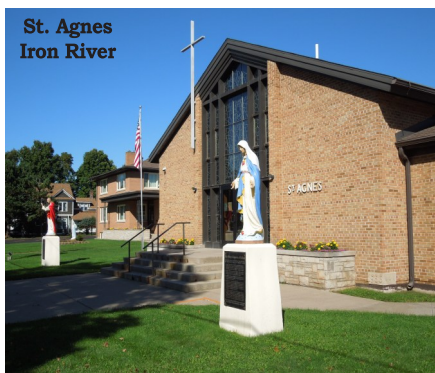




**St. Agnes  
Iron River**



**St. Cecilia  
Caspian**



**Immaculate Conception  
Watersmeet**

## Welcome to our Tri-Parish Community 3 Parishes—1 United Family

### Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time August 30, 2026

**FR. DANIEL FOSU, PASTOR**

**Dcn. Terry Verville, Permanent Deacon**

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#### **ST. AGNES PARISH**

702 N. 4th Ave, Iron River, MI 49935-1304

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#### **ST. CECILIA PARISH**

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#### **IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH**

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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, August 29**

ICC 4:00 PM Knights of Columbus Corporate Communion

ST A 6:15 PM +David Binter

By Jane, Marie &amp; Michael Kmiecik

**SUNDAY, Aug 30**

ST C 8:00 AM For the parishioners

ST A 10:00 AM +Bill Stewart

By his wife, Francis

**MONDAY, Aug 31 —NO MASS****TUESDAY, Sept. 1—NO MASS****WEDNESDAY, Sept 2—NO MASS****ADORATION 8:30-10:30 at St. Agnes****THURSDAY, Sept. 3—NO MASS****FRIDAY, Sept 4—NO MASS****ADORATION 8:30-Noon at St. Cecilia****ADORATION is cancelled this week only at ICC.****SATURDAY, Sept 5**

ICC 4:00 PM +Jean De May

By Sue

ST A 6:15 PM +Peggy Angeloff

By Donna Paraventi

**SUNDAY, Sept 6**

ST C 8:00 AM +Carol Ann Angeli (Birthday on 9-7)

By her children and grandchildren

ST A 10:00 AM For the parishioners

**\*Father Daniel's Wish List\*****ST. AGNES**Replace emergency lights/exit signs in church—  
\$2700Repair cracks in parking lot and apply sealcoat—  
\$4354Replace electronic sign—remaining amount—  
\$28,245**ST. CECILIA**

Kneeler replacements—\$110 per kneeler

**IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH**Replace/level concrete in driveway—  
\$41,553Install/replace emergency lighting at entrances—  
\$1500 est.*Thank you for your donations, they are appreciated.*Lamp Stand Candles—St. Agnes  
8-29-26In Memory of  
George Brunswick  
By Jim and Sandy Dennis**Father Daniel will be on retreat this week. Please keep him in prayer. Also, there will NOT be adoration at Immaculate Conception. But Deacon Terry WILL HAVE adoration at St. Agnes and St. Cecilia on the regular days and times.****SCRIPTURE READINGS****Aug 31 Mon** 1 Cor 2:1-5 Lk 4:16-30**Sept 1 Tue** 1 Cor 2:10b-16 Lk 4:31-37**Sept 2 Wed** 1 Cor 3:1-9 Lk 4:38-44**Sept 3 Thu** 1 Cor 3:18-23 Lk 5:1-11**Sept 4 Fri** 1 Cor 4:1-5 Lk 5:33-39**Sept 5 Sat** 1 Cor 4:6b-15 Lk 6:1-5**Sept 6 Sun** Ez 33:7-9 Rom 13:8-10 Mt 18:15-20**Prayer for a Fruitful Harvest****“Blessed are you, O Lord, God of all creation. You give us the fruits of the earth in their season. Bless our homes with your bounty, fill our tables with your gifts, and teach us to be generous in sharing your love with the world. Amen”**

Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Matthew 16:21-27

Do you know what it is like to be thrilled by the power of Christian faith one moment and then utterly fail in it the next? I do. That is Peter in today's Gospel. After last week's bold confession, he now hears Jesus speak of suffering and death, and something in him recoils. He takes Jesus aside and tries to correct him. Jesus responds with the shocking rebuke, "Get behind me, Satan."

Peter is the mirror of every disciple. We love Jesus until he contradicts the script we have written for our lives. Peter does not reject Jesus. He rejects a suffering Jesus. So do we, whenever we avoid a hard responsibility, resist a demanding relationship, or cling to comfort instead of choosing love. We want a Lord who supports our plans, not one who overturns them.

Yet Jesus does not discard Peter. He redirects him. "Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me." In effect, Jesus says, stop trying to lead me. Let me lead you. Discipleship does not begin with heroism or clarity but with surrender. It means trusting that God's path to life often passes through places we would never choose.

Peter is all of us. We move from insight to confusion, from confidence to correction. That is why we should have hope. Jesus patiently teaches us again and again. Trust me. Get behind me. Follow me. When we stop fighting the crosses that come and start carrying them with him, we discover a freedom deeper than comfort and a love stronger than fear.

**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 2nd Thurs. of the month—6:30pm—LFR

**St. Agnes Altar Society**

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

**St. Anne Society—members, check your email**

Third Tuesday monthly—9am—St. Cecilia Rectory

**Outreach Mission Team**

Meets the third Tues.—6pm—LFR

Meeting every other month. Next meeting September 15.

**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

**HOLY HOUR**

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

***Great News***

***Our basket raffle at our Parish picnic brought in \$2135. Blessings to all that participated.***

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

Tony Fittante, Tootsie Amelio, Dr. Chuck Newby, Dan Ross, Stephanie Cruz, Bill Swienty, Dolores Ansay, Mike Sheehy, Jean Bess, Chuck Wiegand, Jr., Bernice Waite, Rawson Man-gone, Bob Cole, Carl Fitzpatrick, Dolores Sapletal, Ken Silfven, Mark Shimun Sr., Gary Shimun, Sara Jean Tarsi, Carol Bastianello, Geneva Anderson, Sheri Stauber, Jack Jacobson, Karen Dobson, Terry Rivard, Traci Wiegand, Ken Routheaux, Marge Taetsch, Elizabeth Pet-roff, Diane McGinnis, Brenda Anderson-Baker, Anthony Clements, Leonard and Marilyn Gasperini, Steve Davis, Candy Roberts, Sister Peggy, Ramona Ross, Duane Suliin, Rhonda An-geli, Nancy Clements, Seantel Duda, Adam Wilson, Betty Webber-Williams, Roman VonHolle, Stella VonHolle, Den Mike Mignery, Carol Mottes, Jerry Petts, Ann Raymond, Kenneth Shimun, George Roth, Duane Lombardini, Nancy Anderson, Catherine Cole

**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, Leonard Valentine, Dan Pudlo, Jim Zelinski, Robert Brownell, Amy Leppanen, Florence Dravecky, Debbie Hilbrich, Al Anderson, Wayne Schem-mer, Elsie Peterson

**OUR TREASURE SHARED—8-16-26**

**ST. AGNES**

|                         |           |
|-------------------------|-----------|
| Adults.....             | \$1693.00 |
| Loose.....              | 542.00    |
| Fuel/utility.....       | 60.00     |
| Votives.....            | 122.72    |
| Assumption.....         | 130.00    |
| Total for the week..... | \$2547.72 |

29 envelopes, 18%, averaging \$77.07

**ST. CECILIA**

|                         |           |
|-------------------------|-----------|
| Adults.....             | \$1342.00 |
| Loose.....              | 115.00    |
| Fuel/utility.....       | 45.00     |
| Votives.....            | 28.50     |
| National Church.....    | 12.00     |
| Assumption.....         | 28.00     |
| Total for the week..... | \$1570.50 |

46 envelopes, 26%, averaging \$31.67

**IMMACULATE CONCEPTION**

|                        |           |
|------------------------|-----------|
| Adults.....            | \$ 600.00 |
| Loose.....             | 457.00    |
| Fuel/utilities.....    | 2.00      |
| Votives.....           | 25.00     |
| Assumption.....        | 140.00    |
| Food Pantry.....       | 493.00    |
| Military Services..... | 3.00      |

Total for the week..... \$1720.00

18 envelopes, 32%, averaging \$58.72