

Father Cook's Corner 24 - 25 September 2011

26th Sunday of the Year

Thank you to everyone who made last weekend's **Fall Festival** at St. Felix such a huge success! There were countless donations, and many people who shared their time and talent. Thank you for your generosity and support of our wonderful Catholic School. I really enjoyed my first **Fall Festival**, and I look forward to cooking my Italian dinner!

I will be attending the annual meeting for all the priests of the Diocese of Winona at Lake Okoboji from Monday, September 26, through Wednesday evening, September 28. Bishop Quinn requires all the priests to attend this meeting. Unfortunately there will be NO Masses on Tuesday or Wednesday mornings this week.

Thursday, September 29, is the **Feast of the Holy Archangels: Michael, Gabriel, and Raphael**. This feast is a wonderful opportunity to celebrate our Catholic belief in angels. In the late 1800s, Pope Leo XIII had a dream in which he was inspired to write the prayer to St. Michael the Archangel and have all the faithful pray it after Mass. Although praying the St. Michael Prayer is no longer required, I would encourage you to pray the **St. Michael Prayer** after every Mass. (*The Prayer to St. Michael the Archangel can be found in the missalette.*) This prayer is very powerful during times of temptation for help against the "wickedness and snares of the devil." I will offer Mass at 8:00 a.m. at St. Felix Church on this feast day.

Last week several people attended the **training sessions** at St. Felix and St. Agnes for Readers and Extraordinary Communion Ministers; thank you for your participation. I will be offering another opportunity; **ALL current Readers and Communion Ministers are REQUIRED to attend one of the training sessions.** The final training session will be held in the church on:

Thursday, Sept. 29 St. Felix 6:30 P.M. Readers
7:00 p.m. Com. Minister

If this date is not convenient for your schedule, please do not hesitate to the parish office. I will be happy to schedule additional sessions as necessary.

Inserted in the bulletin for the next nine weeks will be some helpful information from the National

Conference of Catholic Bishops regarding the **New English Translation of the Roman Missal**. I am asking you to read and collect this series of nine handouts in order to be better prepared for the First Sunday of Advent, November 27, 2011 – the date the English speaking world will start using a new translation of the Mass.

The new English translation will be a more accurate and beautiful translation from the official Latin Mass developed at the Second Vatican Council. During the month of October we will gradually start to learn a new translation of the *Gloria, Holy, Holy, and Memorial Acclamation*. In November we will spend some time learning many of the new spoken responses and rich biblical origins of these prayers.

On Thursday night, October 6, at 7:00 p.m. in the Conference Room of the St. Felix Office, I will begin **RCIA – the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults** for both of our parishes. RCIA 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. When the disciples of St. John the Baptist came to Jesus for the first time they asked Our Lord, "Where do you pitch your tent?" And Jesus responded, "Come and see!" Two thousand years later, Our Lord is still inviting us to "come and see" where he "dwells among us" in the tabernacles of His Catholic Church.

Prayer to Saint Michael The Archangel

St. Michael, the Archangel,
defend us in battle;
be our protection against
the wickedness and snares of the devil
May God rebuke him, we humbly pray;
and do thou, O Prince of the heavenly host,
by the power of God, cast into hell Satan
and all the evil spirits who prowl about the
world seeking the ruin of souls.

Amen.



Mass Intentions

Monday, September 26

No Mass

Tuesday, September 27

No Mass

Wednesday, September 28

No Mass

Thursday, September 29

8:00 A.M. St. Felix † Eugene Lehnertz

Friday, September 30

8:00 A.M. St. Felix † Earl Welshons and
Jeffrey Welshons

Saturday, October 1

4:30 P.M. St. Felix † Vince Suilman

Sunday, October 2

8:00 A.M. St. Agnes † Henry & LaVina Wolfe

9:30 A.M. St. Felix *Pro Populo*

Liturgical Roles September 26th-October 2nd

Monday- September 26th @ St. Felix

No Mass

Tuesday-September 27th 11:00 A.M. @ St. Felix-

No Mass

Wednesday-September 28th 8:00 A.M. @ St. Agnes-

No Mass

Thursday-September 29th @ 8:00 A.M. St. Felix

Servers: Ellie Sholing, Tanner Sanderson

Friday-September 30th 8:00 A.M. @ St. Felix

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Saturday- October 1st 4:30 P.M. @ St. Felix

Servers: Jackson Gosse, Claire Gosse

Reader: Jan Fuller

Offertory: Tom and Carol Bouquet

Com. Min.: Susie Baab, Bob Vaplon, Michelle Cruser

Ushers: Larry Stenzel, Jay Dunagan, Dave Pfeilsticker and
Andy Danckwart

Sacristan: Kathryn Fonfara

Sunday- October 2nd 8:00 A.M. Mass @ St. Agnes

Servers: Lexy Vaplon, Ellie Sholing

Reader: Laura Schurhammer

Offertory: Phil and Lori Glomski Family

Com. Min.: Mary Tentis, Linda Vaplon, Tom Crowley

Ushers: John Miller, Dave Deming

Sunday- October 2nd 9:30 A.M. @ St. Felix

Servers: Ryan Wolfe, Julia Swanson

Reader: Chris Wise

Offertory: Renee McGrath and Jasmine

Com. Min: Linda Binner, Mary Fayerweather, Paul Flicek

Ushers: John Passe, Greg Hetrick, Tiffany Risch and
John Taubel

Sacristan: Mark Suilmann

Financial Information

St. Felix- September 18, 2011

| | <u>Received</u> | <u>Budget</u> | <u>Over/Under</u> |
|---------------------------|------------------|---------------|-------------------|
| *Adult Support .. | \$5,776 | \$6,865 | (\$1,089) |
| *Includes Direct Deposits | ** 118 envelopes | | |
| Offertory..... | \$517.22 | \$480.77 | \$36.45 |
| Capital Improvement..... | \$25 | | |

St. Agnes- September 18, 2011

| | <u>Received</u> | <u>Budget</u> | <u>Over/Under</u> |
|---------------------------|-----------------|---------------|-------------------|
| *Adult Support. . | \$738 | \$1,058 | (\$320) |
| *Includes Direct Deposits | ** 29 envelopes | | |
| Offertory..... | \$177.50 | \$173.08 | \$4.42 |

General Clustered Parish Announcements

Thank You to Larry Kennedy for donating his labor to install new carpeting on the handicap ramp at St. Agnes Parish. The new carpeting is safer and improves the appearance of the ramp.



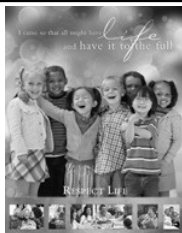
What an amazing Fall

Festival! Many children won great prizes in the children's games and Tootsie Roll surprise leaving them with ear to ear smiles and treats to take home. There were many happy people with raffle winnings, theme baskets and carts full of goodies to load in their car. Besides a day of great food and prizes, how could you not be impacted by the energy and fun? The Specialty Auction was filled with excitement as Fall Festival guests bid to win an awesome variety of items and events. It is an understatement to say that the day was special. Watch for detailed information on our total funds raised in our next bulletin.

The tremendous support, generosity and attendance of this year's Fall Festival will impact St. Felix School and our Faith Family for the entire year. Our students will continue to benefit from our dedication to the mission of the school. "To be a Catholic, Christ centered school dedicated to life long learning where students are encouraged to develop spiritually, academically, socially, & morally. A sincere **THANK YOU** to all of you who helped to make this year's Fall Festival so successful. God Bless!

October is Respect Life Month.

On Sunday, **October 2nd**, a **second collection will taken up at the 8:00 A.M. Mass at St. Agnes** for the Catholic Charities Mother and Child Assistance Fund. Through this program women across our Diocese can receive financial assistance and counseling through a number of programs and will help women choose adoption or parenting rather than abortion for their unborn child. Your generosity will be blessed and greatly appreciated.



You are invited to join **Winona's Life Chain**, on Sunday, **October 2nd** from 2:00-3:15 P.M. Please join us for the Life Chain today, for prayer for the 53 million lives lost to abortion and for those lives at risk of abortion. Come to the corner of Huff and Broadway Streets or Huff and Sarnia Streets for signs. We will be standing 15' to 20' apart along the east side of Huff Street from Windom Park to Sarnia Street. Invite your family, friends, and your pastor to join us. Everyone is welcome. See www.lifechain.net or call Kathy at 507-313-6880 for questions.

Immaculate Conception Church of rural Kellogg will hold their annual **fall dinner** on Sunday, **October 2nd**. Mass will be celebrated at 10:30 A.M. Serving an all-you-can-eat chicken and ham dinner from 11:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M. Other activities include: Big Ticket Raffle, Bake Sale, Basket Raffle, Garden Produce, and Grocery Cart Raffle.

The **WDCCW Fall Convention** will be held on Saturday, **October 8, 2011** at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Worthington. Speaker will be Lisa Hendey, Author of "The Handbook for Catholic Moms" The vote to change the area to St. Charles will be taking place. We are looking for as many of our CCW members to attend to vote No to this change. Please contact Pat Kolb to sign-up to go to this very important meeting.



The **St. Agnes Parish annual Fall Turkey Dinner** will be 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. More information will follow in future bulletins.

Valley Scare Trip Planned for October 15th. Join us for ghoulish rides, freaky fun and frightening food on Saturday, **October 15th** from 3:30 P.M. to Midnight. Ages 6th grade on up are welcome to attend. The cost for the trip is \$22.00 per student. Please contact the Parish Office at 651-565-3931 or Faith Formation Office at 651-565-3718 with any questions. **RSVP by October 7th.**

Discover the full potential of your marriage by attending the **October 15th-16th. Marriage Encounter!** Visit www.marriages.org for a listing of retreats and locations or call 651-454-3238.

Italy Pilgrimage October 31st to November 10, 2011 Pilgrimage includes Venice, Florence, Padua, Pisa, Assisi, Rome with a Papal audience. Optional: Pompeii and Sorrento. The low tour price of \$2,749 includes airfare from Minneapolis, first rate hotels, tour buses, guides and most meals. Call Fr. Donald J. Schmitz 507-281-8323 or Fr. Steven Peterson at 507-346-7565, for more information and a brochure.

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.



Calendar of Events

Monday, September 26

- 6:00 A.M. Men's Prayer Group
- 5:30 P.M. Youth Mission
- 6:30 P.M. Light of Christ Prayer Group
- 7:30 P.M. St. Felix CCW Meeting-Teachers Lounge

Tuesday, September 27

No Mass

Wednesday, September 28

No Mass

Thursday, September 29

- Training Sessions-St. Agnes
- 6:30 P.M. Readers
- 7:00 P.M. Communion Ministers

Friday, September 30

Saturday, October 1

Sunday, October 2