

### **Girls' Club members provide gifts**

The Little Flowers Girls' Club of St. Stanislaus Catholic Church in Warsaw packed 35 Christmas boxes with donations from group members and area donors for children who visited a parent or grandparent at the Northwest Regional Corrections Center in Crookston, Minn., during the Christmas season.

Larayne Arvidson, lead programmer at the corrections center, was thrilled with the idea when the group proposed it this fall. After getting approval for the project from her supervisor, she sent a flyer to all the inmates requesting permission to give a Christmas package to the children that would be visiting them in December.

At the club's November meeting the girls filled the boxes and at the December meeting they wrapped and labeled them. On Dec. 10, a few club members delivered the Christmas packages and received a very warm welcome from the Northwest Regional Correction Center staff members. A final message of gratitude from Arvidson spoke of the unity and joy of the Christmas season. "Thank you SO much for doing this," she wrote. "The inmates and staff appreciate it more than we can say!"