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1ST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

DECEMBER 1, 2019

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St. Felix Cemetery Ed Ostrom (651) 565-3271

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RECONCILIATION

Saturday 3:45 pm St. Felix

Sunday 7:30 am St. Agnes

Contact Father directly if an appointment or a general (comprehensive, lifetime) confession is desired.

INFANT BAPTISM

Call the parish office to make arrangements to have your child baptized as soon as possible! A Baptism preparation class is given to first-time parents.

MATRIMONY

Recently engaged? Contact the Pastor before setting up any arrangements to begin preparing for this holy union! Preparation is required for all marriages and must begin at least six months beforehand.

RCIA

Everyone is invited to the fullness of communion with Christ in the Catholic Church! Call the parish office to inquire about becoming Catholic.

MINISTRY TO THE SICK

If you or a family member are sick, hospitalized or homebound and wish to receive Holy Communion, contact the parish office. Those who are seriously ill or anticipating surgery should make arrangements to receive the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick as soon as possible.

MASSES & INTENTIONS

Tuesday, December 3	11:00 am	St. Felix	† Florence Kennebeck
Wednesday, December 4	8:00 am	St. Agnes	† Jack and Viola Hager
Thursday, December 5	8:00 am	St. Felix	† Delbert Schumacher
Friday, December 6	8:00 am	St. Felix	Reparations for Our Sins
Saturday, December 7	9:00 am	St. Felix (Latin)	† Betty McGrath
	4:30 pm	St. Felix	† Bernice Evers
Sunday, December 8	8:00 am	St. Agnes	† John, Bart and Dorothy McDonough
	9:30 am	St. Felix	<i>Pro Populo</i>

Bulletin Deadline: Submissions for the bulletin are due by 3:00 pm on Tuesdays. All items may be edited.

The Notes
Fr. Parrott, Pastor



I encourage everyone to come for Advent Holy Hours at 6:30 pm at St. Agnes on the Advent Sundays of December 1, 8, 15 and 22. We will have Exposition, Confessions, Vespers and Benediction.

Starting today, December 1, the round of Penance Services begins in our local area. Here is the schedule for local churches:

December 1 at St. Mary, Lake City, at 3:30 pm

December 8 at St. Joachim, Plainview, at 3:30 pm

December 15 at St. Felix, Wabasha, at 3:30 pm

Faith Formation
Felicity Taylor, Coordinator

Thank you to all who supported our Faith Formation program on Cinnamon Roll Sunday. Your generous support helps to ensure our summer youth programs.

This Wednesday, your children will receive their Confession booklets. Please make sure that your children are prepared for confession which will take place next week for the 3rd – 7th grades and the following week for the 8th-10th graders. If you have any questions regarding confession, please don't hesitate to contact the Faith Formation Office.

There will be **NO** Faith Formation dinner on Wednesday, December 4 due to play practice for the school. Meals will resume on Wednesday, December 11.



Kindergarten and 1st Graders working on their Advent wreath with their catechist Mrs. Creighton.

Upcoming dates

Wednesday, December 4	Regular Class
Wednesday, December 11	Confession for grades 3 rd – 6 th
Wednesday, December 18	Confession for grades 7 th – 10 th
Wednesday, December 25	NO Class - Merry Christmas
Wednesday, January 1	NO Class - Happy New Year

St. Felix Catholic School
Eric Sonnek, Principal

During the 4 weeks just before Christmas we are celebrating Advent, the season of waiting for Jesus. Even though stores are already filled with Christmas decorations and music, we hold back so we can prepare ourselves for the coming of Jesus. Advent can be a time to build magical memories with your children and help your family grow closer to Jesus. We are encouraging our students to focus on being mindful of their words and actions, so they can share Jesus with others. We wish you a blessed Advent Season.

Does all this snow and cold weather have you feeling down? Plan to join St. Felix Catholic School for a Caribbean cruise aboard the SS Mango! This year's Christmas musical takes us on a festive holiday cruise to Christmas Island aboard the luxurious Yuletide turns perilous for nine passengers on a day shopping excursion when their boat, the SS Mango, is caught in an unexpected storm and washed ashore on a deserted island. Deserted, that is, except for the island's lone inhabitant, Johnny Coconut, marooned there years before. Join the passengers as they take part in best rescue story ever told...after all, the story of the birth of Jesus is the story of lost people, unable to save themselves, being rescued by the long-awaited Savior!



Real Presence Radio's Annual Fundraiser

We are so fortunate to have Catholic radio airing in our area as a means of support for evangelization in proclaiming the truth of the gospel and to help us grow in our own faith. On December 12 at the Mayo Civic Center in Rochester, you're invited to attend Real Presence Radio's Annual Fundraiser Banquet. Doors open at 5:30 pm, dinner at 6:30 pm. Dr. David Anders will be the keynote speaker. Dr. Anders is host of "Called to Communion", and Director of the Office of Catholic Education and Lifelong Formation for the Diocese of Birmingham, Alabama. While studying with the purpose of being a Calvinist apologist and converting Catholics to Protestantism, he was persuaded by the Truth of the Catholic Faith. Dr. Anders entered the Church in 2003 with his wife and five children. Please join us for a nice evening to learn more about your Catholic radio station!

To attend please sign up online by December 5 at www.yourcatholicradiostation.com or call Mary 507-261-7805 or Michael 507-250-5515

Liturgical Roles - St. Felix

Saturday, December 7, 2019 4:30 pm

Ushers

Ed Ostrom
Jim Abbott
Dave Pfeilsticker
Volunteer

Servers

Lucas Busch
Dominic Busch
Aidan Baxter

EMHCs

Tom Bouquet

Reader

Katherine Hust

Sacristan

Carol Schmit

Offertory

Mike and Kim Wobbe

Sunday, December 8, 2019 9:30 am

Ushers

Norm Tentis
Andy Danckwart
Rose Currie
Jim O'Brien

Servers

Jackson Danckwart
Kenny Kruse
Jaxon Lackey

EMHCs

Dennis Hetrick
Carol Binner

Reader

Becky Hetrick

Sacristan

Ruth Klein

Offertory

Eric and Maggie Sonnek Family

Liturgical Roles - St. Agnes

Sunday, December 8, 2019 8:00 am

Ushers

Dave Lee
Butch Sullivan

Servers

Adam Graner
Sophie Graner
Jacqueline Avilez

EMHCs

Tom Crowley

Reader

Scott Schwalbe

Offertory

Bart and Viv McDonough Family

READERS WORKBOOKS ARE IN

The books are located on the side table at St. Felix (St. Joseph's side) in the back, and at St. Agnes on the long table in the back of church.



May eternal rest and perpetual light shine upon **Richard Hartert** who passed away on Saturday, November 23. Richard's funeral was Wednesday, November 27, at St. Agnes.

*Through the mercy of God,
may he rest in peace.*

Foresters' Christmas Party

Monday, December 9, 5:30-8:00 pm

Sister Gerina Room,

St. Elizabeth's Hospital

Pot luck dinner. Bring a guest, gift and item for the Food Shelf.

Planning for Grumpy Old Men Festival Bingo.



St. Felix Church Decorating

We are looking for volunteers to help make the church shine this Christmas season.

Decorating will be on Sunday, December 22, after the 9:30 am Mass.

No talent needed for this project, just the willingness to give of your time.



Advent Books

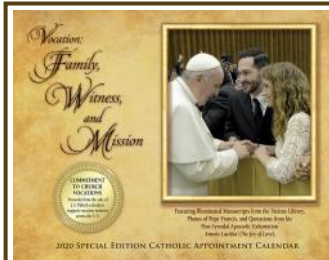


As we are all preparing for Advent, you will find the Word Among Us books in the back of Church. Please take one, and start preparing for the coming of Jesus!

Holiday Season is Coming!









Scrip will be sold every weekend from now until Christmas in the Holy Family Room after both weekend Masses. Also, Scrip is sold every day in the Parish Office from 8:00 am to 3:00 pm. Thank you for your support for St. Felix Catholic School.



Catholic Calendars

Pick up in church a new 2020 calendar from J.S. Paluch. Thank you to Abbott Funeral Home for donating these calendars each year!

Meetings & Events Calendar ~ December 1 - December 14

Sunday 1	Monday 2	Tuesday 3	Wednesday 4	Thursday 5	Friday 6	Saturday 7
Scrip Sold After Mass at St. Agnes and St. Felix Advent Holy Hour 6:30 pm <u>St. Agnes</u>	Light of Christ Prayer Group 6:30 pm <u>St. Felix School</u>	Knights of Columbus Meeting 7:00 pm <u>Teachers' Lounge</u> 	Faith Formation K - 6th Grade 5:15 - 6:15 pm NO Dinner due to Play Practice 7th - 10th Grade 7:00 - 8:15 pm	Men's Prayer Group 10:30 am <u>Parish Office</u> 		Scrip Sold After Mass 5:30 pm <u>Holy Family Room</u> 
Sunday 8	Monday 9	Tuesday 10	Wednesday 11	Thursday 12	Friday 13	Saturday 14
Scrip Sold After Mass 10:30 am <u>Holy Family Rm</u> Advent Holy Hour 6:30 pm <u>St. Agnes</u>	Light of Christ Prayer Group 6:30 pm <u>St. Felix School</u> Foresters' Christmas Party 5:30 pm <u>St. Elizabeth's Sr. Gerina Room</u>		Faith Formation K - 6th Grade 5:15 - 6:15 pm Dinner 6:15 pm 7th - 10th Grade 7:00 - 8:15 pm	Men's Prayer Group 10:30 am <u>Parish Office</u> 	St. Felix Christmas Play 1:00 pm & 7:00 pm <u>St. Felix Gym</u> 	Scrip Sold After Mass 5:30 pm <u>Holy Family Room</u> 

In a Dark Hour: Scott Hahn Reflects on the First Sunday in Advent

Jesus exaggerates in today's Gospel when He claims not to know the day or the hour when He will come again.

He occasionally makes such overstatements to drive home a point we might otherwise miss (see Matthew 5:34; 23:9; Luke 14:26).

His point here is that the exact "hour" is not important. What is crucial is that we not postpone our repentance, that we be ready for Him—spiritually and morally—when He comes. For He will surely come, He tells us—like a thief in the night, like the flood in the time of Noah.

In today's Epistle, Paul too compares the present age to a time of advancing darkness and night.

Though we sit in the darkness, overshadowed by death, we have seen arise the great light of our Lord who has come into our midst (see Matthew 4:16; John 1:9; 8:12). He is the true light, the life of the world.



And His light continues to shine in His Church, the new Jerusalem promised by Isaiah in today's First Reading.

In the Church, all nations stream to the God of Jacob, to worship and seek wisdom in the House of David.

From the Church goes forth His word of instruction, the light of the Lord—that all might walk in His paths toward that eternal day when night will be no more (see Revelation 22:5).

By our Baptism we have been made children of the light and day (see Ephesians 5:8; 1 Thessalonians 5:5–7). It is time we start living like it—throwing off the fruitless works of darkness, the desires of the flesh, and walking by the light of His grace.

The hour is late as we begin a new Advent. Let us begin again in this Eucharist.

As we sing in today's Psalm, let us go rejoicing to the House of the Lord. Let us give thanks to His name, keeping watch for His coming, knowing that our salvation is nearer now than when we first believed.

It goes well for the man who deals generously and lends, who conducts his affairs with justice. He will never be moved; forever shall the just be remembered. ~ Psalm 112

November 24, 2019	St. Agnes	St. Felix
Contributed last week	\$	\$
Unr. Income fiscal YTD	\$	\$
Budgeted fiscal YTD	\$ 37,812.92	\$ 158,073.79
Budgeted for the year	\$ 103,488.00	\$ 432,623.00

St. Agnes
\$8,470
Donors: 27
\$8,755

St. Felix
\$31,540
Donors: 71
\$30,279

2019
Catholic Ministries Appeal
Renew Faith. Extend Mercy. Inspire Hope.

Help us to reach our goal!



New Contribution Envelopes

St. Agnes members, I am sure that you have noticed you received different envelopes this past month. St. Felix members will be getting new ones the

beginning of the year. We have decided to go with a new company for cost reasons. We ask you to be patient with us as we are making the transition with the new envelopes. Thank you!

St. Patrick's All You Can Eat Pancake Breakfast

St. Patrick's Community Center in West Albany, MN
Sunday, December 1 from 9:00 to 11:00 am
Serving: All you can eat pancakes, sausage, eggs & drinks
Cost: Free Will Offering
Proceeds go to St. Clement Cemetery Fund



COR JESU at the Cathedral of the Sacred Heart

Friday, December 6 ~ 7:00 pm

Cor Jesu is a night of Eucharistic Adoration, Confession, praise and worship. The evening begins with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, followed by a Gospel reading and a brief homily.

Prayer, music, praise, worship and the opportunity for Confession follow. The evening concludes with Benediction. Stay for fellowship and refreshments. Come for all or part of the evening. Just come and experience God's love and mercy.

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