



# Fourth Sunday of Lent

## March 30, 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.

**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

**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 Tomaszoski  
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*

**UPCSA—FINAL  
St. Agnes**

**Assessment \$27,031**  
**Pledged 17,272**  
**Unpledged 9,759**  
**Families 172**  
**#participants 52**  
**30% participants**  
**64% of goal**

**UPCSA—FINAL  
St. Cecilia**

**Assessment \$26,434**  
**Pledged 14,574**  
**Unpledged 11,860**  
**Families 173**  
**#participants 44**  
**25% participants**  
**55% of goal**

**UPCSA—FINAL  
Immaculate Conception**

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

Keep up-to-date on information and event pictures by following us on [Facebook](#) [our webpage](#) and [TABELLA!](#) All will have important info such as Mass changes, and closings due to the weather.

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

Roland Kwasny, Cheri Dennis, Robert LaMarche, Kelly & Stacy Williams, Gary P. Johnson, Cari & Pierce Dzanbazoff, Jody Pederson, Debbie Ponzozzo Clark, Chris Bal, Betty Webber Williams, Mary S., Shelly Silfven, Lee Routheaux, Sharon Warner, Patricia Sebastian, Jacob Tomasoski, David Eberhard, Joyce Singleton, Jerry Schinella, Ed Lau, Juanita Frostell, Tony Fittante, Leila Hope Adamson, Stephanie Tinkey, Zachary Lambert, Shannon DeRoche, 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, Elizabeth Petroff

**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**

Tuesday—April 15—9am—St. Cecilia Rectory

**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  
6pm—at St. Cecilia—NEXT in April**

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!*