

Saint Cecilia Catholic Community

May 29, 2005

The Body & Blood of Christ



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.

“Building for our Future”

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Mass Schedule

Weekend: Saturday 5:00 PM

Sunday 8:30 & 10:30

First and Third Sunday: 5:00PM (Primer y Tercer Domingo)

Misa en Español (Mass in Spanish)

Weekday: Tuesday thru Friday, 7:00 AM

Holyday: Consult the bulletin

Sacramental Life

Reconciliation in English and Español

Saturday 4:00-4:30 PM

Anytime by appointment. (Cualquier horario para una cita)

Marriage (Matrimonio)

Contact the Parish Office at least six months prior to wedding date. (Contacta la oficina de la parroquia al menos seis meses antes de la fecha del matrimonio.)

Baptism (Bautismo)

To participate in the Baptismal Program please call the Parish Office. Instruction for parents is required. (Para participar en el programa bautismal, por favor llama a la oficina de la parroquia. Instruccion para los padres es requerida.)

Sick Calls (Llamados para enfermos)

Call the Parish Office to make arrangements to receive the sacraments. (Llama a la oficina de la parroquia para hacer arreglo y para recibir los sacramentos.)

Catholic Charities : Located at St. Thomas Aquinas — 292-2759

Religious Education

for the whole parish family

Religious Education Classes

Pre-School & Kindergarten

Grades 1-8

Classes have ended for the 2004-2005 school year.

Youth Ministry

Grades 9-12

Classes have ended for the 2004-2005 school year.

First Eucharist pictures may be picked up in the Religious Education office Monday-Friday 8:00AM-4:00PM.

Adult Education

Scripture Study: Meets Mondays, 7:30-9:00PM in the Adult/Youth room. Next Session: June 6. **NOTE: Scripture study will not meet Memorial Day, May 30.**

Tuesday Morning Bible Study: Meets 9:30-11:00AM in the Adult/Youth room. **Beginners welcome.** Baby sitting provided. Deacon John McCully, facilitator. Next session: May 31.

RCIA

The Rite of Christian Initiation is the process through which people learn about the Catholic faith and are welcomed into the Church. For information, call John at 232-3514.

BAPTISM

Our next preparation session is scheduled for **Thursday, June 2, 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. Scheduled baptism dates are: June 12 & July 10 at 1:00PM.

Communion

The Benedictine sisters who make the altar breads we use at Saint Cecilia make a low-gluten bread for people who are allergic to wheat. If you would like to receive communion with this wafer, come to the Sacristy before mass and place a host on the altar. **Fr. Terry will distribute the low gluten host from his line.**



Mass will be held at 9:00AM, Monday, May 30.

Saint Cecilia School and Parish Offices will be closed Memorial Day.

MEETINGS/EVENTS

Sanctity of Life Committee will meet Sunday, June 5, 9:30AM in the A/Y Room. Kathy Ridnour will explain Birthright activities and how people can get involved.

Wednesday Morning Play Group meets 10:00-11:30AM in the A/Y room. All are welcome. For information, contact Dawn at tdwied@worldnet.att.net or 233-6157. Play Group will meet at Brookside Park during the summer months beginning June 1.

Vacation Bible School Registration

Thank you to all those who registered and to all those who have volunteered. Registrations are still being accepted at the Religious Education Office. If you did not get a chance to make a donation or purchase a tape, stop by the Religious Education Office. VBS will be held 9:00-11:30AM, June 13 -17.



Adoration break for Memorial Day

Scheduled Eucharist Adoration will not be held from 7:00AM, Friday, May 27 until 7:00AM, Tuesday, May 31. The Chapel will remain open for visits, but the Blessed Sacrament will not be exposed.

STEWARDSHIP: The Scriptures today remind us that "we, though many we are, are one body for we all partake of the one loaf." How are we using our gifts of time and talent to build up the body of Christ?

Election Results

Thank you to all involved in the Parish Elections. Again, there was an excellent slate of candidates.

Parish Council: Chuck Gilarski will serve a second term along with newly elected members Karen Popelka and Jonathan Weber. They join continuing members, Alan Christy, Ed Fawkes, Bill Haas, Terry Herrman, Jean Kresse, and Bud Montang,

Board of Education: Todd Clancy was elected to a second term along with Larry Gross and Judy Rudman. They join members Mark Gannon, Gary Gorman, Pat Halbur, and Monte Streit .

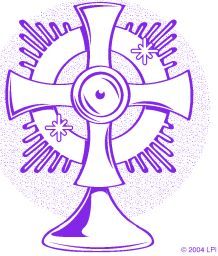
“Come Follow Me”

Please join the Procession In Honor of
**The Solemnity of the Most Holy
Body & Blood of Jesus Christ**
in this
Year of the Eucharist

Everyone is invited to this Regional Celebration
of the Archdiocese of Dubuque led by
Episcopal Vicar Rev. Msgr. Russell M. Bleich, S.T.L.

**Sunday, May 25
Following the 10:30AM Mass**

Those who are unable to participate in the procession
may wait in the church for prayer before Benediction.



“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

Regional Events

Franciscan Life Experience for Women

The Dubuque Franciscans invite single women, college age and older, to a “Franciscan Life Experience” June 22-24. This is an opportunity to explore the life-style of Franciscan Sisters. For more information, contact Sr. Nancy Miller by June 13th at mil-lern@osfdbq.org or at 3390 Windsor Ave. Dubuque, IA 52001 (563-583-9786) or one may register online by going to www.osfdbq.org and clicking on Membership. There is no fee for this experience.

Married Couples

Give your marriage a well deserved vacation. Plan to go on a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend and come back with a marriage that is refreshed and full of energy! Marriage Encounter October 15-17 in Des Moines. Contact: Roger and Marsha Luensmann 563-927-4352 or visit <http://www.iowa-wvme.org> for other information.

Lighting the Fire of the Resurrection June 24-25,

Franciscan Spirituality Center, La Crosse, Wisconsin
Megan McKenna Key note speaker (Friday)

“And Morning Came”

“And They Saw Him, Recognized Him”

Choose among fifteen 90 Minute workshops (Saturday)

One day \$50; two days \$95

Phone: 608-791-5295 ; e-mail: FSCenter@fspa.org

Or visit www.franciscanspiritualitycenter.org

OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE

Volunteer at Birthright: Kathy Ridnour will explain the types of volunteer activities needed at the Sanctity of Life meeting, Sunday, June 5, in the A/Y room, following the 8:30AM Mass. Anyone interested in volunteering or finding out more about Birthright is invited to attend.

Provide a Ride to Mass: Please call the parish office (233-3092) if you are able to help an elderly parishioner by providing an occasional ride to 8:30AM Mass. Central Ames area.

Vacation Bible School volunteers are still needed. Please contact Brenda Diesslin at 292-0625 or bdiesslin@yahoo.com if you can help with VBS.

Donate needed materials for Vacation Bible School. Empty 2 pound oatmeal containers, 2 pound plastic coffee containers, and cardboard tubes from toilet paper rolls are needed for craft projects. Place them in the collection container in the church vestibule.

Join the Parish Family Life Committee and be part of a small, dynamic group that sponsors activities and events that minister to all ages and stages of families. For more information call Gary & Kay Aitchison at 296-2966.

Fraternity Advisor: Phi Kappa Theta Fraternity is interested in having an ISU faculty member act as their faculty advisor. For more information please contact: Jerry Peltier at 232-0941 or jrapeltiers@aol.com.

Memorial Day Reflection

When I was a small child I used to go to the cemetery each year for Memorial Day services held by the local VFW post which was named after my uncle. He was killed in the Second World War, and my older cousin, the first born of our generation, was named after him. As a child, the exciting thing for me was to run to the parade ground after the veterans had finished, with hopes of finding one or two casings from the shots they had fired in salute to their fallen comrades. It was years later as the fluttering flags began to outnumber the standing veterans, that I realized the importance of this day. Grandma always called it “Decoration Day” using the old Civil War term that she learned long before there was a World War. She knew first hand the grief of losing a son in war and the joy of seeing two of her sons return home. It is that sadness and that joy we remember this day.



A Memorial Day Ceremony will take place Monday, May 30, 9:00AM in the Molecular Biology Building Auditorium. This observance is in memory of all ISU employees, retirees, and spouses who have passed away in the past year.



The Body and Blood of Christ

At the end of many sporting championships, the most common comment made by players is "This is what it's all about. This is why we are here." Becoming the champions of their sport is what motivates many athletes to excel. Reaching that high goal takes dedication, effort and determination. That's what it's all about.

The Eucharist is the center of our faith. It is why we do everything else we do. The Eucharist is the reason we build churches, why we pray, why we celebrate other sacraments, and why we exist as a community. Our main purpose and goal is to celebrate and become people of the Eucharist. Joining ourselves to Christ by receiving his Body and Blood is what defines us as his people. We are one with him and he with us.

Holy Communion should not be something we do because it's part of the Mass. We should approach the Eucharist with our hearts and minds set on receiving the Lord. Jesus himself comes to us and in that moment of unity, we need to be aware of what we do and who we receive. By joining ourselves to him, we achieve for the moment faith's goal. We are one with the Lord. That's what it's all about!

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The following positions are available:

Youth Minister (part-time) to organize and coordinate activities for grades 7-12. Prefer college graduate with experience with youth. Ten month contract.

Campus Minister with graduate degree in theology/pastoral ministry or equivalent experience to minister (retreats, outreach, supervise student leaders, educational and social activities) on a team of four in a combined parish and student center. Eleven month contract.

Director of Religious Education Full time, ten months contract. Individual will direct a program for 200 students, pre-school through high school, design programs for adult formation, and maintain religion resource center. Required: Practicing Catholic with Masters degree in education. Three to five years teaching experience in Catholic environment.

Send resume and references to: Rev. Everett Hemann, 2210 Lincoln Way, Ames, IA 50014.

Blood Drive at St. Thomas Aquinas, Tuesday, June 21, 2-6:00PM conducted by The American Red Cross. Schedule an appointment on line at www.givelife.org. Donors must weigh at least 110 pounds and be at least 17 years old (16 with parental consent). Call 800-448-3543 or 292-3810 for more information.

Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday, May 28

5:00PM: Mike Rolling Family

Sunday, May 29

8:30AM: Saint Cecilia Parishioners

10:30AM: Jim & Penny Sullivan

Monday, May 30

9:00AM: John & Gladys Konechne

Tuesday, May 31

7:00AM: Paul Shevokas

Wednesday, June 1

7:00AM: Germaine Mullenbach

9:00AM: Bob Vidimos

Thursday, June 2

7:00AM: Polly Lauer

Friday, June 3

7:00AM: Richard Lang

Saturday, June 4

5:00PM: Marian & Linus Putz

Sunday, June 5

8:30AM: Ronald Laws

10:30AM: Saint Cecilia Parishioners

5:00PM: Pat Francis

(Misa en Español)

Prayer Opportunities

Evening Prayer: Monday through Friday, 5:00PM in the Chapel

Eucharistic Adoration: The Chapel is always open for prayer.

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

Rosary: Monday, 7:00AM & 7:30PM, Chapel

Christians in the Spirit: Tuesday, 7-9:00PM, Chapel

Saturday Morning Prayer: 7:00AM, Chapel



Those in our parish and the community who are ill.

Please remember in your prayers:

SHARON DIRKS, mother of Dave Dirks, and **SHARON MIDYETT**, sister of Stella Flugrad, who recently passed away. May the Lord grant peace and consolation to their families in their time of need. May they, and all who sleep in Christ, find in God's presence, light, happiness and peace.



Readings for the Week of May 29, 2005

Sunday: Dt 8:2-3, 14b-16a/ 1 Cor 10:16-17/

Jn 6:51-58

Monday: Tb 1:3; 2:1a-8/ Mk 12:1-12

Tuesday: Zep 3:14-18a or Rom 12:9-16/ Lk 1:39-56

Wednesday: Tb 3:1-11a, 16-17a/ Mk 12:18-27

Thursday: Tb 6:10-11; 7:1bcde, 9-17; 8:4-9a/ Mk 12:28-34

Friday: Dt 7:6-11/ 1 Jn 4:7-16/ Mt 11:25-30

Saturday: Tb 12:1, 5-15, 20/ Lk 2:41-51

Next Sunday: Hos 6:3-6/ Rom 4:18-25/ Mt 9:9-13