

Sixth Sunday of Easter

May 9, 2010

A word from Fr. Francis Kabiru.

Next weekend, not Thursday, we celebrate the feast of Ascension. This great feast of the Church is often seen as the culmination of Jesus' life and the start of the Church's mission which we are all participating in our unique vocations. And what a wonderful thing to recognize and appreciate a special vocation that has touched, I want to believe, almost every single person here, the gift of motherhood. Motherhood has always been a sacred and noble vocation and Mary whom we remember in a special way in the month of May, embraced it with great demeanor. As a mother who was "blessed among women", she gave us the clearest and most inspiring picture of what the ideal mother should look like.

When Jesus grew up until he got crucified, Mary stood at the foot of the cross and suffered with him. She never abandoned her child, even during adulthood, particularly when things were at their worst. This sort of enduring love is exemplary for all Christian mothers. Children get into all sort of things in life, sometimes for the right reasons, and sometimes for the wrong reasons knowingly or unknowingly, whether while kids or as adults. But the amazing thing to my experience about Mothers, starting with my own mom, they 'often' stand with their children throughout life, especially when things go wrong, even if they are unable to stop or alter the course of good or tragic event, trying to offer love and support in whichever way they deem right.

Every Christian mother no doubt ought to love God and her offspring with all her heart and responds favorably whenever God calls her. Today we celebrate Mother's Day with great honor to you mothers who have responded to your vocation generously and beared a lot with great love. Thank you for your commitment to be the best you can be, especially in that unique role you have of nurturing. It's never easy, but I think you can all agree with me, most mothers try and we are grateful for your efforts.

Happy Mother's Day!

LAST SUNDAY WAS UNITED CATHOLIC APPEAL SUNDAY. The UCA is our annual fund drive to support our diocese. Funds raised pay for clergy related expenses such as: educating seminarians, deacon candidates, caring for retired priests, etc. It is very important for all who are members of the Diocese of Duluth to participate. Look for United Catholic Appeal materials to arrive in the mail if you are on our contribution register.

FR. FRANCIS THANKS ALL THOSE WHO HELPED THIS PAST THURSDAY WITH THE UCA MAILING.

SUNDAY, MAY 9TH—MOTHER'S DAY—IS THE KICK OFF FOR BABY BOTTLE DISTRIBUTION
The Walker Area Pregnancy Support Center is passing out baby bottles today for a fundraising effort for the "new" Pregnancy Support Center in Walker. We are hopeful of families taking a bottle(s) and collecting coins (dollars/checks too) so that teaching supplies and equipment for our incentive room can be stocked. Through this incentive program mothers and fathers do educational modules and earn coupons to redeem equipment to help in their child rearing efforts. By donating coins in bottles YOU are helping to support babies and mothers to get off to a healthier start. We will be collecting bottles through June 20th, Father's Day. Thank you.

This Week's Schedule of Events

Saturday	EASTER WEEKDAY	5/8
Hackensack	4:00 p.m. Mass — <i>Intention for All Parishioners</i>	
Walker	5:30 p.m. Mass — <i>Intention for Jean Bellamy</i>	
Sunday	SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER	5/9
Hackensack	8:00 a.m. Rosary Recitation	
Hackensack	8:30 a.m. Mass — <i>Intention for Ed Mergens</i>	
Walker	10:00 a.m. Mass — <i>Intention for Martha Arndt</i>	
Walker	11:00 a.m. Coffee in Social Hall — <i>All are welcome!</i>	
Monday	EASTER WEEKDAY	5/10
Walker	9:30 a.m. Angels of St. Agnes Meeting	
Hackensack	2:00 p.m. Sacred Heart Rosary Prayer Group	
Walker	5:30 p.m. St. Agnes Pastoral Council Meeting	
Tuesday	EASTER WEEKDAY	5/11
Walker	8:00 a.m. Mass — <i>Intention for Pat Moore</i>	
Hackensack	4:00 p.m. Eucharistic Adoration	
Wednesday	EASTER WEEKDAY	5/12
Walker	8:00 a.m. Mass — <i>Intention for Martha Arndt</i>	
Hackensack	10:00 a.m. CCW Meeting	
Thursday	ASCENSION OF THE LORD— IS CELEBRATED ON SUNDAY, MAY 16TH	5/13
Walker	7:30 a.m. Men's Cursillo Meeting	
Walker	8:00 a.m. Mass — <i>Intention for Joseph Dosen</i>	
Friday	SAINT MATTHIAS, APOSTLE	5/14
Hackensack	8:00 a.m. Mass	
Saturday	EASTER WEEKDAY	5/15
Walker	11:00 a.m. Sacrament of Penance — <i>Not at 2 p.m.</i>	
Hackensack	3:30 p.m. Sacrament of Penance	
Hackensack	3:30 p.m. Rosary Recitation	
Hackensack	4:00 p.m. Mass — <i>Intention for All Parishioners</i>	
Walker	5:30 p.m. Mass — <i>Intention for Mickey Jones</i>	
Sunday	SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER	5/16
Hackensack	8:00 a.m. Rosary Recitation	
Hackensack	8:30 a.m. Mass — <i>Intention for Ed Mergens</i>	
Hackensack	9:00 a.m. Blood Pressure Clinic	
Walker	10:00 a.m. Mass — <i>Intention for Joseph Dosen</i>	
Walker	11:00 a.m. Blood Pressure Clinic	
Walker	11:00 a.m. Coffee in Social Hall — <i>All are welcome!</i>	

WE ARE SHORT OF MASS INTENTIONS—If you have an Intention, please let Fr. Francis know through the office.

Thank you to ALL for your prayers, cards, and support during and after Don's surgery. God bless you, Don & Mary Rudquist

Upcoming Events

Key: S.A. = St. Agnes & S.H. = Sacred Heart

MAY

- 18 Sacred Heart Pastoral Council at 6:05 p.m.
- 18 Women's Bible Study at 6:30 p.m.
- 20 Knights of Columbus at 7 p.m. at S.H.
- 25 Women's Bible Study at 6:30 p.m.

PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS....

- ✚ Sacred Heart Summer Member, John Smith, has brain cancer. He has had surgery and now Radiation and Chemo treatments. Notes of encouragement can be sent to: 17382 93rd Place N. Maple Grove, MN 55311
 - ✚ Sacred Heart Member, Betty Garoutte, who is recovering from her surgery she received this week.
 - ✚ Tracy Styf—daughter of Charlyne LaVoie—and her fiancé—John, who has Stage 3 Colon Cancer. Pray for his healing, for strength and support as they go through this trial.
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- ✚ Sacred Heart Member, Robert "Jim" Zierhut passed away and his Funeral Mass was on Saturday, May^{1st}. Please pray for his soul and family.

2010 UCA Update

St. Agnes.....	Goal—\$29,405
.....	YTD—\$ _____ %
Sacred Heart..	Goal—\$21,565
.....	YTD—\$ _____ %



Last Week's Collections

May 1st & 2nd



Walker Hackensack

Plate: \$740..... \$843
Envelope: \$2,487..... \$1,082
St. Agnes Building
Balance Remaining: \$279,130.68
Building Fund: . \$100

YOUTH ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR

LOOKING AHEAD TO SUMMER YOUTH EVENTS

Mark Your Calendars Now!

D-Week: June 15th—18th

High School Students Dive Deep into your faith here! Registration Fee: \$175-Includes all meals, lodging, and a really cool T-shirt!

To register your child go to:

www.dioceseduluth.org/index.php?PageID=93

Totus Tuus: July 24th—30th

Grades 1-6 Monday-Friday 9am-3pm
Jr. High/ Sr. High Sunday-Thursday 7:30 p.m. to 9:40 p.m.

Steubenville: July 30th—August 1st

High School Youth Conference held in St. Paul at Macalster College. Housing will be in the student dorms at the University of St. Thomas. Registration Fee: \$165-Includes meals, housing, and conference fees

Camp Survive: August 8th—12th

Summer Camp designed for those students who have completed grades 6-8
Registration Fee: \$210- Includes all meals, lodging and a really cool T-shirt!

To register your child go to:

www.dioceseduluth.org/index.php?PageID=91

FOR QUESTIONS, IDEAS, OR COMMENTS ON YOUTH ACTIVITIES

Please contact Anna Frost or Jennifer Arnold at the parish office 218-547-1054, or e-mail us at: anna@walkercatholic.org or jennifer@walkercatholic.org

THE WOMEN'S TUESDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY—*"Living as a Beloved Daughter of God."*—WILL NOT meet on Tuesday, May 11th, but it will resume on the 18th at 6:30 p.m. at the home of Rosemary Ellis. Please bring your Bible. Contact Rosemary at 547-1509 for more information.

PLEASE TAKE NOTE! You can go online to see the bulletin if you are unable to attend.

The website addresses for the parishes are:

www.StAgnesCatholic.org &
www.HackensackCatholic.org

Rummage Room Donations Needed!

Donations of clean, used items are now being accepted at the Little Church Rummage Room at Sacred Heart in Hackensack.

Please no furniture or large electrical appliances. Donations may be left in the vestibule at Sacred Heart at any time.

DEAD SEA SCROLL TRIP—*St. John's Bible*—Omni Theater Film on Arabia and Science Museum

Bus trip to the MN Science Museum & Science Center in St. Paul on June 1, 2010. We will leave from Union Church in Hackensack at 8:15 a.m. to go down and will leave St. Paul between 5 p.m. and 6 p.m. to come back. We will see and learn about the Dead Sea Scrolls. Bring a bag lunch and be prepared to stop for a light supper on the return trip. Cost: Bus \$30, Museum \$22, and supper is additional. Sign up by calling Union church office 675-6300 or Marty Mann 675-2283.

EMBRACING THE MARITAL GIFT—Natural Family Planning of the Brainerd Lakes Area free introductory sessions are on Tuesday, May 18th at 6 p.m. at St Joseph's Medical Center in Brainerd and on Tuesday, May 25th at 6 p.m. at the Cashen Enrichment Center in Crosby. Free introductory classes are also offered at St Alice Church in Pequot Lakes and at St James Church in Aitkin by appointment. Registration is required. Individual sessions may also be scheduled. For more information or to register please contact the NFP Office at 218-829-2861 Ext 6217 or www.brainerdnfp.org.

CAREGIVER DISCUSSION GROUP. If you are caring for a friend or relative who is chronically ill or frail and elderly, come join us for coffee, cookies, and conversation. Our next meeting will be **10:00 -11:15 a.m., Tuesday, May 18th at the Warehouse at 301 Norway in Pine River.** The topic will be, **"Quotable Quotes for Caregivers"**. The group provides education and support for caregivers, and opportunities to share with other caregivers in a confidential setting. There is no charge, no membership responsibilities, and no one will make you talk. For more information, call Iva at 218-732-7451 or 218-616-0669 or Theresa at 218-675-5435. The group is sponsored by Lutheran Social Service - Caregiver Support and Respite Program, Faith in Action for Cass County, and funding is provided by the Central Minnesota Council on Aging. *Caregivers Need Care Too!*

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS PASTY SALE—NEXT WEEKEND, MAY 15TH & 16TH—
SATURDAY AND SUNDAY—
 Both at Sacred Heart and St. Agnes parishes after each Mass.
 The cost is \$4 per Pasty.
 Funds raised go towards college scholarships.

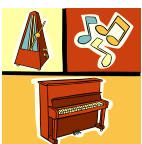
SAINT AGNES / SACRED HEART KC GOLF TOURNAMENT IS SET—Mark your calendars for Sunday, June 13, 2010 for the 6th Annual Knight of Columbus "*Honest John*" Golf Tournament for St. Agnes & Sacred Heart golfers and duffers and their families at Tianna Golf Club. The 9-hole scramble begins at 3:30 p.m. with a shotgun start, followed by a social hour at 5:30 p.m. and a fabulous steak dinner at 6:30 p.m.



Non-golfers are welcome to attend the social hour and dinner. Cash prizes and lots of fun! Look for the official registration form in the church bulletin in two weeks. Questions? Call John Warren at 547-2865.

ATTENTION BUSINESS OWNERS! We are renewing ads on the back of this bulletin. It is for a year and the cost is \$200 for one block in black and white and \$250 for color. Double either price for two blocks. If you would like to advertise your business, please contact the parish office at 547-1054 by Wednesday, May 12th by noon and we will put you on our list to call encase we get an open spot due to a non-renewal.

ROSARY RECITATION BEFORE MASS—In addition to the weekly Monday recitation of the Rosary at Sacred Heart, there will be additional opportunity, during the month of May, to pay tribute to our Blessed Mother. The Rosary will be said on Saturdays at 3:30 p.m. and on Sundays at 8:00 a.m. Anyone feeling able to come a little earlier to Mass is invited to join in.



THE ST. AGNES MUSIC MINISTRY IS IN NEED OF VOLUNTEERS—Please contact the parish office A.S.A.P. if you may be able to help with the music ministry program. For example: learn to run the Clavinova; be a song leader; and/or play a musical instrument such as a guitar or piano.

HOMEBOUND MINISTRY—If you are homebound, or you know someone who needs to be visited, please contact Fr. Francis (547-1054) or Deacon Hap Ramsey (547-4872) or Joanne Johnson (675-6876) or Joan Rueter (682-2324).

DONATIONS ARE NEEDED FOR THE WALKER AREA PREGNANCY SUPPORT CENTER

The center would greatly appreciate donations of baby items. They can be placed in the baby cradle in the Narthex at St. Agnes or Sacred Heart. Thank you so very much for your contribution to our Walker Area Pregnancy Support Center.



LEADER WANTED—to carry on the MN Citizens Concerned for Life “Pro-Life Up North” work for our local area Chapter. This chapter was formed 15 years ago and needs someone to step up and continue the political work in the pro-life movement in our area. Please prayerfully consider and respond!!! We need you.

For inquiries/questions please contact Deb Kitzman at 218-947-3417; cell: 218-820-1061 or jjmd@uslink.net.