



## Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

February 16, 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, February 15**

**ICC 4:00 PM** *Intentions of Bonnie Howard  
for her Feb. 17 birthday  
by the Howard family*

ST A 6:15 PM +Richard Angeli—25th anniversary  
+Carol Ann Angeli  
by Mary, Sarah & Anna Sparapani

**SUNDAY, February 16**

ST C 8:00 AM For the people

ST A 10:00 AM +Evy Angeli  
by Sandy & Jim Dennis

**MONDAY, February 17—NO MASS**

**TUESDAY, February 18**

**ICC 9:00AM—NO MASS**

**WEDNESDAY, Feb. 19—there will be Adoration 8:30—10:30am**

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**

ST C 8:00 AM—NO MASS

**ICC 10:00 AM—NO MASS & NO ADORATION**

**SATURDAY, February 22**

**ICC 4:00 PM** *Health of Stevie Fitz  
by the Howard family*

ST A 6:15 PM +Antoinette Bal  
by her daughter Nancy Clements

**SUNDAY, February 23**

ST C 8:00 AM +Gene Peruzzi  
by Rose Carne

ST A 10:00 AM For the people

## SCRIPTURE READINGS

**Feb. 17 Mon** Gn 4:1-15, 25/Mk 8:11-13

**Feb. 18 Tue** Gn 6:5-8, 7:1-5, 10 Mk 8:14-21

**Feb. 19 Wed** Gn 8:6-18, 20-22 Mk 8:22-26

**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*

### Glimpses of the Life of Venerable Bishop Baraga

**"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."**

### St. Vincent de Paul

**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

Please pray for the Eternal Repose of the souls of:

**Cornel Benson**

and

**Margaret "Peggy" Rose**

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord,  
and let Perpetual Light shine upon them.

### 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—February 16, 2025—Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

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

### **UPCSA—2/6/2025 St. Agnes**

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

### **UPCSA—2/6/2025 St. Cecilia**

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

### **UPCSA—2/6/2025 Immaculate Conception**

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

### **HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!**

**Larry & Brenda  
Hill**

**February 21**

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

Roland Kwasny, Cheri Dennis, Robert LaMarche, Kelly & Stacy Williams, Gary P. Johnson, Cari & Pierce Dzanbazonoff, Jody Pederson, Debbie Ponozzo 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 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 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, Newborn Charlotte & her parents, Rachel Riverside, Marge Taetsch

### **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 meeting in 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**

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### **HOLY HOUR**

On the first Thursday of the month  
(NOT in Feb./March of 2025)

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

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

### **OUR TREASURE SHARED**

#### **ST. AGNES**

Adults..... \$1391.00  
Loose..... 381.00  
UP Catholic..... 25.00  
Fuel/utility..... 85.00  
Total last week..... \$2104.00  
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**

Adults..... \$346.00  
Loose..... 22.00  
UP Catholic..... 118.00  
Votives..... 17.00  
Total last week..... \$499.00  
16 envelopes, 31%, averaging \$21.63

*Thank you for your generosity!*