

Saint Cecilia Catholic Community

June 26, 2005

Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time



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

Registration for Generations of Faith, the new whole parish faith formation program, **will begin with Corn Fest, August 21**. The Generations of Faith gatherings will begin in November and be held monthly. Times for those gatherings are the:

?? **First Sunday of the month, 12:30-3:00PM.**

?? **Monday following First Sunday, 3:30-6:00PM**

?? **Wednesday of that week: 5:30-8:00PM**

?? **Second Sunday of the month, 5-7:30PM**

Registrants need to select one of the above times to attend. Assignment of times will be determined by order of registration. Sign up early if you have a strong preference. All gatherings will begin with a meal with the exception of Monday which will begin with an afternoon snack.

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: Meeting on June 27 will be changed due to carpet cleaning in the Education Center. Call the parish office (233-3092) for an update.

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: June 28.

RCIA

The Rite of Christian Initiation is the process through which people learn about the Catholic faith and are welcomed into the Church. Summer sessions are being held every other Wednesday, 7:30-8:30PM in the Rectory. (Use South Drive, enter by parish office entrance and follow signs). For information, call Al at 296-2620. Next session: July 6.

BAPTISM

Our next preparation session is scheduled for **Thursday, August 4, 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. The next scheduled baptism is July 10 at 1:00PM. Call the parish office to schedule a baptism.



A way to the Parish Office—Don't give up. Use the drive on the South side of the Church and follow the signs. Currently you may enter by the door to the hallway just east of the old social hall. Follow the signs that lead you past the old rectory bedrooms and living room into the office space. If a garage door is open you may enter via the garage, kitchen and utility rooms.

MEETINGS/EVENTS

Sanctity of Human Life group will meet Sunday, July 3, in the A/Y room following the 8:30AM Mass.

Wednesday Morning Play Group meets 10:00-11:30AM at Brookside park. For information, contact Dawn at tdwied@worldnet.att.net or 233-6157.

Friendship Ark Fund-Raising Run/Walk

Friendship Ark is a nonprofit faith based organization established to provide residential and community support for persons with mental disabilities in Central Iowa. On the 4th of July, Friendship Ark will be holding a fund-raising run/walk at Ada Hayden Park in conjunction with many other City of Ames 4th of July activities. Registration opens at 6:30AM and the run/walk at 8:00AM. There is a 4 mile and a 4 K (2.5 mile) event. Everyone is encouraged to participate in this worthy cause. A significant number of volunteers are needed to assist the morning of the run/walk. Please contact Dave Dirks (292-8455) if you would like to volunteer.



Sheltered Reality: Benefit Concert

First Baptist Church of Ames at 200 Lynn Avenue will be hosting a concert on Monday, July 11, at 7:00PM. Sheltered Reality is a percussion group of youth from all over Iowa with a positive message of helping others. Come and enjoy high-energy music and at the same time support Good Neighbors, a cooperative effort of many congregations that provides assistance to families in need in Story County.

Parish Registration

If you attend Saint Cecilia Parish and have not registered, please contact the parish office or visit the website to download a registration form.

www.stceciliaparish.org

The Year of the Eucharist

Reasons from the teachings of the Church for wanting to spend one hour each week with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament.

?? Day and night Jesus dwells in the Blessed Sacrament because you are the most important person in the world to Him! "*Beneath the Sacred Host, Christ is contained, the Redeemer of the world.*"

Pope Paul VI, *Mysterium Fidei*

Parish Organizations/Committees: Please send the name of your officers/contact persons for 2005-2006 to the parish office.

Send information on your organization/committee to the parish office if you wish to be featured in a bulletin article during the summer months.

If your group meets in parish facilities, please be aware that space will be limited during the 2005-2006 year. Please call the parish office to check on availability and to book meetings and events.

Saint Cecilia Parish thanks Mary Fox for donating her time in leading the clean-up of the old flower bed and sprucing up the flower area by the south vestibule door. Mary will help with jobs in your garden—garden-sit while you are away, weed when you can't, transplant or divide perennials, clean up garden beds in spring or fall, and plant new areas. She is also available to help you organize your closets, and other storage areas, help downsize or pack and unpack when you move. Call her at 232-0788.

Regional Events

The Lincoln Highway Men's Group is having a men's night meeting at St. Henry Church in Marshalltown, June 29. A meal will be served at 6:00PM followed by a presentation by Deacon John McCully at 7:00PM. Deacon John's topic is "How the Bible Fits Together—Genesis to Revelation." If you would like more information or are planning to attend, please contact Chuck Fox at 233-9758 or Al Christy at 296-2620.

John Michael Talbot In Concert Friday, September 16, 7:30PM

Gallagher Bluedorn Performing Arts Center
University of Northern Iowa Campus
Cedar Falls

This concert will blend the quieter type of ministry John Michael's fans expect with upbeat and fun selections from the Monk Rock album.

To purchase tickets call 877-549-SHOW(7469) or 3319-273-SHOW. Tickets are \$25 for adults and \$20 for ages 18 and under.

STEWARDSHIP: Both the first reading and the Gospel today speak of hospitality and welcome. Our ministers of hospitality are a most visible example of using one's time and talents to welcome the people of God. But the Gospel assures us that all who give even just "a cup of cold water" to one of His lowliest ones will be rewarded.

OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE

ADORERS NEEDED

New Eucharistic adorers are still needed. Please consider one of the following hours: Mon. 12 noon; Tues. 5AM and 12 noon; Wed. 2AM and 3AM (2nd and 4th weeks); Thurs. 1AM (2nd week); Fri. 2AM and 10AM. Substitutes fill these hours until an adorer is found, so it is a tremendous help if you are able to spend one of these hours with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament. Please call Rosemary 232-5828 to take part in this vital ministry of prayer.

Donate Items for a Garage Sale

Catholic Daughters will hold a garage sale in September. Donations (except for clothing) would be appreciated. Call 233-1393.

English as a Second Language

Due to the success of the English as a Second Language program the classes will continue to be held over the summer months. More volunteers are needed to dialogue with students learning English. Knowledge of other languages is not necessary because the students have a high proficiency and merely need some conversational practice. The classes are held on Thursday from 10:00AM to 11:30AM and from 7:00PM to 8:30PM. For more information contact Deacon John McCully at 232-6755.

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.

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.

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.**

Birthright, 108 Hayward Ave. 292-8414

Pregnancy tests & counseling, free and confidential
www.birthright.org

13th Sunday of Ordinary Time

My friend owns a pizza shop which has been judged to be one of the best in our area.



The secret is the sauce, an incredible blend of ingredients that gives the pizza a distinctive and irresistible taste. People order a week in advance because there is a limited number she can make each night. But try as I might, I can not get her to divulge the recipe, or even the secret ingredient that makes the pizza so incredibly good. I'll just have to put my order in like everyone else!

Faith has a secret ingredient that makes it special, and hard to resist. This ingredient causes believers to do great things, to be unselfish and giving, to focus on the needs of others. It causes us to want to relieve suffering, end conflicts, feed the hungry, and serve others. It gives eternal value to small acts of kindness and allows us to see and touch the face of God. The ingredient is love.

God loves us so much that he became one of us. He shares himself with us so that through him, and in him, and with him, we find life and grace. His love is the ingredient that gives all people not only dignity and value, but a destination and purpose. And the most amazing thing is that he himself is love.

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AREA CHURCHES

Director of Religious Education

Saints Peter and Paul Parish in Gilbert is seeking a person to fill a part time, ten month position as Director of Religious Education. The individual will direct a program for 85 students, first grade through high school, and maintain records and resources for catechists. Saints Peter and Paul is a vibrant faith community of 100 families with a high level of parental involvement and support in religious education. Must be practicing Catholic with experience in education. Send resume by June 30 to: Fr. Scott Boone, St. Thomas Aquinas, 2210 Lincoln Way, Ames, IA 50014.

Director/Coordinator of Religious Education

St. Joseph Parish, State Center, is seeking a person to direct religious education and youth activities grades 1-12. This position will provide 15-25 hours employment per week in a welcoming small town atmosphere. St. Joseph is an autonomous parish of 120 families sharing cooperatively with 4 additional parishes in the Story-Marshall Catholic Cluster. If you are an actively practicing Catholic with competency in administration, education and previous catechetical experience, do not hesitate to explore this opportunity. Please send your resume and references to: St. Joseph Parish R.E. c/o Story Marshall Catholic Cluster, 1110 Eleventh St., Nevada, IA 50201.



I greatly appreciate all the prayers of so many parishioners and friends, especially those who brought the Eucharist, food for my family, and smiles during my hospitalization.

I will be home for the next few weeks recovering, but will be able to attend Sunday mass.

John Hayes

Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday, June 25

5:00PM: Edward & Buelah Lukes

Sunday, June 26

8:30AM: Saint Cecilia Parishioners

10:30AM: Keith Roberts

Tuesday, June 28

7:00AM: Mike McPeak

Wednesday, June 29

7:00AM: Margaret Lang

Thursday, June 30

7:00AM: Kathy Pelzer

Friday, July 1

7:00AM: Darlene & Jerrol Carlson

Saturday, July 2

5:00PM: Saint Cecilia Parishioners

Sunday, July 3

8:30AM: Ronald Laws

10:30AM: Richard Lang

5:00PM: Kathy Pelzer

(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.

Readings for the Week of June 26, 2005

Sunday: 2 Kgs 4:8-11, 14-16a/ Rom 6:3-4, 8-11/ Mt 10:37-42
Monday: Gn 18:16-33/ Mt 8:18-22
Tuesday: Gn 19:15-29/ Mt 8:23-27
Wednesday: Vigil: Acts 3:1-10/ Gal 1:11-20/ Jn 21:15-19;
Day: Acts 12:1-11/ 2 Tm 4:6-8, 17-18/Mt 16:13-19
Thursday: Gn 22:1b-19/ Mt 9:1-8
Friday: Gn 23:1-4, 19; 24:1-8, 62-67/ Mt 9:9-13
Saturday: Gn 27:1-5, 15-29/ Mt 9:14-17
Next Sunday: Zec 9:9-10/ Rom 8:9, 11-13/ Mt 11:25-30