

SAINT CECILIA

CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

2900 HOOVER AVENUE, AMES, IOWA 50010

www.stceciliaparish.org



We are called one by one and as a community to become part of the living presence of Jesus Christ. We are united with the Father and strengthened and enlivened by the Holy Spirit. We are committed daily to love and serve others as Jesus did.

Mass Schedule

Weekend: Saturday 5:00 PM
Sunday 8:00, 9:30 and 11:15 AM

Weekday: Tuesday thru Friday, 7:00 AM

Prayer Opportunities

Evening Prayer: Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, 5:00PM in the Chapel.

Eucharistic Adoration: The Chapel is always open for prayer. Call 233-3092 if you wish to sign up for a scheduled adoration hour.

Intercessory Prayer Group: Sunday, 9-10:00PM in the Chapel.

Rosary: Monday, 7:00AM & 7:30PM in the Chapel.

Christians in the Spirit: Tuesday, 7-9PM, Chapel

Saturday Morning Prayer: 7:00AM, Chapel

Sacramental Life

Reconciliation
Saturday 4:00-4:30 PM
Anytime by request.

Marriage
Please call the Parish Office at least six months before setting date.

Baptism
To participate in the Baptismal Program please call the Parish Office. Instruction for parents is required.

Sick Calls
Call the Parish Office to make arrangements to receive the sacraments.

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Catholic Charities 296-2759
Office located at St. Thomas Aquinas

Religious Education

for the whole parish family

Religious Education Classes

?? **Pre-School & Kindergarten** will not meet during the summer months.

First Eucharist pictures may be picked up in the Religious Education Office.

Youth Ministry

?? **Grades 9-12**

June 26 & 27: Car Wash Fundraiser during all weekend masses.

Adult Education

Scripture Study: Meets Mondays, 7:30-9:00PM in the Adult/Youth room. Next session, May 31.

Tuesday Morning Bible Study: Meets 10:00AM in the St. Francis Room. Next session, June 1.

**TEEN MASS
JUNE 5, 5:00PM**

Parish Organizations

The Knights of Columbus is a Catholic, family, fraternal, organization that stands in solidarity with our priests and bishops. Saint Cecilia Church has a Knights of Columbus council that does many things to support our parish. Are you looking for a good way to volunteer your time in the parish? Please consider membership in the Knights of Columbus. We will be bringing new Knights into our council in early June. Please contact Chuck Fox at foxes509@msn.com or 233-9758



Mass will be held at 9:00AM, Monday, May 31.

?? Parish Offices will be closed Memorial Day

Scheduled Eucharistic Adoration will resume 7:00AM, Tuesday, June 1.

SUMMER MASS TIMES

Beginning June 6 our Sunday Mass Schedule will change for the summer. **There will be two masses—8:30 and 10:30AM.** Saturday evening mass will remain at 5:00PM. The current mass schedule will resume September 5.

MEETINGS/EVENTS

Parish Potluck, Tuesday, June 1, 6:00PM in the Social Hall. Fried chicken, beverage and table service are provided. Please bring a dish to share. Families of all ages are encouraged to attend.



CDA Family Picnic: All members of Catholic Daughters are invited to an end of year potluck at Inis Grove Park, Red Oak Shelter, Wednesday, June 2, 6:15PM. No family in Ames? Bring a friend! Bring food and table service for yourself and your guests. Beverage provided. Call Priscilla Matt at 232-7688 if you have questions.

The Sanctity of Life Committee will meet Sunday, June 6, 9:30AM in the Parlors.

Wednesday Morning Playgroup meets from 10:00-11:30AM at Brookside Park. All are welcome. Contact Dawn at 515-795-4224 for information.

SERVICE OPPORTUNITY FOR FAMILIES

Appalachia Committee needs help sorting clothing and loading items for a truck being sent to Williamsburg, Kentucky. Younger children can help sort clothing and older individuals can help load the truck. Warehouse located at 2019 Pullman, Saturday, June 12, 8:30AM. Call Dan Bahr at 292-6784 if you have questions.

Election Results

Parish Council: Al Christy, Terry Herman, Jean Kresse
Board of Education: Gary Gorman, Pat Halbur
Thanks to the election committee and to all parishioners on the ballot for an excellent slate of candidates.

Procession to Celebrate The Solemnity of the Holy Body and Blood of Christ



Come follow Him on June 13, following the 10:30AM mass. Jesus in the blessed sacrament will lead a procession around the Church and grounds in celebration of the Feast of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ. Everyone is invited. There will be special blessings for those who have celebrated the sacraments of initiation this year (Baptism, 1st Eucharist and Confirmation) as well as the sick and infirm. First Communicants are asked to come dressed as they did for First Communion.

“The devout participation of the faithful in the Eucharistic procession on the Solemnity of the Body and Blood of Christ is a grace from the Lord which yearly brings joy to those who take part in it.” Pope John Paul II, *Ecclesia de Eucharista*

READ ABOUT IT IN THE WITNESS

- ?? The Community of St. Pius X parish in Cedar Rapids moves back into their church after months of renovation
- ?? Loras College Archives and the Center for Dubuque History are collecting oral histories of veterans
- ?? 48 Catholic politicians express their concerns in a letter to Cardinal McCarrick in Washington D.C.
- ?? Bill requiring hospitals to report illegal immigrant patients was defeated.
- ?? St. Mary's in Marshalltown unites both Anglo and Hispanic children in the religious education program.

Subscription cards to *The Witness*, our Archdiocesan newspaper, may be found in the literature rack in the Social Center hallway.

**25TH JUBILEE CELEBRATION
FOR FR. TERRY
Saturday June 12
Mass 5:00PM
Picnic supper on the lawn, 7:00PM
(Bring a lawn chair)
Holy Ground will perform**



Volunteers are needed to help with the jubilee. There is a special need for volunteers to set up in the afternoon and to help put tables and chairs away after the event. Please call the Parish Office at 233-3092 to volunteer.

VBS NEWS

There will be a brief meeting for leaders Sunday, May 30, after the 9:30AM mass in the Social Hall. Please call Brenda at 292-0625, if you are unable to attend.

VBS volunteers are needed to help decorate on Sunday, June 6, 6:00PM. Meet in the Multi-purpose room.

BAPTISM

Our next preparation session will be held **Thursday, June 3**, 6:30- 9:00PM in the Adult/Youth Room. All parents seeking baptism for their child are expected to attend a preparation session. To Register, call the Parish Office at 233-3092.

Baptisms are scheduled for June 6, 1:00PM and July 11, 8:30AM. Contact the parish office to schedule a baptism.

Pregnant? Need Help?

**Birthright of Ames, 108 Hayward Avenue
292-8414**

Mass Intentions

Saturday, May 29

5:00PM: Bill Lyon

Sunday, May 30

8:00AM: Joe & Mary Moore

9:30AM: Saint Cecilia Parishioners

11:15AM: Rose Marie Hadaway

Monday, May 31

9:00AM: George Rickerl

Tuesday, June 1

7:00AM: Youth of the Area

Wednesday, June 2

7:00AM: Germaine Mullenbach

Thursday, June 3

7:00AM: Michael Strom

Friday, June 4

7:00AM: Catholic Daughters

Saturday, June 5

5:00PM: Marian & Linus Putz

Sunday, June 6

8:30AM: Edward & Paul Shevokas

10:30AM: Saint Cecilia Parishioners

BENEFIT RUMMAGE SALE

BAKE SALE

Are you doing some spring cleaning? Finding items you no longer need? Consider donating them to the Knights of Columbus/Catholic Daughters of America fundraiser sale June 18 & 19. The monies raised will benefit the remodeling of the New Mellerey Monastery. All items (clothing, books, games, toys, dishes, furniture etc.) will be accepted—**no appliances, please**. For pickup of items, call 232-7688 by June 15. Unsold items will be donated to the Appalachia Warehouse. Monetary donations will also be accepted.



DRE POSITION

St. Malachy Church is accepting applications for a part-time DRE. Position requires excellent communication, interpersonal and organizational skills, as well as flexible hours (20-25 hours per week, year-round, including some evenings and weekends). Responsibilities include initiating and implementing programs to meet the Religious Education needs of grades Pre-K through 12, developing and overseeing sacramental programs and preparation, working in collaboration with the Youth Minister and RCIA Directors. Must be a person of faith and a practicing Catholic in good standing with the Church. Salary commensurate with experience and education. Submit resume to: St. Malachy Church, DRE Search Committee, 207 Gerald St., Madrid, IA 50156. Phone 515-795-2731.

WANTED: A Catholic individual or family that would be interested in opening their heart and home to an upcoming Professional Cosmetology Institute female student from July 2004 to fall of 2005 with a room for rent in their home. For information, please call Rob or Coleen Swisher at 515-280-5188.

WEBSITE

www.catholic.org/cccbanner.php

Visit this website to sign a *Stand Up Against Sex and Violence* pledge, to get daily readings, movie and video reviews, look up bible verses, find information on dioceses across the nation, and much more.

The protection of innocent life is not just a political issue, but, much more importantly, a basic political responsibility.”
(U.S. Bishops, “Living the Gospel of Life”)

Pentecost Sunday

A favorite theme of family movies is the underdog who looks for his place in life. Seen as odd or nerdy, the main character in these stories goes through life, trying to fit in. Then, in the middle of a crisis or great community need, they prove themselves valuable by doing what no one else can do, either by skill or by circumstance. They are acclaimed as a hero and given a place of honor in their community. Whether it be sports, love, or community disaster, the least likely guy saves the day!

The Holy Spirit gifts each believer as He wills. All of us have a place in the community to fill, a role to play in spreading the Gospel message. Each member of the Church contributes in a way no one else can, by giving not only of himself, but also using the gifts the Spirit gives. Some gifts are more public than others, but their value is the same in the eyes of God.

Pentecost is the birthday of the Church. The Holy Spirit is given to the Apostles so that they will complete the mission Jesus entrusts to them. We too are entrusted with a mission to be fulfilled in our everyday life, along with the gifts and talents we need to fulfill our tasks. Don't dismiss it as insignificant or unnoticed. If we fail in our task, who will do it? The Holy Spirit will guide and direct us in all things, if we are willing and ready.

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Those in our parish and the community who are ill.
Please be Praying for...

HEARTLAND SENIOR BAND will perform at the June 3 band concert, Bandshell Park beginning at 7:00PM. This performance is in conjunction with Heartland Senior Services 30th Anniversary.

Readings for the Week of May 30, 2004

Sunday: Acts 2:1-11; 1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13; Jn 20:19-23
Monday: Zep 3:14-18; Lk 1:39-56
Tuesday: 2 Pt 3:12-15a, 17-18; Mk 12:13-17
Wednesday: 2 Tm 1:1-3, 6-12; Mk 12:18-27
Thursday: 2 Tm 2:8-15; Mk 12:28b-34
Friday: 2 Tm 3:10-17; Mk 12:35-37
Saturday: 2 Tm 4:1-8; Mk 12:38-44
Next Sunday: Prv 8:22-31; Rom 5:1-5; Jn 16:12-15