The Outreach Mission Team (ORMT)

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or sewing skills to help make prayer shawls or lap blankets
to give to those experiencing grief or
walking through a health journey.
Your help is needed. For contact info call 265-4557.

GOSPEL MEDITATION—February 2, 2025—The Presentation of the Lord

What is the secret to sharing in God's power to overcome our difficulties? Mary teaches us this in the prophecy of her pierced heart. This Sunday, the old man Simeon prophesies that when her son faces opposition, Mary's soul will be pierced by a sword. The seemingly pointless agony of a mother helplessly watching her son be mocked, tortured, killed and then cruelly desecrated in death by a spear — somehow this piercing of her heart releases a power by which "the thoughts of many hearts may be revealed" (Luke 2:35). What to make of this?

Whatever problems we currently face, the deepest threat is finally that evil thoughts are hidden in the human heart: hatred, envy, pride, lust, greed and so on. Behind every tyrant's injustice, for example, is a heart unpierced by love. Evil hides in our hearts. Mary's pierced heart, and its suffering love for her son, reveals and scatters these evil thoughts, and replaces them with love, forgiveness, generosity and peace.

This week, I invite us to ponder Mary's pierced heart. Her heart is quietly at work for us in the Church and world, exposing our evil thoughts and making a path for her son's divine love. This is how she gently cooperates in our salvation. Closed hearts are our biggest problem; love-pierced hearts are the ultimate power to overcome every difficulty.

Father John Muir ©LPi

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ST. AGNES

Adults.....	\$1191.00
Loose.....	114.00
Mission collection.....	20.00
Solemnity of Mary.....	25.00
UP Catholic.....	25.00
Fuel/utility.....	42.00
Total last week.....	\$1417.00
42 envelopes, 25%, averaging \$28.36	
Online giving total to date....\$693.20	

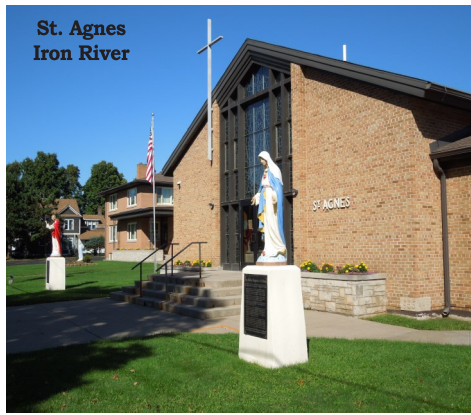
ST. CECILIA

Adults.....	\$1390.00
Loose.....	118.00
Christmas.....	20.00
Solemnity of Mary.....	10.00
First offering.....	13.00
Fuel/utility.....	75.00
Total last week.....	\$1626.00
43 envelopes, 25%, averaging \$32.33	

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

Adults.....	\$ 657.00
Loose.....	92.00
St. VdP Watersmeet Pantry....	50.00
Votives.....	17.00
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21 envelopes, 40%, averaging \$31.29	

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WEDNESDAY, February 12—NO MASS/NO ADORATION

ST A 8:00 AM +Bill Gendron—by Joyce—change to March 30

THURSDAY, February 13—NO MASS

ST C 5:30 PM +Joseph Pangrazzi—by Jeanne
Changed to Jan. 24

FRIDAY, February 14—NO MASS—ST C or ICC & NO Adoration

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+Carol Angeli
by Mary, Sarah & Anna Sparapani

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sured that the church you are registered at will be credited.*

~St. Agnes Church~

The main entrance door is open every weekday
from 9:00am—4:00pm!
All are welcome to come spend peaceful time in prayer
or to light a candle.

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Feb. 10 Mon	Gn 1:1-19 Mk 6:53-56
Feb. 11 Tue	Gn 1:20—2:4a Mk 7:1-13
Feb. 12 Wed	Gn 2:4b-9, 15-17 Mk 7:14-23
Feb. 13 Thu	Gn 2:18-25 Mk 7:24-30
Feb. 14 Fri	Gn 3:1-8 Mk 7:31-37
Feb. 15 Sat	Gn 3:9-24 Mk 8:1-10
Feb. 16 Sun	Jer 17:5-8 1 Cor 15:12, 16-20 Lk 6:17, 20-26

WELCOME

PRO LIFE CORNER

In the 1960's and 70's the pro-choice position was that legalizing abortion would drastically reduce child abuse. America legalized abortion and, child abuse has skyrocketed. Yet, despite this staggering increase in child abuse, the pro-choice lobby continues to tie itself in knots by now arguing that making abortion illegal would cause an increase in child abuse!!! How many more millions of children do we have to kill before their scheme starts to work?

We all agree that every child should be wanted. This is an idealistic goal, but sadly we do not live in an idyllic world.

Glimpses of the Life of Venerable Bishop Baraga

“Don’t be discouraged, but push forward with energy and confidence. The greater the trouble in a good work, the greater the merit before God.”

St. Vincent de Paul

In the Gospel, the disciples decide to leave everything to follow Jesus. We are also called to follow Jesus, who tells us that “whatever you do to the least of mine, you do for me.”

Please pray for the poor and the suffering, knowing that you are bringing the love and peace of Jesus to those who live in fear and doubt, loneliness and dread.

Easter Dinner Meeting

**Tues.—Feb. 25
4pm**

**St. Agnes
Little Flower Room**

The committee always
welcomes new members!
Please join us!

Please Pray for the Eternal Repose
of the souls of:

**Theresa “Terry”
LaFountain
and
Dorothy Mellstrom**

Eternal rest grant unto them,
O Lord, and let perpetual light shine
upon them.

**There will be NO first Thursday HOLY HOUR at St. Cecilia
in February or March, while Fr. Daniel is in Ghana.**

GOSPEL MEDITATION—February 9, 2025—Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

My parents' garage is full of old junk that no longer serves any purpose in my life. As a 46-year-old man, I admit that's pretty lame. Either due to my sentimentality or laziness (or both, probably), I just couldn't get myself to throw things away. But a few days ago, by a grace of God, I thought: "I'll hire my nephew Ryan to throw a bunch of my stuff away — he couldn't care less about my junk!" And you know what? It worked. In one day, Ryan chucked the majority of his uncle's useless stuff. I feel so free, ready for a new junk-free chapter in my life.

This kind of thing happens in this Sunday's Gospel. Peter's net is full of useless junk. Luke says he and the others are cleaning their nets after catching no fish. Imagine them dejectedly and impatiently removing a nasty assortment of seaweed, sticks and muck. The Lord teaches and calls them once their nets are cleared out. So it goes with us. Spiritual life begins by removing that which is useless and merely taking up space in our hearts, minds and lives. Then Jesus teaches and acts in a marvelous way in our lives, too.

So what's junking up your net? What habits, attachments, possessions, preoccupations? If, like me, you struggle to clean your nets by yourself, ask the Lord to send you someone like my nephew to be your "Peter" and help you clean it out. It is well worth it. Once Peter's net is clean, he is free to make a wonderful catch. *Father John Muir* ©LPi

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Pledged 15,720
Unpledged 11,311
Families 172
#participants 46
27% participants
58% of goal

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Assessment \$26,434
Pledged 12,584
Unpledged 13,850
Families 173
#participants 39
23% participants
48% of goal

UPCSA—1/15/2024 Immaculate Conception

Assessment \$11,819
Pledged 2,825
Unpledged 8,994
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#participants 12
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24% of goal

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Loose.....	179.25
UP Catholic Newspaper.....	35.00
Immaculate Conception.....	15.00
Fuel/utility.....	80.00
Votives.....	92.75
Total last week.....	\$2213.00
42 envelopes, 64%, averaging \$28.41	
St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry...\$333.00	

ST. CECILIA

Adults.....	\$ 905.00
Loose.....	72.00
UP Catholic Newspaper.....	5.00
First offering.....	4.00
Votives.....	49.27
Total last week.....	\$1070.27
30 envelopes, 17%, averaging \$30.17	
St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry...\$98.40	

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Adults.....	\$ 975.00
Loose.....	180.00
Fuel/utility.....	58.00
Votives.....	28.00
Total last week.....	\$1239.00
29 envelopes, 55%, averaging \$33.62	

Thank you for your generosity!



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ST A 8:00 AM—NO MASS

THURSDAY, February 20

ST C 5:30 PM NO MASS

NO HOLY HOUR—February or March

FRIDAY, February 21—there will be Adoration 8:30am—Noon

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Feb. 20 Thu Gn 9:1-13 Mk 8:27-33

Feb. 21 Fri Gn 11:1-9 Mk 8:34—9:1

Feb. 22 Sat 1 Pt 5:1-4 Mt 16:13-19

Feb. 23 Sun 1 Sm 26:2, 7-9 1 Cor 15:45-49 Lk 6:27-38

WELCOME

PRO LIFE CORNER—Pro-Life Articles

Since when does anyone's right to live depend upon someone else wanting them? Women rightfully resent that the value of a woman is sometimes determined by whether a man wants her. How can anyone possibly insist that the value of an unborn baby is to be determined by whether a mother wants him or her at any given time? To use being wanted by someone as a measure of whether a human life is allowed to live is a truly frightening concept. Its converse logically awaits us—that the unwanted can be eliminated. Don't forget that Hitler's Germany was ideal for wanted Aryans. Pro-Life Articles

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"Nothing in this world can be obtained without labor: The more precious the object, the more serious the efforts to obtain it. Therefore, efforts to protect your greatest treasure, love of God, ought to be extreme."

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In the Gospel, Jesus gives us the blessings of serving the poor, hungry and weeping people, for you will then rejoice and leap for joy. But Jesus also teaches us the decisiveness of choice: blessing or woe.

Choosing to help those who are suffering will fill your heart with the blessing of Jesus and indeed your reward will be great in heaven.

Lamp Stand Candle—St. Agnes

2-15-2025

In memory of

Theresa "Terry" LaFountain

by the St. Agnes Saturday Night Choir

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I craved four things as a teenager: success in sports, food, fun and the attention of popular people. However, I noticed that as I acquired them, I was more unsatisfied than before. So, I'd strive even more energetically, achieve more, and the sense of emptiness was greater still. These four things started to feel like burdens or even curses. Soon after, I encountered Christ in my high school youth group. Experiencing his love was totally different than anything those four things previously produced. It produced a lasting happiness.

Jesus utters a kind of four-fold curse in this week's Gospel of Saint Luke's "woes": "Woe to you who are rich...who are filled now...who laugh now...who are well-spoken of" (cf. Luke 6:24-26). How marvelous that these correspond perfectly to the four things that obsessed my teenage soul: riches, food, laughter and good reputation. The "woes" the Lord speaks are warnings: when those things are the purpose of your life, you'll be miserable. He is saying, "You'll be happy, or blessed, in the measure that these things do not determine the shape of our lives, and the kingdom of God does."

To some degree, we're all spiritual teenagers, addicted to one or more of those four "woes." How splendid that the Lord wants his to bless us — that is, to satisfy us, make us laugh with joy, and in the kingdom of God, offer us what will truly satisfy us. But first let's admit what is causing our "woes." *Father John Muir* ©LPi

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Fuel/utility..... 85.00
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Online giving..... \$396.30
44 envelopes, 26%, averaging \$31.61

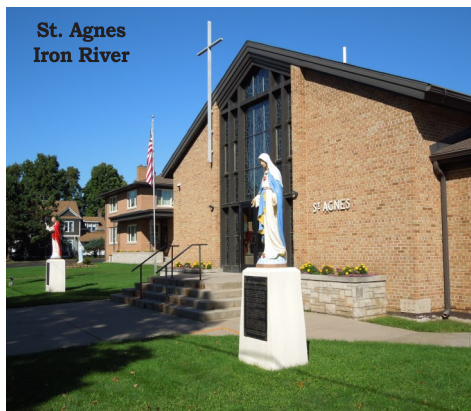
ST. CECILIA

Adults..... \$1464.00
Loose..... 75.00
First offering..... 12.00
UP Catholic..... 115.00
Missions..... 20.00
Votives..... 75.00
Total last week..... \$1700.50
55 envelopes, 31%, averaging \$26.62

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

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16 envelopes, 31%, averaging \$21.63

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Community Easter Dinner Meeting

Tues.—Feb. 25

4pm

St. Agnes Little Flower Room

**The committee always welcomes new members!
Please join us!**

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WELCOME

PRO LIFE CORNER

America was founded upon the “self-evident truth” that all humans are endowed with the unalienable right to LIFE. Yet a baby is aborted every 23 seconds in the U.S. Over 4,000 babies are aborted every day. About 60 million babies have been aborted since the decision of Roe v Wade in January 1973. Abortion is truly “America’s holocaust”.

Teenagers constitute around 20% of all abortions in the U.S. About 55% of minors who have abortions do not tell their parents.

Glimpses of the Life of Venerable Bishop Baraga

(A unique perspective of Stewardship): “What you give to the poor you will always have: what you keep, others will have.”

St. Vincent de Paul

In the Gospel, Jesus gives us the challenge to: Love your enemies...Give to everyone who asks of you...Do to others as you would have them do to you...Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful.

In the month of February, through your gifts, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul was able to assist many families. Thank you!

*Thank you, Dolores Sapletal,
for your Christmas Flower donation.*

**St. Agnes Altar Society will be cleaning the altar area
February 25—9am
Please bring a hair dryer for softening wax drips.**

Lamp Stand Candle
St. Agnes
2-22-2025

In loving memory of

Al Perlongo

by Jan,
Derek, Koren, Noah & Nick

Please Pray for the Eternal
Repose of the souls of:

Michael Jacobs

&

Nancy Shepich

Eternal rest grant unto them,
O Lord, and let perpetual
light shine upon them.

GOSPEL MEDITATION—February 23, 2025—Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

One of my favorite new singers/songwriters is Noah Kahan. I'm a little biased because, like me, he is originally from Vermont. In a fine song entitled "Stick Season," he sings of his hope to "cancel out the darkness I inherited from dad." This lyric articulates his painful recognition of a dark spiritual "inheritance" from his father, and his hope to be free of it. We all inherit some degree of evil from our earthly forebears. It's easy to feel doomed to repeat their darknesses.

But we're not so doomed, thank God. This week's Gospel proclaims this. Whatever good or bad we received from our parents, we have a more definitive and perfect inheritance in God. Jesus commands us, "**Be merciful just as your Father is merciful**" (Luke 6:36). We have a perfect Father in heaven and are destined to inherit and reflect that perfect and merciful love. We have an inheritance of light, not darkness, and thus a whole new possibility of magnanimous love. Like any inheritance, this is a free gift to us.

What are we destined to repeat? Not the darkness of our earthly parents. **We are destined to be a reflection of God's life. Jesus liberates us from the inevitability of repeating whatever evils and imperfections are in our familial or cultural up-bringsings. It's time to claim that perfect inheritance.**

Father John Muir ©LPi

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Families 53
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All will have important info such as Mass changes, and closings due to the weather.

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In loving memory of Peggy Rose

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OUR TREASURE SHARED

ST. AGNES

Adults.....	\$2531.00
Loose.....	116.00
St. Vincent de Paul.....	10.00
National & World Church.....	55.00
UP Catholic Newspaper.....	20.00
Assumption \$10/All Souls \$10..	20.00
Fuel/utility.....	160.00
Christmas \$15/flowers \$25.....	35.00
Total last week.....	\$2952.00

53 envelopes, 31%, averaging \$47.75

ST. CECILIA

Adults.....	\$1680.00
Loose.....	63.00
UP Catholic Newspaper.....	55.00
First offering.....	5.00
Total last week.....	\$1803.00

38 envelopes, 22%, averaging \$44.21

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

Adults.....	\$1333.22
Loose.....	111.00
UP Catholic Newspaper.....	20.00
Votives.....	17.00
Total last week.....	\$1481.22

17 envelopes, 33%, averaging \$78.42

St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry....\$172.00

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Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

March 2, 2025

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4:00pm Saturday

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ICC 9:00AM—NO MASS

ASH WEDNESDAY—March 5:

There will be Adoration 8:30—10:30am at St. Agnes

ICC 8:00 AM—MASS & ASHES

For the intentions of Sandy Vignali—by Howard fam.

ST C NOON—MASS & ASHES

+MaryBeth Gilmore—by Kathy

ST A 6:00 PM—MASS & ASHES

+Michael Hanmer—by Sue

THURSDAY, March 6

ST C 5:30 PM NO MASS

NO HOLY HOUR—February or March

FRIDAY, March 7—there will be Adoration 8:30am—Noon—St C

ST C 8:00 AM—NO MASS

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SATURDAY, March 8

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SCRIPTURE READINGS

Mar. 3 Mon Sir 17:20-24 Mk 10:17-27

Mar. 4 Tue Sir 35:1-2 Mk 10:28-31

Mar. 5 Wed Jl 2:12-18 2 Cor 5:20—6:2 Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

Mar. 6 Thu Dt 30:15-20 Lk 9:22-25

Mar. 7 Fri Is 58:1-9a/Mt 9:14-15

Mar. 8 Sat Is 58:9b-14 Lk 5:27-32

Mar. 9 Sun Dt 26:4-10 Rom 10:8-13 Lk 4:1-13

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PRO LIFE CORNER

The God most people know is an all good, all loving and all merciful God, all perfect and, as such, cannot do evil. He also gave all of us the gift of free-will to make our own decisions whether they are right or wrong.

It's up to us to choose the path that leads to Heaven and Him.

Ruth Weber, Davenport, Iowa

Glimpses of the Life of Venerable Bishop Baraga

"In my missions, I had many Indians whom Fr. Baraga Baptized...they told me so many details about him...for example, when he preached on the passion of Christ he wept though the whole sermon". (Fr. Lampe: 1932)

St. Vincent de Paul

In the Gospel today, Jesus uses images in speaking to his disciples: "Can a blind man act as guide to a blind man?...Why look at the speck in your brother's eye when you miss the plank in your own?...A good tree does not produce decayed fruit..."

In January our local St. Vincent de Paul assisted 180 families (454 people) with food, 5 clothing vouchers to the St. Vincent Store, 4 vouchers for gasoline to medical appointments, and 5 requests for help with rent and utilities.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

ST. AGNES—5:15PM—FRIDAYS

ST. CECILIA—5:15PM—FRIDAYS

ICC—following 10am Masses on FRIDAYS

ICC—Soup/bread supper Wed./begin 3-12 at 5:30pm

We are in need of laypeople to lead the

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

AT ST. CECILIA AND ST. AGNES

Please call the Rectory Office ASAP if you would like to be put on the schedule. Thank you.

The Outreach Mission Team (ORMT)

is looking for people with knitting, crocheting, or sewing skills to help make prayer shawls or lap blankets to give to those experiencing grief or walking through a health journey.

Your help is needed. For contact info call 265-4557.

GOSPEL MEDITATION—March 2, 2025—Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

One of the things that older pastors and younger priests occasionally quarrel about is the proper balance between work and prayer. I know one pastor who complains that his younger associate ignores the people and the parish because he wants to spend more time in prayer. And the young priest complains that the pastor gives him too much work to do and no time to pray. The Lord's words this Sunday speak into this tension with an image that can help us find a proper balance between life and prayer.

Jesus says, "For every tree is known by its fruit. For people do not pick figs from thorn bushes, nor do they gather grapes from brambles" (Luke 6:44). When we are deeply rooted and cultivating our relationship with Jesus, we are going to bear the fruit of that love in our lives. No fruit, no good prayer. How do we know that we are praying well? We are experiencing concrete fruits of love for others in our lives.

Someone who prays well will, sooner or later, burst forth the "figs" and "grapes" of acts of love. But without concrete commitment to deeds of selfless service to others, our prayer time is as useless as thorn bushes and brambles. Let's recommit ourselves to be men and women of prayer and service. And hopefully the pastors will help their associates to pray and serve fruitfully...with minimal quarreling.

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Missions.....	1.00
Fuel/utility.....	41.00
Votives.....	96.60
Total last week.....	\$1228.60
43 envelopes, 25%, averaging \$18.74	
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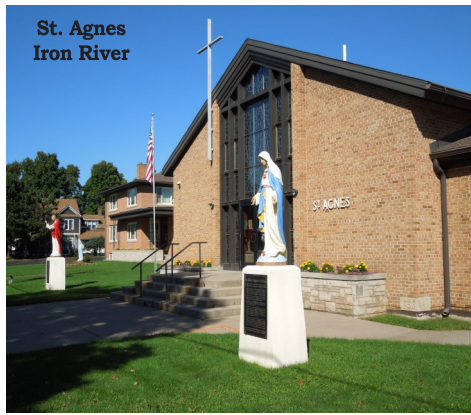
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Adults.....	\$1420.00
Loose.....	109.00
Catholic schools.....	2.00
UP Catholic.....	5.00
Fuel/utility.....	75.00
Votives.....	41.95
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44 envelopes, 25%, averaging \$32.27	
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IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

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Loose.....	35.00
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19 envelopes, 37%, averaging \$27.62	

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STATIONS OF THE CROSS BEGINS TODAY:

ICC at 8:00am

St. Agnes at 5:15pm

St. Cecilia at 5:15pm

SATURDAY, March 15

ICC 4:00 PM *For the people*

ST A 6:15 PM +David Gagne, for special day March 12
by his wife Chris

SUNDAY, March 16

ST C 8:00 AM +Jerry Fitzpatrick
by his family

ST A 10:00 AM +Richard Angeli & +Carol Ann Angeli
by Mary, Sarah & Anna Sparapani

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“America you are beautiful and blessed. The ultimate test of your greatness is the way you treat every human being, but especially the weakest and most defenseless. If you want equal justice for all and true freedom and lasting peace, then America, defend life”. *Pope John Paul II*

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Lenten prayer: “Jesus close me in your wounds...heal me through your pain...I want to give myself to your service...nowhere have I found a sweeter consolation...”

St. Vincent de Paul

In today’s Gospel, Jesus overcomes the temptations to wealth, power and esteem. As we begin Lent, may we open our hearts to the grace of prayer, fasting and almsgiving.

Your donations to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul will help the poor to celebrate the grace of God’s love this Easter.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

~Fridays in Lent~

8:00am—Immaculate Conception, Watersmeet

5:15pm—St. Cecilia, Caspian

5:15pm—St. Agnes, Iron River

“I must do something”—will always solve more problems than—” something must be done.”

Lamp Stand Candle
St. Cecilia
3-8-2025

In loving memory of

Mildred Anderson

For her 3 yr anniversary
and her birthday

by her family

Please Pray for the Eternal
Repose of the soul of:

Wayne Raymond

Eternal rest grant unto him,
O Lord, and let perpetual
light shine upon him.

GOSPEL MEDITATION—March 9, 2025—First Sunday of Lent

One of the most fascinating moments in American history is when George Washington could have become the king of the newly liberated United States and didn't. At the height of his power and fame, on Dec. 23, 1783, he resigned his commission as Commander-in-Chief, and went home. The astonished King of England remarked that in doing so, Washington was "the greatest man in the world." Greatness is often defined by what we could do but don't. Greatness is measured by the temptations we overcome.

Jesus' greatness is revealed in his victory over temptations, too. The three offered him by the devil contain, we might say, all potential possible temptations: food, power and fame. They correspond to the triple human needs of body, soul and spirit. In overcoming these three, he says "no" in essence to every and even the greatest temptation. We see that every desire of his humanity — body, soul and spirit — is perfectly united to God, to love. This is a power available to each member of his body. It is the path to true greatness. How can we, who so easily fall into even small temptations, find the power to overcome large ones? By entering into the great dynamics of Jesus' temptations.

Lenten challenge: This first week of Lent, list some concrete ways you can overcome temptations that correspond with your desires. For example, you may give up snacks between meals, choose not to participate in an activity of which you are an expert, and decide to reduce social media posting by 50%. It may not seem like much, but by saying "no" to the tyranny of food, power, and fame (in this example), you'll discover true greatness.

Father John Muir ©LPi

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Assessment \$27,031
Pledged 15,870
Unpledged 11,161
Families 172
#participants 48
28% participants
59% of goal

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Assessment \$26,434
Pledged 14,454
Unpledged 11,980
Families 173
#participants 42
24% participants
55% of goal

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Unpledged 8,994
Families 53
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Lamp Stand Candle—St. Agnes
3-8-2025

**In loving memory of
Beverly Gustafson**

by Gale & Dennis Cerney

OUR TREASURE SHARED

ST. AGNES

Adults.....	\$1890.00
Loose.....	233.00
Easter flowers.....	240.00
Fuel/utility.....	260.00
Catholic Schools.....	140.00
UP Catholic newspaper.....	45.00
Total last week.....	\$2808.00
55 envelopes, 33%, averaging \$34.36	

ST. CECILIA

Adults.....	\$1155.00
Loose.....	77.00
Catholic Schools.....	40.00
Votives.....	25.60
Flowers.....	70.00
Total last week.....	\$1367.60
35 envelopes, 20%, averaging \$33.00	

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

Adults.....	\$ 595.00
Loose.....	70.00
Catholic Schools.....	80.00
Flowers.....	40.00
Votives.....	18.00
Total last week.....	\$ 803.00
17 envelopes, 32%, averaging \$35.00	

Thank you for your generosity!



Second Sunday of Lent

March 16, 2025

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ICC 4:00 PM For the people

ST A 6:15 PM +David Gagne, for special day March 12
by his wife Chris

SUNDAY, March 16

ST C 8:00 AM +Jerry Fitzpatrick
by his family

ST A 10:00 AM +Richard Angeli
+Carol Ann Angeli
by Mary, Sarah, & Anna Sparapani

MONDAY, March 17—NO MASS

TUESDAY, March 18

ICC 9:00AM—NO MASS

WEDNESDAY, March 19—NO MASS

There will be Adoration 8:30—10:30am at St. Agnes

THURSDAY, March 20—NO MASS

There will be Adoration 8:30—10:30am at St. Agnes

NO HOLY HOUR—February or March

FRIDAY, March 21—Stations of the Cross—Sched. next column

There will be Adoration 8:30am—Noon—St. Cecilia

ICC 10:00 AM—NO MASS & NO ADORATION

SATURDAY, March 22

ICC 4:00 PM +Arnoldine Basanese **by Kathy Sarber-Saylor**

ST A 6:15 PM +Pete Paraventi
by Donna Paraventi

SUNDAY, March 23

ST C 8:00 AM For the people
ST A 10:00 AM +Jerry Fitzpatrick—for his birthday
by his family

Community Easter Dinner

Sunday—April 20

St. Agnes Church—Iron River, Michigan

Dine-in served: 1:00—3:00pm

Deliveries will begin at 11:30am

Take-outs available for pick-up at NOON

There is NO CHARGE for this dinner & all in the area are welcome.

If you would like to help with prep, serving, or clean-up see Marni
or call Kathy at the Rectory Office.

If you can't work but would like to help, these items are needed:
cut green beans/sweet potatoes/pineapple tidbits. Boxes at church.

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Mar. 17 Mon Dn 9:4b-10 Lk 6:36-38

Mar. 18 Tue Is 1:10, 16-20 Mt 23:1-12

Mar. 19 Wed 2 Sm 7:4-5a Rom 4:13 Mt 1:16, 18-21

Mar. 20 Thu Jer 17:5-10 Lk 16:19-31

Mar. 21 Fri Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a Mt 21:33-43, 45-46

Mar. 22 Sat Mt 7:14-15, 18-20 Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

Mar. 23 Sun Ex 3:1-8a 13-15 1 Cor 10:1-6 Lk 13:1-9

WELCOME

PRO LIFE CORNER

“Once admit the right to kill unproductive persons...then none of us can be sure of his life.” So spoke Cardinal Clemens von Galen, of Munster, Germany, in 1941. This Cardinal was called the “Lion of Munster,” because he roared with the voice of the Gospel against the atrocities of the Nazi Regime.

Glimpses of the Life of Venerable Bishop Baraga

Prayer to St. Joseph from Baraga's notes: “St. Joseph, I place myself under thy protection; look on me as your child, keep me from sin; lead me in the path of virtue; assist me at death.”

St. Vincent de Paul

Lent is a call not just to “give up something” but more important to “give something for the poor.” Wherever you live in the parish area, there are poor families within walking distance of your home. When in need, they ring the rectory bell. They are, in effect, ringing your doorbell.

Is there a family you know who needs assistance? Please call the Society of St. Vincent de Paul so that together we can help the suffering and poor.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

ST. AGNES—5:15PM—FRIDAYS

ST. CECILIA—5:15PM—FRIDAYS

ICC—8:00AM—FRIDAYS—time may change.

Lamp Stand Candles—St. Agnes

3-15-2025

In memory of

Jeff Franzmeier

by Rhonda Angeli

The Outreach Mission Team (ORMT)

is looking for people with knitting, crocheting, or sewing skills to help make prayer shawls or lap blankets to give to those experiencing grief or walking through a health journey.

Please drop these items off at the Rectory Office. Thank you.

If you know of anyone that could use these blankets or shawls please call the Rectory Office at 906-265-4557.

GOSPEL MEDITATION—March 16, 2025—Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

St. Thomas Aquinas said that friends share three things: time, possessions and secrets. For example, how do I know if you're my friend? Well, let's say we've been to Mexico together, you've tried my shaky attempts at pasta carbonara, and you know what ridiculous costume I wore in a music video I filmed in my early twenties. We, dear reader, are definitely friends. We've shared time, possessions and secrets.

How does friendship with Jesus develop? The same way. Jesus lives and eats with his disciples. Then he takes Peter, James and John to Mount Tabor and there reveals to them his deepest secret: his glorious, divine Sonship. The majesty of God shines from within his humanity in a way that goes beyond description. God the Father confirms this "secret," saying, "This is my chosen Son, listen to him" (Luke 9:35). It's all so precious that "they fell silent and did not at that time tell anyone." Do we take time to be alone with Christ, to allow him to mystically share this "secret" with us as his dear friends?

Lenten challenge: This week, identify one time when you experienced an awareness of some specific aspect of Jesus — perhaps on a retreat, at Mass, in prayer or in an act of service. Spend ten minutes consciously re-living that experience in your heart. If you can't recall one, set aside at least two hours this Lent as a mini retreat, either alone in nature or in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament. Focus on him and ask him to share the secrets of his heart with you. He will. Then, as his friend, share the secrets in your heart.

Father John Muir ©LPi

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Families 172
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61% of goal

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Fuel/utility.....	250.00
Votives.....	118.00
Total last week.....	\$2486.35
50 envelopes, 30%, averaging	\$28.12
Online giving	\$777.90

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Adults.....	\$3037.00
Loose.....	71.00
Catholic schools.....	112.00
UP Catholic.....	5.00
Easter flowers.....	190.00
Fuel/utility.....	20.00
Votives.....	21.85
Total last week.....	\$3456.85
69 envelopes, 39%, averaging	\$44.01

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

Adults.....	\$ 795.00
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15 envelopes, 28%, averaging	\$53.00

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MONDAY, March 24—NO MASS

TUESDAY, March 25

ICC 9:00AM—Intentions of Grace Howard
for her birthday
by the Howard family

WEDNESDAY, March 26

ST A 8:00 AM +Karen Clements
by Dr. Don & Karen Patton & family

ST A—Adoration 8:30 AM to 10:30 AM

ICC—5:30pm Stations of the Cross
followed by Soup & Bread Supper

THURSDAY, March 27

ST C 5:30 PM +Gene Peruzzi
by Tim & Bonnie Peruzzi

FRIDAY, March 28

ST C 8:00 AM +Norb Perdzock
by Bob & Catherine Cole

ST C—Adoration 8:30 AM to Noon

ICC 10:00 AM +Katherine & +Frank Styzej
by the Howard family

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SATURDAY, March 29

ICC 4:00 PM +Elaine Howard
by the Howard family

ST A 6:15 PM For the people

SUNDAY, March 30

ST C 8:00 AM +Dale Wodzinski
by Sharon Stockero-Ryden
ST A 10:00 AM +Bill Gendron
by his wife Joyce

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Mar. 24 Mon 2 Kgs 5:1-15b Lk 4:24-30
Mar. 25 Tue Is 7:10-14; 8:10 Heb 10:4-10 Lk 1:26-38

Mar. 26 Wed Dt 4:1, 5-9 Mt 5:17-19
Mar. 27 Thu Jer 7:23-28 Lk 11:14-23

Mar. 28 Fri Hos 14:2-10 Mk 12:28-34
Mar. 29 Sat Hos 6:1-6 Lk 18:9-14

Mar. 30 Sun Jos 5:9a, 10-12 2Cor 5:17-21 Lk 15:1-3

WELCOME

PRO LIFE CORNER

“Abortion and racism are both symptoms of a fundamental human error. The error is thinking that when someone stands in the way of our wants, we can justify getting that person out of our lives. Abortion and racism stem from the same poisonous root, selfishness.”

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Every morning I rise in the name of the crucified Jesus, who by his precious Blood redeemed me. Heavenly Father, I graciously thank you...”

St. Vincent de Paul

In the Gospel, Jesus is quite clear in his message: “bear fruit or be cut down.” This Lent we are called to cultivate and fertilize our spiritual lives through prayer, fasting and almsgiving.

Through your almsgiving you are performing a good work; far greater than you think.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

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and

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Lamp Stand Candle—St. Agnes
3-22-25

In memory of
Mike Jacobs

by Luella Ambach

Fr. Daniel invites all parishioners from our three parishes to participate in a Pilgrimage for the 2025 Jubilee Year!

The Pilgrimage will be held on Saturday, April 5,
at St. Mary Queen of Peace Church in Kingsford starting at 11am.

If a parishioner needs a ride, please call the rectory to let us know, and plan on being in the St. Agnes Church parking lot by 10am.

We will all gather at Queen of Peace Church. The Pilgrimage will begin with praying of the Rosary, followed by a Penitential Service and confessions, several priests will be available for confessions. The Pilgrimage will conclude with the celebration of Holy Mass. The celebrant will be Fr. Daniel.

Let us participate with millions of others throughout the world who will also be Pilgrims of Hope for the 2025 Jubilee.

GOSPEL MEDITATION—March 23, 2025—Third Sunday of Lent

My childhood best friend was Xander Price. He was the fastest runner in school, an excellent baseball player and Jewish. Though his family wasn't intensely religious, I felt totally at home with them despite our religious differences. Everything about their Judaism seemed to undergird and strengthen my own experience of being a Catholic. I knew they didn't believe in Jesus like my family did, but I intuited somehow that Jesus was "hiding" in their religion. Like a cat moving under a blanket, ready to emerge at any moment, the Lord was hidden there in a special way.

In the Gospel for this third Sunday of Lent, Jesus says, "For if you had believed Moses, you would have believed me, for he wrote of me" (John 5:46). Stunning words, those. Moses wrote about Jesus. The way therefore that we come to know and believe in Jesus is to discover him lurking in Moses' writings. The Hebrew Scripture is the wonderful womb in which Jesus gestates within a host of images: Adam, Isaac, David, Melchizedek, the Temple, sacrificed lambs, prophets and so on. Right now, in your parish's OCIA program, soon-to-be baptized people are carefully studying where Jesus is in the writings of Moses, so that they may believe in him. This works for all of us, too, who wish to deepen our knowledge and love of Jesus.

Lenten challenge: Take some time to prayerfully study one of the images of Jesus listed above in the Old Testament. Identify which one you find compelling and consider why this is so. If you don't know where to start, begin with the prophet Jeremiah as an image of Jesus.

Father John Muir ©LPi

UPCSA—2/2025 St. Agnes

Assessment \$27,031
Pledged 15,870
Unpledged 11,161
Families 172
#participants 48
28% participants
59% of goal

UPCSA—2/2025 St. Cecilia

Assessment \$26,434
Pledged 14,454
Unpledged 11,980
Families 173
#participants 42
24% participants
55% of goal

UPCSA—2/2025 Immaculate Conception

Assessment \$11,819
Pledged 2,825
Unpledged 8,994
Families 53
#participants 12
23% participants
24% of goal

March 31—9am
We will be clean-
ing the pews at
St. Agnes.
Bring a friend &
a bucket!
The more the
merrier!

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**For your convenience
ONLINE GIVING is now available.**

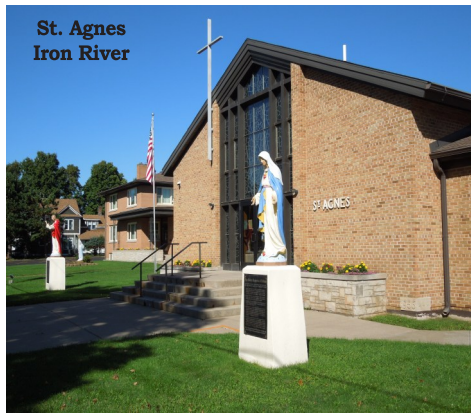
OUR TREASURE SHARED

ST. AGNES	
Adults.....	\$1000.00
Loose.....	181.00
Catholic schools.....	10.00
Easter flowers.....	115.00
Fuel/utility.....	135.00
Votives.....	39.50
Total last week.....	\$1480.50
40 envelopes, 24%, averaging \$25.00	
Online giving.....\$416.20	

ST. CECILIA	
Adults.....	\$1474.00
Loose.....	74.00
Catholic schools.....	10.00
UP Catholic.....	20.00
Easter flowers.....	174.00
Fuel/utility.....	50.00
Votives.....	16.00
Total last week.....	\$1818.00
45 envelopes, 26%, averaging \$32.76	
Online giving.....\$410.00	

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION	
Adults.....	\$ 500.00
Loose.....	158.00
Easter flowers.....	105.00
Fuel/utility.....	23.00
Votives.....	9.00
Total last week.....	\$ 795.00
17 envelopes, 32%, averaging \$29.41	
St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry....\$301.00	

Thank you for your generosity!



Fourth Sunday of Lent

March 30, 2025

FR. DANIEL FOSU, PASTOR
Dcn. Terry Verville, Permanent Deacon
Kathy Saylor, Secretary—Office: 906-265-4557
Joe Velie, DRE, 906-367-2315 (Religious Ed. calls only)

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IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH
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Phone (906) 265-4557

Email: stagnesstcecilia@gmail.com
Web Site: www.catholicyoooperfaithful.org
Or www.dioceseofmarquette.org

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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.

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 4:00pm Saturday
 Confession—3:00-3:45pm Saturday
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ST A 6:15 PM For the people

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by Sharon Stockero-Ryden
ST A 10:00 AM +Bill Gendron—by his wife Joyce

MONDAY—March 31—NO MASS

Tuesday, April 1

ICC 9:00AM Intentions of Elaina Howard
by the Howard family

WEDNESDAY, April 2

ST A 8:00 AM +Alan Clements—by his wife Nancy
ADORATION 8:30am—10am

THURSDAY, April 3—First Thursday Holy Hour at 6pm

ST C 5:30 PM +Bruno Scarite
by Sharon Stockero-Ryden

FRIDAY, April 4—Stations of the Cross at all 3 parishes

ST C 8:00 AM +Andrew Tomasoski
by Ryan & Melissa Wilhelmi
ADORATION 8:30am—Noon

ICC 10:00 AM +Clement & +Genevieve Hert
by the Howard family

ADORATION 10:30—Noon

SAT., April 5—our Pilgrimage/Penance at Queen of Peace 10am

ICC 4:00 PM For the people

ST A 6:15 PM +Karen Clements—by Nancy Clements

SUNDAY, April 6

ST C 8:00 AM +Charles & +Angeline Reiser
by their daughters
ST A 10:00 AM +Bill Gendron—by his wife Joyce

Community Easter Dinner

St. Agnes Church

Sunday—April 20

1:00—3:00pm for dine-in

Deliveries begin at 11:30am

Take-outs begin at noon

For deliveries and take-outs call:

906-265-4557

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Mar. 31 Mon Is 65:17-21 Jn 4:43-54

Apr. 1 Tue Ez 47:1-9, 12 Jn 5:1-16

Apr. 2 Wed Is 49:8-15 Jn 5:17-30

Apr. 3 Thu Ex 32:7-14 Jn 5:31-47

Apr. 4 Fri Wis 2:1a, 12-22 Jn 7:1-2, 10 25-30

Apr. 5 Sat Jer 11:18-20 Jn 7:40-53

Apr. 6 Sun Is 43:16-21 Phil 3:8-14 Jn 8:1-11

WELCOME

PRO LIFE CORNER

“Abortion is inherently different from other medical procedures because no other procedure involves the purposeful termination of a potential life.”

Glimpses of the Life of Venerable Bishop Baraga

**“Dear Jesus, you carried your cross
to give an example for us
to take up our cross and follow you...to heaven.”**

St. Vincent de Paul

In the Gospel, the prodigal son repents and finds mercy in the heart of his father. Know that your penance during Lent can give the poor grace of finding the merciful heart of God the Father.

In March, through your gifts, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul provided assistance to many families. Thank you!

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

~Fridays in Lent~

10:00am—Immaculate Conception, Watersmeet

5:15pm—St. Cecilia, Caspian

5:15pm—St. Agnes, Iron River

&

**ICC—Stations of the Cross—5:30pm—WEDNESDAYS
followed by Soup & Bread Supper**

**Totally Catholic Fundraiser for our Youth
Be sure to stop by and see the beautiful display of:
Catholic medals, necklaces, bracelets and other items**

March 29—at Immaculate Conception

March 30—at St. Cecilia

April 5 & 6—at St. Agnes

~SEE THE INSERT FOR MORE INFORMATION~

Fr. Daniel invites all parishioners from our 3 parishes to attend our Pilgrimage for the 2025 Jubilee Year! See the insert for venue and events to take place!

GOSPEL MEDITATION—March 30, 2025—Fourth Sunday of Lent

A man looking a bit downtrodden approached me as I filled my car's gas tank. He asked, "May I share with you my testimony about how good God is?" "OK," I skeptically answered. He went on to tell me that he had been an alcoholic and drug addict, and that God had healed him; now he was four years sober. He said, "I didn't deserve it, but now I'm a different person. God is so good! Have a terrific Tuesday!" A few minutes later, as I drove away, I saw him smiling and handing a homeless person some money. I was confronted with a choice: either he was a total fraud or God had changed him. Something had happened to him, and it didn't seem fake. Maybe it was God.

When Jesus heals the man born blind, the man becomes a challenge to everyone who meets him. They must decide. Is he the same blind person who they knew before? Who healed him and how? And what is the status of the one who can heal such infirmities? We shouldn't be surprised at the storm of doubt, hatred and animosity that swirls around the healed man — so it often goes when Jesus heals someone even to this day.

Like we often do, the religious leaders confronting the healed man declare that God is not at work. They ask with mocking superiority and dismissive disdain, "You were born totally in sin, and are you trying to teach us?" (John 9:34). And they cast him out. When Jesus clearly works in our lives, in us or around us, we should accept it, and give praise and thanks for this wonderful manifestation of his goodness.

Lenten challenge: Think of one way the Lord has healed you. Perhaps he healed a form of selfishness, a physical ailment, or something else. This week, find a person to whom you can share that testimony, and share it. Don't worry if they don't accept it was God who did it. *Father John Muir ©LPi*

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Pledged 17,272
Unpledged 9,759
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#participants 52
30% participants
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For pictures of beautiful Ghana go to our Churches' Facebook page!

You'll see the area where Fr. Daniel is from and the group from our parishes, and friends and all the sites they experienced.

OUR TREASURE SHARED

ST. AGNES

Adults.....	\$ 743.00
Loose.....	180.00
Easter flowers.....	20.00
Fuel/utility.....	17.00
Votives.....	38.75
Total last week.....	\$ 998.75

38 envelopes, 22%, averaging \$19.55

ST. CECILIA

Adults.....	\$1137.00
Loose.....	38.00
Votives.....	21.25
Flowers.....	165.00
Total last week.....	\$1391.25

40 envelopes, 23%, averaging \$29.18

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

Adults.....	\$ 645.00
Loose.....	50.00
Votives.....	9.00
Total last week.....	\$ 704.00

14 envelopes, 27%, averaging \$46.07

Thank you for your generosity!

**St. Agnes—St. Cecilia—Immaculate Conception
parishioners are all invited to take part in our**

Pilgrimage

Venue: Queen of Peace Church—Kingsford

Date: Saturday—April 5, 2025

Time: 10:00 am

Activities:

Rosary

Reflection

Stations of the Cross

Confessions (several priests available)

Holy Mass

Coffee, water, and snacks will be provided.



Fifth Sunday of Lent

April 6, 2025

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by their daughters

ST A 10:00 AM +Bill Gendron
by his wife Joyce

MONDAY, April 7—NO MASS

TUESDAY, April 8

ICC 9:00 AM +Sandy Amundson
by the Howard Family

WEDNESDAY, April 9

ST A 8:00 AM +Jeanette Larson
by George & Jeanne Polanin

Adoration—8:30—10:30am at St. Agnes

ICC—5:30 PM—STATIONS OF THE CROSS
followed by Soup & Bread Supper

THURSDAY, April 10

ST C 5:30 PM +Angeline (Abata) Reiser
by her daughters

FRIDAY, April 11—Stations of the Cross—Sched. next column

ST C 8:00 AM +Richard Angeli (his birthday)
+Carol Ann Angeli
by Mary, Sarah, Anna Sparapani

ADORATION—8:30am—Noon at St. Cecilia

ICC 10:00 AM +Barbara Cunningham
by the Howard Family

Stations of the Cross follows Mass

SATURDAY, April 12

ICC NO 4pm MASS (on Palm Sunday at—10:15)

ST A 4:00 PM +Jeanette Larson
by George & Jeanne Polanin

PALM SUNDAY, April 13

ST C 8:00 AM For the people

ICC 10:15 AM +Bill Gendron
by his wife Joyce

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Apr 7 Mon Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30,33-62 Jn 8:12-20
Apr 8 Tue Nm 21:4-9 Jn 8:21-30

Apr 9 Wed Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95 Jn 8:31-42
Apr 10 Thu Gn 17:3-9 Jn 8:51-59

Apr 11 Fri Jer 20:10-13 Jn 10:31-42
Apr 12 Sat Ez 37:21-28 Jn 11:45-56

Apr 13 Sun Lk 19:28-40 Is 50:4-7 Phil 2:6-11 Lk 23:1-49

WELCOME

PRO LIFE CORNER

“The opinion is that since they (the old) can no longer make money, they are obsolete machines, comparable with some old cows that can no longer give milk or some horse that has gone lame...Here we are dealing with human beings, with our neighbors, brothers and sisters, the poor and the invalids...unproductive, perhaps. But have they, therefore, lost the right to live? Have you or I the right to exist only because we are productive?”
(August 3, 1941) Pro-Life Articles

Glimpses of the Life of Venerable Bishop Baraga

KITCHI JAWENDAGOSIWIN: “There is no greater joy in this world than to receive your Lord and God in Holy Communion.”

St. Vincent de Paul

Fifth Sunday of Lent

In today's Gospel, Jesus is the model of compassion and kindness. He shows us how to be merciful and nonjudgmental.

When we give to the poor, God indeed pours his love, peace and mercy into our hearts and into the hearts of those suffering in poverty.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

ST. AGNES—5:15PM—FRIDAYS

ST. CECILIA—5:15PM—FRIDAYS

ICC—follows 10:00AM Mass—FRIDAYS

ICC—Wednesdays—5:30pm—Stations of the Cross
Followed by Soup & Bread Supper.

Community Easter Dinner

Sunday—April 20

St. Agnes Church—Iron River, Michigan

Dine-in served: 1:00—3:00pm

Deliveries will begin at 11:30am

Take-outs available for pick-up at NOON

There is NO CHARGE for this dinner & all in the area are welcome.

If you would like to help with prep, serving, or clean-up see Marni or call Kathy at the Rectory Office.

If you can't work but would like to help, these items are needed: cut green beans/sweet potatoes/pineapple tidbits. Boxes at church.

Please pray for the Eternal Repose of the souls of

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GOSPEL MEDITATION—April 6, 2025—Fifth Sunday of Lent

“The scribes and the Pharisees brought a woman who had been caught in adultery and made her stand in the middle” (John 8:3). Why do they make her stand in the middle? Why not expose her on the periphery? The reason is something that affects us practically every day.

The center is what stabilizes a community’s identity. We humans tend to center ourselves around an accused and condemned victim — though we rarely admit it. This renews our fragile communities and our power as those who weaponize the accusation. This is effective because it is often a victim who represents something truly dangerous for the group. In this case, adultery stands for the breakdown of a community and those within it, because it forces questions like: who is my father? Whose child is this? Is this child one of us, or that of an outsider? The accusers place the adulteress in the center because their community, like most, is built around turning an enemy into a victim.

Once you understand this, you’ll see it almost anywhere humans group together (families, politics, workplaces, sports, schools, etc.). The good news is Jesus exposes this dynamic by deftly pointing out the sin-infected hearts of everyone besides the woman. They all leave, symbolizing the breakdown of the old order, and she is “left alone before him.” A new community has begun, structured around the merciful love of Christ.

What is in your center? What is in the center of our parish and family communities? Strive to center on Christ’s forgiveness, and we experience the new, lasting community we call the Church. *Father John Muir* ©LPi

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~Palm Sunday Mass Schedule~

Saturday—April 12

St. Agnes—4pm

Sunday—April 13

St. Cecilia—8am

Holy Week Schedule:

Holy Thursday—April 17

Immaculate Conception—4pm

St. Cecilia—7pm

Good Friday—April 18

Immaculate Conception—12 noon

St. Cecilia—3pm

Holy Saturday—Easter Vigil—April 19

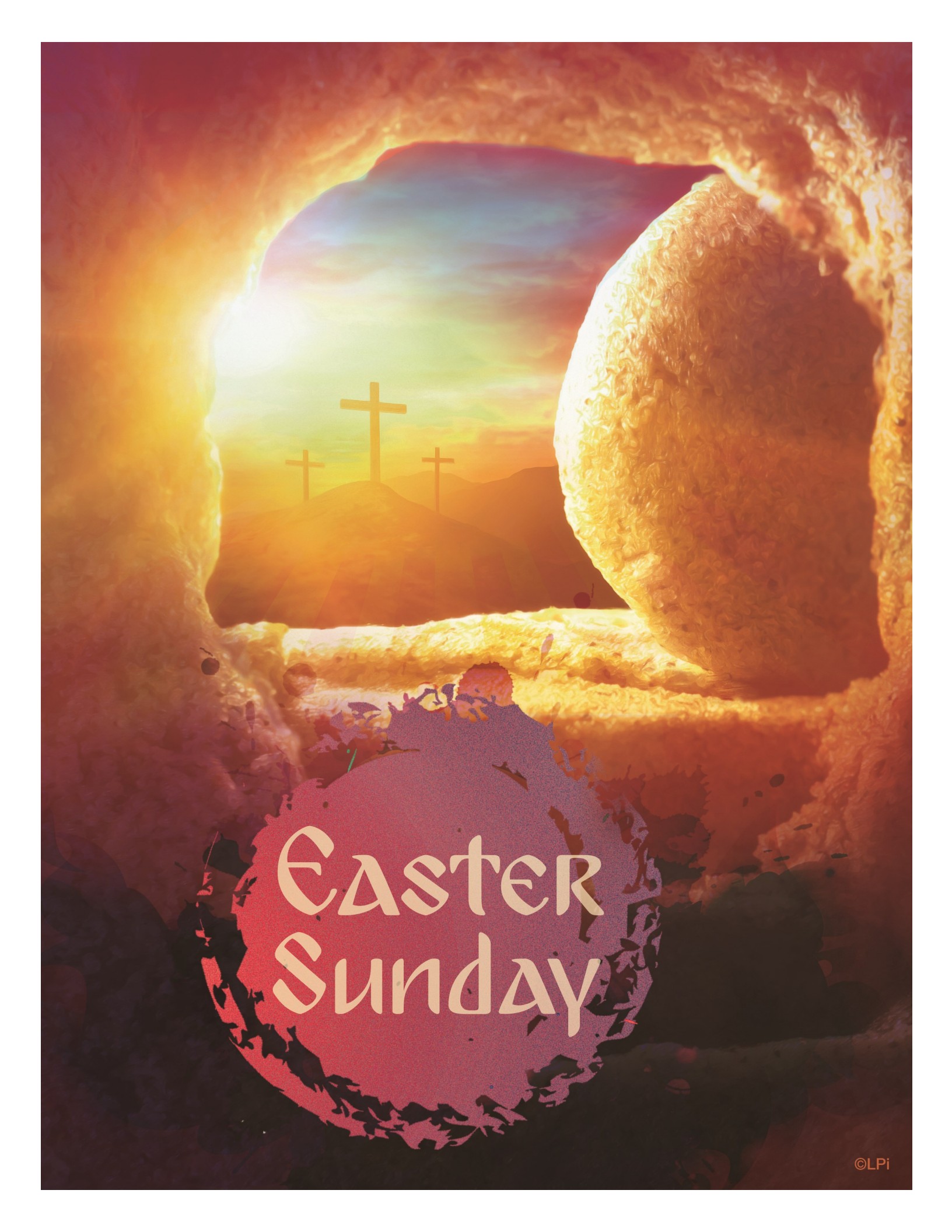
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~EASTER SUNDAY~

April 20

St. Cecilia—8am

Immaculate Conception—10:15am



Easter Sunday

MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, April 19—Easter Vigil

ST A 8:00 PM +Gene Peruzzi
by Bill & Donna Rossi

EASTER SUNDAY, April 20—The Resurrection of the Lord

ST C 8:00 AM +Betty Bal
by Ryan & Melissa Wilhelmi
ICC 10:15 AM For the people

MONDAY, April 21—NO MASS

TUESDAY, April 22

ICC 9:00 AM—NO MASS

WEDNESDAY, April 23

ST A 8:00 AM—NO MASS
NO Adoration—at St. Agnes

THURSDAY, April 24

ST C 5:30 PM—NO MASS

FRIDAY, April 25

ST C 8:00 AM—NO MASS
NO ADORATION—at St. Cecilia

ICC 10:00 AM—NO MASS

SATURDAY, April 26

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by *Darlene Bruno &*
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by George & Jeanne Polanin

SUNDAY, April 27—Divine Mercy

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SCRIPTURE READINGS

<u>Apr 21 Mon</u>	Acts 2:14, 22-23 Mt 28:8-15
<u>Apr 22 Tue</u>	Acts 2:36-41 Jn 20:11-18
<u>Apr 23 Wed</u>	Acts 3:1-10 Lk 24:13-35
<u>Apr 24 Thu</u>	Acts 3:11-26 Lk 24:35-48
<u>Apr 25 Fri</u>	Acts 4:1-12 Jn 21:1-14
<u>Apr 26 Sat</u>	Acts 4:13-21 Mk 16:9-15
<u>Apr 27 Sun</u>	Acts 5:12-16 Rv 1:9-11a, 12-13 Jn 20:19-31

WELCOME TO OUR TRI-PARISH FAMILY

PRO LIFE CORNER

We all agree that every child should be wanted. This is an idealistic goal, but sadly we do not live in an idyllic world.

Moreover, since when does anyone's right to live depend upon someone else wanting them? Women rightfully resent that the value of a woman is sometimes determined by whether a man wants her. How can anyone possibly insist that the value of an unborn baby is to be determined by whether a mother wants him or her at any given time? To use being wanted by someone as a measure of whether a human life is allowed to live is a truly frightening concept. Its converse logically awaits us...that the unwanted can be eliminated. Don't forget that Hitler's Germany was ideal for wanted Aryans.

Glimpses of the Life of Venerable Bishop Baraga

"Now is the time to betake ourselves to the merciful Heart of Jesus."

St. Vincent de Paul

Today as we celebrate the feast of Easter, like Mary Magdalene and the Disciples we find the challenge of also seeing and believing the resurrection.

As you give your donation to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul, know that you help those who are poor and hungry to "see and believe" in the Resurrection.

Community Easter Dinner

Sunday—April 20

St. Agnes Church—Iron River, Michigan
Dine-in served: 1:00—3:00pm

While it is too late for deliver or take-outs...
you may still come to the Church to dine-in.

There is NO CHARGE for this dinner & all in the area are welcome.

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When I was a young boy, my parents told me about their wedding. Then a few years later, they showed me my mother's wedding dress and my dad's suit. It was astonishing to see and touch garments that connected me to the event that led to my existence. Of course, I already believed they were married based on their word. But these holy garments made the event real and tangible for me.

Something like this is at play when St. John reports encountering in Jesus' tomb, "the cloth that had covered his head, not with the burial cloths but rolled up in a separate place" (John 20:7). Those two separate cloths, for his head and for his body respectively, meant a great deal to St. John and to the early Christians. Some years after the resurrection, there surfaced reports of two cloths with unusual characteristics, one bearing the image of a crucified man's body, another smaller one with the image of a wounded man's face. Some call them the Shroud of Turin and the Veil of Manoppello; they both can be seen today.

These two cloths have a long and complicated history, and scholars debate aspects of them. If you're curious, I encourage you to read about them. To be clear, I believe in the resurrection of Jesus because of the testimony of eyewitnesses and the gift of faith in the Church. Nevertheless, seeing these two mysterious cloths have made the life-giving event of Jesus' resurrection more real and tangible for me. Maybe they will for you, too.

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ST. AGNES—March 30

Adults.....	\$ 927.00
Loose.....	105.00
Easter.....	130.00
Easter flowers.....	30.00
Fuel/utility.....	27.00
Votives.....	62.25
Total last week.....	\$1281.25

Online giving...\$167.30

33 envelopes, 20%, averaging \$28.09

ST. AGNES—March 30

Adults.....	\$2385.00
Loose.....	397.00
Easter flowers.....	20.00
Fuel/utility.....	240.00
Total last week.....	\$3042.00

33 envelopes, 20%, averaging \$28.09

ST. CECILIA

Adults.....	\$1332.00
Loose.....	56.00
Easter.....	25.00
Easter flowers.....	110.00
Fuel/utility.....	95.00
Votives.....	47.60
Total last week.....	\$1665.60

Online giving...\$35.00

St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry...\$233.61

24 envelopes, 24%, averaging \$30.98

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION—March 30

Adults.....	\$1070.00
Loose.....	92.00
Votives.....	16.00
Total last week.....	\$1178.00

15 envelopes, 29%, averaging \$71.33

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION—April 7

Adults.....	\$ 540.00
Loose.....	115.00
Fuel/utility.....	43.00
Votives.....	18.00
Total last week.....	\$ 716.00

20 envelopes, 38%, averaging \$27.00

Thank you for your generosity!



Second Sunday of Easter Sunday of Divine Mercy April 27, 2025

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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.

BULLETIN NOTICES

Submit bulletin notices *in writing* to the St. Agnes Rectory Office 8 days prior to publication.

MASS—CONFESSION—ADORATION SCHEDULES

St. Agnes

6:15pm Saturday

10:00am Sunday

8:00am Wednesday—Adoration to follow this Mass
Confession at St. Cecilia—9:00am-10:00am Saturday

St. Cecilia

8:00am Sunday

5:30pm Thursday—1st Thursday Holy Hour at 6:00pm

8:00am Friday—Adoration to follow this Mass

Confession—9:00am-10:00am Saturday

Immaculate Conception

9:00am Tuesday

10:00am Friday

4:00pm Saturday

Confession—3:00-3:45pm Saturday

Adoration—10:30am-noon Friday

PRAYER CHAIN—Call or Text 612-709-7868

For Prayer Requests and/or to be a Prayer Warrior



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.

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ICC 4:00 PM +Arnoldine Basanese

by Darlene Bruno & Gerry Berezik

ST A 6:15 PM +Jeanette Larson

by George & Jeanne Polanin

SUNDAY, April 27

ST C 8:00 AM +Hugh Brown

by Ryan & Melissa Wilhelmi

ST A 10:00 AM For the people

MONDAY, April 28—NO MASS

TUESDAY, April 29

ICC 9:00AM +David Clinton

by the Howard family

WEDNESDAY, April 30

ST A 8:00 AM +Jim Harris

by his wife Judy

ST A—ADORATION 8:30 AM to 10:30 AM

THURSDAY, May 1

ST C 5:30 AM +Frank Hartman

by his wife and family

ST C 6:00 PM First Thursday HOLY HOUR

FRIDAY, May 2

ST C 8:00 AM +Shirley Nardi

by Mark & Sheri Stauber

ADORATION follows Mass until noon

ICC 10:00 AM +Tom Baer

by Mark & Kath McGrath

ADORATION follows Mass until noon

SATURDAY, May 3

ICC 4:00 PM +Tom Korpi

by Darlene Bruno & Gerry Berezik

ST A 6:15 PM +LeRoy Dobson

by Mark & Sheri Stauber

SUNDAY, May 4

ST C 8:00 AM For the people

ST A 10:00 AM +Gene Peruzzi

by Bill & Donna Rossi

First Communion & May Crowning at this Mass

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Apr 14 Mon Is 42:1-7 Jn 12:1-11

Apr 15 Tue Is 49:1-6 Jn 13:21-33, 36-38

Apr 30 Wed Acts 5:17-26 Jn 3:16-21

May 1 Thu Acts 5:27-33/Jn 3:31-36

May 2 Fri Acts 5:34-2-42 Jn 6:1-15

May 3 Sat 1 Cor 15:1-8 Jn 14:6-14

May 4 Sun Acts 5:27-32, 40b-41 Rv 5:11-14 Jn 21:1-19

WELCOME

PRO LIFE CORNER

The truth about abortion has been censored by the media, silenced by our courts, politicized by our politicians and even silenced in our churches and schools. Babies in the womb have no voice except yours and mine. We cannot remain silent any longer!

Pro-Life Articles Author

Glimpses of the Life of Venerable Bishop Baraga

Frederic Baraga loved virtue, especially hospitality, he said: "The finest characteristic of an Indian is his hospitality; they possess it in a high degree and practice it unconditionally; learn this from them."

St. Vincent de Paul

In the Gospel today, Jesus stands in the midst of us and says: "Peace be with you!" Indeed, the mercy of God centers our heart in peace.

In the month of March our local St. Vincent de Paul Society assisted 137 families (328 people) with food, 5 clothing vouchers to the St. Vincent Store, 2 vouchers for gasoline to medical appointments, and 3 requests for help with utilities. Thank you.

**St. Anne Society
Bakeless Bake Sale
Now until mid May**

Envelopes are in the pews, at St. Cecilia, for your convenience. Your donations will go toward various events and projects that St. Anne supports, such as the Annual Easter Dinner and the Annual Father's Day Family Breakfast. Thank you for your generosity and support.

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May 18**

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**A Coffee Social—by the Out Reach Mission Team.
Mark you calendars & come join us!**

Second Sunday of Easter (Sunday of Divine Mercy)

It's common for Catholics to hear the question, "Why do I have to go to a priest to have my sins forgiven?" I've never liked that question because not only is it clunky (confession is the ordinary way for the pardoning of serious sins, not lesser ones). But it misses the larger context: the wonderful origins of the sacrament itself. And this context is deeply Jewish.

Ancient Jews associated forgiveness of sins with priests offering sacrifices in the Jerusalem temple. It was a solemn, public, and tangible way to access God's mercy. So when the risen Jesus breathes on the Apostles and says, "Whose sins you forgive are forgiven them, and whose sins you retain are retained" (John 20:23), the upshot is remarkable: he is the new temple and his Apostles are the new priests. Jerusalem is no longer the place to find forgiveness from sin. Jesus' body, the Church, is.

So why should we go to the Sacrament of Confession? For the same reason ancient Jews went to the temple in Jerusalem: to experience the intimacy, joy, and life-giving power of God's eternal forgiveness

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Loose.....	489.50
Easter \$50/St.VdP \$15.....	65.00
Easter flowers.....	20.00
Total last week.....	\$1589.50

40 envelopes, 24%, averaging \$25.38

ST. CECILIA

Adults.....	\$2614.00
Loose.....	117.00
Easter flowers \$75/Easter \$55	130.00
St.VdP \$11/UP Cath \$10/First \$4	25.00
Fuel/utility.....	115.00
Votives.....	56.75
Total last week.....	\$3057.75

77 envelopes, 44%, averaging \$33.95

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

Adults.....	\$ 890.00
Loose.....	105.00
Easter.....	75.00
Fuel/utility.....	5.00
Votives.....	23.00
Total last week.....	\$1098.00

20 envelopes, 38%, averaging \$44.50

OUR TREASURE SHARED—April 27, 2025

ST. AGNES

Adults.....	\$1515.00
Loose.....	187.00
Easter \$790/flowers \$15.....	805.00
Votives.....	40.75
Total last week.....	\$2557.75

30 envelopes, 18%, averaging \$50.50

ST. CECILIA

Adults.....	\$1010.00
Loose.....	355.00
Easter \$902/First offering \$10	912.00
First offering.....	10.00
Fuel/utility.....	12.00
Votives.....	68.75
Total last week.....	\$2351.75

28 envelopes, 16%, averaging \$30.07

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

Adults.....	\$ 370.00
Loose.....	123.00
Easter.....	804.00
Votives.....	28.00
Total last week.....	\$1325.00

17 envelopes, 38%, averaging \$41.11

St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry...\$156.66

Thank you for your generosity!

Congratulations to our First Communicants

Emery Benson
Dominic Bofinger
Grayson Goodman
Hadley Jacobs
Rayne Olson
Riley Shimun
Nathan Smith

May 4, 2025



FIRST COMMUNION



MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, May 3

ICC 4:00 PM +Tom Korpi
by Darlene Bruno & Gerry Berezik
ST A 6:15 PM +LeRoy Dobson
by Mark & Sheri Stauber

SUNDAY, May 4

ST C 8:00 AM For the people
ST A 10:00 AM +Gene Peruzzi
by Bill & Donna Rossi
First Holy Communion & May Crowning at this Mass

MONDAY, May 5—NO MASS

TUESDAY, May 6

ICC 9:00 AM +Kathleen Kudlaty—day of her Baptism
by Janice & Jim Kanis

WEDNESDAY, May 7

ST A 8:00 AM Living & Deceased of Rosary Sodality
Adoration until 10:30am

THURSDAY, May 8

ST C 5:30 PM **NO MASS**
(Mass that was scheduled is changed to 10-24-2025)

FRIDAY, May 9

ST C 8:00 AM +Norbert Perdsock
by Mark & Sheri Stauber
Adoration—until noon at St. Cecilia
ICC 10:00 AM +Peggy Rose
by Knights of Columbus Council 2300
Adoration—until noon at ICC

SATURDAY, May 10

ICC 4:00 PM +Arnoldine Basanese
by Mark & Kath McGrath
ST A 6:15 PM For the people

SUNDAY, May 11—Mother's Day

Breakfast after 8am Mass—all mothers/children/grandchildren
ST C 8:00 AM +Frank Hartman
by his wife and family
ST A 10:00 AM +Mary Murdoch (her birthday)
by Mary Pellizzaro & family

SCRIPTURE READINGS

<u>May 5 Mon</u>	Acts 6:8-15 Jn 6:22-29
<u>May 6 Tue</u>	Acts 7:51—8:1a
<u>May 7 Wed</u>	Acts 8:1b-8 Jn 6:35-40
<u>May 8 Thu</u>	Acts 8:26-40 Jn 6:44-51
<u>May 9 Fri</u>	Acts 9:1-20 Jn 6:52-59
<u>May 10 Sat</u>	Acts 9:31-42 Jn 6:60-69
<u>May 11 Sun</u>	Acts 13:14, 43-52 Rev 7:9 Jn 10:27-30

WELCOME TO OUR TRI-PARISH FAMILY

PRO LIFE CORNER

“America you are beautiful and blessed. The ultimate test of your greatness is the way you treat every human being, but especially the weakest and most defenseless. If you want equal justice for all and true freedom and lasting peace, then America, defend life”. Pope John Paul II

Glimpses of the Life of Venerable Bishop Baraga

“O Mary...Jesus loves you greatly...He promises that at all times He is ready to help us at your request...”

St. Vincent de Paul

This Sunday's Gospel, the disciples in their struggle finally recognize Jesus and proclaim, “It is the Lord!”

Have you considered answering the call to help the poor recognize the Lord in their life by joining the Society of St. Vincent de Paul?

The Community Easter Dinner Committee

would like to thank all our dedicated, hardworking crew who come through for us each year! Thank you to all who donated canned goods and those who made monetary donations.

A special thank you to Fr. Daniel!

370 meals (our best count, but probably closer to 400) were served either by delivery, take-out or dine-in!

We are pleased and honored to serve members of our community, thank you for taking part.

You are all very much appreciated and know that this dinner could not happen without each and every one of you.

Every Carmelite vocation is a gift from God to the Diocese and to the whole Church. The weekend of May 11, there will be a “special second collection” for the Carmelite Nuns’ Rescue Vocation Fund.”
For more information, a letter from Mother Jacinta Maria will be read at the end of each Mass next weekend. The Carmelite Monastery has been an oasis of spiritual graces for 74 years to the people of God especially here in the Diocese of Marquette.
Let us encourage, promote and support Carmelite vocations.
Thank you.

Please pray for the Eternal Repose of the soul of

Art Hibbard, Jr.
who passed away recently.

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

GOSPEL MEDITATION—May 4, 2025—Third Sunday of Easter

I eat breakfast. If I don't have something substantial, I'm fading by midmorning. Breakfast is my key meal because it sets up my physical wellbeing for the rest of the day.

Spiritually speaking, we need sustenance to get us going. This is true for the Apostles in this Sunday's remarkable Gospel reading. The risen Jesus makes his third appearance to them in the early morning light and calls, "Come, have breakfast" (John 21:12). The exhausted and cold fishermen sit, and he feeds them bread and fish as the dawn breaks. They are overwhelmed by his presence to the point of awestruck silence. As they eat, their bodies and their hearts come alive. Once refreshed by their morning meal, they will be ready to feed others — indeed, the whole world — with the love of the risen Jesus. But first, they need breakfast from him.

Do you realize how essential early morning prayer is? Jesus desires to refresh us every morning with his word of love, with his grace-filled presence. This week, hear Jesus calling to you: "Come, have breakfast!" Embrace some form of spiritual, meditative practice each morning for spiritual strength to get you going.

Father John Muir ©LPi

MOTHER'S DAY BREAKFAST

May 11—following 8am Mass at St. Cecilia

All mothers, daughters and grandchildren are invited to join us for a delicious breakfast in Father Sartorelli Hall.

The breakfast is prepared & served by members of the Holy Name Men's Club

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CHANGE COLLECTION: CANISTERS AT CHURCH ENTRANCES

HOLY HOUR

On the first Thursday of the month—St. C

**Keep up-to-date
on information and
event pictures by following us on
FACEBOOK
our webpage and
TABELLA!**

OUR TREASURE SHARED

ST. AGNES—April 27

Adults.....	\$1072.00
Loose.....	268.00
Easter.....	100.00
Total last week.....	\$1440.00

40 envelopes, 24%, averaging \$26.80
St. Vincent de Paul....\$255.50

ST. CECILIA—April 27

Adults.....	\$1632.00
Loose.....	73.00
Easter.....	110.00
UP Catholic.....	20.00
First offering.....	4.00
Fuel/utility.....	25.00
Total last week.....	\$1864.00

44 envelopes, 25%, averaging \$37.09
St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry...\$226.14

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION—April 27

Adults.....	\$ 445.00
Loose.....	100.00
Easter.....	50.00
Fuel/utility.....	5.00
Votives.....	18.00
Total last week.....	\$ 618.00

18 envelopes, 34%, averaging \$24.72
St. Vincent de Paul....\$300.00

Thank you for your generosity!



Fourth Sunday of Easter

May 11, 2025



CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR 2025 CONFIRMANDI

LeRoy Olson

Noah Perlongo

Aubrey Richardson

Margie Snow

Jeremiah Wiegand

May God Bless You All

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ICC 4:00 PM +Arnoldine Basanese
by Mark & Kath McGrath

ST A 6:15 PM For the people

SUNDAY, May 11—HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY!

Mothers, daughters & grandchildren
join us for breakfast after the 8am Mass

ST C 8:00 AM +Frank Hartman
by his wife Patty & family

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by Mary Pellizzaro & family

MONDAY, May 12—NO MASS

TUESDAY, May 13

ICC 9:00AM +Mike Jacobs
by Knights of Columbus Council 2300

WEDNESDAY, May 14

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

ADORATION follows Mass until noon

THURSDAY, May 15

ST C 5:30 PM +Richard & +Carol Angeli
by Mary, Sarah & Anna Sparapani

FRIDAY, May 16

ST C 8:00 AM +Frank Hartman
by Larry & Bonnie Evanoff

ADORATION follows Mass until noon

ICC 10:00 AM **NO MASS TODAY**

The scheduled Mass changed to 7-1-25

NO ADORATION

SATURDAY, May 17

ICC 4:00 PM +Arnoldine Basanese
by Florence Dravecky

ST A 6:15 PM Italian Ladies Benefit Society-
for the living and deceased members

SUNDAY, May 18

ST C 8:00 AM For the people

ST A 10:00 AM +Louis Mitchell—for his 3-23 birthday
by Mark & Ann Truax

St. Anne Society—Bakeless Bake Sale

Now until mid May

Envelopes are in the pews, at St. Cecilia, for your convenience.

SCRIPTURE READINGS

May 12 Mon Acts 13:14, 43-52 Rev 7:9 Jn 10:27-30

May 13 Tue Acts 11:19-26 Jn 10:22-30

May 14 Wed Acts 1:15-17, 20-26 Jn 15:9-17

May 15 Thu Acts 13:13-25 Jn 13:16-20

May 16 Fri Acts 13:26-33 Jn 14:1-6

May 17 Sat Acts 13:44-52 Jn 14:7-14

May 18 Sun Acts 14:21-27 Rv 21:1-5a Jn 13:31-33a

WELCOME

PRO LIFE CORNER

"We're called to be Pro-Life"

Tim Tebow

Glimpses of the Life of Venerable Bishop Baraga

**"O Mary...you wish to help us always and bestow your
favors on us...intercede for us before God..."**

St. Vincent de Paul

**On this Sunday we reflect on the care and love of Jesus for
us.**

Your gift to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul will show that
you are indeed the disciple of Jesus, the Good Shepherd, as it
will bring your love to those who live in fear and doubt, loneli-
ness and dread.

Did you know?!

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Lamp Stand Candle—St. Agnes

May 11

In memory of

Peggy Rose

by Jan, Derek, Koren, Noah & Nick Perlongo

Lamp Stand Candle—St. Cecilia

May 17

In memory of

Carmen Nardi

by her family

Lamp Stand Candle—St. Cecilia

May 17

In memory of

Bruce Sartorelli

by his family

GOSPEL MEDITATION—May 11, 2025—Fourth Sunday of Easter

A few years back, I felt as if I couldn't hear God's voice the way I used to. The words in the Bible seemed like cold ink on a page. Prayer felt like sitting anxiously in a lonely room. I was worried — how could I, a priest, preach or help others if I couldn't hear God's voice? It went on for months.

Then a friend encouraged me to go on a retreat and spend as much time as possible in silence. After a day or two of quiet prayer, I noticed gentle but clear thoughts of repentance in two specific areas of my life. I asked God for the grace to change, and I went to confession. Suddenly, the divine silence that haunted me was filled with a sense of God's closeness and goodness. I realized, gratefully, that God had been speaking to me in the quiet voice of my conscience.

This week we hear Jesus say, "My sheep hear my voice. I know them and they follow me" (John 10:27). Jesus links the hearing of his voice to following him. He speaks to us in our conscience in an intimate, personal way, when we most need to hear him. When you feel deaf to God's voice, perhaps it is time to listen in silence for His voice in your conscience calling you to hear and follow the Good Shepherd of your soul.

Father John Muir ©LPi

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HOLY HOUR

First Thursday of the month—6pm—St. Cecilia

Donating Your IRA Distributions to a Charity

***Individuals 70 1/2 and older can donate
up to \$108,000 per year directly from a
traditional IRA to qualifying charities.
This is attractive to some investors be-
cause qualified charitable distributions
can be used to satisfy required
minimum distributions from an IRA
without having the distribution
included in their income.
Contact your financial advisor
for more information.***

OUR TREASURE SHARED

ST. AGNES

Adults.....	\$2188.00
Loose.....	500.00
Retirement.....	255.00
Ascension.....	130.00
Fuel/utility.....	368.00
Total last week.....	\$3441.00
66 envelopes, 39%, averaging \$32.65	

ST. CECILIA

Adults.....	\$2350.00
Loose.....	101.00
Retirement.....	5.00
Ascension.....	5.00
Fuel/utility.....	83.00
Votives.....	22.50
Total last week.....	\$2566.50
33 envelopes, 19%, averaging \$71.21	

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

Adults.....	\$ 620.00
Loose.....	93.00
Fuel/utility.....	23.00
Votives.....	15.00
Total last week.....	\$
17 envelopes, 32%, averaging \$36.47	

Thank you for your generosity!

2025 Graduates Baccalaureate Mass

**Sierra Hooper
Clare Howard
Katrina McNamara
Eiley Meske
Kaitlyn Smith
Tony Wiegand**

May 18, 2025



*May God bless you abundantly with love,
wisdom, and guidance as you move to the next
phase of your life. Remember, you are always
welcome at your parish.
Your parish family will keep you in prayer.*

MASS INTENTIONS

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Graduating Seniors Baccalaureate Mass

MONDAY, May 19—NO MASS

TUESDAY, May 20

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ST A 8:00 AM +Mike Jacobs
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by Mark & Sheri Stauber

Adoration—until noon at St. Cecilia

ICC 10:00 AM +Genevieve & Clement Hert
by the Howard family

Adoration—until noon at ICC

SATURDAY, May 24

ICC 4:00 PM For the people
ST A 6:15 PM +Terry LaFountain
by Jim & Sandy Dennis

SUNDAY, May 25

ST C 8:00 AM +Carole Widas
by Mark & Sheri Stauber
ST A 10:00 AM +Rose Remondini
by Mark & Ann Truax

SCRIPTURE READINGS

<u>May 19 Mon</u>	Acts 14:5-18 Jn 14:21-26
<u>May 20 Tue</u>	Acts 14:19-28 Jn 14:27-31a
<u>May 21 Wed</u>	Acts 15:1-6 Jn 15:1-8
<u>May 22 Thu</u>	Acts 15:7-21 Jn 15:9-11
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PRO LIFE CORNER

It's not a choice, it is a baby.

Glimpses of the Life of Venerable Bishop Baraga

**“O Mary...Queen of heaven and earth...
help us examine whether we live in charity with all...”**

St. Vincent de Paul

In the Gospel today, Jesus says, “I give you a new commandment: love one another...This is how all will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another.”

Our local St. Vincent de Paul pantry assisted 190 families (477 people) with food, 11 vouchers for diapers, 2 vouchers for gasoline to medical appointments, 2 requests for help with rent and 6 requests for help with utilities.

Come join us for BOOK STUDY every Tuesday at 6:00pm in the St. Agnes Little Flower Room.
Reflection from the crowd, periodically, throughout the reading.
Moderated by Fr. Daniel

*Thank you
Dolores Sapletal
for your Easter Flower donation.*

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Scott Johnson
for his birthday
By Mom & Dad*

*Lamp Stand Candle—St. Agnes
In memory of
Peggy Rose
By the St. Cecilia & St. Agnes Conference Food Pantry*

GOSPEL MEDITATION—May 18, 2025—Fifth Sunday of Easter

I've always found it amazing that Jesus never says to his disciples the straightforward and bumper stickery words "I love you" or "I will always love you" (a la Dolly Parton's song). Why doesn't Jesus say, "I love you"?

Well, actually he does, but in particular ways. He says, "As the Father loves me, so I love you" (John 15:9) thereby rooting his love for us in the space of the Holy Trinity. This week he commands, "Love another as I have loved you" (John 13:34). He presents his love for us as a completed action which continues into the present moment. How has he loved us? By becoming one of us, one with us, and finally giving his life for us in his suffering on the cross. We weren't there when he did that, but neither were his Apostles (except one). Still, that action is his great "I love you" to us.

His love is also hedged in a command: "Love one another." So how can we practically follow it? The great St. John XXIII wrote in his diary that each day he followed this rule: "Only for today, I will do one good deed and not tell anyone about it." The hidden nature of a good deed is a sign that it is truly loving. This week, take on St. John XXIII's practical method of following Jesus' great commandment of love. It's a splendid way to say, "I love you." *Father John Muir* ©LPi

"Do you have a will or trust? Do you have powers of attorney documents for health care and financial purposes? Without these important documents you or your loved ones may have negative consequences. Are you charitable minded but just don't know what steps to take to be generous and leave a legacy?"

Elder law attorney, Jacob Spear, will be here on

Tuesday, June 17, 2025 at 6:00pm in the St. Agnes Parish hall.

Registration and a light meal with refreshments will begin at 5:15pm.

Please join us for this free event!

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Adults.....	\$1121.00
Loose.....	228.00
Retirement.....	20.00
Ascension.....	5.00
Fuel/utility.....	90.00
Votives.....	53.25
Total last week.....	\$1517.25

49 envelopes, 29%, averaging \$22.88

ST. CECILIA

Adults.....	\$1907.00
Loose.....	236.00
Retirement.....	25.00
Ascension.....	15.00
Fuel/utility.....	115.00
Votives.....	51.00
Total last week.....	\$2349.00

63 envelopes, 36%, averaging \$30.27

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

Adults.....	\$ 632.00
Loose.....	129.00
Retirement.....	150.00
Votives.....	33.00
Total last week.....	\$ 944.00

22 envelopes, 42%, averaging \$28.73

Thank you for your generosity!



**St. Agnes
Iron River**



**St. Cecilia
Caspian**



**Immaculate Conception
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Sixth Sunday of Easter

May 25, 2025

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by Mark & Sheri StauberST A 10:00 AM +Rose Remondini
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by Lawrence & Lynn Haarala**WEDNESDAY, May 28**ST A 8:00 AM +Tom McGrath
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by the Gene Pellizzaro family**FRIDAY, May 30**ST C 8:00 AM +Frank Hartman
by Rose Rankinen**ADORATION follows Mass until noon**ICC 10:00 AM Arnoldine Basanese
by her husband Parnell**ADORATION follows Mass until noon****SATURDAY, May 31**ICC 4:00 PM For the people
ST A 6:15 PM For the living and deceased members
of the Rosary Sodality**SUNDAY, June 1, The Ascension of the Lord**ST C 8:00 AM +Frank Hartman
by Mark & Sheri Stauber
ST A 10:00 AM +David Gagne
by Mary Ann Lundquist

Please pray for the Eternal Repose of the soul of

Lloyd "Don" Johnson

May he rest in peace and perpetual light shine upon him.

SCRIPTURE READINGS**May 26 Mon** Acts 15:1-2, 22-29 Rv 21:10-14 Jn 14:23-29**May 27 Tue** Acts 16:22-34 Jn 16:5-11**May 28 Wed** Acts 17:15,22—18:1 Jn 16:12-15**May 29 Thu** Acts 18:1-8/Jn 16:16-20**May 30 Fri** Acts 18:9-18 Jn 16:20-23**May 31 Sat** Zeph 3:14-18a or Rom 12:9-16 Lk 1:39-56**June 1 Sun** Acts 1:1-11 Eph 1:17-23 or Heb 9:24-28**WELCOME****PRO LIFE CORNER****"Abortion is legal because babies can't vote."***Joseph Bonkowski***Glimpses of the Life of Venerable Bishop Baraga****"O Mary...help us obtain charity, humility, and perseverance that we may be taken up to heaven..."****St. Vincent de Paul****In the Gospel today, Jesus says to us: "Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you."**

In the month of May, through your gifts, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul brought the love and care of Jesus to the poor by assisting many families. Thank you.

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Mary Commenator****Another fun week with
the TOTUS TUUS team
will be held the week of
June 22....
Children watch for the
mailing to arrive soon!****Coming soon!
Blest Art**On behalf of Christian families in
Bethlehem, Palestine. they will have hand-
carved nativity sets, statues, crosses, rosaries,
and much more beautiful olive wood art.
The weekend of June 14th & 15th, 2025**There are many ways to be generous—Give Now, Give Later, or Give and Receive.
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GOSPEL MEDITATION—May 25, 2025—Sixth Sunday of Easter

Jonathan Haidt's 2024 book entitled "The Anxious Generation" argues that today's kids are marked by significant increases in anxiety, as the title suggests. Smartphones, social media, economic uncertainty, the chaos of a global pandemic, fear regarding climate change, and the so-called "meaning crisis" all contribute to strikingly high levels of anxiety in young people today. I'm a bit older than this generation, but I feel it, too. The world can be too much to handle.

The Gospel this week offers a stunning solution for troubled souls. To his overwhelmed and anxious disciples, the risen Jesus says, "Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you" (John 14:27). His peace is that of the one who was overwhelmed on the cross and then conquered death by the power of his divinity, his bond of love with the Father. He offers us this unshakeable peace.

Of course, mental illness does not magically disappear because of the risen Jesus. But he does walk with us and offer us his peace in the midst of our suffering. The peace the world gives is not like his because it is weak, uncertain, and self-generated. Jesus' peace is strong, sure, and given as a gift from God. He gives it to us amid our anxiety. Will you receive it as a gift? I hope so. He wants to fill the hearts of this generation with his peace.

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***This is attractive to some investors because
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Retirement.....	235.00
Votives.....	56.25
Fuel/utility.....	20.00
Total last week.....	\$2000.25
Rescue Vocation Rund.....	\$211.00
45 envelopes, 26%, averaging \$30.58	

ST. CECILIA

Adults.....	\$1662.00
Loose.....	96.00
Retirement.....	405.00
Ascension & Assumption.....	40.00
Votives.....	22.25
Total last week.....	\$2225.25
Rescue Vocation Fund.....	\$201.00
46 envelopes, 26%, averaging \$36.13	

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

Adults.....	\$ 480.00
Loose.....	194.00
Retirement.....	93.00
Votives.....	12.00
Total last week.....	\$ 779.00
16 envelopes, 31%, averaging \$30.00	
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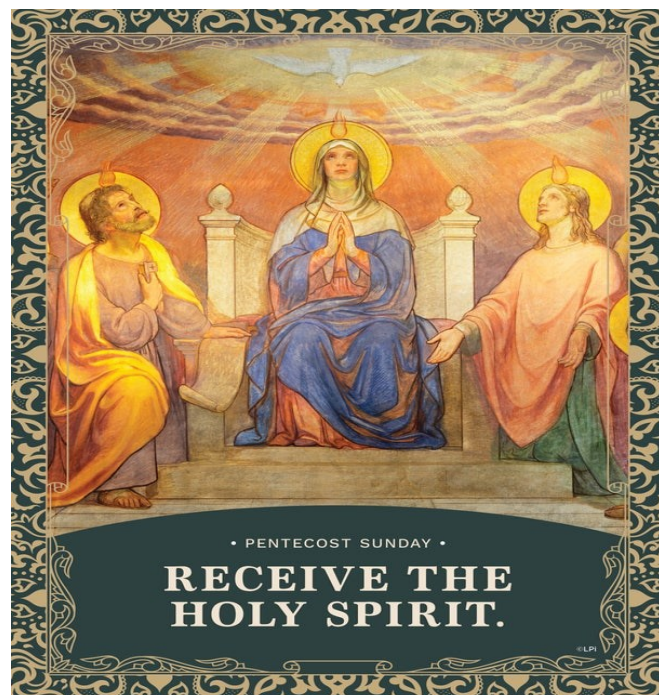
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by Micki & family

MONDAY, June 9—NO MASS**TUESDAY, June 10**

ICC 9:00AM +Edward Darko
(Brother-in-law of Fr. Daniel)
by the Tri-Parish Staff

WEDNESDAY, June 11

ST A 8:00 AM +Mike Jacobs
by Jim & Sandy Dennis

ADORATION follows Mass until noon

THURSDAY, June 12

ST C 5:30 PM +Rose Remondini
by Jim & Jeanette Wealton

FRIDAY, June 13

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

ADORATION follows Mass until noon

ICC 10:00 AM +Bill Stewart
by Bob & Catherine Cole

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SATURDAY, June 14

ICC 4:00 PM +Rebicek family—by Wayne Schemer
ST A 6:15 PM +Bill Gendron—by his wife Joyce

SUNDAY, June 15

ST C 8:00 AM +Mary Raymond (112th birthday 2-8)
by Ann & Frank Raymond

ST A 10:00 AM For the people

Please pray for the Eternal Repose of the souls of

**Kenneth Strom
Julaine Cagle**

May they rest in peace and perpetual light shine upon them.

SCRIPTURE READINGS

June 9 Mon Gn 3:9-15, 20 or Acts 1:12-14 Jn 19:25-34

June 10 Tue 2 Cor 1:18-22 Mt 5:13-16

June 11 Wed Acts 11:21b-6, 13:1-3 Mt 5:17-19

June 12 Thu 2 Cor 3:15—4:1, 3-6 Mt 5:20-26

June 13 Fri 2 Cor 4:7-15 Mt 5:27-32

June 14 Sat 2 Cor 5:14-21 Mt 5:33-37

June 15 Sun Prv 8:22-31 Rom 5:1-5 Jn 16:12-15

WELCOME**PRO LIFE CORNER**

“The largest marginalized group in the world can be found in the U.S. They are the unborn.”

Sister Deirdre Byrne

Glimpses of the Life of Venerable Bishop Baraga

“My daughters and sons, make a sincere effort to love the Spirit...happy indeed is the person who truly loves the Great Spirit.”

St. Vincent de Paul

Today as we celebrate Pentecost the Holy Spirit wants to make us advocates of God’s presence to bring new life to others, especially those who do not know the love of God in their lives.

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In memory of

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by Ramona Ross

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7th—12th grades 7:00pm—9:15pm**

**June 17—June 21 (Monday thru Friday)
1st—6th grades 9am—2:30pm**

~LUNCH & SNACKS WILL BE PROVIDED~

This is a fun week with learning about our faith in song, skits & activities!

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GOSPEL MEDITATION—June 8, 2025—Pentecost Sunday

When I was a seminarian almost 20 years ago, a bank vice president taught us etiquette classes. She said, “Gentlemen, please make sure your breath isn’t bad. Take some breath mints before you hear confessions, okay?” We nervously laughed because the proximity that makes breath noticeable (whether pleasant or not) can be a bit awkward.

When Jesus breathes on his Apostles (John 20:22), he must have been within inches of at least some of them. This closeness of his breath has a purpose: the purpose of forgiveness of sins. “Whose sins you forgive are forgiven them” (John 20:23). Why in the world would the almost uncomfortable closeness of his breath forgive sins?

In the Bible, breath is spirit or wind. It comes from above and makes that which is below to have identity. To not have a single identity is to be multiple, divided. The word “sin” comes from an ancient word that means “to split” or “render asunder.” Sin divides us sinners and the world around us; our spiritual “breath” leaves us and our identity splinters. Only breath from above restores. For example, a shattered vase is rendered whole because the craftsman breathes the spirit of the vase back into it when he repairs it. A human being shattered by sin is made whole by the breath of God, breathed by Jesus through his priests. His breath alone forgives sins. It's always done with his gentle, loving closeness

Father John Muir ©LPi

Lamp Stand Candle—St. Agnes
June 7

**In loving memory of
Al Perlongo**

by Jan, Derek, Koren,
Noah & Nick

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Loose.....	323.00
World Church.....	20.00
Ascension.....	102.00
Fuel/utility.....	150.00
Votives.....	25.50
Total last week.....	\$2276.50
69 envelopes, 24%, averaging \$24.00	

ST. CECILIA

Adults.....	\$2145.00
Loose.....	152.00
Fuel/utility.....	124.00
Retirement.....	5.00
World Church.....	30.00
Ascension.....	246.00
Total last week.....	\$2702.00
31 envelopes, 18%, averaging \$69.49	

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

Adults.....	\$ 510.00
Loose.....	96.00
Ascension.....	85.00
World Church.....	25.00
Votives.....	11.00
Total last week.....	\$ 727.00
14 envelopes, 27%, averaging \$36.43	

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ICC 4:00 PM Rebicek family—by Wayne Schemmer

ST A 6:15 PM +Bill Gendron—by his wife Joyce

SUNDAY, June 15

ST C 8:00 AM +Mary Raymond—for her 112 b-day Feb. 8
by Ann & Frank Raymond

ST A 10:00 AM For the people

MONDAY, June 16—NO MASS

TUESDAY, June 17

ICC 9:00AM +Mary Clinton—by the Howard family

WEDNESDAY, June 18

ST A 8:00 AM +Louise Schurfranz
by Bob & Catherine Cole

ADORATION follows Mass until noon

THURSDAY, June 19

ST C 5:30 PM +Rose Remondini
by Mark & Ann Truax

FRIDAY, June 20

ST C 8:00 AM +Rose Remondini
by Knights of Columbus Council 2300

ADORATION follows Mass until noon

ICC 10:00 AM +Paul Thomas Morse & his daughter
+Michelle Mohlenbacher

by Linda Bolton & Arden and Molly Allard & Robbie

ADORATION follows Mass until noon

SATURDAY, June 21

ICC 4:00 PM For the people

ST A 6:15 PM *NO MASS*

SUNDAY, June 22

ST C 8:00 AM *NO MASS*

ST A 9:00 AM +Dorothy Mellstrom—by Kathy Saylor
*Mass will continue with a procession from St. Agnes for
several blocks and then return to St. Agnes.*

Blest Art

will be at St. Agnes & St. Cecilia, June 14 & 15
They will have beautiful olivewood items
available for purchase.

Please pray for the Eternal Repose of the soul of

Julaine Cagle

May she rest in peace and perpetual light shine upon her.

SCRIPTURE READINGS

May 26 Mon 2 Cor 6:1-10 Mt 5:38-42

June 17 Tue 2 Cor 8:1-9 Mt 5:43-48

June 18 Wed 2 Cor 9:6-11 Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

June 19 Thu 2 Cor 11:1-11 Mt 6:7-15

June 20 Fri 2 Cor 11:18, 21-30 Mt 6:19-23

June 21 Sat 2 Cor 12:1-10 Mt 6:24-34

June 22 Sun Gn 14:18-20 1 Cor 11:23-26 Lk 9:11b-17

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as he was always unwavering about the sanctity of LIFE.**

Glimpses of the Life of Venerable Bishop Baraga

“If you love God sincerely and above all, you will easily fulfill all their duties towards Him.”

St. Vincent de Paul

As we celebrate the mystery of the Trinity we also realize the mystery of how much God loves and cares for us each day. Believing in this our lives can then overflow in thanksgiving and praise.

Is there a family you know who needs assistance? Please call the Society of St. Vincent de Paul.

Our Tri-Parish Community is starting up a new charitable giving program on *Future Focused Giving*.

We will be holding a “Workshop” on Tuesday, June 17, 2025 at 6:00pm in the St. Agnes Parish Hall, to give more details on Future Focused Giving. Mr. Jacob Spear, elder Law Attorney from Republic, with offices in Marquette and Iron Mountain, will be here to explain the details behind legacy giving. Registration and a light meal with refreshments will begin at 5:15pm. The program will last approximately one hour, with Q&A to follow.

~RECENTLY BAPTIZED AT ST. CECILIA~

Nathaniel Joseph Kaminski

Son of Joel & Margaret Kaminski

Corbin Todd Mitchell

Son of Cory & Chelsea Mitchell

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Grayson Gunnard Goodman & Ember Lorene Goodman

Son & daughter of Hannah Lorene Goodman

Sienna Allan Viitala

Daughter of Thomas & Kylee Viitala

GOD BLESS THESE NEWLY BAPTIZED CHILDREN & THEIR FAMILIES.

Another fun week with the TOTUS TUUS team will be held the week of June 22

Information was sent out recently, and is also available at the office.

Blest Art

On behalf of Christian families in Bethlehem, Palestine. they will have hand-carved nativity sets, statues, crosses, rosaries, and much more beautiful olivewood art.

At St. Agnes & St. Cecilia this weekend, June 14th & 15th

Are you ready to make the most of your generosity?!

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GOSPEL MEDITATION—June 15, 2025—The Most Holy Trinity

I am amazed at how my four siblings teach their many kids in age-appropriate ways. For example, now that my nephew Brandon is 24 years of age, they give him insights and freedoms that would have been positively confounding or even dangerous when he was a toddler. Imagine if they had taught him at age four how to drive a car, use a credit card online, or handle power tools. But eventually, they did, and he is a high functioning young man, I'm proud to say. They are good teachers.

This week we learn that Jesus teaches us in a similar way. He says to his Apostles, "I have much more to tell you, but you cannot bear it now" (John 16:12). How disappointing for them. But imagine at that moment, before his resurrection and ascension, if the Lord had started telling them about synods and sacraments, popes and parishes, martyrs and monasteries, rosaries and relics, catechisms and crucifixes? They would have been absolutely overwhelmed, confused, and discouraged. He tells them what they need to know, when it is time for them to know it.

So he does for us. Jesus has unceasingly taught the Church as she matures through the centuries, just as he teaches you and me through our lives in ways we can understand. Our task should be to learn what he is teaching us now, knowing that (although revelation per se is complete in him and his Apostles), he never ceases to teach us as we spiritually mature. Be confident: he knows what you are ready to learn now.

Father John Muir ©LPi

Please note.....

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Fuel/utility.....	189.00
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52 envelopes, 30%, averaging \$26.19	

ST. CECILIA

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Loose.....	135.00
World Church.....	110.00
Fuel/utility.....	15.00
Ascension.....	60.00
Votives.....	51.50
Total last week.....	\$2143.50
67 envelopes, 38%, averaging \$26.45	

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Loose.....	226.00
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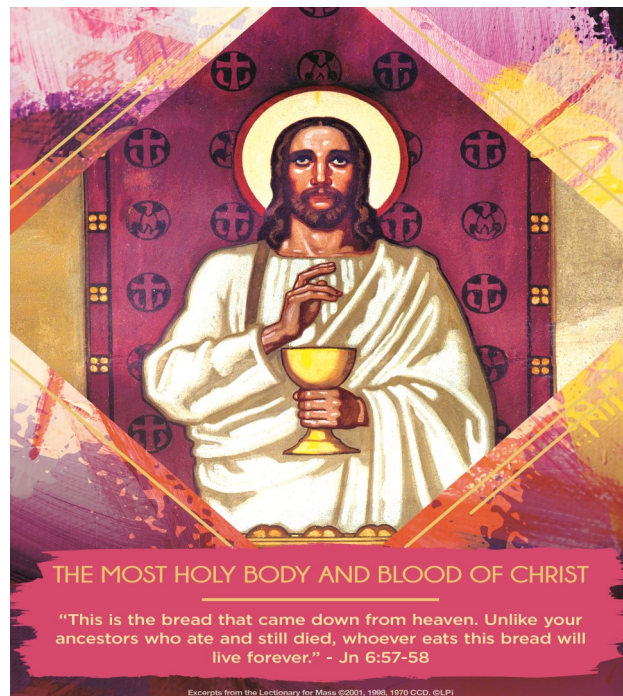
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ST C 8:00 AM NO MASS

ST A 10:00 AM NO MASS

ST A 9:00 AM—MASS—Concludes with Procession

MONDAY, June 23—NO MASS

TUESDAY, June 24

ICC 9:00AM +Daniel Antepencko

by Tim & Bonnie Peruzzi

WEDNESDAY, June 25

ST A 8:00 AM +Richard & +Carol Ann Angeli

by Mary, Sarah & Anna Sparapani

ADORATION follows Mass until 10:30

THURSDAY, June 26

ST C 5:30 PM +Betty Bal

by Ryan & Melissa Wilhelmi

FRIDAY, June 27

ST C 8:00 AM +Frank Hartman

by Cathleen Christensen

ADORATION follows Mass until noon

ICC 10:00 AM Haley Brownell "Happy Birthday"

by Aunt Mary Zelinski

and all the family

ADORATION follows Mass until noon

SATURDAY, June 28—Knights Corp. Communion at ICC

ICC 4:00 PM For the people

ST A 6:15 PM +Rose Remondini

by Marie Paris & Dawn Kero

SUNDAY, June 29

ST C 8:00 AM +Charles & +Lucille Dellangelo

by Ann & Frank Raymond

ST A 10:00 AM +Mike Jacobs

by Kathy & Marija Saylor

Lamp Stand Candle—St. Agnes

**In memory of
Mary Ann James**

by Jim & Sandy Dennis

SCRIPTURE READINGS

June 23 Mon Gn 12:1-9 Mt 7:1-5

June 24 Tue Is 49:1-6/Acts 13:22-26 Lk 1:57-66, 80

June 25 Wed Gn 15:1-12, 17-18 Mt 7:15-20

June 26 Thu Gn 16:1-12, 15-16 Mt 7:21-29

June 27 Fri Ez 34:11-16 Rom 5:5b-11/Lk 15:3-7

June 28 Sat Gn 12:1-15 Mt 8:5-17

June 29 Sun Acts 12:1-11 2Tm 4:6-8/17-18 Mt 16:13-19

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**"Any woman who has felt a baby stir inside her
and any man who has seen the tiny heart pulsing
on an ultrasound screen,
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Karen Kissane

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St. Vincent de Paul

**Today we celebrate the gift of the Body and Blood of Christ
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them something to eat yourselves?" And he shows them
how by the multiplication of the five loaves and the two
fishes.**

Today, as you donate to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul
know that the multiplication of the loaves and fishes will hap-
pen again and the hungry will be fed.

Carmelite Fall Festival

Saturday and Sunday, September 13-14, 2025

Noon to 3:00pm

Carmel of the Holy Cross Monastery

Junction US2 and M95, Iron Mountain, MI

FREE EVENT

Everyone is welcome to attend!

Raffle tickets: \$5.00 per ticket

Tickets available at the St. Agnes Rectory Office.

**Join us at St. Mary & St. Joseph Parish for our next 5th Sunday Rosary,
which includes: Exposition, rosary and Benediction**

JUNE 29—7:00PM IN THE CHURCH.

Everyone is encouraged to attend!

~Wounded Warrior Fund Collection~

This special second collection will take place on

Saturday, July 5

**This will be the 9th Wounded Warrior Fund collection to once
again purchase 9 musky reels and assist in paying for travel to
bring 9 Purple Heart Veterans to fish in the Musky challenge in
Eagle River, Sept. 25 to Sept. 28th.**

Your kindness in this collection is truly appreciated.

May God Bless you all.

Lamp Stand Candle—St. Cecilia

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GOSPEL MEDITATION—June 22, 2025—Corpus Christi

A Catholic friend of mine occasionally says, “The Eucharist is not a noun. It’s a verb.” In so saying, he is making the point that the Eucharist isn’t simply Jesus’ bodily presence given to us in holy Communion. It also manifests the dynamic pattern by which Christ actively loves and saves us. He teaches us to cooperate with that pattern. This Eucharist actually embodies four verbs: Jesus takes, blesses, breaks, and gives. Let’s consider each one.

He takes: Do we acknowledge that we are totally in God’s hands? Do we receive everything in our lives as a gift, and act responsibly with it?

He blesses: Do we actively reflect that Jesus makes us holy in our baptism? Do we embrace our bodies and souls as temples of God, worthy of love, peace, and joy?

He breaks: Do we run from failure and disappointment, from getting old or being ignored? Are we too worried about getting hurt or sick? Do we embrace our sufferings with confidence?

He gives: Are we willing to make our lives a gift for others? Are we confident that we will always have enough love to give to others, that God will always provide enough for us? Do we rejoice in giving away what we have to others, expecting nothing in return? This is the dynamic life the Eucharist empowers us to live.

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Another fun week with the TOTUS TUUS team

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Attendance forms will be available.

Grades 7th through 12th

will begin on Sunday, June 22

7pm to 9:15pm—at the St. Cecilia Rectory

**Beginning on June 23, in the school building,
for grades 1st to 6th—9am to 2:30pm**

Lunch and snacks provided each day!

OUR TREASURE SHARED

ST. AGNES

Adults.....	\$3104.00
Loose.....	459.00
World Church.....	145.00
All Saints.....	15.00
Fuel/utility.....	45.00
Total last week.....	\$3768.00
55 envelopes, 32%, averaging \$56.44	

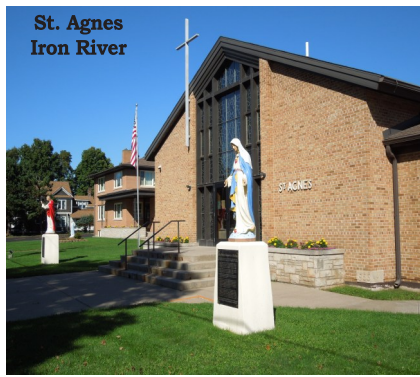
ST. CECILIA

Adults.....	\$2005.00
Loose.....	167.00
World Church.....	30.00
Fuel/utility.....	60.00
Votives.....	61.00
Total last week.....	\$2323.00
37 envelopes, 21%, averaging \$54.19	

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

Adults.....	\$ 660.00
Loose.....	141.10
Votives.....	14.00
Total last week.....	\$ 815.10
19 envelopes, 37%, averaging \$34.74	
St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry...\$191.10	

Thank you for your generosity!



St. Agnes
Iron River



St. Cecilia
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Immaculate Conception
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by Marie Paris & Dawn Kero

SUNDAY, June 29

ST C 8:00 AM +Charles & +Lucille Dellangelo
by Ann & Frank Raymond

ST A 10:00 AM +Mike Jacobs
by Kathy & Marija Saylor

MONDAY, June 30—NO MASS

TUESDAY, July 1

ICC 9:00AM Intentions of Fr. Mark McQuestan
by the Howard Family

WEDNESDAY, July 2

ST A 8:00 AM +Ronald Rosera—by Nancy Clements

ADORATION follows Mass until noon

THURSDAY, July 3—First Thursday Holy Hour at 6pm

ST C 5:30 PM +Marilyn Sabol
by Tim & Bonnie Peruzzi

FRIDAY, Happy July 4th

ST C 8:00 AM +Wilhelmina Mobley
Founder of Te Deum Foundation
by Jeanne Pangrazzi

ADORATION follows Mass until noon

ICC 10:00 AM +Paul Thomas Morse & his daughter
+Michelle Mehlenbacher—by Linda Bolton & Arden
and Molly Allard & Robbie

ADORATION follows Mass until noon

SATURDAY, July 5

ICC 4:00 PM Sainthood of Bishop Baraga
by Wayne Schemmer

ST A 6:15 PM +Charles & +Lucille Dellangelo
For their July 4th birthdays—by Ann & Frank Raymond

SUNDAY, July 6

ST C 8:00 AM +Frank Hartman
by Stuart & Mary Adair

ST A 10:00 AM For the people

**Coming in July....
our annual
RUMMAGE SALE!**

SCRIPTURE READINGS

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July 1 Tue Gn 19:15-29 Mt 8:23-27

July 2 Wed Gn 21:5, 8-20a Mt 8:28-34

July 3 Thu Eph 2:19-22 Jn 20:24-29

July 4 Fri Gn 23:1-4, 19, 24:1-8, 62-67 Mt 9:9-13

July 5 Sat Gn 27:1-5, 15-29 Mt 9:14-17

July 6 Sun Is 66:10-14c Gal 6:14-18 Lk 10:1-12, 17-20

WELCOME

PRO LIFE CORNER

“Abortion is the ultimate exploitation of women.”
Alice Paul

Glimpses of the Life of Venerable Bishop Baraga

“No one has to be afraid that Jesus does not want to receive you...avail yourself to the confessor who takes care and heals your soul.”

St. Vincent de Paul

In today's Gospel, Peter recognizes Jesus as the Christ, the Son of the living God. On this rock of faith, says Christ, He will build his Church.

In the month of June, you recognized Jesus in his poor. Your gifts of faith enabled the Society of St. Vincent de Paul to help many families, providing food, utilities and rent bills, etc.

Lamp Stand Candle—St. Agnes
6-28-2025

**In loving memory of
James Paramski**

by Pete & Denise Maloney and family

**Thank you to all who took part in the
Mass & Procession on Corpus Christi Sunday.
Over 150 braved the 91° clear-sky beautiful day!**

Congratulation on your Baptism
Andrew Connor Sage Johnson
&

Violet Gladys-May Johnson
Son and daughter of
Travis & Sara Johnson

Please keep the Johnson family in your prayers.

Save the date!!!

Our Tri-Parish Picnic

**Sunday—August 17
Noon to 3:00pm**

**There will be plenty of great food and fellowship!
Games for the kids & 50-50 drawing for the adults!
All are welcome!**

GOSPEL MEDITATION—June 29, 2025, Sts. Peter & Paul, Apostles

What do you call brothers who are born on the same day? Twins, of course. That is what we celebrate today in the inestimable saints, Peter and Paul. Wait: twins? Yes. The early Church believed that Peter and Paul were martyred in Rome on the same day. Since the day of martyrdom is celebrated as a saints' birth into eternal life, the result is striking: Peter and Paul are twins in God's family, the Church.

Who should care about this? Well, anyone who longs to live in a world marked by love and peace. Remember, the Romans believed that twins, Romulus and Remus, founded their city through an act of fratricide, the former murdering the latter. Sadly, the structures of this fallen world emerge through violence between those who should love each other. But in the Church, a new city has been founded upon this new set of twins, embodying the non-violent power of Jesus' cross and resurrection.

That's why traditional icons represent Peter and Paul in a fraternal and warm embrace. Contrasted with the violence of Rome's founders, it challenges us with a bold claim: do we believe that structures of merciful love are more powerful and lasting than those based on power, violence, and domination? Am I willing to see others in my life as my "twin," with whom I am called to give my life for Christ, or as my rival? Am I committed to living what is embodied in Romulus and Remus, or in Peter and Paul?

Father John Muir ©LPi

Knights of Columbus

20-20 Raffle Tickets

Available from any of the Knights or at the Rectory Office.

Tickets are \$20—even if you win your ticket goes back in for all drawings!

Carmelite Fall Festival

**Junction US2 and M95, Iron Mt.
September 13 & 14—noon to 3pm**

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Raffle tickets are \$5 each
ALL CASH PRIZES!**

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2-Vinnie Virtue and the Blessed Solanus Casey

3-Gracie Glory and The Saint Stories

4-Gracie Glory learns about St Therese of Lisieux

5-Gracie Glory learns about St Patrick

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Loose.....	515.00
Votives.....	50.75
Total last week.....	\$1124.75
29 envelopes, 19%, averaging \$19.28	

ST. CECILIA—No Mass

Adults.....	\$ 556.00
Votives.....	32.25
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27 envelopes, 15%, averaging \$20.59	

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION—4pm Mass

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by Bob & Catherine Cole

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THURSDAY, July 10

ST C 5:30 PM +Charles & +Yvonne Kralovec
by their family

FRIDAY, July 11

ST C 8:00 AM +Ron & +Eugene Zorzin
by Elaine & Jim Baumgartner

ADORATION follows Mass until noon

ICC 10:00 AM +William & +Joan Draeger
by Mary Zelinski

ADORATION follows Mass until noon

SATURDAY, July 12

ICC 4:00 PM For the people
ST A 6:15 PM +Mr. & Mrs. John Roche
by their son John Roche

SUNDAY, July 13

ST C 8:00 AM +Frank Hartman—by his
by his wife & family
ST A 10:00 AM +Bill Gendron
by his wife Joyce

Elder Law Attorney Jacob Spear

**will be here Tues., Sept. 17, at 5:15pm beginning with a
light meal and then an informative presentation.**

**If you missed his first presentation, in June, you will
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**He will answer any questions or concerns
you may have. This is a FREE event!**

SCRIPTURE READINGS

<u>July 7 Mon</u>	Gn 28:10-22a Mt 9:18-26
<u>July 8 Tue</u>	Gn 36:23-33 Mt 9:32-38
<u>July 9 Wed</u>	Gn 41:55-57, 42:5-7a Mt 10:1-7
<u>July 10 Thu</u>	Gn 44:18-21, 23b-29, 45:1-5
<u>July 11 Fri</u>	Gn 46:1-7, 28-30 Mt 10:16-23
<u>July 12 Sat</u>	Gn 49:29-32, 50:15-26a Mt 10:24-33
<u>July 13 Sun</u>	Dt 30:10-14 Col 1:15-20 Lk 10:25-37

WELCOME

PRO LIFE CORNER

**We say we are against war yet we are in the midst of the
biggest battle of our lives going on in our own home front,
a battle between good and evil.**

Glimpses of the Life of Venerable Bishop Baraga

**“Bring forth the fruits of repentance...
do not be deceived by the world.”**

St. Vincent de Paul

**In the Gospel today we see how Jesus sent his Apostles
out two by two. In this spirit, the Society of St. Vincent
de Paul members “go out two by two” to visit those who
are poor and needy in their homes. It is there, in the fami-
ly setting, that Vincentians listen, offer humble advice,
and render assistance.**

Know that the members of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul
bring your gift directly to the poor and suffering in our parish.

Catholic responses to pro-choice objections

Guest column by Dr. R. Jared Staudt, Archdiocese of Denver

What if the mother's life is in danger?

It is never permissible to kill an innocent human life for any
reason. The church also recognizes the legitimacy of taking
action to save the life of the mother even if it may result in the
death of the unborn child. The foreseen but unintended death
of the child is not what is chosen directly, for the moral choice
is to save the life of the mother, a principle called double effect.
This would not be an abortion, because the child is not killed
(there is no procedure directly killing the child), even though
he may die as a consequence of a necessary treatment to save
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In the days after the awful 2020 killing of George Floyd, a Catholic friend remarked, “Racism is today’s great evil. We should put all our energy into fighting it.” I admired her intuition that the church must stand firmly against evil. Amen, I thought. At the same time, something felt wrong. As months went by, I saw her steadily slide into bitterness and anger. Soon, despondency. She spoke of giving up the fight. Don’t we too wonder how to fight evil without losing our joy or energy?

Jesus’ words this week help. He says, “Rejoice not that you have power over demons, but that your names are written in heaven” (Luke 10:20). Notice the asymmetry in where he wants our focus: on the latter, not the former. Should we confidently embrace our God-given power to overcome evil? Absolutely. But even more so, we should emphasize the positive element of our relationship to God. It is tempting but dangerous to define ourselves by what we oppose. It is better to define ourselves by—to rejoice in—what we celebrate: in Jesus, God has written our names in heaven. This sustains our battles.

This week, our marching orders are: fight evil. But more deeply, rejoice that God knows and loves us personally, individually. We allow this joyful knowledge to undergird our fight against the darkness of our day. Then we enjoy long-term stability to be cheerful warriors, who never forget the reason for the contests we are called to fight and win: love. *Father John Muir* ©LPi

~St. Agnes Church~
is now open every weekday from
9:00am—4:00pm

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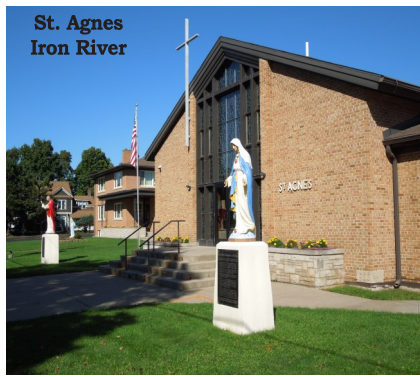
Free Event—All are welcome!

Held at the Carmelite Monastery

*Junction US2 and M95, Iron Mountain, Michigan
All cash prizes! Tickets are \$5.00 each*

No contribution info due to early publication of bulletin.

I speak to you continually. My nature is to communicate though not always in words. I fling glorious sunsets across the sky, day after day. I speak in the faces and voices of loved ones. I caress you with a gentle breeze that refreshes and delights you. I speak softly in the depths of your spirit, where I have taken up residence. You can find Me in each moment, when you have eyes that see and ears that hear. Ask My Spirit to sharpen your spiritual eyesight and hearing. I rejoice each time you discover My Presence. Practice looking and listening for Me during quiet intervals. Gradually you will find Me in more and more of your moments. You will seek Me and find Me, when you seek Me above all else.



St. Agnes
Iron River



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by their son John Roche

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by his wife and family

ST A 10:00 AM +Bill Gendron
by his wife Joyce

MONDAY, July 14—NO MASS

TUESDAY, July 15

ICC 9:00AM Intentions of Makenna
by Father Daniel

WEDNESDAY, July 16

ST A 8:00 AM +Carol Ann Angeli
by her children & grandchildren

ADORATION follows Mass until noon

THURSDAY, July 17

ST C 5:30 PM +Carol Ann Angeli—1 yr. anniv. July 16
+Richard Angeli
by Mary, Sarah, & Anna Sparapani

FRIDAY, July 18

ST C 8:00 AM +Don & Mary Pellizzaro
(their anniversary on July 20)
by their family

ADORATION follows Mass until noon

ICC 10:00 AM +Michael Hanmer
by Sue

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July 16 Wed Ex 3:1-6, 9-12 Mt 11:25-27

July 17 Thu Ex 3:13-20 Mt 11:28-30

July 18 Fri Ex 11:10—12:14 Mt 12:1-8

July 19 Sat Ex 12:37-42 Mt 12:14-21

July 20 Sun Gn 18:1-10a Col 1:24-28 Lk 10:38-42

WELCOME

PRO LIFE CORNER

Take a good look around. Do you like what we've become? Why have we become so immoral? Do you suppose it's because we've pushed God aside and believe we are in charge?

Glimpses of the Life of Venerable Bishop Baraga

"Do all of us really avail ourselves of the means which are offered us—especially through the Holy Sacraments of God's Church?"

St. Vincent de Paul

In today's Gospel, when Jesus asks, "which of these three, in your opinion, was neighbor to the robbers' victim?" The scholar of the law answered, "the one who treated him with mercy." Jesus then said, "Go and do likewise."

This week you can also "treat the poor with mercy" by making a donation to your local St. Vincent de Paul Society.

"The value of life does not depend upon the place we occupy. It depends upon the way we occupy that place."
St. Therese of Lisieux

Coming soon! our annual RUMMAGE SALE!

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Save the date!!! Our Tri-Parish Picnic

**Sunday—August 17
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Games for the kids & 50-50 drawing for the adults!
Bring your family and friends!
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GOSPEL MEDITATION—July 13, 2025—Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

I used to be a bad neighbor. I'd get wrapped up in my life and ignore those around me. Then I found sage advice from Benjamin Franklin to this effect: to be a better neighbor, ask someone to do a favor for you. It's counterintuitive, isn't it? Tell strangers that I need their help? Yuck. I'll risk looking needy. Worse, I'll be indebted to them. But I tried it, and it works like a charm. Recently I asked my neighbor Alan for a hacksaw, and Inga for an egg. They kindly obliged, and our friendship is growing.

This week we hear a scribe of the law cynically ask Jesus, "And who is my neighbor?" (Luke 10:29). Like him, we prefer to keep the list of our "neighbors" as short as possible. It requires less interruption and inconvenience. But when Jesus tells the parable of the Good Samaritan, he exposes the lonely, cold-heartedness tendency of the scribe's (and our) heart. My "neighbor" is anyone I encounter who manifests a concrete need. There isn't time to require any other credential because human need opens us to the happy reciprocity which is love.

Jesus' words challenge us this week to ask a neighbor for help in some small way. How marvelous that God himself shows us how. He moves into our world and asks us to love Him with small deeds of love. Maybe that's where Ben Franklin got the idea.

Father John Muir ©LPI

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2-Vinnie Virtue and the Blessed Solanus Casey

3-Gracie Glory and The Saint Stories

4-Gracie Glory learns about St Therese of Lisieux

5-Gracie Glory learns about St Patrick

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7-Gracie Glory learns about Saint Padre Pio

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OUR TREASURE SHARED

ST. AGNES

Adults.....	\$1615.00
Loose.....	591.37
Fuel/utility.....	310.00
Votives.....	61.25
Total last week.....	\$2592.62
67 envelopes, 67%, averaging \$21.10	

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Adults.....	\$1030.00
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Fuel/utility.....	94.00
Votive candles.....	48.40
Total last week.....	\$1722.48
35 envelopes, 20%, averaging \$29.43	

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

Adults.....	\$ 840.00
Loose.....	532.00
Votives.....	22.00
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16 envelopes, 31%, averaging \$16.15	
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Thank you for your generosity!



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for safe travels home from Ghana
by Tri-Parish Staff

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by Mark & Ann Truax

ADORATION follows Mass until 10:30am

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by Ryan & Melissa Wilhelmi

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ICC 10:00 AM +Jerome & +Carol Draeger
by Mary Zelinski

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SATURDAY, July 26

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by her husband Wayne Schemmer

ST A 6:15 PM For the people

SUNDAY, July 27

ST C 8:00 AM +Wayne Raymond
by Bob & Catherine Cole

ST A 10:00 AM +Gerald & +Dolores Jurecic
by their family

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**A mother is a child's first teacher and affects a
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we must lovingly turn our hearts toward God..."**

St. Vincent de Paul

**In this Sunday's Gospel, Jesus affirms that to be a disciple
we must also sit at his feet and listen to him. St. Vincent
de Paul taught that it is only in prayer that we can give
selfless loving service to those who are poor.**

Our local SVdP assisted 167 families (451 people) with food, 10
vouchers for diapers, 4 vouchers for gasoline to medical ap-
pointments and 1 bus ticket. Thank you.

**We can have a tendency to not trust God, or doubt His plan for us.
Things happen in ways we don't expect or understand, but ultimately
work for our good. Remember, God knows you better than you know
yourself and He has plans for you. *Courtesy of Shevin McCullough***

Please pray for the Eternal Repose of the souls of:

Barbara Pietila	Gerald "Bill" Pietila
Dolores Marie Smith	Robert Louis Smith
Donald Hebert	Edith "Tootsie" Wodzinski
	Joyce Gendron
Luella Ambach	

our beloved St. Agnes organist, for over 40 years

Eternal Rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.

Lamp Stand Candle—St. Agnes
7-19-2025

**In memory of
Tootsie Wodzinski**

by Ramona Ross & family

August 1—2—3

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One of my close friends is a hermit priest who lives on a desert mountain. Recently I found myself in a group conversation about him. One vehemently objected, “What does he do up there all day? Nothing! Priests are down here working, running parishes, making a difference, and he...he is doing nothing! What a waste.” The words dripped with indignation and resentment. Most of the group quietly nodded in silent agreement. Were they correct?

No! To see why, consider a similar scenario in this week’s gospel. Jesus visits his friends Martha and Mary. A hardworking and exasperated Martha complains to Jesus that her sister is attending to him rather than to urgent household tasks. Our Lord, rather than praising hospitality, explicitly celebrates the less-productive sister for doing the “one necessary thing.” He praises her for she “has chosen the better part” (Luke 10:42). Mary is busy doing what matters.

Before we freak out like Martha, consider that all work—domestic, manual, professional, ministerial, contemplative—is done to help us (sooner or later) to experience the love that makes us happy. We should be thankful for those who focus on the “better part” of radical, ceaseless prayer. They invite us to remember the purpose of all work is the enjoyment of love. Contemplatives, hermits, anyone fervently committed to prayer—they invite us to cast aside our forgetful, resentful, and self-aggrandizing attitudes in exchange for hearts ready to do what is finally necessary.

Father John Muir ©LPi

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offertory gift or make a one-time gift.
Your UPCA contribution can also be made
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Thank you for your generosity.***

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Adults.....	\$1264.00
Loose.....	445.00
Fuel/utility.....	233.00
Votives.....	53.75
Total last week.....	\$1995.75
52 envelopes, 30%, averaging \$24.31	

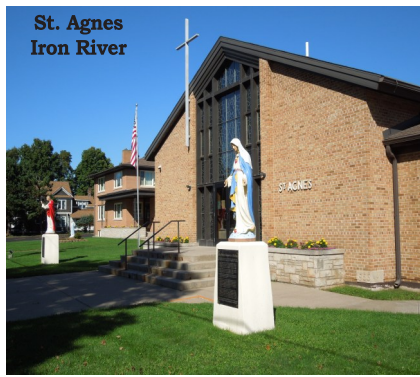
ST. CECILIA

Adults.....	\$2717.00
Loose.....	303.00
Fuel/utility.....	102.00
Votives.....	28.75
Total last week.....	\$3150.75
57 envelopes, 33%, averaging \$47.67	

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

Adults.....	\$ 375.00
Loose.....	521.00
Fuel/utility.....	23.00
Votives.....	28.00
Total last week.....	\$ 947.00
15 envelopes, 29%, averaging \$25.00	

Thank you for your generosity!



St. Agnes
Iron River



St. Cecilia
Caspian



Immaculate Conception
Watersmeet

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ST A 6:15 PM For the people

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ST C 8:00 AM +Wayne Raymond
by Bob & Catherine Cole
ST A 10:00 AM +Gerald & +Dolores Jurecic
by their family

MONDAY, July 28—NO MASS

TUESDAY, July 29

ICC 9:00AM +Luella Ambach
by Toni Jacobs

WEDNESDAY, July 30

ST A 8:00 AM +Wayne Raymond
by Micki Haydon

ADORATION follows Mass until 10:30am

THURSDAY, July 31

ST C 5:30 PM +Keith Mitchell
For his March 31 birthday
by Mark & Ann Truax

FRIDAY, August 1

ST C 8:00 AM Living and deceased members of the
Knights of Columbus Council #2300
by the Bruce Sartorelli family

ADORATION follows Mass until noon

ICC 10:00 AM Intentions of MaKenna
by Father Daniel

ADORATION follows Mass until noon

SATURDAY, August 2

ICC 4:00 PM For the people
ST A 6:15 PM +Richard & Jennifer Roche
by John Roche

SUNDAY, August 3

ST C 8:00 AM +Frank Hartman
by Stuart & Mary Adair
ST A 10:00 AM +Mike Jacobs
by the Pangrazzi family:
Jeanne, Duane, Dan & Cathy

SCRIPTURE READINGS

<u>July 28 Mon</u>	Ex 32:15-24, 30-34 Mt 13:31-35
<u>July 29 Tue</u>	Ex 33:7-11, 34:5b-9 Jn 11:19-27
<u>July 30 Wed</u>	Ex 34:29-35 Mt 13:44-46
<u>July 31 Thu</u>	Ex 40:16-21, 34-38 Mt 13:13:47-53
<u>Aug 1 Fri</u>	Lv 23:1, 4-11, 15-16, 27, Mt 13:54-58
<u>Aug 2 Sat</u>	Lv 25:1, 8:17 Mt 14:1-12
<u>Aug 3 Sun</u>	Eccl 1:2, 2:21-23 Col 3:1-5 Lk 12:13-21

WELCOME

PRO LIFE CORNER

The truth about abortion has been censored by the media li-
lenced by our courts, politicized by our politicians and even
silenced in our churches and school.
Babies in the womb have no voice except yours and mine.
We cannot remain silent any longer!
Pro-Life Articles Author

Glimpses of the Life of Venerable Bishop Baraga

“A Christian without prayer is like a soldier without arms,
exposed to every attack and easily overcome; therefore, be in
awe of this presence of God, and behave accordingly.”

St. Vincent de Paul

In the Gospel, Jesus teaches us that God is our “Father” and
just as a parent’s love for their children is unlimited, so is God’s
love and care for us is unlimited.

In the month of July, through your gifts, the Society of St. Vincent
de Paul we able to assist may families, providing food and for utility
bills, etc. Thank you

~Our Tri-Parish Family Picnic~

Sunday—August 17

Noon to 3:00pm

There will be plenty of great food and fellowship!
Games for the kids & 50-50 drawing for the adults!
Bring your family and friends!
All are welcome!

NEW this year at the picnic—we will be having a
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Once I went to a hospice facility to celebrate Last Rites for an elderly dying man. His family had told me that he had been uncommunicative for days. At the conclusion of the ritual, we began to recite the Our Father prayer. To everyone's surprise, his lips moved, clearly mouthing the words to the Lord's prayer. Stripped of most of his faculties, the man could still pray those precious God-given petitions. A lifetime of prayer had planted the words even deeper than his failing consciousness.

Do we want the Lord's prayer to be as deeply embedded in us? If we want to be people of hope, we should. Recall that our Lord immediately follows the prayer by saying: "Ask, and it will be given to you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened to you" (Luke 11:9). We only ask, search and knock because we hope that the request is not in vain. Everything we could possibly hope for is contained in the prayer. Praying the Our Father deepens our hope.

We should consciously pour all our hopes into the Lord's prayer; we should allow it to be an expression of hope, not simply rote words. Then, over time, it builds up our hope in God. It sinks deep into our souls and bodies. How blessed we are when these words of hope are on our lips, even when everything else seems to fail.

Father John Muir ©LPi

~St. Agnes Church~

**The church is open every weekday from
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By the St. Agnes Saturday Night Choir

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Fuel/utility.....	35.00
Votives.....	44.75
Total last week.....	\$1224.75
35 envelopes, 20%, averaging \$22.34	

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Loose.....	484.00
Priest retirement.....	10.00
Fuel/utility.....	30.00
Votive candles.....	68.25
Total last week.....	\$1908.25
41 envelopes, 23%, averaging \$32.10	

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Loose.....	434.77
Fuel/utility.....	150.00
Votives.....	9.00
Total last week.....	\$1333.77
St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry....\$665.60	
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Thank you.

Interviews will begin soon!

God speaks in the silence of
the heart.

Listening is the beginning of
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Saint Mother Theresa

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RUMMAGE SALE!**

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All proceeds will go toward our
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SCRIPTURE READINGS

Aug. 4 Mon Ex 14:5-18 Mt 12:38-42
Aug. 5 Tue Sg 3:1-4b or 2 Cor 5:14-17 Jn 20:1-2, 11-18

Aug. 6 Wed Dn 7:8-10, 13-14
Aug. 7 Thu Nm 20:1-13/Mt 16:13-23
Aug. 8 Fri Dy 4:32-40 Mt 16:24-28

Aug. 9 Sat Dt 6:4-13 Mt 17:14-20
Aug. 10 Sun Wis 18:6-9 Heb 11:1-2, 8-19 Lk 12:32-48

GOSPEL MEDITATION—August 3, 2025—Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Recent studies suggest that millennials will be the first generation in America to be worse off than their parents in terms of financial earnings and job status. Many lament this. I propose that this week's Gospel provides a hopeful way to see the trend as good news.

The Lord Jesus says, "Take care to guard against greed, for though one may be rich, one's life does not consist in possessions" (Luke 12:15). Greed damages us with the deception that we are what we possess. But to Jesus, this is simply not true. What makes us happy is who we are, who we become.

Does not the expectation that every generation should do better than their parents subtly mask the poison of greed? A similar attitude is mirrored in the man who demands that Jesus justly arrange his share of the family inheritance. Despite the injustice, Jesus will not play that game. In fact, he seems to prefer that the man have less than his parents. What good would having more be to this man if he becomes enslaved and miserable by greed? What good would it be for us to have more if it means we become much less?

In allowing the man to have less, Jesus opens a space for him to become more: a man free to love. In that much more meaningful sense, perhaps he was better off than his parents. Maybe the millennials will be, too.

Father John Muir ©LPi

**~St. Agnes Church~
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OUR TREASURE SHARED

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Adults.....	\$1596.00
Loose.....	603.00
St. VdP Food Pantry.....	385.00
Assumption.....	5.00
Mission collection.....	15.00
Total last week.....	\$2554.00
51 envelopes, 30%, averaging \$31.29	

ST. CECILIA

Adults.....	\$ 807.00
Loose.....	348.00
Fuel/utility.....	15.00
Votives.....	128.25
Total last week.....	\$1298.25
39 envelopes, 22%, averaging \$20.69	
St. Vincent Food Pantry...\$326.47	

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

Adults.....	\$ 375.00
Loose.....	500.00
Fuel/utility.....	23.00
Votives.....	58.00
Total last week.....	\$ 989.00
16 envelopes, 31%, averaging \$26.94	

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St. Agnes
Iron River



St. Cecilia
Caspian



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by Mark & Jill Ponozzo

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by Sid & Janet Dye

MONDAY, August 11—NO MASS

TUESDAY, August 12

ICC 9:00AM +Nancy Emmons
by John Roche

WEDNESDAY, August 13

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

ADORATION follows Mass until 10:30am

THURSDAY, August 14

ST C 5:30 PM +Wayne Raymond
by Ken & Lee Routheaux

FRIDAY, August 15—Holy Day of Obligation

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

ADORATION follows Mass until noon

ICC 10:00 AM +Luella Ambach
by Tim & Bonnie Peruzzi

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SATURDAY, August 16

ICC 4:00 PM For the people
ST A 6:15 PM +Beth Vezzetti—for her March 12 anniv.
by Veronica & Rich Junak

SUNDAY, August 17 — TRI-PARISH FAMILY PICNIC!

Noon—3:00pm AT ST. AGNES
JOIN US—ALL ARE WELCOME!

ST C 8:00 AM +Frank Hartman
by his wife and family
ST A 10:00 AM—*Intentions of the living & deceased members of the St. Agnes School class of 1966,*
(& Wykon 55th reunion class of 1970 held on Aug 10th).
Guest lector will be a member of the class, Ray Taetsch.

SCRIPTURE READINGS

<u>Aug 11 Mon</u>	Dt 10:12-22 Mt 17:22-27
<u>Aug 12 Tue</u>	Dt 31:1-8 Mt 18:1-5, 10, 12-14
<u>Aug 13 Wed</u>	Dt 34:1-2 Mt 18:15-20
<u>Aug 14 Thu</u>	Jos 3:7-10a, 11, 13-7 Mt 18:21—19:1
<u>Aug 15 Fri</u>	<u>Vigil:</u> 1Chr 15:3-4,15-16 <u>Day:</u> Rv 11:19a, 10ab
<u>Aug 16 Sat</u>	Jos 24:14-29 Mt 19:13-15
<u>Aug 17 Sun</u>	Jer 38:4-6 Heb 12:1-4 Lk 12:49-53

WELCOME

PRO LIFE CORNER

The savagery of war, the atrocities of the Nazi holocaust, graphic violence, natural disasters and critical bloody medical procedures are routinely shown on the media.... but never an abortion!

Glimpses of the Life of Venerable Bishop Baraga

“My dear children examine your heart to see if you long for and are devoted to God.”

St. Vincent de Paul

In the Gospel, Jesus says, “Sell your belongings and give alms. Provide money bags for yourselves that do not wear out, and inexhaustible treasure in heaven that no thief can reach nor moth destroy.”

Please help the Society of St. Vincent de Paul bring respite and hope to the elderly who are not able to find relief from the summer heat, and you will indeed find “an inexhaustible treasure in heaven!”
Thank you.

~Our Tri-Parish Family Picnic~

Sunday—August 17

Noon to 3:00pm

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GOSPEL MEDITATION—Aug. 10, 2025—Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

There was a young mother in my parish community who was depressed due to financial strain. She prayed for help. One morning before Mass, she placed on the counter a zip-lock bag filled with jewelry and old coins. Smiling, she explained she had been fixing an old cabinet and found the items hidden deep within the walls of her home. One particular coin could be worth as much as \$900,000. The contents of the bag—previously unknown to them—were now their prized possession. Their plans changed that week. They had to learn how much it was worth.

This week, the Lord tells us, “For where your treasure is, there also will your heart be” (Luke 12:34). Our lives revolve around what we treasure. When we discover the treasure the Father gives us—the kingdom of God—everything changes. We might not know its precise value, but we rearrange our lives around it. The joy of this discovery should never be far from our minds.

Sometimes we go through times when we can’t find this treasure. It seems hidden. Or it appears like dirty old coins and worthless jewelry in a Ziploc bag. But how crazy would my parishioners be if they tossed it away without knowing the cash value? How much crazier are we if we center our hearts on any treasure except that of Jesus and his kingdom? Remember, the Father is pleased to give it to us. That’s why we put our hearts there, even when it is hidden. *Father John Muir* ©LPi

~St. Agnes Church~

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Loose.....	750.27
National Church.....	20.00
Assumption of Mary.....	30.00
Fuel/utility.....	343.00
<u>Votives.....</u>	<u>40.00</u>
Total last week.....	\$2842.27

55 envelopes, 32%, averaging \$30.16

St. Vincent de Paul...\$150.00

ST. CECILIA

Adults.....	\$1330.00
Loose.....	310.00
National Church.....	10.00
Fuel/utility.....	63.00
Total last week.....	\$1708.00

34 envelopes, 19%, averaging \$39.12

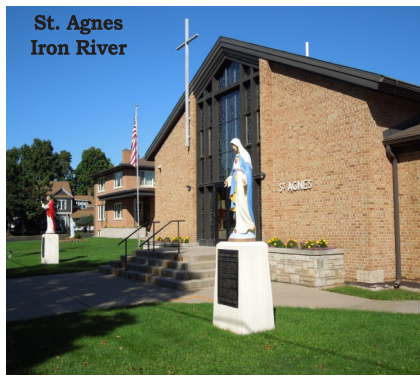
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IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

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Loose.....	379.00
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for their wedding anniversary

by Mary, Sarah, Anna Sparapani

SUNDAY, August 24

ST C 8:00 AM +Edward Darko—Father's brother-in-law

by St. Anne Society

ST A 10:00 AM For the people

Please note: there are several weekday Mass openings at ICC, call the St. Agnes Rectory Office if you would like to schedule any Masses there.

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Aug 18 Mon Jgs 2:11-19 Mt 19:16-22

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Aug 22 Fri Ru 1:1, 3-6, 14b-16, 22 Mt 22:34-40

Aug 23 Sat Ru 2:1-3, 8-11, 4:13-17 Mt 23:1-12

Aug 24 Sun Is 66:18-21 Heb 19:5-7 11-13 Lk 13:22-30

WELCOME

PRO LIFE CORNER

The truth about abortion has been censored by the media licensed by our courts, politicized by our politicians and even silenced in our churches and school.

Babies in the womb have no voice except yours and mine.

We cannot remain silent any longer!

Pro-Life Articles Author

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Jesus says some demanding words to us this week. “Do you think I have come to establish peace on the earth?” he asks, “No, tell you, but rather division” (Luke 12:51). He wants you and me—in fact, all the earth—to participate in the luminous glory of God. That’s why he speaks of himself as a divine arsonist. Divine fire is like a good coach: it demands the removal of all that obstructs the achievement of the lofty goal.

How is your life demanding right now? That inconvenient family situation, the unfair boss at work, the kids who reject their parents’ wishes, the nagging health issue? Maybe things would be more peaceful devoid of these seemingly arbitrary difficulties. **But for us who believe in the one who comes to set the earth of fire, we should be much more worried if he stops demanding so much from us. In fact, let’s thank him for it. He sees how glorious we can become.**

Father John Muir ©LPi

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National Church.....	52.00
Assumption.....	30.00
Fuel/utility.....	40.00
Votives.....	72.52
Total last week.....	\$2240.52

47 envelopes, 27%, averaging \$32.04

8-3 Online giving...\$845.20

ST. CECILIA

Adults.....	\$3083.00
Loose.....	361.00
Assumption.....	30.00
National Church.....	146.00
Fuel/utility.....	140.00
Votive candles.....	61.76
Total last week.....	\$3821.76

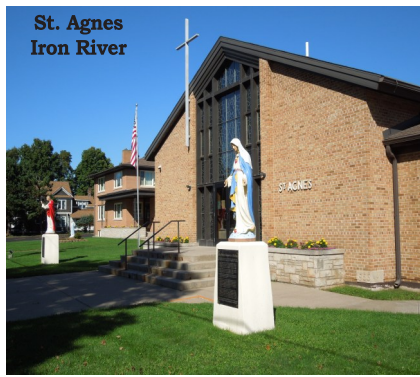
55 envelopes, 31%, averaging \$56.05

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

Adults.....	\$ 910.00
Loose.....	293.00
National Church.....	47.00
Votives.....	6.00
Total last week.....	\$1256.00

18 envelopes, 35%, averaging \$41.11

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ST A 6:15 PM +Mike Jacobs
by Mark & Carol Brunswick

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ST C 8:00 AM For the parishioners
ST A 10:00 AM +Keith Mitchell—by Mark & Ann Truax

LABOR DAY/MON., Sept. 1—NO MASS—OFFICE CLOSED~

TUESDAY, September 2

ICC 9:00AM +Religious Brother Hilary—by Sue

WEDNESDAY, September 3

ST A 8:00 AM +Richard & +Carol Ann Angeli
by Mary, Sarah, Anna Sparapani

ADORATION follows Mass until 10:30am

THURSDAY, September 4—1st Thurs. HOLY HOUR—6PM

ST C 5:30 PM +Myrna Masuga—by the Maki sisters

FRIDAY, September 5

ST C 8:00 AM +Josephine & +Victor Franzoi
by their kids

ADORATION follows Mass until noon

ICC 10:00 AM +Mike Hanmer—by Sue

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SATURDAY, September 6

ICC 4:00 PM +Derek Saylor—by mom
ST A 6:15 PM For the parishioners

SUNDAY, September 7

ST C 8:00 AM +Jeanette Larson
by George & Jeanne Polanin
ST A 10:00 AM +Carol Ann Angeli
by children & grandchildren

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<u>Sept 1 Mon</u>	1 Thes 4:13-18 Lk 4:16-30
<u>Sept 2 Tue</u>	1 Thes 5:1-6, 9-11 Lk 4:31-37
<u>Sept 3 Wed</u>	Col 1:1-8 Lk 4:38-44
<u>Sept 4 Thu</u>	Col 1:9-14 Lk 5:1-11
<u>Sept 5 Fri</u>	Col 1:15-20 Lk 5:33-39
<u>Sept 6 Sat</u>	Col 1:21-23 Lk 6:1-5
<u>Sept 7 Sun</u>	Wis 9:13-18b Phlm 9-10, 12-17 Lk 14:25-33

WELCOME

PRO LIFE

**Take a look around. Do you like what we've become?
Why have we become so immoral? Do you suppose it's because
we've pushed God aside and believe we are in charge?**

Ruth Weber
Davenport, Iowa

Glimpses of the Life of Venerable Bishop Baraga

**"Examine yourself carefully; let not some pride or hidden ambi-
tion deceive you of virtue, be humble before God."**

St. Vincent de Paul

**Today, we hear Jesus say to us, "...when you hold a banquet,
invite the poor, the crippled, the lame and the blind; blessed
indeed will you be because of their inability to repay you. For
you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous."**

With love for yours who are poor, crippled, lame or blind, 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.

The St. Anne Society's candy bar fundraiser is back!

The ladies will begin selling a variety of

SEROOGY CANDY BARS

**after all Masses beginning Labor Day weekend, August 30 & 31.
The bars sell for \$2.00 each, and will also be available to purchase at
the St. Agnes Rectory Office, and from the society members.**

**Proceeds help with the various events and activities
put on by the St. Anne Society.**

Thank you for your support and generosity.

Father Daniel's Wish List

ST. AGNES

Replace rain gutters on the Rectory

Replace rain gutters on the Church

Replace emergency lights/exit signs in church—\$2700

Replace emergency lights/exit signs in school—\$514

Chalice—donor paid

Repair cracks in parking lot and apply sealcoat

Replace electronic sign—\$31,245

Install motion lighting/both office entrances—\$675

Roman Missile/large book used at Mass—\$175

ST. CECILIA

Repair handrails at main church entrance—\$2500—donor paid

Replace disabled ramp at north church entrance—\$6500

Replace railing for disabled ramp—\$3000

Replace emergency lights/exit signs in church and hall—\$1541

Kneeler replacement

Repair cracks in Parking lot and apply sealcoat—\$4159

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH

Replace/level concrete in driveway

Install/replace emergency lighting at entrances—\$1500 est.

GOSPEL MEDITATION—8/31/25—Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Once I was invited to a group meeting with Pope Francis. Entering the room, I paused, eyeing the seats next to the Pope's fancy chair. Someone saw my paralysis and invited me to sit in the seat farthest from what I wanted. Hiding my disappointment, I sat. We waited. To our surprise, an aid pointed out that those seats were still empty and invited me and another to have them. We calmly but gleefully strode across the room and sat. Pope Francis entered, and we enjoyed two hours of amazingly uplifting conversation.

Jesus says this week to us: "When you are invited, go and take the lowest place so that when the host comes to you he may say, 'My friend, move up to a higher position.' Then you will enjoy the esteem of your companions at the table" (Luke 14:10). This is not about how to score free seat upgrades. Rather, it is a wise pattern for the whole of life. It is how to live free from the anxiety of constantly grasping for status and recognition.

Jesus perfectly embodies his seat-taking advice. He eschews his glorious throne for the lowest: death on a cross, that lonely chair we all deserve. In his resurrection, he calls us up higher to his marvelous banquet seats. This week, perhaps we should look for opportunities to choose the lowest seat. We'll be pleasantly surprised when we do.

Father John Muir ©LPi

Lamp Stand Candle—St. Agnes
9-6-2025

In memory of
Dolly Stafford
(her 2nd Anniversary)
by Marge

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In loving memory of
Al Perlongo
by Jan, Derek, Koren, Noah & Nick

Knights of Columbus **20-20 week 7 raffle winner: James Koch**

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Catholic Schools.....	15.00
Votives.....	56.50
Total last week.....	\$2589.50
43 envelopes, 25%, averaging \$40.84	

ST. CECILIA

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Loose.....	193.00
Assumption.....	10.00
National Church.....	5.00
Votive candles.....	43.00
Total last week.....	\$1216.00
38 envelopes, 22%, averaging \$25.39	

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

Adults.....	\$ 295.00
Loose.....	305.00
Votives.....	33.00
Total last week.....	\$ 633.00
13 envelopes, 25%, averaging \$22.69	

Thank you for your generosity!

O Jesus, Eternal High Priest, live in (Name), act in him, speak in and through him.

Think Your thoughts in his mind, love through his heart.

Give him Your own dispositions and feelings.

Teach, lead and guide him always.

Correct, enlighten and expand his thoughts and behavior.

Possess his soul; take over his entire personality and life.

Replace him with Yourself.

Incline him to constant adoration and thanksgiving:

Pray in and through him.

Let him live in You and keep him in this intimate union always,

O Mary, Immaculate Conception,

Mother of Jesus and Mother of priests,

Pray and intercede for (Name). Amen

Litany of the Seven Sorrows of The Blessed Virgin Mary

V. Lord, have mercy on us. *R. Christ, have mercy on us.*

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God, the Father of heaven,

+ **have mercy on us, our Bishops, Priests, Deacons and Religious**

God the Son, Redeemer of the world, +

God the Holy Spirit, +

Holy Trinity, One God, +

Holy Mary, Mother of God,

***Pray for us, and our Bishops, Priests, Deacons and Religious**

Holy Virgin of virgins, *

Mother of the Crucified, *

Sorrowful Mother, *

Mournful Mother, *

Sighing Mother, *

Afflicted Mother, *

Forsaken Mother, *

Desolate Mother, *

Mother most sad, *

Mother set around with anguish, *

Mother overwhelmed by grief, *

Mother transfixed by a sword, *

Mother crucified in thy heart, *

Mother bereaved of thy Son, *

Sighing Dove, *

Mother of Dolors, *

Fount of tears, *

Sea of bitterness, *

Field of tribulation, *

Mass of suffering, *

Mirror of patience, *

Rock of constancy, *

Remedy in perplexity, *

Joy of the afflicted, *

Ark of the desolate, *

Refuge of the abandoned, *

Shield of the oppressed, *

Conqueror of the incredulous, *

Solace of the wretched, *

Medicine of the sick, *

Help of the faint, *

Strength of the weak, *

Protectress of those who fight, *

Haven of the shipwrecked, *

Calmer of tempests, *

Companion of the sorrowful, *

Retreat of those who groan, *

Terror of the treacherous, *

Standard-bearer of the Martyrs, *

Treasure of the Faithful, *

Light of Confessors, *

Pearl of Virgins, *

Comfort of Widows, *

Joy of all Saints, *

Queen of thy Servants, *

Holy Mary, who alone art unexampled, *

V. Pray for us, most Sorrowful Virgin,

R. That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

Let us pray.

O God, in whose Passion, according to the prophecy of Simeon, a sword of grief pierced through the most sweet soul of Thy glorious Blessed Virgin Mother Mary: grant that we, who celebrate the memory of her Seven Sorrows, may obtain the happy effect of Thy Passion, Who lives and reigns world without end. Amen.

Litany composed by Pope Pius VII while held in captivity by Napoleon.

For private devotions. From The Service Manual.

The Seven Sorrows of Our Lady

1. The Prophecy of Simeon (Luke 2:35)

2. The Flight into Egypt (Matthew 2:13-15)

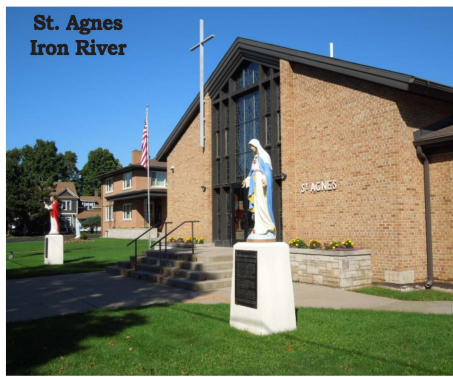
3. The Loss of Jesus in the Temple (Luke 2:41-50)

4. Mary meets Jesus Carrying the Cross

5. The Crucifixion (John 19:18)

6. Mary Receives the Dead Body of Her Son (John 19:25)

7. The Burial of Her Son and Closing of the Tomb. (John 19:38-42)



St. Agnes
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St. Cecilia
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ST A 10:00 AM +Mike Jacobs

by Jan, Derek, Koren Perlongo & family

MONDAY, September 15—NO MASS

TUESDAY, September 16—Father at Priest's Convocation

ICC 9:00—NO MASS

WEDNESDAY, September 17

ST A 8:00 AM—NO MASS

NO ADORATION

THURSDAY, September 18

ST C 5:30 PM +Phyllis St. John

by her daughters and families

FRIDAY, September 19

ST C 8:00 AM +Edward Darko (Fr. Daniel's brother-in-law)

by Dean & Jeanne Kaczorowski

ADORATION follows Mass until noon

ICC 10:00 AM +Edward Darko

by Sue

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SATURDAY, September 20

ICC 4:00 PM +Ellie Livermore

by Sue

ST A 6:15 PM For the parishioners

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ST A 10:00 AM +Mike Jacobs—by Peg & Rick Angeli

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<u>Sept 17 Wed</u>	1 Tm 3:14-16/Lk 7:31-35
<u>Sept 18 Thu</u>	1 Tm 4:12-16 Lk 7:36-50
<u>Sept 19 Fri</u>	1 Tm 6:2c-12 Lk 8:1-3
<u>Sept 20 Sat</u>	1 Tm 6:13-16 Lk 8:4-15
<u>Sept 21 Sun</u>	Am 8:4-7 1 Tm 2:1-8 Lk 16:1-13 or 16:10-13

WELCOME

**Please be aware of e-mails using Fr. Daniel's name!
There is one currently circulating—it is NOT Fr. Daniel!**

St. Agnes Altar Society will meet on Sept. 9, 1pm LFR

Knights of Columbus will meet—Sept. 11, 6pm LFR

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ORMT meets every other month beginning Sept. 16, 6pm LFR

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION KICKOFF TAILGATE PARTY
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The ladies will be selling a variety of
SEROOGY CANDY BARS
after all weekend Masses.
The bars sell for \$2.00 each, and will also be available to purchase at the St. Agnes Rectory Office,
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GOSPEL MEDITATION—9/14/25—The Exaltation of the Holy Cross

One of my favorite movies is the 1991 comedy What About Bob? Bill Murray plays a troubled, paranoid hypochondriac named Bob Wiley who innocently but annoyingly hounds Dr. Leo Marvin, played by Richard Dreyfuss. Bob is paralyzed by his fear of, well, everything, and is convinced the psychologist can heal him. But Dr. Marvin's failed attempts to heal Bob end up driving the doctor to attempt to murder Bob. He fails. The surprise is that, having faced death head on, Bob is suddenly healed. He attributes his healing to Dr Marvin for break-through "death therapy." In facing the cause of his deepest illness and dysfunction, Bob is healed.

Underneath this light-hearted comedy is a dead-serious resonance with this week's feast: the Exaltation of the Holy Cross. Christ is lifted up on the cross to force us to face the truth of sin and death. In that reckoning we find healing. Like Moses' snake on a pole, the cross says: this is what is causing your sickness – rebellion, disobedience, sin. Look at it! Don't run from it. Now seeing it exposed, we see life. We see our physician mercifully healing us. In this sense, we are all like Bob Wiley. The "death therapy" of the cross is our only hope for healing.

This week I invite you to "exalt the cross." If you don't have one in your house, get one. Use it for prayer. Gaze on it frequently. It teaches us to not be afraid. It heals us.

Father John Muir ©LPi

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Adults.....	\$1298.00
Loose.....	791.00
St. Vincent de Paul.....	206.00
Fuel/utility	25.00
Votives.....	86.00
Total last week.....	\$2406.00
51 envelopes, 30%, averaging \$25.45	

ST. CECILIA

Adults.....	\$1616.00
Loose.....	406.00
Votive candles.....	15.00
Total last week.....	\$2037.00
34 envelopes, 19%, averaging \$47.53	
St. Vincent de Paul...\$186.00	

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

Adults.....	\$1270.00
Loose.....	282.00
Assumption.....	1.00
Votives.....	6.00
Total last week.....	\$1559.00
21 envelopes, 40%, averaging \$60.48	

OUR TREASURE SHARED—Sept. 7

ST. AGNES

Adults.....	\$1756.00
Loose.....	391.32
St. Vincent de Paul.....	7.00
Fuel/utility.....	50.00
Total last week.....	\$1969.32
55 envelopes, 33%, averaging \$27.65	

ST. CECILIA

Adults.....	\$2005.00
Loose.....	324.00
St. Vincent de Paul	40.00
Fuel/utility.....	110.00
Votive candles.....	29.50
Total last week.....	\$2508.50
36 envelopes, 21%, averaging \$55.69	

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

Adults.....	\$ 470.00
Loose.....	231.60
Fuel/utility.....	10.00
Votives.....	3.00
Total last week.....	\$ 714.60
17 envelopes, 33%, averaging \$27.65	

Thank you for your generosity!



St. Agnes
Iron River



St. Cecilia
Caspian



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ST C 8:00 AM For the parishioners

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MONDAY, September 22—NO MASS

TUESDAY, September 23

ICC 9:00AM +Edward Darko—by Sue

WEDNESDAY, September 24

ST A 8:00 AM +Dolly Watts—by Micki Haydon

ADORATION follows Mass until 10:30am

THURSDAY, September 25

ST C 5:30 PM +Elvira Mitchell (for her date of death)

by Mark & Ann Truax

FRIDAY, September 26

ST C 8:00 AM +Myrna Masuga

by the Maki sisters

ADORATION follows Mass until noon

ICC 10:00 AM +Rochelle Kepperling

by Sue

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SATURDAY, September 27

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May God Bless You.

All are welcome to come pray, light a candle and view this intricate work of art.

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Sept 22 Mon Ezr 1:1-6 Lk 8:16-18

Sept 23 Tue Ezr 6:7-8, 12b, 14-20 Lk 8:19-21

Sept 24 Wed Ezr 9:5-9 Lk 9:1-6

Sept 25 Thu Hg 1:1-8 Lk 9:7-9

Sept 26 Fri Hg 2:1-9/Lk 9:18-22

Sept 27 Sat Zec2:5-9, 14-15a Lk 9:43b-45

Sept 28 Sun Am 6:1a, 4-7 1 Tm6:11-18 Lk 16:19-31

WELCOME

PRO LIFE

The pro-abortion movement and lobby thrives on having a silent victim.

Glimpses of the Life of Venerable Bishop Baraga

“God has created all things;
so all things belong to God;
Honor and obey Him earnestly.”

St. Vincent de Paul

In today's Gospel, we see that prudent decisiveness means that we recognize that all our choices in daily living are really choices for eternal life. Admission into heaven is something money cannot buy. The only currency that has any value to secure our entrance is that of love.

As you make your donation to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul, know that you are a sign of God's love to those who are suffering.

Have you ever stopped for a moment to reflect on how events in your life led you to where you are right now?

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And so are you. Which is understandable because it never happened. How could it? My tall tale is a retelling of Jesus' brow-furrowing parable we hear this week. A lazy, dishonest steward defrauds his boss and then the “master commended the dishonest servant for acting prudently” (Luke 16:8). What is the Lord saying to us?

Most of us treat our spiritual lives like a lazy teenager at an Apple store. We really don't care. We go through the motions. Then, if we are lucky, something happens that shakes us to spiritual action; to employ whatever time, money, and resources we have to build around us a strong network of love. Every saint did that. Our Lord is so good he wants us to use his stuff to forgive debts and to bless others. He wants us to ensure our future. So do it!

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Fuel/utility.....	343.00
Total last week.....	\$1795.00
39 envelopes, 23%, averaging \$32.08	

ST. CECILIA

Adults.....	\$2226.00
Loose.....	259.00
Votives.....	216.00
Fuel/utility.....	58.00
Total last week.....	\$2759.00
66 envelopes, 38%, averaging \$33.73	

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

Adults.....	\$ 435.00
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ICC 10:00 AM Special intention—by Sue

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ICC 4:00 PM +Marion Dobson

by Sue

ST A 6:15 PM +Richard Roche

by his brother John Roche

SUNDAY, October 5

ST C 8:00 AM For the parishioners

ST A 10:00 AM +Richard & +Carol Ann Angeli

by Mary, Sarah, and Anna Sparapani

Please note: ONLY Mass intention openings at Immaculate Conception. NO Mass openings at St. Cecilia or St. Agnes until 2026.

Please pray for the Eternal Repose of the soul of

Mary Guzowski

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

SCRIPTURE READINGS**Sept 29 Mon** Dn 7:9-10, 13-14, rv 12:7-12ab Jn 1:47-51**Sept 30 Tue** Zec 9:51-56 Lk 9:51-56**Oct 1 Wed** Neh 2:1-8 Lk 9:57-62**Oct 2 Thu** Neh 8:1-4a, 5-6, 7b-12 Mt 18:1-5, 10**Oct 3 Fri** Bar 1:15-22 Lk 10:13-16**Oct 4 Sat** Bar 4:5-12, 27-29 Lk 10:17-24**Oct 5 Sun** Hb1:2-3, 2:2-3 2Tm 1:6-8, 13-14 Lk 17:5-10**WELCOME**

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God: From the moment I created you, and through everything you've done in your life, my love for you has never wavered. *I am love.* No sins or failings in your life could prevent me from loving you. I need you to keep asking for my love though and be open to receiving it. I know you choose against me, but what's important is choosing me the next time. **I do see you as you are. You are my child and I love you.** If only you could see you the way I see you...

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after all weekend Masses.**

**The bars sell for \$2.00 each, and will also be available to
purchase at the St. Agnes Rectory Office,
and from the society members.**

**Proceeds help with the various church events and activities
put on by the St. Anne Society.**

Thank you for your support and generosity.

GOSPEL MEDITATION—9/28/2025—Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

I am embarrassed to admit that I frequently find myself dining and socializing with people who have millions and sometimes billions of dollars. I've eaten more caviar, lobster and wagyu steak than most people on the planet. I justify it by saying it's part of my job. But I have seven pairs of nice jeans and expensive shoes.

So it is rather uncomfortable to hear Our Lord say: "My child, remember that you received what was good in your lifetime, while Lazarus likewise received what was bad; but now he is comforted here, whereas you are tormented" (Luke 16:25). Fellow rich people (and if you're American, you're rich), do we not vehemently though quietly object to this parable's karma-esque reward system? Why bless the rich man just to curse him later? And curse Lazarus just to bless him later? So Americans go to hell, while Burundians and Afghans go to heaven? What is going on?

One clue is that the condemned rich man doesn't complain of injustice. Rather, he simply begs to help his brothers to repent. Of what? We don't know exactly. Perhaps another clue is that the rich man now seems more like the downtrodden Lazarus. He knows what it is to be hungry and thirsty, to be wounded in the gutter; that he deserved that, not fancy meals and clothes. Maybe the rich man finally understands how to receive true blessings, but it is too late for him. But not for me. Not for us. *Father John Muir* ©LPi

Knights of Columbus
20/20 Raffle week 13 winner:
David Aregoni

Religious Education
begins on Wednesday
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Welcome back!
We've missed you!

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HOLY HOUR

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Priesthood Sunday is a special day set aside to honor the priesthood. It is a day to reflect upon and affirm the role of the priesthood in the life of the Church as a central one. This nationwide event is coordinated and sponsored by the USA Council of Serra International. Pray for our priests, pray for vocations, thank our priests.

OUR TREASURE SHARED

ST. AGNES	
Adults.....	\$1955.00
Loose.....	421.00
Christmas/All Souls/All Saints.....	20.00
Christmas flowers.....	10.00
Immaculate Conception.....	5.00
Fuel/utility.....	20.00
<u>Votes.....</u>	<u>165.15</u>
Total last week.....	\$2596.15
54 envelopes, 32%, averaging \$36.20	

ST. CECILIA	
Adults.....	\$1384.00
Loose.....	268.00
Fuel/utility.....	30.00
<u>Votive candles.....</u>	<u>42.00</u>
Total last week.....	\$1724.00
38 envelopes, 22%, averaging \$36.42	

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

Adults.....	\$ 665.00
Loose.....	188.00
Catholic school.....	1.00
Assumption.....	100.00
<u>Votes.....</u>	<u>9.00</u>
Total last week.....	\$ 714.60
17 envelopes, 32%, averaging \$39.12	

St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry...\$263.15

Thank you for your generosity!



St. Agnes
Iron River



St. Cecilia
Caspian



Immaculate Conception
Watersmeet

Welcome to our Tri-Parish Community St. Agnes—St. Cecilia—Immaculate Conception 10-5-2025

Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Catholic Communities of Iron River, Caspian and Watersmeet



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10:00am Friday

4:00pm Saturday

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ST A 6:15 PM +Richard Roche—by his brother John

SUNDAY, October 5

ST C 8:00 AM For the parishioners

ST A 10:00 AM +Richard & Carol Ann Angeli
by Mary, Sarah, & Anna Sparapani

MONDAY, October 6—NO MASS

TUESDAY, October 7

ICC 9:00AM +Living & deceased of the Rosary Sodality

WEDNESDAY, October 8

ST A 8:00 AM +Dale Wodzinski—by Sharon Ryden

ADORATION follows Mass until 10:30am

THURSDAY, October 9

ST C 5:30 PM +Catherine Eskildsen
by the Maki sisters

FRIDAY, October 10

ST C 8:00 AM +Wayne Raymond
by Julie & Gary Powell

ADORATION follows Mass until noon

ICC 10:00 AM +Bob and +Jane Groulx

ADORATION follows Mass until noon

SATURDAY, October 11

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ST A 6:15 PM +LeRoy Dobson
by Mark & Sheri Stauber

SUNDAY, October 12

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by Rich & Veronica Junak

ST A 10:00 AM +Bill Gendron—by his wife +Joyce
by Rich & Veronica Junak

<u>St. Agnes</u>	<u>St. Cecilia</u>	<u>ICC</u>
\$27,398.92 Assessed	\$26, 296.98 Assessed	\$12,278.24 Assessed
\$3,185 paid to date	\$2,205.00 paid to date	\$600 paid to date
\$4,385 pledged to date	\$3,605 pledged to date	\$1,000 pledged to date
\$23,013.92 unpledged	\$22,691.98 unpledged	\$10,978.24 unpledged
4 participants	11 participants	4 participants
172 total families	175 total families	52 total families
2% participation	6% participation	8% participation
16% of goal	14% of goal	11% of goal
<u>UPCSA figures to date</u>	<u>UPCSA figures to date</u>	<u>UPCSA figures to date</u>

SCRIPTURE READINGS

<u>Oct 6 Mon</u>	Jon 1:1—2:2, 11 Lk 10:25-37
<u>Oct 7 Tue</u>	Jon 3:1-10 Lk 10:38-42
<u>Oct 8 Wed</u>	Jon 4:1-11 Lk 11:1-4
<u>Oct 9 Thu</u>	Mal 3:13-20b/Lk 11:5-13
<u>Oct 10 Fri</u>	JI 1:13-15 Lk 11:15-26
<u>Oct 11 Sat</u>	JI 4:12-21 Lk 11:27-28
<u>Oct 12 Sun</u>	2 Kgs 5:14-17 2 Tm 2:8-13 Lk 17:11-19

WELCOME

Annual Dinner

Sunday, October 26, 2025

St. Cecilia Parish in Father Sartorelli Hall

**This delicious dinner includes Italian Noodles,
Meatballs & Chicken and more!**

BUFFET DINNER 4:00—5:00PM

Take-outs may be picked up between 3:00—4:00pm

Tickets are \$15.00 each

Children 12 and under eat FREE at dine-in only.

Come & bring your family & friends! All are welcome!

**The dinner is prepared and served by the
Holy Name Men's Club with family & friends.**

Knights of Columbus 20-20 week 13
Raffle winner: Stella Schober

The ORMT is hosting ***Kookies 4 Kids*** on
October 5th after the 8:00 Mass at St. Ce-
cilia and after the 10:00 Mass at St. Ag-
nes. There will be cookies for the kids and
bars or muffins for the adults.

Father Daniel's Wish List

ST. AGNES

Replace rain gutters on the Rectory

Replace rain gutters on the Church

Replace emergency lights/exit signs in church—\$2700

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Repair cracks in parking lot and apply sealcoat—\$9000/half pd

Replace electronic sign—\$31,245

Install motion lighting/both office entrances—\$675

ST. CECILIA

Replace railing for disabled ramp—\$3000

Replace emergency lights/exit signs in church and hall—\$1541

Kneeler replacement

Repair cracks in parking lot and apply sealcoat—\$6000/half pd

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH

Replace/level concrete in driveway

Install/replace emergency lights at entrances—\$1500

GOSPEL MEDITATION—10/5/2025—Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

A priest friend of mine received a call from a family whose elderly mother was dying. Within thirty minutes, he was at her bedside, offering the consolation of the sacraments, anointing her with the oil of the sick, and commending her soul to God. She passed not long after, and for months, her family spoke of their deep gratitude for his presence. When I phoned him to commend his faithful ministry, he simply said, “I was just doing my job.”

His words brought to mind Jesus’ teaching this week in Luke 17:10: “So you also, when you have done everything you were told to do, should say, ‘We are unworthy servants; we have only done our duty.’” In a world that often seeks recognition and applause, the Lord invites us into a different mindset — one of humble service. The priest did not see his response as extraordinary; he saw it as a grace to fulfill his vocation.

How tempting it is to seek affirmation for doing what I ought to do! Yet Jesus reminds us that true discipleship is not about grandstanding but about quiet faithfulness. It is enough to have served. It is enough to have loved. It is enough to be grateful that we were given the chance to do our duty in the first place. Whether in priesthood, parenthood, or any vocation, what peace-soaked freedom there is in simply doing what is asked of us. No more, no less. Jesus, that is how you quietly love us.

Father John Muir ©LPi

Knights of Columbus 20-20 week 12 Raffle winner: Darin & Sara Long

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John Raade
John Michelak

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Loose.....	303.00
Votives.....	41.75
Fuel/utility.....	120.00
Total last week.....	\$1441.75

37 envelopes, 22%, averaging \$26.41
St. Vincent de Paul....\$753.25

ST. CECILIA

Adults.....	\$1196.00
Loose.....	690.00
Votives.....	32.00
Fuel/utility.....	40.00
Total last week.....	\$1960.00

34 envelopes, 19%, averaging \$35.18
St. Vincent de Paul....\$454.59

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

Adults.....	\$ 318.35
Loose.....	194.00
Votives.....	23.00
Total last week.....	\$ 535.35

14 envelopes, 27%, averaging \$22.74

Thank you for your generosity!



St. Agnes
Iron River



St. Cecilia
Caspian



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Watersmeet

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by his wife +Joyce

MONDAY, October 13—NO MASS**TUESDAY, October 14**

ICC 9:00 AM +Bob & +Jane Groulx

WEDNESDAY, October 15

ST A 8:00 AM +Mike VanAckeren

by Sharon Ryden

ADORATION follows Mass until 10:30am**THURSDAY, October 16**

ST C 5:30 PM +Delores Watts

by the Thunanders

FRIDAY, October 17

ST C 8:00 AM +Rose Remondini

by Jim & Elaine Baumgartner

ADORATION follows Mass until noon

ICC 10:00 AM +Bob & Jane Groulx

ADORATION follows Mass until noon**SATURDAY, October 18**

ICC 4:00 PM +Schemmer family

by Wayne Schemmer

ST A 6:15 PM +Rick, Thomas & John Korpi

by Lawrence & Patti Wiegand

SUNDAY, October 19

ST C 8:00 AM +Wayne Raymond

by Julie & Gary Powell

ST A 10:00 AM For the parishioners

Please note:ONLY weekday Mass intentions available at ICCNO Mass openings at St. Cecilia or St. Agnes until 2026.**SCRIPTURE READINGS****Oct 13 Mon** Rom 1:1-7 Lk 11:29-32**Oct 14 Tue** Rom 1:16-25 Lk 11:37-41**Oct 15 Wed** Rom 2:1-11/Lk 11:42-46**Oct 16 Thu** Rom 3:21-30/Lk 11:47-54**Oct 17 Fri** Rom 4:1-8 Lk 12:1-7**Oct 18 Sat** 2 Tm 4:10-17b Lk 10:1-9**Oct 19 Sun** Ex 17:8-13 2 Tm 3:14—4:2 Lk 18:1-8**WELCOME****Please be aware of e-mails using Fr. Daniel's name!
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Chalice—*donor paid*

Repair cracks in parking lot and apply sealcoat

Replace electronic sign—\$31,245

Install motion lighting/both office entrances—\$675

Roman Missile/large book used at Mass—\$165—*donor paid***ST. CECILIA**Repair handrails at main church entrance—\$2500—*donor paid*Replace dis. ramp at N. church entrance—\$6500—*donor paid*

Replace railing for disabled ramp—\$3000

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Kneeler replacement

Repair cracks in Parking lot and apply sealcoat—\$4159

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH

Replace/level concrete in driveway

Install/replace emergency lighting at entrances—\$1500 est.

**The chains of darkness and sin are broken
when we allow God to restore our heart.****Sin hardens our hearts.****Allow God to cleanse your heart of sin and restore you to
who He created you to be by
going to confession this week.****Lord, soften my heart.****Help me turn from sin and let Your love in.
Amen.**

Please pray for the Eternal Repose of the soul of

Mary Guzowski

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

Knights of Columbus 20-20 week 13***Raffle winner: Stella Schober***

GOSPEL MEDITATION—10/12/2025—Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Dorothy Day, the great Catholic activist, doubted God's existence. At least in her early adult years. But something changed when after giving birth to her daughter, she experienced an overwhelming gratitude. She later described how, as she held her daughter, the only appropriate response was a kind of unlimited gratitude. She had done nothing to deserve such a gift — this tiny, miraculous life — but there she was, flooded with gratitude, completely undone by the love of such a Giver.

Something similar occurs in Luke 17:19 when Jesus tells a healed leper, "Stand up and go; your faith has saved you." This man had already received physical healing through his faith. But the moment of an even deeper transformation came when he turned back, fell at Jesus' feet, and gave thanks. Like Dorothy, this man's gratitude led him to encounter the Giver.

Isn't that what we want, too? Gratitude to God has the power to break our chains of sadness, bitterness, and disenchantment. It empowers us to step out of the prison of self-pity and into the reality of God's abundant love. It shifts our focus from what we lack to what we have received, from what wounds us to what heals us.

Where do we learn this? The Mass. The priest prays: "It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation, always and everywhere to give you thanks." Always. Everywhere. Not just when life is easy. Not just when prayers are answered as we expect. Gratitude is not a passive feeling; it is an act of faith. In the eucharist, we remember that Christ himself has given everything for us. And in this act of gratitude, we are healed.

Father John Muir ©LPi

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Angel of God My Guardian Dear

**to whom Gods love entrusts me here
ever this day be at my side
to light, to guard, to rule and guide**

Amen.

OUR TREASURE SHARED

ST. AGNES

Adults.....	\$1616.00
Loose.....	343.00
Votives.....	51.00
Total last week.....	\$2596.15

51 envelopes, 31%, averaging \$31.69

ST. CECILIA

Adults.....	\$1405.00
Loose.....	255.51
St. Vincent de Paul.....	50.00
Fuel/utility.....	70.00
Votive candles.....	27.20
Total last week.....	\$1814.71

42 envelopes, 24%, averaging \$33.45

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

Adults.....	\$ 445.00
Loose.....	114.00
Misc.....	5.00
Votives.....	12.00
Total last week.....	\$ 576.00

14 envelopes, 27%, averaging \$31.79

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St. Agnes
Iron River



St. Cecilia
Caspian



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ST A 6:15 PM +Rick, Thomas & John Korpi
by Lawrence & Patti Wiegand

SUNDAY, October 19

ST C 8:00 AM +Wayne Raymond
by Julie & Gary

ST A 10:00 AM For the parishioners

Father Daniel is on retreat this week.

All Masses for this week have been rescheduled.

MONDAY, October 20—NO MASS

TUESDAY, October 21

ICC 9:00 AM NO MASS

WEDNESDAY, October 22

ST A 8:00 AM NO MASS

NO ADORATION

THURSDAY, October 23

ST C 5:30 PM NO MASS

FRIDAY, October 24

ST C 8:00 AM NO MASS

NO ADORATION

ICC 10:00 AM NO MASS

NO ADORATION

SATURDAY, October 25

ICC 4:00 PM +Schemmer family

ST A 6:15 PM +Rick, Thomas & John Korpi
by Lawrence & Patti Wiegand

SUNDAY, October 26

ST C 8:00 AM +Dolly Watts

by the McNamara's

ST A 10:00 AM +Mike Jacobs

by +Luella Ambach

St. Agnes

\$27,398.92 Assessed
\$3,785 paid to date
\$4,885 pledged to date
\$23,513.92 unpledged
9 participants
172 total families
5% participation
18% of goal
UPCSA figures to date

St. Cecilia

\$26,296.98 Assessed
\$2,855 paid to date
\$3,855 pledged to date
\$22,441.98 unpledged
11 participants
175 total families
10% participation
15% of goal
UPCSA figures to date

ICC

\$12,278.24 Assessed
\$700 paid to date
\$1,350 pledged to date
\$10,928.24 unpledged
5 participants
52 total families
10% participation
11% of goal
UPCSA figures to date

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Oct 20 Mon Rom 4:20-25 Lk 12:13-21

Oct 21 Tue Rom 5:12, 15b, 17-19 Lk 12:25-38

Oct 22 Wed Rom 6:12-18 Lk 12:39-48

Oct 23 Thu Rom 6:19-23 Lk 12:49-53

Oct 24 Fri Rom 7:18-25a Lk 12:24-59

Oct 25 Sat Rom 8:1-11 Lk 13:1-9

Oct 26 Sun Sir 35:12-14, 16-18, 2Tm 4:6-8, 16-18

WELCOME

Annual Italian Dinner

Sunday, October 26, 2025

St. Cecilia Parish in Father Sartorelli Hall

**This delicious dinner includes Italian Noodles,
Meatballs & Chicken and more!**

BUFFET DINNER 4:00—5:00PM

Take-outs may be picked up between 3:00—4:00pm

Tickets are \$15.00 each

Children 12 and under eat FREE at dine-in only.

Come & bring your family & friends! All are welcome!

**The dinner is prepared and served by the
Holy Name Men's Club along with family & friends.**

**In the increasing darkness of our world, standing up for
your belief in Jesus Christ in His Church will not become
easier. The question is, when the opportunity arises,
will you stand firm in your faith?**

Please pray for the Eternal Repose of the souls of

**Roger Bofinger
Sandra Skovera**

Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord and let
perpetual light shine upon them.

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Kneeler replacement

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IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH

Replace/level concrete in driveway

Install/replace emergency lights at entrances—\$1500

GOSPEL MEDITATION—10/5/2025—Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

A woman in my parish has an adult son who has rejected his faith. She prays for him every day. She lights candles, says rosaries, and asks God again and again to bring him back. But nothing changes. Is God listening? Is He delaying? She told me once that she feels like the widow in Jesus' strange parable — crying out for justice, but hearing only silence. And yet, she said, she is at peace. I asked why. She responded, "God is already answering. I just can't see it yet."

She embodies something of the mystery in Jesus' parable this week in Luke 18. A powerless widow demands justice from a corrupt judge. This isn't about wearing God down until He gives in. It's about faith in the justice that is already coming. The widow isn't just persistent; she believes that justice is inevitable. And when Jesus points to the judge's words — his fear of being "struck" — He hints at something deeper: God's justice does not creep in gradually. It strikes. It comes like lightning.

Blessed Mary is, of course, the ultimate widow demanding justice. At the foot of the cross she stands before what looks like the ultimate injustice — the brutal execution of her son. But she did not despair. She did not beg for a last-minute rescue. She knew that justice was not delayed. In fact, it was happening. The power of the cross was already unleashing justice upon the world — suddenly, decisively, like a blow that would topple every corrupt power, making even the most corrupt fear her strike.

This parable asks us: will the Son of Man find faith on earth? Or will we mistake God's silence for absence? The cross proves that justice is not slow. It is only hidden. The lightning has already struck. In the cross, justice is speedily being done.

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In loving memory of the 19th anniversary of

John Taetsch

by his wife Marge & family

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In loving memory of

Ron Sykora

by his wife Mary

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Patricia Carney Hentzel

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Loose.....	338.61
Votives.....	55.65
Fuel/utility.....	10.00
Total last week.....	\$1488.36
35 envelopes, 21%, averaging \$29.55	

ST. CECILIA

Adults.....	\$2035.00
Loose.....	321.00
St. Vincent de Paul.....	25.00
Votives.....	42.00
Fuel/utility.....	295.00
Total last week.....	\$2718.00
34 envelopes, 19%, averaging \$35.18	

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

Adults.....	\$ 990.00
Loose.....	322.00
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18 envelopes, 35%, averaging \$55.00	

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SUNDAY, November 2—Vocations week begins, plz pray

ST C 8:00 AM +Richard & +Carol Ann Angeli
by Mary, Sarah, Anna Sparani

ST A 10:00 AM—MEMORIAL MASS

MONDAY, November 3—NO MASS

TUESDAY, November 4

ICC 9:00 AM +Bob & +Jane Groulx

WEDNESDAY, November 5

ST A 8:00 AM +Mary Ann James
by Dr. Don & Karen Patton

ADORATION 8:30am to 10:30am

THURSDAY, November 6

ST C 5:30 PM +Dorothy & +Reno Cailotto
by Tim & Bonnie Peruzzi

FRIDAY, November 7

ST C 8:00 AM +Adam Zorzin
by Elaine & Jim Baumgartner

ADORATION 10:30am to Noon

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ST A 6:15 PM For the parishioners

SUNDAY, November 9

ST C 8:00 AM +Gerald Jurecic
by his family

ST A 10:00 AM +Emma St. Peter
by her family

WELCOME

Advent Penance Services

Sunday, December 7—3:00pm
Immaculate Conception, Watersmeet

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St. Cecilia

ICC

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Nov 3 Mon Rom 11:29-36 Lk 14:12-14

Nov 4 Tue Rom 19:3-16b Lk 14:15-24

Nov 5 Wed Rom 13:8-10 Lk 14:25-33

Nov 6 Thu Rom 14:7-12 Lk 15:1-10

Nov 7 Fri Rom 15:14-21 Lk 16:1-8

Nov 8 Sat Rom 16:3-9, 16, 22-27 Lk 16:9-15

Nov 9 Sun Ez 47:1-2, 8-9 1Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17 Jn 2:13-22

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GOSPEL MEDITATION—11/2/2025—All Souls' Day

I lost my wallet this year. It was such an annoyance to replace everything in it. A friend, moved by sympathy, gave me a beautiful new one. One month later I lost that one, too, with all my newly replaced cards. No matter what I did, I couldn't find what I had lost. I resigned myself to never seeing either of my wallets again.

Fortunately, the Lord Jesus is not like me in this regard. In today's Gospel (John 6:37-40), he says, "This is the will of the one who sent me, that I should not lose anything of what he gave me." Jesus, unlike me, is ever vigilant with what the Father has given him. He searches for every lost soul — as the shepherd leaves the ninety-nine to pursue the one lost sheep, or the woman rejoices upon recovering a lost coin — and even descends to the depths of loss on the cross and into the realm of the dead to recover that which seems forever lost.

On All Souls' Day, as we remember our faithful departed, these words kindle a hope beyond hope in our hearts. Even the dead are not lost to Jesus, though they may seem so to us. Nothing entrusted to him by the Father is ever truly lost. So, we may hope that every soul, no matter how wandering or forgotten in life, is secure in his loving care and destined to be raised on the last day. Of what the Father gives him, he loses nothing.

Father John Muir ©LPi

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Lamp Stand Candle—St. Cecilia—November 8

In loving memory of

Ron Sykora

by his wife Mary

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Adults.....	\$1453.00
Loose.....	254.00
Christmas Flowers.....	25.00
All Souls'.....	30.00
All Saints.....	35.00
Fuel/utility.....	40.00
Total last week.....	\$1837.00

34 envelopes, 20%, averaging \$42.74

St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry.....\$231.00

ST. CECILIA

Adults.....	\$1171.00
Loose.....	185.00
Christmas Flowers.....	25.00
All Souls'.....	20.00
All Saints.....	25.00
Fuel/utility.....	25.00
Total last week.....	\$1451.00

34 envelopes, 19%, averaging \$34.44

St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry.....\$200.00

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

Adults.....	\$ 530.00
Loose.....	124.00
Fuel/utility.....	10.00
Votives.....	15.00
Total last week.....	\$ 679.00

18 envelopes, 35%, averaging \$55.00

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St. Agnes
Iron River



St. Cecilia
Caspian



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November 11

Keep all Veterans
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Thank You to all
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ST A 10:00 AM +Emma St. Peter—by her husband

MONDAY, November 10—NO MASS

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ICC 9:00 AM +Bob & +Jane Groulx

WEDNESDAY, November 12

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

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THURSDAY, November 13

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by Ryan & Melissa Wilhelm

FRIDAY, November 14

ST C 8:00 AM +Phyllis St. John
by her daughters and families

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CHANNING

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KINGSFORD

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CRYSTAL FALLS

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Nov 10 Mon Wis 1:1-7/Lk 17:1-6

Nov 11 Tue Wis 5:23—3:9/Lk 17:7-10

Nov 12 Wed Wis 6:1-11 Lk 17:11-19

Nov 13 Thu Wis 7:22b—8:1 Lk 17:20-25

Nov 14 Fri Wis 13:1-9 Lk 17:26-37

Nov 15 Sat Wis 18:14-16, 19:6-9 Lk 18:1-8

Nov 16 Sun Mal 3:19-20a 2Thes 3:7-12 Lk 21:5-19

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ST. CECILIA

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Roman Missal
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Iron County Right to Life Meeting

**Monday—November 10—6:00pm
in the St. Agnes School**

**All are invited—especially parents—to put together
a plan of action for our community.**

OUR ADVENT PENANCE SERVICE

**SUNDAY, December 21st—4:00pm—ST. CECILIA
CASPIAN**

Please pray for the Eternal Repose of
Edward Marcell

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

**Being with no one is better
than being with the wrong one.**

Sometimes those who fly solo have the strongest wings.

Saint Mother Theresa

Knights of Columbus 20-20 week 17
Raffle winner: Karen Petts

GOSPEL MEDITATION—11/9/2025—The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

When I was 22, I entered St. Peter's Basilica for the first time. It floored me. I could hardly take it in, its grandeur, majestic arches, vibrant colors, and the light that danced through its high windows. Somehow, amidst such splendor, I felt an overwhelming sense of belonging, as if I had finally come home.

Jesus reorients how we Catholics see sacred buildings. In today's Gospel he says, "Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up" (John 2:13-22). His riddle implies, shockingly, that his own body is now the fundamental dwelling place of God and humanity. The temple in Jerusalem has been superseded.

In our churches today — whether they mirror the basilica's grandeur or embrace humble simplicity — we experience architectural symbols of Christ's risen body. It is no accident we call them "churches": they make visible in brick-and-mortar Christ's body which is made up of the living stones we call Christians. Each church building, like St. John Lateran in Rome, or St. Peter's, or any other, is meant to be a vibrant sign of Christ's resurrected body. We should cherish and protect our churches as places where heaven touches earth, where we, as a community, are raised to the fullness of life in Christ.

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Dec. 7—For the Growth of our Church—ICC Feast Day 4pm Mass at ICC

A meal will be served on these Feast Days—ALL are welcome

OUR TREASURE SHARED

ST. AGNES

Adults.....	\$1880.00
Loose.....	298.98
St. Vincent de Paul.....	20.00
Christmas flowers.....	340.00
All Saints \$100/All Souls \$163	263.00
Fuel/utility.....	90.00
<u>Votes.....</u>	<u>92.77</u>
Total last week.....	\$2984.75

44 envelopes, 27%, averaging \$42.73

ST. CECILIA

Adults.....	\$1137.00
Loose.....	151.00
All Saints.....	40.00
All Souls.....	100.00
Christmas flowers.....	86.00
Fuel/utility.....	30.00
<u>Votive candles.....</u>	<u>73.57</u>
Total last week.....	\$1617.57

21 envelopes, 12%, averaging \$54.14

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

Adults.....	\$ 775.00
Loose.....	52.21
All Souls.....	25.00
All Saints.....	140.00
Christmas flowers.....	100.00
Fuel/utility.....	75.00
<u>Votes.....</u>	<u>16.01</u>
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15 envelopes, 29%, averaging \$51.67

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by Kevin & Scott**FRIDAY, November 21**

ST C 8:00 AM +Carol Angeli—by the Meske family

ADORATION follows Mass until noon

ICC 10:00 AM +Bob & Jane Groulx

ADORATION follows Mass until noon**SATURDAY, November 22**ICC 4:00 PM +Mary Guzowski
by Knights of Columbus Council 2300
ST A 6:15 PM +Rick/+Thomas/+John Korpi
by Lawrence & Patti Wiegand**SUNDAY, November 23—St. Cecilia Feast Day**ST C 8:00 AM For the Parishioners and the
Growth of our Church

ST A 10:00 AM +Bill Stewart—by his wife Fran

**Please join us for the
St. Cecilia Feast Day Celebration at the 8am Mass
followed by a full breakfast in Fr. Sartorelli Hall.
Wear your new Church T-shirts, if you have one.
All are welcome to the breakfast and Mass.**

*Jesus has said to him,
“Have you come to believe because you have seen me?
Blessed are those who have not seen
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CRIPTURE READINGS**Nov 17 Mon 1Mc 1:10-15, 41-43, 54-57, 62-63 Lk 18:35-43****Nov 18 Tue 2 Mc 6:18-31/Lk Lk 19:1-10****Nov 19 Wed 2 Mc 7:1, 20-31 Lk 19:11-28****Nov 20 Thu 1 Mc 2:15-29 Lk 19:41-44****Nov 21 Fri 1 Mc 4:36-37, 52-59 Lk 19:45-48****Nov 22 Sat 1 Mc 6:1-13 Lk 20:27-40****Nov 23 Sun 2 Sm 5:1-3 Col 1:12-20 Lk 23:35-43*****Father Daniel's Wish List*****ST. AGNES**

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Arrive at 3pm for Penance Service—ST. CECILIA, CASPIAN**

Lamp Stand Candle—St. Agnes
11-16-2025

In loving memory and in honor of the birthday of

Bob Haydon

by his wife Micki and family

St. Agnes

\$27,398.92 Assessed
\$6,235 paid to date
\$7,235 pledged to date
\$23,163.92 unpledged
12 participants
172 total families
7% participation
26% of goal

**UPCSA figures to date
11-4-2025****St. Cecilia**

\$26,296.98 Assessed
\$4,135 paid to date
\$5,235 pledged to date
\$21,061.98 unpledged
20 participants
175 total families
11% participation
20% of goal

**UPCSA figures to date
11-4-2025****ICC**

\$12,278.24 Assessed
\$700 paid to date
\$1,350 pledged to date
\$10,928.24 unpledged
5 participants
52 total families
10% participation
11% of goal

**UPCSA figures to date
11-4-2025**

***Knights of Columbus 20-20 week 18
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GOSPEL MEDITATION—11/16/2025—Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

When I was a kid growing up in New England, I'd occasionally go on a whale watch. Once we went out with calm waters and clear skies. But on the way back in, the sea got rough. I was just a kid, and I remember thinking we should turn left or right toward the shoreline I could see. But the pilot of the boat kept going straight — right into the waves — focused on a small, discouragingly distant lighthouse. Even when it flickered in and out of sight, he stayed the course. He knew where he was going.

That image comes to mind when I hear Jesus' words in today's Gospel regarding false messiahs: "Do not follow them" (Luke 21:8). In times of chaos or uncertainty, there are always voices offering easier routes, promising false safety, claiming to speak for God. But Jesus isn't found in the loudest voice or the nearest shoreline. He is steady, like a lighthouse in the storm.

The tribulation of which Jesus speaks — it's real. It happened to the Temple, it happened to him, it happens in the Church, and it will come to each of us. But the command is not to panic. It's to endure. To keep steering toward him. Faith isn't about having all the answers or dodging every wave. It's about knowing where the lighthouse is — and trusting it enough to keep going, especially when false safety beckons us to stop. *Father John Muir* ©LPi

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Wear your Parish T-shirts!
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OUR TREASURE SHARED

ST. AGNES

Adults.....	\$1305.00
Loose.....	537.26
Christmas flowers.....	365.00
Fuel/utility.....	70.00
Total last week.....	\$2277.26
24 envelopes, 14%, averaging \$54.38	

ST. CECILIA

Adults.....	\$2359.00
Loose.....	128.88
Christmas flowers.....	340.00
All Souls 428/All Saints 188..	616.00
Fuel/utility.....	23.00
Votive candles.....	24.00
Total last week.....	\$3554.88
71 envelopes, 41%, averaging \$33.23	

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

Adults.....	\$ 850.00
Loose.....	142.97
All Souls 50/All Saints 30.....	80.00
Christmas flowers.....	45.00
Votives.....	33.00
Total last week.....	\$1150.97
21 envelopes, 40%, averaging \$21.25	

Thank you for your generosity!

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**Our Lord Jesus Christ,
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November 23, 2025

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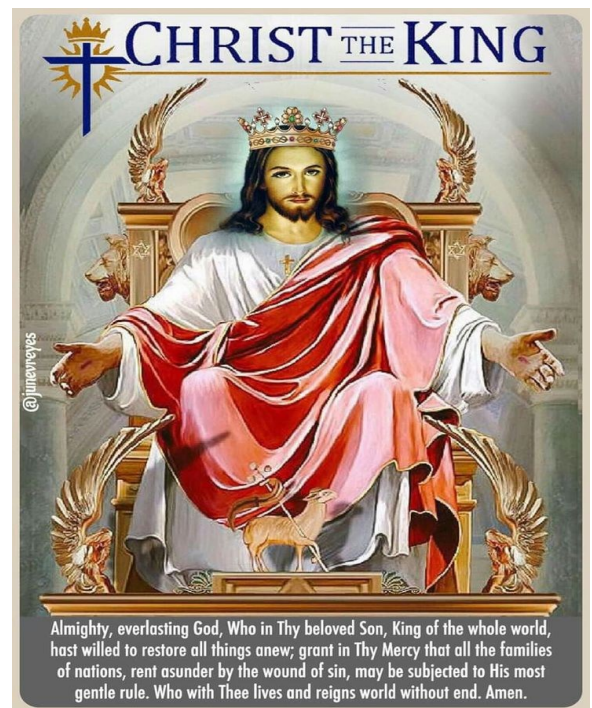


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4:00pm Saturday

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by Knights of Columbus Council 2300
ST A 6:15 PM +Rick, Thomas & John Korpi
by Lawrence & Patti Wiegand

SUNDAY, Nov. 23—Celebration of St. Cecilia Feast Day

ST C 8:00 AM For the Growth of our Parish

BREAKFAST FOLLOWS 8AM MASS—ALL WELCOME!

ST A 10:00 AM +Emma St. Peter—by her husband

MONDAY, November 24—NO MASS

TUESDAY, November 25

ICC 9:00 AM +Bob & +Jane Groulx

WEDNESDAY, November 26

ST A 8:00 AM +Mary Ann James
by Micki Haydon

ADORATION follows Mass until 10:30am

THURSDAY, November 27—HAPPY THANKSGIVING!

ST C 8:00AM +Don, Julie & Jean McDonald
by Kevin & Scott
ICC 10:00AM Int. of Quinton, Jennifer, Abigail, Alyia
by Mary Zelinski

FRIDAY, November 28

ST C 8:00 AM +Phyllis St. John
by her daughters and families

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ICC 10:00 AM +Luella Ambach
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<u>Nov 24 Mon</u>	Dn 2:31-45 Lk 1:1-6, 8-20 Lk 21:1-4
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<u>Nov 27 Thu</u>	Dn 6:12-28/Lk 21:20-28
<u>Nov 28 Fri</u>	Dn 7:2-14 Lk 21:29-33
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<u>Nov 30 Sun</u>	Is 2:1-5 Rom 13:11-14 Mt 24:37-44

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Replace electronic sign—\$31,245

ST. CECILIA

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Kneeler replacement
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IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH

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*Your church offering envelopes are ready and
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The Rectory Office will be
CLOSED Thursday (Thanksgiving)
and Friday (the day after)

We wish our parishioners and guests a save, happy and
Blessed Thanksgiving.

GOSPEL MEDITATION—11/23/2025—

Not long ago, I was called to a hospital to anoint a woman in her early 80s. She was dying, and visibly in pain. But what struck me most wasn't her suffering — it was the atmosphere in the room. She had eight children and 30 foster kids, and many of them were gathered around her. You'd expect sorrow, fear, maybe even despair. But the room was filled with something else entirely — a quiet strength, a kind of sweetness. It was as if she was suffering not just with them, but for them. And they, in love, were suffering for her. The pain was real. But so was the peace. I didn't want to run. I felt as if I was in a little paradise, beeping machines and all.

I think of that moment when I hear today's Gospel. Jesus, hanging on the cross, doesn't look like a king. But one of the crucified, dying men beside him sees through the suffering and says, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom" (Luke 23:42). That word — remember — literally means to make someone a member again. He's asking to be joined to Christ, to become part of his Body. And Jesus says, "Today you will be with me in paradise."

He doesn't say, "I'll take your suffering away." He says, "You will be with me."

That's the strange power of Christ the King. He doesn't rule by avoiding suffering. He reigns by entering into it, and transforming it with love.

What are you suffering right now in your life? Likely you want it to stop. But if we are willing to suffer with him — paradise begins even today.

Father John Muir ©LPI

Knights of Columbus 20-20
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**Please invite all family members
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**Let's fill the church
in support of our youth.**



St. Agnes
Iron River



St. Cecilia
Caspian



Immaculate Conception
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TUESDAY, December 2

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by Rose Carne

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THURSDAY, December 4

ST C 5:30 PM +Joseph Kaczorowski

by Jane & Duane Lombardini

FRIDAY, December 5

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

by Kevin & Scott

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SATURDAY, December 6

ICC 4:00 PM +Carol Schemmer

by her husband Wayne

ST A 6:15 PM +Gail Gustafson

by Jane & Greg Townsend

SUNDAY, December 7

ST C 8:00 AM For the parishioners

ST A 10:00 AM +Mike Jacobs—by Jerry & Karen Petts

ICC 3:00 PM Penance Service/Confessions

ICC 4:00 PM For the growth of our Church

**Please join us for the Penance Service 3pm and
4pm ICC Feast Day Celebration Mass followed by
dinner in the Parish Hall. All are welcome.**

*God makes no distinction: He promised
mercy to all and granted His priests the
authority to forgive without any exception.
-Saint Ambrose*

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Dec 1 Mon Is 4:2-6 Mt 8:5-11

Dec 2 Tue Is 11:1-10 Lk 10:21-24

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Dec 4 Thu Is 26:1-6 Mt 7:21, 24-27

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Arrive at 3pm for Penance Service—ST. CECILIA, CASPIAN**

Lamp Stand Candles—St. Cecilia
11-22-2025

In loving memory of

Patricia Carney Hentzel

by Irvin Hentzel

St. Agnes and St. Cecilia CCD Christmas Pageant

**The Pageant will be on Wednesday, December 17
6:00pm at St. Agnes**

**The children have been working very hard,
please come and show your support.**

All parishioners, guests, & friends are invited to attend.

Please join us for the Pageant & Social to follow.

Knights of Columbus 20-20

Week 20 raffle winner: Stella Schober

GOSPEL MEDITATION—11/30/2025—First Sunday of Advent

A few years ago, my house was broken into on Super Bowl Sunday. Turns out, it's a great day for burglars. If the TV isn't on, people are probably watching the game somewhere else, so ... easy pickins'. I'll never forget walking into my bedroom and realizing someone had been there. My stuff was thrown all over the floor. The closet was torn apart. It was disorienting and disturbing — someone had invaded the space I thought was secure. After that, I bought an alarm system. And every Super Bowl Sunday since, I'm extra careful to lock the doors and keep the lights on. That experience made me more alert. Not scared. Just attentive.

That's much like the spiritual place Jesus wants us to be on this first Sunday of Advent. He doesn't start the season with soft candlelight and cozy manger scenes. He starts with two brutal images: a flood and a thief. In other words, chaos and violation.

Why? Because life will flood us. Chaos will come. And in the midst of it, Christ will come like a thief — not to steal from us, but to steal us back. He is the intruder we should want. The one who breaks in, not to ransack, but to rescue.

Christ presents himself as the thief but also the new Noah. He builds the ark of the Church to carry us through the flood. And he invites us to join him. How? By participating fully in our parishes. By making our homes places of prayer. By guarding our hearts with truth. By refusing to let spiritual complacency leave us exposed. By repentance.

This Advent, don't just stay vaguely "awake." Prepare. Build. Watch. The flood will come. But so will he. *Father John Muir* ©LPI

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10am Mass at St. Agnes

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Please join us, all are welcome!

OUR TREASURE SHARED—Nov. 16

ST. AGNES

Adults.....	\$1003.00
Loose.....	412.00
All Souls/ All Saints.....	10.00
Immaculate Conception.....	10.00
Christmas.....	10.00
Christmas flowers.....	200.00
Votives.....	90.25
Fuel/utility.....	10.00
Total last week.....	\$1755.25
42 envelopes, 25%, averaging \$23.88	

ST. CECILIA

Adults.....	\$1292.00
Loose.....	252.00
Christmas flowers.....	215.00
Fuel/utility.....	95.00
Votive candles.....	33.00
Total last week.....	\$1887.00
71 envelopes, 20%, averaging \$36.91	

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

Adults.....	\$ 436.00
Loose.....	162.00
Christmas flowers.....	20.00
Fuel/utility.....	.50
Votives.....	28.00
Total last week.....	\$ 646.50

18 envelopes, 35%, averaging \$24.22
St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry...\$243.00

Thank you for your generosity!



St. Agnes
Iron River



St. Cecilia
Caspian



Immaculate Conception
Watersmeet

Welcome to our Tri-Parish Community St. Agnes—St. Cecilia—Immaculate Conception

Second Sunday of Advent
December 7, 2025



FR. DANIEL FOSU, PASTOR
Dcn. Terry Verville, Permanent Deacon
Kathy Saylor, Secretary—Office: 906-265-4557
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ST. AGNES PARISH
702 N. 4th Ave, Iron River, MI 49935-1304
Parishes' Office Phone (906) 265-4557

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IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH
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Or www.dioceseofmarquette.org

Catholic Communities of Iron River, Caspian and Watersmeet



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.

BULLETIN NOTICES

Submit bulletin notices *in writing* to the St. Agnes Rectory Office 8 days prior to publication.

MASS—CONFESSION—ADORATION SCHEDULES

St. Agnes

6:15pm Saturday
10:00am Sunday

8:00am Wednesday—Adoration to follow this Mass
Confession at St. Cecilia—9:00am-10:00am Saturday

St. Cecilia

8:00am Sunday

5:30pm Thursday—1st Thursday Holy Hour at 6:00pm
8:00am Friday—Adoration to follow this Mass
Confession—9:00am-10:00am Saturday

Immaculate Conception

9:00am Tuesday
10:00am Friday
4:00pm Saturday

Confession—3:00-3:45pm Saturday
Adoration—10:30am-noon Friday

PRAYER CHAIN—Call or Text 612-709-7868
For Prayer Requests and/or to be a Prayer Warrior



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.

SATURDAY, December 6

ICC 4:00 PM +Carol Schemmer
by her husband Wayne
ST A 6:15 PM +Gail Gustafson
by the Meske family

SUNDAY, December 7

ST C 8:00 AM For the parishioners
ST A 10:00 AM +Mike Jacobs—by Jerry & Karen Petts
ICC 3:00 PM PENANCE SERVICE/CONFESSIONS
ICC 4:00 PM MASS—Growth of our Church
ICC Dinner to follow Mass—Everyone is welcome!

MONDAY, December 8—NO MASS**TUESDAY, December 9**

ICC 9:00 AM For the living & deceased
of the Rosary Sodality

WEDNESDAY, December 10

ST A 8:00 AM +Mary Conlin—by Bob & Catherine Cole
ADORATION follows Mass until 10:30am

THURSDAY, December 11

ST C 5:30 PM +Don/+Julie/+Jean McDonald
by Kevin & Scott

FRIDAY, December 12

ST C 8:00 AM +Ron & +Eugene Zorzin
by Elaine & Jim Baumgartner

ADORATION follows Mass until noon

ICC 10:00 AM +Dan Vignali—for his 77th Birthday
by Sandy Vignali Kabot

ADORATION follows Mass until noon**SATURDAY, December 13**

ICC 4:00 PM For the parishioners
ST A 6:15 PM +Bill Gendron
by his wife Joyce

SUNDAY, December 14

ST C 8:00 AM +Charles & +Yvonne Kralovec
by their family
ST A 10:00 AM +Bill Stewart
by his wife Fran

Lamp Stand Candle—St. Agnes
12-6-2025
In loving memory of
Evelyn Vantaggi
by Carol & Mark Brunswick

CRIPTURE READINGS

Dec 8 Mon Gn 3:9-15, 20 Eph 1:3-6, 11:12/Lk 1:26-38
Dec 9 Tue Is 40:1-11 Mt 18:12-14
Dec 10 Wed Is 40:25-31 Mt 11:28-30
Dec 11 Thu Is 41:13-20 Mt 11:11-15
Dec 12 Fri Zec 2:14-17 or Rv 11:19a 12:16a
Dec 13 Sat Sir 48:1-4, 9-11 Mt 17a, 10-13
Dec 14 Sun Is 35:1-6-6a, 10 Jas 5:7-10 Mt 11:2-11

Father Daniel's Wish List**ST. AGNES**

Replace rain gutters on the Rectory
Replace rain gutters on the Church
Replace emergency lights/exit signs in church—\$2700
Replace emergency lights/exit signs in school—\$514
Repair cracks in parking lot and apply sealcoat
Replace electronic sign—\$31,245

ST. CECILIA

Kneeler replacement
Repair cracks in Parking lot and apply sealcoat—\$4159

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH

Replace/level concrete in driveway
Install/replace emergency lighting at entrances—\$1500 est.

Thank you.

ADVENT PENANCE SERVICES

**SUNDAY, December 7th—3:00pm—IMMACULATE CONCEPTION,
WATERSMEET**

**THURSDAY, December 11th—6:30pm—ST. MARY & ST. JOSEPH,
IRON MOUNTAIN**

**SUNDAY, December 14th—3pm—ST. MARY,
NORWAY**

**WEDNESDAY, December 17th—5:30pm—ST. ROSE,
CHANNING**

**THURSDAY, December 18th—6:30pm—AMERICAN MARTYRS,
KINGSFORD**

**FRIDAY, December 19th—6:00pm—GUARDIAN ANGELS,
CRYSTAL FALLS**

**SUNDAY, December 21st—4:00pm (Confessions)
Arrive at 3pm for Penance Service—ST. CECILIA, CASPIAN
CASPIAN**

*Lamp Stand Candle—St. Agnes
11-8-2025*

In loving memory of

Al Perlongo

by Jan, Derek, Koren, Noah & Nick Perlongo

*Lamp Stand Candle—St. Agnes
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In memory of

Peggy Rose

by Jan, Derek, Koren, Noah & Nick Perlongo

St. Agnes

\$27,398.92 Assessed
\$6,235 paid to date
\$7,235 pledged to date
\$23,163.92 unpledged
12 participants
172 total families
7% participation
26% of goal
UPCSA figures to date
11-4-2025

St. Cecilia

\$26,296.98 Assessed
\$4,135 paid to date
\$5,235 pledged to date
\$21,061.98 unpledged
20 participants
175 total families
11% participation
20% of goal
UPCSA figures to date
11-4-2025

ICC

\$12,278.24 Assessed
\$700 paid to date
\$1,350 pledged to date
\$10,928.24 unpledged
5 participants
52 total families
10% participation
11% of goal
UPCSA figures to date
11-4-2025

GOSPEL MEDITATION—12/7/2025—Second Sunday of Advent

This week we hear that John the Baptist is out in the wilderness eating “locusts and wild honey” (Mark 1:6). It’s not just a strange historical detail. It’s a symbolic expression of a healthy spiritual diet. The path to Christ includes both the hard and the beautiful, the gritty and the sweet. We have to learn to gulp the locusts and savor the honey.

I remember working with a young couple preparing for marriage. They were sincere, but raw — barely beginning to discover faith. Part of me wanted to rush them ahead, to fill in all the gaps, to bombard them with scripture and church documents. I swallowed that instinct. It was like eating locusts.

But I also recall them light up as they spoke about each other, about their first child, then their second. And they wanted to be close to God. Something innocent and beautiful was unfolding. That was the honey. I knew God was asking me to savor it.

This Advent, maybe we’re each being invited to accept both locusts and honey. Maybe it’s time to stop avoiding the difficult parts of faith — prayer that feels dry, the call to repentance, the patience with the troublesome. It’s time to eat some locusts.

But we also need to notice the small gifts God gives us: a peaceful moment, a good conversation, the joy of serving someone else, new life, good intentions of our friends. That’s the honey. Savor it!

John didn’t avoid either. He took it all in. And so can we. What are your locusts? Your honey? If we let God feed us with both, we’ll be ready — really ready — for the coming of Christ.

Father John Muir ©LPi

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ST. AGNES

Adults.....	\$1101.00
Loose.....	358.00
Total last week.....	\$1459.00

45 envelopes, 27%, averaging \$24.47

ST. CECILIA

Adults.....	\$2628.00
Loose.....	129.04
Christmas flowers.....	20.00
Fuel/utility.....	40.00
Votive candles.....	27.50
Total last week.....	\$2844.54

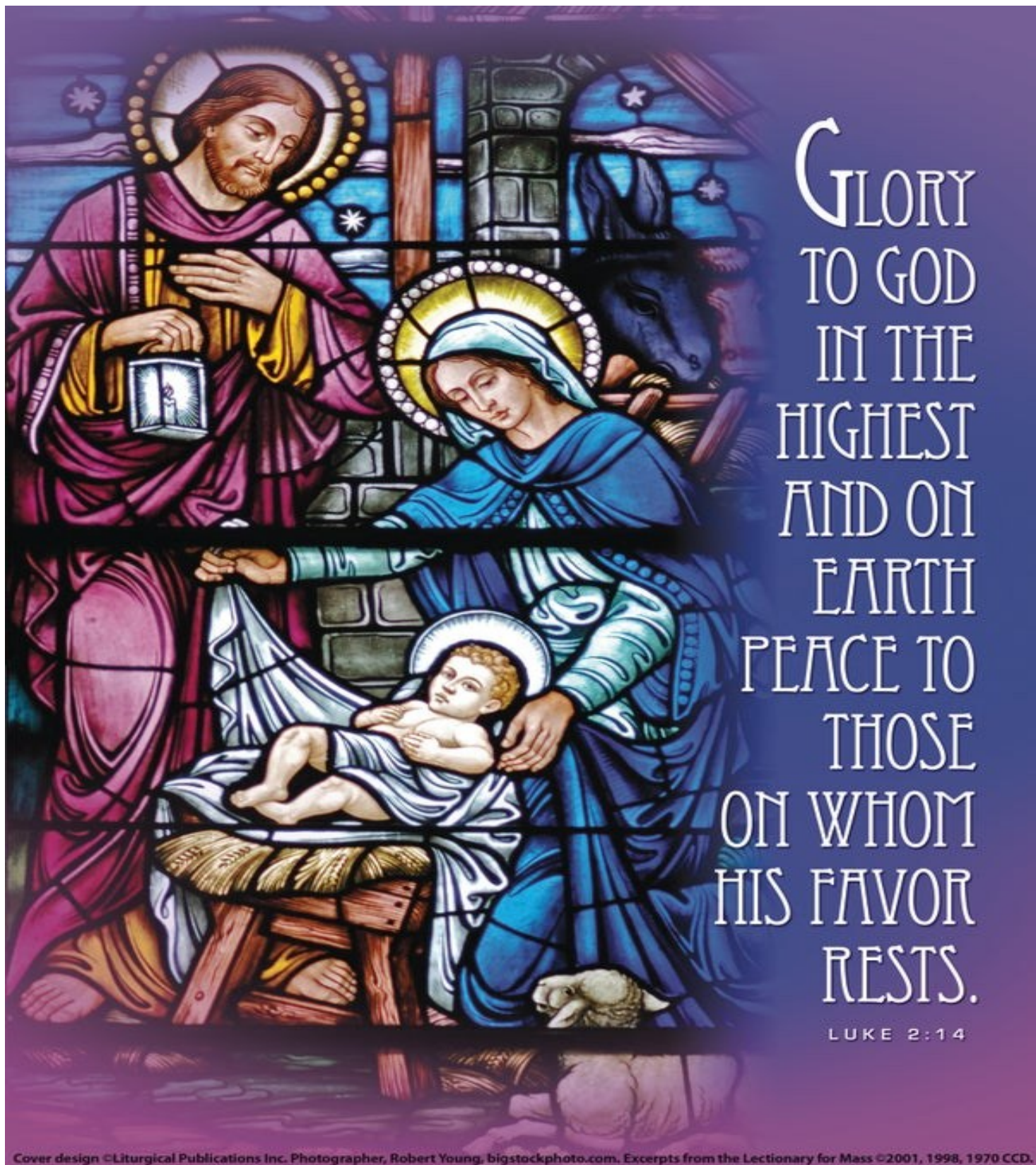
25 envelopes, 14%, averaging \$105.12

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

Adults.....	\$ 356.06
Loose.....	105.00
Votives.....	3.00
Total last week.....	\$464.06

14 envelopes, 26%, averaging \$25.43

Thank you for your generosity!



**Welcome to our Tri-Parish Community
St. Agnes—St. Cecilia—Immaculate Conception**

**Fourth Sunday of Advent
December 21, 2025**

SATURDAY, December 20

ICC 4:00 PM Sainthood of Bishop Baraga
by Wayne Schemmer
ST A 6:15 PM +Arthur Hibbard, Jr.
by Ron & fay Frailing

SUNDAY, Dec. 21

ST C 8:00 AM For the parishioners
ST A 10:00 AM +John & +Pauline Bilski—by their family
ST C 3:30 PM Advent Penance Service/Confessions

MONDAY, December 22—NO MASS

TUESDAY, December 23

ICC 9:00 AM +Bob & +Jane Groulx

WEDNESDAY, December 24—Christmas Eve

ICC 3:00 PM +Bob & +Jane Groulx
ST A 5:15 PM +Mary & Jim Murdoch
by Mary Pellizzaro & family

THURSDAY, December 25—Christmas Day

ST C 8:00 AM For the parishioners
ST A 10:00 AM +John Myefski—by Joyce

FRIDAY, December 26

ST C 8:00 AM +Jim Keeney—Mary Pellizzaro & fam.

NO ADORATION

ICC 10:00 AM +Bob & Jane Groulx

NO ADORATION

SATURDAY, December 27

ICC 4:00 PM Intentions of Bill Howard for his birthday
by the Howard family
ST A 6:15 PM +Angeline & +Charles Reiser by daughters

SUNDAY, December 28

ST C 8:00 AM +Jerry Fitzpatrick—by his family

***The family of Mary Cestkowski
would like to thank you all for your kind
words, cards and prayers while she was ill.
It really brightened her day to know so many
of you thought about her. Mary passed away
peacefully in her sleep on December 15.***

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Dec 1 Mon 1 Sm 1:24-28 Lk 4:46-56
Dec 23 Tue Mal 3:1-4, 23-24 Lk 1:57-66
Dec 24 Wed Morning: 2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16 Lk 1:67-79
Dec 25 Thu Vigil: Is 62:1-5/Acts 16:16-17
Day: Is 52:7-10/Heb 1:1-6
Night: Is 2:1-6/Ti 2:11-14
Dawn: Is 62:11-12/Ti 3:4-7/Lk 2:15-20
Dec 26 Fri Acts 6:8-10, 7:54-59 Mt 10:17-22
Dec 27 Sat 1 Jn 1:1-4 Jn 20:1a, 2-8
Dec 28 Sun Sir 3:2-6, 12-14 Col 3:12-21 Mt 2:13-15, 19-23

Father Daniel's Wish List

ST. AGNES

Motion sensor lighting at office entrances—\$675
Replace emergency lights/exit signs in church—\$2700
Replace emergency lights/exit signs in school—\$514
Repair cracks in parking lot and apply sealcoat—\$4354
Replace electronic sign—remaining amount \$28,245—
after donor pd \$3000 of original amount—\$31,245

ST. CECILIA

Kneeler replacement
Roman Missal—\$165—*donor paid*
Repair cracks in Parking lot and apply sealcoat—\$1659

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH

Replace/level concrete in driveway—\$41,553
Install/replace emergency lighting at entrances—\$1500 est.

March for Life 2026

Join Fr. Ryan Ford and pilgrims from the U.P. on a bus trip to the National March for Life in Washington D.C., **Wednesday, January 21—Sunday, January 25, 2026.** Pilgrimage includes lodging, sightseeing, rally and march on the National Mall, and attendance at the Cardinal O'Connor Conference on Life. Registration is due with a \$50.00 deposit by January 1. Visit: yoopecatholic.org/march for more information.

Going Deeper Retreat

High school students who desire to deepen their relationship with Christ are invited to Going Deeper: **Friday, January 2—Sunday, January 4, 2026, at Fortune Lake Camp, Crystal Falls.** This retreat is led by parish youth ministers from the U.P. and includes food, fun, talks, and prayer times. Visit: yoopecatholic.org/deeper for more information and to register.

Lamp Stand Candle—St. Cecilia
12-20-2025

**In loving memory of
Mary Cestkowski
by Kathy**

ADVENT PENANCE SERVICES

**SUNDAY, December 21st—3:30pm (Confessions)
ST. CECILIA, CASPIAN**

Please pray for the Eternal Repose of the souls of
**Anne Rosseau
and
Mary Cestkowski**
Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual
light shine upon them.

GOSPEL MEDITATION—12/21/2025—Fourth Sunday of Advent

A priest friend recently told me a remarkable story. One of his cousins reported having a vivid dream in which an angel told him the family needed to exhume their grandmother's body from a cemetery in New York and return it to her birthplace in Romania. She had been dead nearly 10 years. As you might expect, the family thought it was, well, crazy. But astonishingly they exhumed her body. It was incorrupt, showing no signs of decomposition. That experience sparked healing, faith, and reconciliation throughout the family.

In this Sunday's Gospel, Joseph also receives a dream. He's confused, afraid. But in the quiet of sleep, God speaks: "Do not be afraid to take Mary your wife into your home" (Matthew 1:20). When he wakes, Joseph acts. He doesn't overanalyze or dismiss the message. He trusts, and acts.

God still speaks — not necessarily through literal dreams but through those deeper intuitions of the heart. St. Ignatius of Loyola taught that God's voice draws us into peace, courage, and love. But we have to listen to it. Advent is a time for stillness. As we prepare for Christ's coming, we're invited to enter that quiet space where God's voice can be heard.

When and how do you become most receptive to God? Is it in silence? In prayer? In nature? At Mass? This week, go there. Be still. Listen. And like Joseph, have the courage to act on what God shows you.

Father John Muir ©LPi

Lamp Stand Candle—St. Agnes

12-20-2025

In memory of

Eddie and Luella Ambach

by Jane and Greg Townsend

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FEAST DAYS—First one in 2026

Jan. 26—For the Growth of our Church—St. Agnes Feast Day
10am Mass at St. Agnes

A meal will be served.

Wear your Parish T-shirts on this Feast Day.

Please join us, all are welcome!

OUR TREASURE SHARED—Dec. 14

ST. AGNES

Adults.....	\$1306.00
Loose.....	339.00
Immaculate Conception.....	53.00
Christmas flowers.....	30.00
Fuel/utility.....	80.00
Votives.....	84.00
Total last week.....	\$1867.00
48 envelopes, 29%, averaging \$27.21	

ST. CECILIA

Adults.....	\$1867.00
Loose.....	179.00
Immaculate Conception.....	85.00
Solemnity of Mary.....	5.00
Christmas flowers.....	20.00
Christmas.....	35.00
First offering.....	4.00
Mission.....	10.00
Votive candles.....	22.75
Total last week.....	\$2227.75
43 envelopes, 25%, averaging \$43.42	

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

Adults.....	\$ 256.56
Loose.....	234.04
Immaculate Conception.....	345.44
Christmas.....	150.00
Votives.....	24.00
Total last week.....	\$1010.04
20 envelopes, 38%, averaging \$42.75	

Thank you for your generosity!



St. Agnes
Iron River



St. Cecilia
Caspian



Immaculate Conception
Watersmeet

Welcome to our Tri-Parish Community St. Agnes—St. Cecilia—Immaculate Conception

The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph
December 28, 2025

FR. DANIEL FOSU, PASTOR

Dcn. Terry Verville, Permanent Deacon

Kathy Saylor, Secretary—Office: 906-265-4557

Joe Velie, DRE, 906-367-2315 (Religious Ed. calls only)

ST. AGNES PARISH

702 N. 4th Ave, Iron River, MI 49935-1304

Parishes' Office Phone (906) 265-4557

ST. CECILIA PARISH

510 Brady Street, Caspian—physical address

Send mail to: 702 N. 4th Ave., Iron River, MI 49935-1304

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IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH

E23933 D Ave., Watersmeet—physical address

Send mail to: 702 N. 4th Ave., Iron River, MI 49935-1304

Phone (906) 265-4557

Email: stagnesstcecilia@gmail.com

Web Site: www.catholicycoperfaithful.org

Or www.dioceseofmarquette.org

Catholic Communities of Iron River, Caspian and Watersmeet



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.

BULLETIN NOTICES

Submit bulletin notices *in writing* to the St. Agnes Rectory Office 8 days prior to publication.



MASS—CONFESSION—ADORATION SCHEDULES

St. Agnes

6:15pm Saturday

10:00am Sunday

8:00am Wednesday—Adoration to follow this Mass
Confession at St. Cecilia—9:00am-10:00am Saturday

St. Cecilia

8:00am Sunday

5:30pm Thursday—1st Thursday Holy Hour at 6:00pm

8:00am Friday—Adoration to follow this Mass

Confession—9:00am-10:00am Saturday

Immaculate Conception

9:00am Tuesday

10:00am Friday

4:00pm Saturday

Confession—3:00-3:45pm Saturday

Adoration—10:30am-noon Friday

PRAYER CHAIN—Call or Text 612-709-7868

For Prayer Requests and/or to be a Prayer Warrior



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.

SATURDAY, December 27

ICC 4:00 PM Intentions of Bill Howard for his birthday
by the Howard family
ST A 6:15 PM +Angeline (Abata) Reiser
by her daughters

SUNDAY, December 28

ST C 8:00 AM +Jerry Fitzpatrick—by his family
ST A 10:00 AM For the parishioners

MONDAY, December 29—NO MASS

TUESDAY, December 30

ICC 9:00 AM +Arnoldine Basanese
by her daughter Maria Basanese-Hill

WEDNESDAY, December 31—New Year's Eve

ST A 4:00 PM +Joseph Kaczorowski
by Jane & Duane Lombardini

NO ADORATION

THURSDAY, January 1—HAPPY NEW YEAR!—a Holy Day

ST C 8:00 AM For the parishioners
ICC 10:15 AM +Gene Peruzzi
by Tim & Bonnie Peruzzi

FRIDAY, January 2

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

NO ADORATION

ICC 10:00 AM +Dan Vignali—by Sandy Vignali-Kabat

NO ADORATION

SATURDAY, January 3

ICC 4:00 PM For the parishioners
ST A 6:15 PM +Dorit Mohorovicic
by Sue Maki

SUNDAY, January 4

ST C 8:00 AM +Todd Ingram
by his family
ST A 10:00 AM +Richard and +Carol Ann Angeli
by Mary, Sarah, Anna Sparapani

Lamp Stand Candles—St. Agnes
In loving memory of
Patty Waite
For her 12th anniversary
by her mom Bernice

Father Daniel's Wish List

ST. AGNES

Motion sensor lighting at office entrances—\$675
Replace rain gutters on the Rectory
Replace rain gutters on the Church
Replace emergency lights/exit signs in church—\$2700
Replace emergency lights/exit signs in school—\$514
Repair cracks in parking lot and apply sealcoat—\$4354
Replace electronic sign—remaining amount—\$28,245—
after donor paid \$3000 of original amount—\$31,245

ST. CECILIA

Kneeler replacement
Roman Missal—\$165—donor paid
Repair cracks in Parking lot and apply sealcoat—\$1659

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH

Replace/level concrete in driveway—\$41,553
Install/replace emergency lighting at entrances—\$1500 est.

*Thank you for your consideration
and for donations to date.*

*Wishing our parishioners and guests a very
Healthy & Happy New Year!*

**Rectory Office
CLOSED
January 1st**

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by the Waite family

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In loving memory of
Larry Leonarduzzi
by his wife Traci & family

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Dec 29 Mon 1 Jn 2:3-11/Lk 2:22-35
Dec 30 Tue 1 Jn 2:12-17 Lk 2:36-40
Dec 31 Wed 1 Jn 2:18-21/Jn 1:1-18
Jan. 1 Thu Nm 6:22-27 Gal 4:4-7/Lk 2:16-21
Jan. 2 Fri 1 Jn 2:22-28 Jn 1:19-28
Jan. 3 Sat 1 Jn 2:29-3:6 Jn 1:29-34
Jan. 4 Sun Is 60:1-6 Eph 3:2-3:5-6 Mt 2:1-12

Pilgrimage to Ireland: 10/12/2026—10/21/2026

Join Bishop John Doerfler and hosts Dc. Steve and Jackie Gretzinger on an amazing journey to the Green Isle. For detailed information visit: www.petersway.com/1400.html or call Megan at Peter's Way Tours 516-605-1551 ext. 18 or megan@petersway.com

GOSPEL MEDITATION—12/28/2025—Third Sunday of Advent

When I was ten, my dad gathered our family around the table in small-town Vermont and told us we were moving to the big desert city of Phoenix, Arizona. We were leaving behind family, friends, and everything familiar. None of us knew what to expect.

But something beautiful happened. As we made the move together, our family grew closer. In retrospect, I'm amazed at my parents' courage to go on that adventure. Even as a kid I realized our family found, in that challenge, a deeper unity and mutual love.

In today's Gospel, Joseph is told: "Rise, take the child and his mother, and flee..." (Matthew 2:13, 20). First to Egypt, then later to Israel. The Holy Family is frequently challenged to move and change, to adapt to God's will for them, in order to find safety in the midst of threat. It's not just an idiosyncratic story about survival. It's a spiritual pattern for all of us. Every Christian family is called to be a kind of sanctuary, especially in a world full of noise, busyness, and fear.

May I make a practical application for us? The Lord's Day, Sunday, is perhaps the most practical way we imitate this dynamic we see in Joseph and his family. Sunday is not meant to be just like every other day, filled with errands and stress. It's meant to be a day set apart; a holy "escape" into rest, worship, joy, and peace. A day to rise, take your family, and flee, into God's presence

Father John Muir ©LPI

St. Agnes	St. Cecilia	ICC
\$27,398.92 Assessed	\$26,296.98 Assessed	\$12,278.24 Assessed
\$8,085 paid to date	\$5,285 paid to date	\$1,700 paid to date
\$10,085 pledged to date	\$6,285 pledged to date	\$2,350 pledged to date
\$17,313.92 unpledged	\$20,011.98 unpledged	\$9,928.24 unpledged
19 participants	24 participants	6 participants
172 total families	175 total families	52 total families
11% participation	14% participation	12% participation
37% of goal	24% of goal	19% of goal
<u>UPCSA figures to date</u>	<u>UPCSA figures to date</u>	<u>UPCSA figures to date</u>
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by Jane and Greg Townsend

Mission Combined Collection
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Jan. 1-11-2026

Bishop Baraga Words of Wisdom

From this journey I returned half sick and exhausted, because it was a difficult circuitous journey through all our missions among the Ottawa Indians. In these missions one must either go from one mission to another on foot or sail on the stormy Lake Michigan in a small Indian boat, which is often connected with danger to life, and which would be even more dangerous. If the Indians were not so skilled in guiding their boats. On these journeys one must also spend the night at times on the shore, and this spring the nights here were very cold.

Bishop Baraga to WF, Sault Saint Marie, June 24, 1859