



Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

January 26, 2025

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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.

MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, January 25

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

SUNDAY, February 2—The Presentation of the Lord

ST C 8:00 AM +Joe & +Mary Pellizzaro
by the Gene Pellizzaro family
ST A 10:00 AM +Carol Ann Angeli
by Sandy & Jim Dennis

SCRIPTURE READINGS

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	UPCSA—1/15/2024	UPCSA—1/15/2024
St. Agnes	St. Cecilia	Immaculate Conception
Assessment \$27,031	Assessment \$26,434	Assessment \$11,819
Pledged 15,720	Pledged 12,584	Pledged 2,825
Unpledged 11,311	Unpledged 13,850	Unpledged 8,994
Families 172	Families 173	Families 53
#participants 46	#participants 39	#participants 12
27% participants	23% participants	23% participants
58% of goal	48% of goal	24% of goal

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

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 Dzanbazoff, Jody Pederson, Debbie Ponzozzo Clark, Chris Bal, Betty Webber Williams, Mary S., Shelly Silfven, Lee Routheaux, Sharon Warner, Patricia Sebastian, Jacob Tomaszoski, David Eberhard, Joyce Singleton, Jerry Schinella, Ed Lau, Juanita Frostell, Tony Fittante, Leila Hope Adanson, 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 VonHolle, 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, Sheri Stauber, Jack Jacobson, Jim Brennan, Karen Dobson, Terry Rivard, Traci Wiegand

Immaculate Conception Prayer List

May God strengthen all those suffering from pain and illness.

Carl & Donna Johnson, Ellen Jones, Linda Beck, Mitch Bos, Lucille Schuessler, Darrell Grosso, Maureen Forbes, Chet Swenski, Pat Wendt, Marjorie Kurtz, Butch Gazark, Tom Stein, Carolyn Dring, Pat Urbis, Olivia Allard, Larry McPartlin, Fr. Jeff Kurtz, Mary Cestkowski, Leonard Valentine, Dan Pudlo, Jim Zelinski, Robert Brownell, Amy Leppanen, Florence Dravecky

Adoration—St. A follows Wed. 8am Mass
Adoration—St. C follows Fri. 8am Mass
Adoration—ICC follows Fri. 10am Mass

Nursing Facility Masses

ICMCF—10am—First Wednesday of the month
 IRCC—10am—Second Wednesday of the month

Holy Name Men’s Club

Meeting the second Sun. of the month after 8 Mass

Knights of Columbus

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

St. Agnes Altar Society

Meeting the second Tues. of the month—1pm—LFR

St. Anne Society of St. Cecilia

No Meetings in January/February

Outreach Mission Team

Meets the third Tuesday—6pm—LFR

Devotion in Honor of our Mother of Perpetual Help

Thursdays—prior to 5:30pm Mass—St. Cecilia

St. Vincent de Paul—Food Pantry Collection

ICC—2nd collection is held on the third Sunday
 St. A & St. C—2nd collection is held the last Sunday

CHANGE COLLECTION: CANISTERS AT CHURCH ENTRANCES

HOLY HOUR

**On the first Thursday of the month
 6pm—at St. Cecilia—not in Feb./March**

Poland Pilgrimage

October 14—23, 2025

Join Fr. Cory Litzner, Deacon Steve & Jackie Gretzinger, as the Diocese of Marquette presents a Religious & Fun Pilgrimage to Poland!

For information/details visit:

www.petersway.com/1300.html

or call Megan 516-605-1551

OUR TREASURE SHARED

ST. AGNES

Adults.....	\$ 831.00
Loose.....	189.00
Mission collection.....	135.00
Solemnity of Mary.....	5.00
Fuel/utility.....	165.00
Total last week.....	\$1325.50
42 envelopes, 25%, averaging \$319.79	

ST. CECILIA

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	

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

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	

St. Vincent de Paul—Food Pantry...\$422.40

Thank you for your generosity!