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ALL SAINTS DAY

NOVEMBER 1, 2020

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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

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|-----------------------|---------|-----------|---------------------------------|
| Monday, November 2 | 9:00 am | St. Felix | † For All the Faithful Departed |
| Tuesday, November 3 | 8:00 am | St. Felix | † Greg Wallerich |
| Wednesday, November 4 | 8:00 am | St. Agnes | † Ronell and Angelina Martin |
| Thursday, November 5 | 8:00 am | St. Felix | † Margaret Klees |
| Friday, November 6 | 2:00 pm | St. Felix | † John and Marie Huber |
| Saturday, November 7 | 4:30 pm | St. Felix | † Mary Pat Wallerich |
| Sunday, November 8 | 8:00 am | St. Agnes | † Steven Peyla |
| | 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.

Father Frerichs Weekly Column

Since this week is National Vocations Awareness Week, I thought that a few words about vocations and their trends might be of interest to you. A few years ago, I discovered an article in the Catholic Spirit, published by the Archdiocese of St. Paul and Minneapolis, which gave some interesting statistics. I will use these statistics along with a 2013 publication by the United States Conference of Bishops. From 1998 to 2005, the average age of ordination increased from 34.8 to 37.0; it then dropped to 32.0 in 2016. Men entering the priesthood also tend to have a higher level of education before beginning their seminary studies. For example, in 1998, 30% had a bachelor's degree or higher. In 2013, 63% of those ordained had completed a college degree before entering into the seminary, seminary formation being a six to eight yearlong program. Common careers prior to seminary formation include finance, education and computer technology. Statistics also show that the average age when one begins considering a vocation to the priesthood is 17 years. A survey in 2013 discovered that 63% of those ordained were encouraged by a parish priest, 46% were encouraged by a friend, 38% by parishioners and 34% by their mother.

Where are today's vocations being cultivated? Catholic education is one significant factor. A high percentage of all ordinands attended a Catholic high school or college and a majority participated in various parish ministries as a child or young adult. In general, research suggests that those dioceses that possess a culture encouraging of vocations will thrive while others may sustain themselves or struggle.

Current statistics show there to be almost 38,000 priests serving 80 million Catholics in the United States, which equates to 22% of the population. Of the approximately 17,000 parishes, 3500 of them are without a resident priest.

This onset of the month of November is an invitation to pray for vocations to the priesthood, the diaconate, and the religious life. Let us also remember that the month of November is one dedicated to prayer for the deceased.

Blessings on your week,
Fr. Glenn Frerichs

The Notes

ALL SOULS' DAY MASS

All Souls' Day Mass (Monday, November 2) will be held at St. Felix Church at 9:00 am.



St. Felix Catholic School Eric Sonnek, Principal

As we wrap up our 34th day of school, I walked through the halls and into the classroom. It was with great joy to see the different interactions that are taking place. One of the best parts of my day is being able to see the kids interact with each other and hearing the laughter and excitement for learning. Overall, the year is going steady and each day brings a new challenge. One of the biggest challenges that we face every day is ensuring that our staff and students remain safe and healthy. In following our guidelines and cleaning procedures, we feel very confident in staying on top of slowing the spread. Even with our one positive COVID case in our school, we were able to contain the exposure to two grades. Our fifth and sixth-grade classes are quarantining and doing distance learning until November 2.

During the pandemic, we are making improvements to our school to ensure a clean and safe environment. Through various grants, we were able to install a key fob system to our school and gym to reduce the contact of surfaces along with tracking those who come into the building to be able to notify them in case of an outbreak. We were also able to purchase a new outdoor shed and playground toys to allow for smaller group play during recess. We were also able to purchase more computers to help with online learning. Our library is going to an electronic card catalog so there is less touching of surfaces. The carpet was removed in a couple of rooms and replaced with vinyl flooring to allow for better cleaning.

Our next big fundraiser will be coming up in November. Our Annual Marathon will be on November 20. Please consider supporting our school during this fundraiser.

Please consider purchasing Scrip this Christmas Season. It makes a wonderful gift.

We pray every day for strength and energy to face the struggles and challenges. We also pray for the wonderful support from our parishioners and that God may bless them for their support.

Notes continued



NEW OFFICE and SCRIP SALES HOURS

Kris Kruse will be in the office from 8:00 am until 12:00 pm Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays. Office hours on Thursday will remain the normal 8:00 am to 3:00 pm. Scrip sales will be the same hours as when the office is open.

You can always place your Scrip order on the St. Felix School website: www.stfelixschool.org

Thank you Kris for filling in for me while I am on the mend.

Angie Danckwart

Liturgical Roles - St. Felix

Saturday, November 7, 2020 4:30 pm

Ushers

Ed Ostrom
Mike Schumacher

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Reader

Lisa Klees

Sacristan

Sunday, November 8, 2020 9:30 am

Ushers

Buck Gosse
Steve Gosse

Servers

EMHCs

Reader

Peter Kay

Sacristan

Liturgical Roles - St. Agnes

Sunday, November 8, 2020 8:00 am

Ushers

Tony Lamey
Volunteer

Servers

EMHCs

Reader

Tom Crowley

Faith Formation Carol Schmit and Nancy Hust

Faith Formation for Confirmation started this week. Please pray for our 15 Confirmation students.

Faith Formation families: An e-mail was sent this week to provide ongoing support in promoting faith in your children and family. These are the resources that were recommended. They would be good for any age group. They are posted on the website also under Faith Formation.

For Grades 5th-8th

1. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cGaAGDFIDg>.
4 minute video
2. Carlo Acutis worksheet

For Grades K- 5th

- 1: <https://watch.formed.org/videos/the-day-the-sun-danced-the-true-story-of-fatima>. 30 minute cartoon movie on Fatima from Formed.org
2. Coloring page for Rosary

The Scholastic Book Fair is coming to the St. Felix Gym! Stop in Tuesday, November 10 through Friday, November 13, 12:00 to 4:00 pm. The Book Fair will be open late on Tuesday, November 10. Please wear your masks. Happy reading!



Knights of Columbus



Thank you to all of the Knights of Columbus that prayed the Rosary before Mass the month of October.

NATIONAL VOCATION AWARENESS WEEK

We recognize National Awareness Vocations Week November 1-6, 2020. It is a celebration dedicated to promoting vocations to the priesthood, diaconate and consecrated life through prayer and education, renewing our prayers and support for those considering one of these particular vocations. We can encourage religious vocations by providing a faith filled home environment, supporting our Catholic Schools and Faith Formation programs, and encouraging a young person in your parish to consider responding to God's gift of a call to the priesthood and religious life. May God bless those who have the desire to give their lives in service to Him.



May eternal rest and perpetual light shine upon **Patricia Clementson** who passed away on Friday, October 2. Her burial was on Saturday, October 24 at St. Agnes Cemetery.

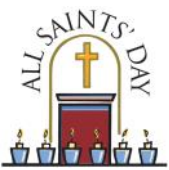

*Through the mercy of God,
may she rest in peace.*



May eternal rest and perpetual light shine upon **Joseph Wolfe** who passed away on Tuesday, October 15. His burial was on Wednesday, October 21 at St. Felix Cemetery.

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

Meetings & Events Calendar ~ November 1 - November 14

| Sunday 1 | Monday 2 | Tuesday 3 | Wednesday 4 | Thursday 5 | Friday 6 | Saturday 7 |
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|  | Mass 9:00 am <u>St. Felix Church</u> Light of Christ Prayer Group 6:30 pm |  Knights of Columbus Meeting 7:00 pm <u>Holy Family Room</u> | St. Agnes Pastoral Meeting 6:30 pm <u>St. Agnes Hall</u> | | Children's Mass 2:00 pm <u>St. Felix Church</u> | |
| Sunday 8 | Monday 9 | Tuesday 10 | Wednesday 11 | Thursday 12 | Friday 13 | Saturday 14 |
| | Light of Christ Prayer Group 6:30 pm <u>Holy Family Room</u> | | | | | |
| SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR in the ST. FELIX AUDITORIUM | | | | | | |

Saints, Here and There: Scott Hahn Reflects on the Solemnity of All Saints

The first reading focuses us for today's solemnity. In the Book of Revelation, St. John reports "a vision of a great multitude, which no one could count, from every nation, race, people, and tongue."

This is Good News. Salvation has come not only for Israel, but for the Gentiles as well. Here is the fulfillment of God's promise to Abraham, that by his seed all the nations of the world would bless themselves (see Genesis 22:18).

The Church celebrates many famous Christians on their individual memorials, but today she praises God for all His "holy ones," His saints. That is the title St. Paul preferred when he addressed his congregations.

Divinized by Baptism, they were already "saints" by the grace of God (see Colossians 1:2). They awaited, however, the day when they could "share in the inheritance of the saints in light" (Colossians 1:12).

And so do we, as the Scriptures give us reasons for both celebration and hope. In our second reading, St. John tells us that to be "saints" means to be "children of God"—and then he adds: "so we are"! Note that he speaks in the present tense.

Yet John also says that we have unfinished business to tend. We are already God's children, but "what we shall be has not yet been revealed." Thus we work out our salvation: "Everyone who has this hope based on him makes himself pure, as he is pure" (1 John 3:3).

We do this as we share the life of Christ, who defined earthly beatitude for us. We are "blessed," He says, when we are poor, when we mourn, when we are persecuted for His sake. It is then we should "Rejoice and be glad, for [our] reward will be great in heaven" (Matthew 5:12).

Until then, we pray with the Psalmist: "Lord, this is the people that longs to see your face." Salvation has come through Abraham's seed, but it belongs to all nations. For "the Lord's are the earth and its fullness; the world and those who dwell in it" (Psalm 24:1).



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

| October 25, 2020 | St. Agnes | St. Felix |
|------------------------|--------------|---------------|
| Contributed last week | \$ 777.00 | \$ 8,667.35 |
| Unr. Income fiscal YTD | \$ 22,917.00 | \$ 91,911.95 |
| Budgeted fiscal YTD | \$ 18,557.69 | \$ 103,638.46 |
| Budgeted for the year | \$ 62,850.00 | \$ 329,550.00 |
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ST. AGNES HALL

St. Agnes hall will be closed from Friday, October 30, through Wednesday, November 4, for the General Election.

READER WORKBOOKS ARE IN

The new lector books for 2021 are available for pickup. They are in the sacristy at St. Felix. Thank you for your talent as a lector!



COR JESU at the
Cathedral of the Sacred Heart

Friday, November 6 ~ 7:00-9:00 pm

Cor Jesu is a night of Eucharistic Adoration, Confession, and music in honor of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. For more details, search for Winona "Cor Jesu" on Facebook, go to cascwinona.org/prayer/corJesu or call Olivia Gadiant at (507) 951-7063.



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