

Pastors Column: By: Fr. Glenn Frerichs

While Christmas may be one of the weightier celebrations of our Church year, for Christians, Easter has always taken first place. This is because the resurrection of Jesus gives credibility to his teachings. The resurrection of Jesus also offers hope in Lord's promise that, one day, we also shall arise.

This is particularly meaningful when one thinks about the sense of loss one can feel at the death of a friend or family member. Faith tells us that all of our desires will be met at the final judgment when everybody will receive an incorruptible body for all eternity. Jesus speaks to the resurrection of both the blessed and the cursed when he says: *Do not be amazed at this, because the hour is coming in which all who are in the tombs will hear his voice and will come out, those who have done good deeds to the resurrection of life, but those who have done wicked deeds to the resurrection of condemnation.* (Jn. 5:28-29)

What will the resurrection be like? While we may not have answers to questions such as what age our resurrected bodies will appear to be, there are some other qualities which Scripture does reveal to us. Catholic scholars have traditionally distinguished four qualities of the resurrected body:

- *impassability* freedom from physical ills of any kind (sickness, death, etc.);
- *subtility*. the spiritualization of the body-dominated by the soul (thus no longer experiencing hunger, weariness and other physical needs);
- *agility*, the ability of the soul to move the body with ease and speed;
- *clarity* freedom from defects-having great beauty and radiance.

These qualities are certainly consistent with those of Jesus in his appearance after the resurrection. For example, Scripture tells us that Jesus was able to do things like: 1) appear or disappear in an instant; 2) pass through walls; 3) change his appearance at will so that his disciples were not able to recognize him. In many respects, Jesus' body also seemed to contain similarities to before his death. Perhaps the most visible expression of this is when Jesus told the doubting Thomas to place his finger into the Lord's side to strengthen his unbelief. As we begin this celebration of our Lord's resurrection, let us be thankful for the dignity he has given us of becoming adopted sons and daughters of our heavenly Father.

As a people of hope, we center our faith on the resurrection of Jesus. We also turn to his enduring mercy, that mercy he showed us as he offered his life on the cross. May God bless you during this season of Easter as we celebrate the resurrection of the Lord.

St. Felix School News By: Marsha Stenzel

Jesus Christ is Risen Today! He rose from death to new life and he will never die again. We can follow Him and we, too, can rise from the dead and live forever with him. Alleluia!

St. Felix School will resume on Wednesday, April 27th following our Easter break.

Kindergarten Round-Up will be held on Thursday, April 28th from 8:00 A.M. – 12:30 P.M.. All students at the age of 5 by September 1, 2011 are eligible to attend Kindergarten in the 2011- 2012 school year. Please invite those who are not familiar with St. Felix School to attend the Kindergarten Round-Up and experience the tradition of our St. Felix School Family.

During 2011, St. Felix School Kwik Trip SCRIP will donate 10% of their earnings to St. Felix School.

NEW ITEM! At this time, **Schwan's** Home Delivery will donate 20% of SCRIP earnings to St. Felix School. Due to high returns on both items, please support Kwik Trip and Schwan's as frequently as possible. Your support is appreciated!

Please refer to the general bulletin announcements for new procedures regarding SCRIP sales after weekend Masses.

Liturgical Roles for St. Felix and St. Agnes 4/25-5/1

Monday

6:00 A.M. Men's Prayer Group
No Mass

6:30 P.M. The Light of Christ Prayer Group

Tuesday

8:00 A.M. @ St. Felix- († Harold Dick)

6:45 P.M. Bible Study-"James: Pearls for Wise Living"

Wednesday

8:00 A.M. @ St. Agnes († Dewey Marien)

1:00 P.M. Women's Forester's Quilting

7:00 P.M. Jeff Cavins Bible Study

Thursday

8:00 A.M. Mass @ St. Felix († Mark Walter)

Friday

8:00 A.M. Mass @ St. Felix (Special Intention-Carmena
Foley's 90th Birthday)

Saturday

11:00 A.M. -Noon Sacrament of Penance @St. Felix

4:30 P.M. Mass @ St. Felix (The Parishes)

Servers: Maddie Schmoker, Abbey Schmoker

Lector: Vicky Johnson

Offertory: Rod and Pat Kolb Family

Ex. Min.: Carol Schmit, Annabelle Suilmann, Jane Timm

Ushers: Jim Abbott, Leo Meyer, Ed Ostrom and

Larry Stenzel

Sacristan: Fr. Frerichs

Sunday

7:30 A.M. Sacrament of Penance @ St. Agnes

8:00 A.M. Mass @ St. Agnes († Michael Noll)

Servers: Cody Irish, Abbey Graner, Ellie Sholing

Lector: Margo Deming

Offertory: Brian and Barb Irish Family

Ex. Min.: Tom Crowley, Cindy Eversman, Tim Eversman

Ushers: Dave Lee, Frank Lee

9:30 A.M. @ St. Felix († Mark Walter)

Servers: Cammie Schneider, Julia Swanson

Lector: Chris Wise

Offertory: First Communion Students

Ex. Min: Bill Allaire, Sandra Allaire, Carol Binner

Ushers: John Passe, Ron Passe, John Taubel and

Norm Tentis

Sacristan: Mark Suilmann

Divine Mercy Celebration at St. Felix

1:00-3:00 P.M. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

2:00 P.M. Video on Divine Mercy at the St. Felix Parish
Office

2:00-3:00 P.M. Confessions available

3:00 P.M. the Hour of Divine Mercy, Divine Mercy Chaplet
and Benediction

6:00 P.M. Prayer Night



Financial Information

Electronic Fund Transfer/Weekly Direct Deposit. If we all contributed electronically, we would save our parish **over \$3,500.00 per year.**

St. Felix- April 17, 2011

	<u>Received</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Over/Under</u>
*Adult Support	\$7,311.00	\$6,865	\$446.00
*Includes Direct Deposits	**	108 envelopes	
Offertory.....	\$337.10		
Debt Reduction.....	\$80.00		

St. Agnes- April 17, 2011

	<u>Received</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Over/Under</u>
*Adult Support.	\$941.00	\$1,058.00	(\$117.00)
*Includes Direct Deposits	**	31 envelopes	
Offertory.....	\$120.00		

General Clustered Parish

During the month of May, members of the Knights of Columbus will be leading the rosary before Mass at St. Felix and St. Agnes. Everyone is



Congratulations to the following students who received the Sacrament of First Reconciliation on Wednesday, April 20th:

Jasmin Avilez, Dakota Bauer, Aidan Baxter, Lukas Busch, Manuel DeAngel, Adam Graner, April Hager, Klayton Hawkins, Ava Jeffery, Jasmine Kennebeck, Lindsey Peterson, Bryce Quinton, Julia Schmoker, Grace Sholing, Joseph Stumpf and Amelia Wodele.

Prayer Night



Join us for a time of song and prayer from 6:00 until 7:00 P.M. at St. Felix Church every other Sunday. If you have any questions or for more information please contact the Parish Office 565-3931.



Our **sympathy** goes out to the family of Charles Hoeg. Our thoughts and prayers are with you.

You and Catholic Charities, together in Christ, help make lives whole! Please support the **Catholic Charities Annual Appeal** on Mother's Day Weekend May 7th and 8th. Your support helps those most in need. Of the over 2,300 families served last year, 63% had annual household incomes at or below \$25,000. Thank you for your generous past support. *Please make a generous donation to the Catholic Charities Annual Appeal!*

**What Is Stewardship?
Part 2 of 5**

As we strive to live as faithful and generous stewards, it is important that we understand all of the facets of stewardship. Here are just a few key aspects of stewardship. Stewardship is: Giving Back - Stewardship is returning a portion of our gifts to God. The gifts we return are our time, our talent and our treasure. We return these gifts not because God or our Church needs them but because we feel an overwhelming need to show our love and gratitude to God.

Transformative - Stewardship is transformative. Once we embrace the stewardship message it changes the way we look at every decision we make. Stewardship becomes a total way of life. A Love Response - Once we allow God to truly take up residence in our hearts we become so overwhelmed by His abundant love for us that we just naturally feel the need to join our lives with Him and dedicate our time, talent and treasure to carrying out God's work here on earth. Our generosity comes from within and not from any external pressure or reward.

The next meeting of the **St. Agnes CCW** will be Thursday, **April 28th** at 7:00 P.M. We encourage all St. Agnes Church women to attend



this meeting as we start the preparations for this year's Fall Dinner and Festival. Each unit needs to have members/representatives in attendance who will speak/accept job assignments as key players on the planning committee. Come to the meeting and voice your ideas as we encourage new ideas that will enhance our Fall Dinner and Festival's success.

St. Catherine's Unit of St. Agnes, Kellogg will hold a **Stanley Party** Thursday, **April 28th** in the Church Hall at 7:00 P.M. This will be held in conjunction with our CCW Meeting. Orders can be called in to Rosie Lamey 767-2271 or Lisa Kennedy 767-4954

St. Felix and St. Agnes Parishioners, Please join us as we honor **YOU** for your time, talent and treasurers! To show our appreciation for all you do for the parish.



St. Felix

What: Scalloped Potatoes and Ham Dinner will be served on **May 7th** at 5:30 P.M.

Where: St. Felix Gym

RSVP is required by Monday, May 2nd.

St. Agnes

What: Chicken dinner will be served on **May 14th** at 6:00 P.M.

Place: St. Agnes Parish Hall

RSVP is required by Monday, May 2nd.

Bring yourself and your family, and be prepared for a fun evening together! **RSVP IS REQUIRED.** Please call the Parish Office at 565-3931 by **Monday, May 2nd.**

The Knights of Columbus Council #881 of Wabasha will be conducting the **31st annual Tootsie Roll Fundraiser** after Mass at St. Felix Church in Wabasha and St. Agnes Church in Kellogg on **April 30th and May 1, 2011.** The fundraiser benefits people with developmental disabilities in Wabasha County.

The Knights of Columbus is a Catholic fraternal organization dedicated to charity, unity, and fraternity. Service to church and community are high priorities of the Knights of Columbus

Mark your calendars! The **St. Felix Golf Fundraiser** is scheduled for Saturday, **May 21st** at Coffee Mill Golf Course. Join us for a day of fun on the course, or if you are unable to play then join us for a great dinner, raffles and live auction. This year's auction will feature items donated by each classroom and of course we will again be auctioning off 'Father's Wallet'.

Anyone interested in contributing to 'Father's Wallet' can do so by contacting Alison Springer (565-4593) or you may drop your donation off at the school office. Scrip makes a great donation for 'Father's Wallet' so grab an extra card when you are buying some for yourself. Your support of this event is greatly appreciated, Thank you all.

Due to a recent Diocesan audit of both Parishes and the School, Scrip will not be available for purchase after the weekend Masses as in the past. A change in the way Scrip is sold after weekend Masses is required. For insurance reasons, the audit report "**Strongly**" suggested that the Scrip inventory not be moved out of the School building. If you prefer to continue purchasing Scrip after the weekend Masses at both St. Felix and St. Agnes, please call the School at (651-565-3931) and place an advance order. Please state the Mass you will be attending and arrangements will be made for you to pick up your order after Mass. It is unfortunate these changes are required and we apologize for any inconvenience this change may cause.

Scrip will continue to be sold as usual at St. Felix School on Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 8:00 A.M.-12:00 P.M. **Thank You.**