

Father Cook's Corner

8 – 9 October 2011

28th Sunday of the Year

October is **Respect for Life Month**. I pray that during this month we will continue to defend the dignity of all human life – from the moment of conception until natural death.

October is the **Month of the Rosary**. I encourage you to pray the rosary for peace in the world and for the strengthening of family life.

Blessed Pope John Paul II said:

“The rosary by its nature is a prayer for peace.... The rosary is also, and always has been, a prayer of and for the family. We need to return to the practice of family prayer and prayer for families, continuing to use the rosary.” (Rosarium Virginis Mariae #41-42)

During the month of October, every parish in the Diocese of Winona counts the number of people who attend Sunday Mass. This is the twelfth year that we have taken a **Sunday Mass Attendance Count**. Having the results of Sunday Mass attendance over the course of several years provides valuable information for reorganizing our parish clusters. Thank you for your patience as we comply with this diocesan requirement.

This Sunday, October 9, at the 9:30 a.m. Mass at St. Felix, we will celebrate the **Rite of Covenant** for our 10th grade parishioners who are beginning their two-year process of immediate preparation for the Sacrament of Confirmation in the spring of 2013. Please continue to pray for them that they will come to know, love, and serve the Lord more profoundly over these next two years.

On Thursday, October 13, at 7:00 p.m. in the Conference Room of the St. Felix Office, we will have our second **RCIA** class for both parishes. **RCIA – the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults** – is the process of educating and welcoming Christians and non-baptized adults into full communion with the Catholic Church. I extend a warm welcome to anyone who is thinking about becoming Catholic or to anyone who wants to learn more about the Catholic Faith.

Calendar of Events

Today, October 9

8:00-11:00 A.M. KC's Pancake Breakfast-
St. Felix

Monday, October 10

6:00 A.M. Men's Prayer Group
6:30 P.M. Light of Christ Prayer Group

Tuesday, October 11

9:30 A.M. Serra Club Mtg.-Parish Office

Wednesday, October 12

Thursday, October 13

Friday, October 14

Saturday, October 15

Noon CCW Public Square Rosary Crusade
3:30 P.M. Valley Scare Youth Outing
4:00 P.M. Rosary-St. Felix

Sunday, October 16

7:30 A.M. Rosary-St. Agnes
9:00 A.M. Rosary-St. Felix
11:00 A.M.-2:00 P.M. St. Agnes Church
Dinner

The **St. Agnes Parish annual Fall Turkey Dinner** with all the trimmings will be next Sunday, **October 16th**, serving from 11:00 A.M. until 2:00 P.M. Carry outs will again be available at the Rectory. Other activities include; Country Market and Bake Sale, Tootsie Roll Wrap, Book/Video Sale, Numerous Theme Baskets and Raffles. The Specialty Auction will begin at 1:30 P.M. with the Raffle Drawings beginning at 2:30 P.M. Come and enjoy a good meal and check out the other activities.

Mass Intentions

Monday, October 10th

No Mass

Tuesday, October 11th

11:00 A.M. St. Felix † Orville Roemer

Wednesday, October 12th

8:00 A.M. St. Agnes 48th Wedding Anniversary
Bill & Mary Tentis

Thursday, October 13th

8:00 A.M. St. Felix † Rose Kennebeck

Friday, October 14th

8:00 A.M. St. Felix † Loretta Albrecht

Saturday, October 15th

4:30 P.M. St. Felix † Harold Dick

Sunday, October 16th

8:00 A.M. St. Agnes *Pro Populo*

9:30 A.M. St. Felix † Francis Lager-
CCW Mass

Liturgical Roles October 10th-October 16th

Monday- October 10th @ St. Felix

No Mass

Tuesday-October 11th 11:00 A.M. @ St. Felix-

Servers: Maia Fries, MaKinsie Rollinger, Abby Schmoker

Wednesday-October 12th 8:00 A.M. @ St. Agnes-

Thursday-October 13th @ 8:00 A.M. St. Felix

Servers: Maia Fries, MaKinsie Rollinger, Abby Schmoker

Friday-October 14th 8:00 A.M. @ St. Felix

Servers: Maia Fries, MaKinsie Rollinger, Abby Schmoker

Saturday- October 15th 4:30 P.M. @ St. Felix

Servers: Maddie Schmoker, Abby Schmoker

Reader: Lisa Stuhr

Offertory: Kirk and Ann Lineweaver Family

Com. Min.: Carol Bouquet, Tom Bouquet, Pat Kolb

Ushers: Larry Stenzel, Ed Ostrom, Jim Pfeilsticker and
Mike Schumacher

Sacristan: Kathryn Fonfara

Sunday- October 16th 8:00 A.M. Mass @ St. Agnes

Servers: Abbey Graner, Elizabeth Avilez

Reader: Margo Deming

Offertory: Bill and Michelle Huth Family

Com. Min.: Kevin Hager, Rosie Lamey, Tom Peyla

Ushers: Dave Lee, Frank Lee

Sunday- October 16th 9:30 A.M. @ St. Felix

Servers: Ryan Wolfe, Jenna Eversman

Reader: Bill Allaire

Offertory: John and Sandy Wolfe Family

Com. Min: Ruth Klein, Chris Wise, Roseanne Wodele

Usher: Chad Springer, Dave Grabau, John Passe and

Ron Passe

Sacristan: Rosemary Schmidt

Financial Information

St. Felix- October 2, 2011

	<u>Received</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Over/Under</u>
*Adult Support ..	\$8,259	\$6,865	\$1,394
*Includes Direct Deposits	** 134 envelopes		
Offertory.....	\$600	\$480.77	\$119.23
Capital Improvement.....			\$215

St. Agnes- October 2, 2011

	<u>Received</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Over/Under</u>
*Adult Support. .	\$1,178	\$1,058	\$120
*Includes Direct Deposits	** 30 envelopes		
Offertory.....	\$205.01	\$173.08	\$31.93

General Clustered Parish Announcements

The **Knights of Columbus** will be holding a **Pancake Breakfast Today, October 9th** from 8:00-11:00 A.M. in the St. Felix School Gym. All proceeds will go toward purchasing new classroom bibles for the 5th and 6th Grade.

The **St. Felix CCW Baby Bottle Campaign** begins this weekend. Please stop in back of church and pick up a baby bottle or envelop to fill. The Baby Bottle Campaign benefits The Catholic Charities Mother and Child Assistance Fund.

Congratulations!

Congratulations to Michael Hardy and Jessica Hust who were married on Saturday, October 1st at St. Felix.

With Sympathy

Our **sympathy** goes out to the families of Gene Krause, Bernard Kreye and Rosina Suilmann. You are in our thoughts and prayers.

The **Alzheimer's Support Group** will be meeting on Thursday, **October 13th** at 2:00 P.M. at the St. Elizabeth's Health Care Center. The topic of discussion will be: *Signs of Alzheimer's Disease.*



Afton Corn Maze Trip Planned for October 30th

Come get crazed by a 15 acre corn maze, hayride, and train ride on Sunday, **October 30th** from 10:30 A.M.-5:00 P.M. Ages 6th

grade and up are welcome to attend. The cost for this trip is \$22.00 per student. Please contact the Parish Office at 651-565-3931 or the Faith Formation Office at 651-565-3718 with any questions. **Please RSVP BY OCTOBER 21ST.**

We are in need of cabbage, peppers, carrots and rutabagas for the St. Agnes Fall Dinner.

If you have any of these items you would like to donate please contact Mary Tentis at 767- 4471. Thank You.

America Need Fatima-Public Square Prayer Rally is scheduled for **October 15th** at Noon at St. Felix.

The purpose of this rally is to pray for the conversion of America. Please come and gather outside the St. Felix Church where we will group and process in prayer and songs of praise in honor of our Lady of Fatima. We will walk several blocks around St. Felix School and the church property praying the Rosary and then we will complete our rally inside the St. Felix Church. Refreshments and fellowship will follow in the St. Felix Gym. For more information please contact Pat Kolb 565-3718 or Ruth Klein 651-345-2041.

Lunch and Learn

Monday, **October 17th** Noon at the St. Elizabeth's Medical Center-Sr. Gerina Room



Understanding Memory Loss

Of people 65 and older, 13 per cent have Alzheimer's disease. What is the difference between Alzheimer's disease, dementia and normal memory troubles? What are some warning signs and symptoms? How are caregivers affected? Is there help and hope? Presenter: Gerise Thompson, regional Center Director, Alzheimer's Association Minnesota-North Dakota.

The Holy Father's Prayer Intention for the month of October:

For the terminally ill, that in their sufferings they may be sustained by faith in God and by the love of others.

There will be **combined Parish Pastoral Council Meeting** for BOTH St. Agnes and St. Felix Parishes on Tuesday, **October 18th** at 7:00 P.M. in the Parish Office meeting room to discuss our Advent and Christmas schedule.

Pro-Life Update — All are welcome!

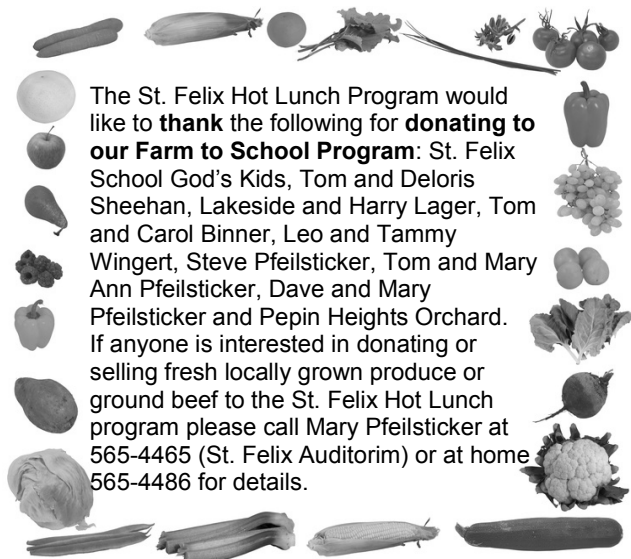
Minnesota Citizens Concerned for Life (MCCL) is sponsoring a smart, focused **pro-life presentation** at 7:00 p.m., Tuesday, **October 18th** at Cathedral of the Sacred Heart, 360 Main St. in the Holy Family Hall. You will be updated on the new health care overhaul, human cloning efforts in Minnesota, how pro-life laws are saving lives and much more. Discover how you can make a difference in protecting innocent human life. For more information on this free pro-life talk, call 612-825-6831 or visit www.mccl.org.

Wabasha, Buffalo and Pepin County Volunteers Needed:

Mayo Clinic Hospice serves 60-65 patients each year in Wabasha, Buffalo and Pepin counties. Volunteers are important members of the "Hospice Healthcare Team" that provides expert care and support to hospice patients in your community. Mayo Clinic Hospice Volunteers provide companionship, assistance with errands and household tasks, a listening ear and a calm presence. If you would like to make a difference in the lives of patients and those caring for them, please contact us at 651-565-5550 or 1-800-697-9084 or come and meet us at the Volunteer Open House.

Volunteer Open House, 1:00-2:30 P.M., October 20th

United Church of Christ, 317 Second Street West, Wabasha



The St. Felix Hot Lunch Program would like to **thank** the following for **donating to our Farm to School Program**: St. Felix School God's Kids, Tom and Deloris Sheehan, Lakeside and Harry Lager, Tom and Carol Binner, Leo and Tammy Wingert, Steve Pfeilsticker, Tom and Mary Ann Pfeilsticker, Dave and Mary Pfeilsticker and Pepin Heights Orchard. If anyone is interested in donating or selling fresh locally grown produce or ground beef to the St. Felix Hot Lunch program please call Mary Pfeilsticker at 565-4465 (St. Felix Auditorium) or at home 565-4486 for details.