



4th Sunday of Advent

December 21, 2025

ST. FELIX, WABASHA

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Reconciliation

Saturday 3:45 pm St. Felix
Sunday 7:30 am St. Agnes
Father is also available for individual confessions by appointment

Infant Baptism

Please call the Parish Office to arrange your child's baptism as soon as possible. A baptism preparation is provided for first-time parents.

Matrimony

Recently engaged? Please contact the Pastor to begin preparing for this holy union. Preparation is required for all marriages at least six months before your wedding.

RCIA

Everyone is invited to follow Christ in the Catholic Church. Please call the Parish Office to ask about becoming Catholic.

Ministry to the Sick

If you or a family member are sick, hospitalized, or homebound and wish to receive Holy Communion, please 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.

MASS INTENTIONS

Tuesday, December 23	8:00 AM	St. Felix	Carol Wooden
Wednesday, December 24	4:00 PM	St. Felix	Judy Balow McNallan
	5:30 PM	St. Agnes	Janice Arens
Thursday, December 25	9:30 AM	St. Felix	<i>Pro Populo</i>
Friday, December 26			No Mass
Saturday December 27	4:30 PM	St. Felix	Lucille Meyer
Sunday, December 28	8:00 AM	St. Agnes	George Peyla
	9:30 AM	St. Felix	<i>Pro Populo</i>

Bulletin Deadline: Submissions for the bulletin are due by **12:00 pm on Tuesday**. All items may be edited.

FR. TOM LOOMIS, PASTOR

We continue to do our best as we get closer to Christmas. I realize that in most of our families and lives that there is ample cause for worry and anxiety. We are aware of two more mass shootings this week throughout the world. We are also mindful of the recent violence in Lake City and Stewartville. What is it all about? Where does this lead us? When are we going to realize that the greatest gifts we are able to share are faith and prayer. I pray for all of us during this time of the year that our faith does make a difference in our lives. If faith does make a difference in our lives, I can guarantee that it will make a difference in our families, community and world. Are we willing to take the risk of professing our faith by our words and actions?

As we celebrate the fourth Sunday of Advent, we will hear from the Gospel of Matthew 1:18-24. As we get closer to our Christmas Day and Christmas season, we hear about how the birth of Jesus came about. It is a story that we are very familiar with. Joseph looks to divorce quietly, but the Angel of the Lord speaks to Joseph in a dream and encourages him, "'do not be afraid.'" How often have we heard this phrase "do not be afraid" said or spoken in our Scriptures? It is a beautiful reminder to all of us about fear. We know how fear can destroy us and our families. What would it look like this week, if we choose to not live in fear, but instead put our trust in Jesus?



ST. FELIX CATHOLIC SCHOOL ERIC SONNEK, PRINCIPAL

"Heavenly Father, as we enter this Christmas break, we thank You for the gift of rest and the opportunity for our minds, bodies, and spirits to rejuvenate.

For Our Students:

Lord, we pray for Your protective hand over every student. Guide them to find true rest, peace, and joy in You, not just in festivities, but in Your presence. Protect them from harm, temptation, and anxiety, filling them with Your strength and self-control. Help them to reconnect with family, grow in wisdom, and remember the hope and love found in Jesus, Your Son, the true meaning of Christmas. May they return to school renewed, with refreshed minds and spirits, ready to learn and grow.

For Our Staff & Teachers:

We lift up our dedicated teachers, administrators, and staff. Thank You for their tireless efforts. Grant them deep, restorative rest, far from the pressures of the school year. Help them to feel Your presence, receive Your grace, and remember the profound impact they have. Give them wisdom to be lights in their families and communities, and to share the hope and peace of Christmas with those around them.

For Our Whole Community:

May the peace of Christ, which surpasses all understanding, guard our hearts and minds. Help us to be mindful of those who are lonely, struggling, or in need of extra love. As we celebrate Your birth, Immanuel, God with us, let our lives reflect Your kindness, generosity, and compassion. May we return in the new year fortified by Your grace, ready to continue Your good work.

We pray all this in Jesus' precious name. Amen."

ST. FELIX- LITURGICAL ROLES

Wednesday, December 24, 2025 - 4:00 pm

Ushers

John Klees
Mike Wobbe

Servers

Ethan Munns
Kate Munns
Harper Hermann

EMCH's

Deb Danckwart
Carol Schmit
Bob Vaplon
Dar Theismann
Linda Binner

Reader

Lisa Klees

Sacristan

Carol Schmit

Offertory

Kirk and Ann
Lineweaver Family

Thursday, December 25, 2025 - 9:30 am

Ushers

Tiffany Risch
Diane Vetter

Servers

Matthew Risch
Eli Hester

EMCH's

Heidi Flint
Dennis Hetrick

Reader

Dennis Hetrick

Sacristan

Diane Vetter

Offertory

Pat Kolb
Cameille Goihl

Saturday, December 27, 2025 - 4:30 pm

Ushers

Larry Stenzel
John Klees

Servers

Ethan Munns
Sarah Munns

EMCH's

Carol Schmit
Dar Theismann

Reader

Lisa Klees

Sacristan

Carol Schmit

Offertory

Chris and Kathy
Munns Family

Sunday, December 28, 2025 - 9:30 am

Ushers

Ed Wirtz
Paul Flicek

Servers

Lizzy Passe
Sam Passe

EMCH's

Sandra Allaire
Heidi Flint

Reader

Mary Lu Harney

Sacristan

Annabelle
Danckwart

Offertory

Troy and Paula
Passe Family

ST. AGNES- LITURGICAL ROLES

Wednesday, December 24, 2025 - 5:30 pm

Ushers

Tony Lamey
John Miller

Servers

Ava Wingert

EMCH's

Rick Vaplon
Linda Vaplon
Kathy Tentis

Reader

Tom Crowley

Sacristan

Mary Schwalbe

Sunday, December 28, 2025 - 8:00 am

Ushers

Dave Lee
Frank Lee

Servers

James Sonnek

EMCH's

Eric Sonnek
Deb Peters


Reader

Jeff Fosmo

Sacristan

Mary Schwalbe

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sunday 21	Monday 22	Tuesday 23	Wednesday 24	Thursday 25	Friday 26	Saturday 27
Scrip Sold after Mass at St. Felix No 4:00 Divine Mercy Chaplet, and Vespers Holy Hour and Vespers 6:00-St. Agnes	Scrip Sold 9:00-1:00 Parish Office	Scrip Sold 9:00-1:00 Parish Office	Mass 4:00 St. Felix Mass 5:30 St Agnes	Mass 9:30 St. Felix 	No 8:00 Mass	
Sunday 28	Monday 29	Tuesday 30	Wednesday 31	Thursday 1	Friday 2	Saturday 3
4:00 Divine Mercy Chaplet, and Vespers St. Felix			Mass 5:30 PM St. Agnes No Faith Formation	Adoration 9:15-7:00 St. Felix	No 8:00 Mass	Scrip Sold After Mass



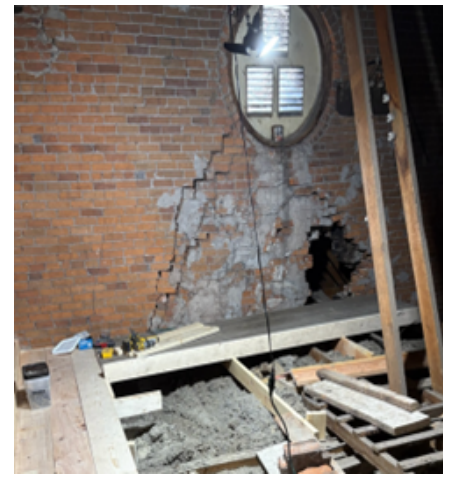
Announcements

ST. FELIX PARISH FACILITIES UPDATE

St Felix parish has contracted with Krause Konstruktion to address the structural conditions of the church building, identified by MBJ Engineering in their September 2025 structural assessment. This work is confined to the church basement/crawl spaces, attic, and the interior of the steeple. Four areas will be fixed this winter:

1. **The cracked brick support wall in the attic, above the arch, will be rebuilt and reinforced with steel braces. This will stop the interior arch cracking above the altar area.**
2. **Repair the cracking on the interior brick wall on east side of the steeple in the attic. Bricks will be replaced and new mortar applied.**
3. **Repair and tuck pointing some of interior stone foundation sections in the church basement / crawl spaces that show deterioration due to moisture infiltration. New mortar will be applied (tuck pointing) where indicated. More investigation of the foundation along the west wall will be done in the spring to inspect the condition of the foundation below the ground surface.**
4. **Replace the aging wood ladder inside the steeple to provide safe access.**

This work needs to be done before we can implement Facilities Phase II. The cost of this work will be funded with existing capital budget monies.



If you would like your church contribution to be applied to this year, 2025, **please have your contributions in the drop box outside the office or postmarked by December 31st. Contributions received in the Mass collection on December 30th and 31st will be applied to 2025.** If you have any questions, please contact the Parish Office.

If you would like your family members or loved one's name on the published list for the bulletin, your **Christmas flower envelope must be in the drop box, or in the collection basket no later than January 1st.**



The Parish Office will be closed **Wednesday, December 24th** and **Thursday, December 25th**



The St. Felix Contemporary Choir will be singing special Christmas music before the 4:00 PM Mass on Christmas Eve. Plan to come early!



Youth Group movie and cookie decorating



2025
Catholic Ministries Appeal

	<u>Goal</u>	<u>Amount Received</u>
St. Agnes	\$8,134	\$5,525.00
St. Felix	\$30,553	\$27,362.34

Amounts as of 12/12/2025

FAITH FORMATION

In keeping with standard procedure, please note that there will be no Faith Formation the next two weeks over Christmas break. Classes will resume in the New Year on January 7th. In place of classes, students should plan to attend Masses for Christmas and the Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God instead—Mass times for those holy days can be found in the bulletin or on the Christmas schedule postcard that was sent home to all families.

Next, I'd like to extend a big thank you to the parishioners of St. Agnes for allowing the Youth Group to use their parish hall last Sunday for our Christmas Movie and Cookie Decorating event. In all, we had 14 students in attendance, which is one of the highest attendance numbers we've ever had for a Youth Group event. Special thanks are also due to Theresa Lee for helping to supply us with materials from St. Agnes for the event.

Finally, I would like to wish all the parishioners and families of St. Felix and St. Agnes a very Merry Christmas—may the joy of the mystery of the Incarnation fill all of your homes and may the contemplation of the baby Jesus bring you closer to His heart.

Venite adoremus, Dominum!
Patrick

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