

Saint Cecilia Catholic Community

Fourteenth 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.

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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)

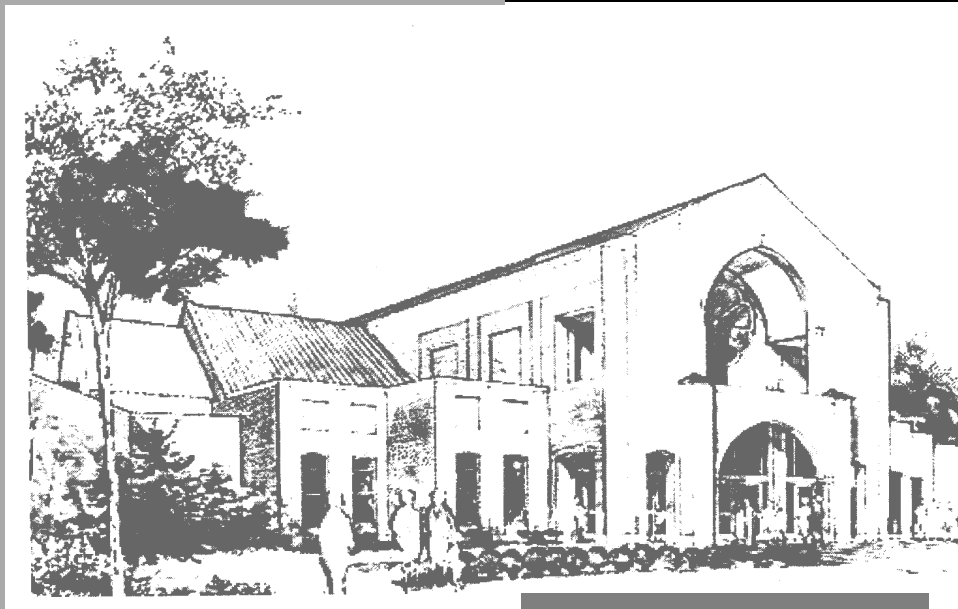
To participate in the Baptismal Program please call the Parish Office. Instruction for parents is required. (Para participar en el programa bautismal, por favor llama a la oficina de la parroquia. Instruccion para los padres es requerida.)

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

July 3, 2005



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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 August 21 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.

Scripture Study: Meets Mondays, 7:30-9:00PM in the Adult/Youth room. Scripture study will **not** meet July 4. Next Session: July 11.

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: July 5

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.

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.

Parish and School Offices will be closed Monday, July 4, in observance of Independence day.

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 or 233-6157.

Friendship Ark Fund-Raising Run/Walk
July 4, 8:00AM, Ada Hayden Park
Registration opens at 6:30AM
4 mile and a 4 K (2.5 mile) event.

Friendship Ark is a nonprofit faith based organization established to provide residential and community support for persons with mental disabilities in Central Iowa. Everyone is encouraged to participate in this worthy cause.



CORN FEST

Our annual parish festival will be held the weekend of August 20/21. Activities will be held in the Multi-purpose room and on the school playground. The Holy Ground Band will play August 20, and the Parish picnic will be held August 21. Watch for details and volunteer sign up sheets.

NOTICE

Over the past several years area churches have experienced thefts of wallets and purses during weddings and other ceremonies. In 2004 Saint Cecilia parishioners experienced purse thefts and having items stolen from cars during mass. A suspect was spotted on Saint Cecilia property this past week. Pictures of this suspect are posted in various locations.

Please lock your vehicles and watch your personal items closely. Because of this the Parish Office is currently locked during business hours. Please ring the doorbell and allow a staff member time to let you in.

Religious Education

for the whole parish family

Religious Education Classes

Adult Education

RCIA

BAPTISM



**Mass will be held at
9:00AM, Monday, July 4
in the Church.**

MEETINGS/EVENTS

tdwied@worldnet.att.net

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.

?? You grow spiritually with each moment you spend with Jesus! "Our essential commitment in life is to grow spiritually in the climate of the Holy Eucharist."
Pope John Paul II, *Redeemer of Man*

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

If you wish to have an article about your organization printed in the bulletin during the summer months, please send the information to the parish office as soon as possible.

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.

Visit our website

- ?? The parish bulletin may be found under *Parish Office*
- ?? Construction update pictures are under *Photo Gallery*
- ?? Mass times and church locations around the country can be found at the end of the Saint Cecilia schedule under *Mass & Reconciliation times*.

"Hooray, I'm free!" is a cry that could be heard at the school doors before summer vacation, at the courthouse after a verdict of innocence, or as a plaster cast is taken off a broken bone.

But "Hooray, we're free!" resonates with a deeper meaning. The communal nature of "We're free!" reflects bonding in a society, an understanding that promotion of the common good is important.

Freedom is not license to do whatever I please. Rather, freedom is liberty to come together to further the good of all. We are free to care for our neighbor with the expectation that we do so because we are all bound together in one society, one human family.

"Let all Your works give You thanks, O lord, and let Your faithful ones bless You," says the Psalmist. Stewardship is this "attitude of gratitude" for the many gifts God has given us.

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.

Birthright, 108 Hayward Ave. 292-8414

Pregnancy tests & counseling, free and confidential

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.**

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. For more information, check the bulletin board near the parish office or call Mary at 232-0788.

STEWARDSHIP:

OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE

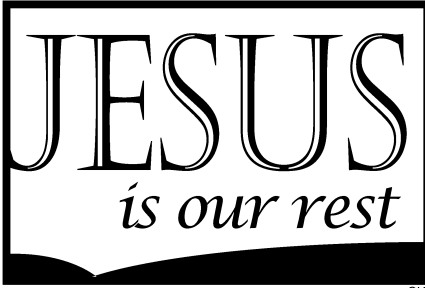
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Freedom

14th Sunday of Ordinary Time



Cutting the grass in the heat of the summer requires two things: lots of breaks and lots of water. Those short periods of rest and refreshment renew our strength, fuel our bodies and help us accomplish the task at hand. A tall glass of cold water and a bit of shade should be a chapter in any lawn care and gardening manual.

Living a life of faith requires two things: lots of love and lots of prayer. Those things combined allow us to respond to

God's grace, to follow the guidance of the Holy Spirit and to recognize Christ in others. Without them, we wonder and wander, losing our way in the darkness of sin. A strong faith and many prayers are essential for the journey of faith.

Jesus offers himself as our rest and our strength. He not only calls us to belief, but also gives us the assurance of faith, hope and love so that we can be faithful and persevere in the work of the Gospel. All that the Father has given him, he shares with us. In him we find all that we need.

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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.

MICA Golf Tournament

Mid-Iowa Community Action (MICA) is hosting its 1st Annual Golf Tournament fundraiser to be held on August 10, 2005 at Iowa's #1 golf course, The Harvester. MICA is a non-profit organization and this year's tournament will benefit MICA's newly formed Story County Community Dental Clinic. For more information contact David at 641-752-7162 or visit

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

Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday, July 2

5:00PM: Saint Cecilia Parishioners

Sunday, July 3

8:30AM: Ronald Laws

10:30AM: Richard Long

5:00PM: Kathy Pelzer

(Misa en Español)

Tuesday, July 5

7:00AM: Catholic Daughters

Youth of the Area

Wednesday, July 6

7:00AM: Tom Remmes

Thursday, July 7

7:00AM: Nancy Simmons

Friday, July 8

7:00AM: Rose Marie Hadaway

Saturday, July 9

5:00PM: Marian Putz

Sunday, July 10

8:30AM: Saint Cecilia Parishioners

10:30AM: Edward & Paul Shevokas

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

Please remember in your prayers:

LORETTA VOGT, former parishioner, who recently passed away. May the Lord grant peace and consolation to her family in their time of need. May she, and all who sleep in Christ, find in God's presence, light, happiness and peace.



Readings for the Week of July 3, 2005

Sunday: Zec 9:9-10/ Rom 8:9, 11-13/ Mt 11:25-30

Monday: Gn 28:10-22a/ Mt 9:18-26

Tuesday: Gn 32:23-33/ Mt 9:32-38

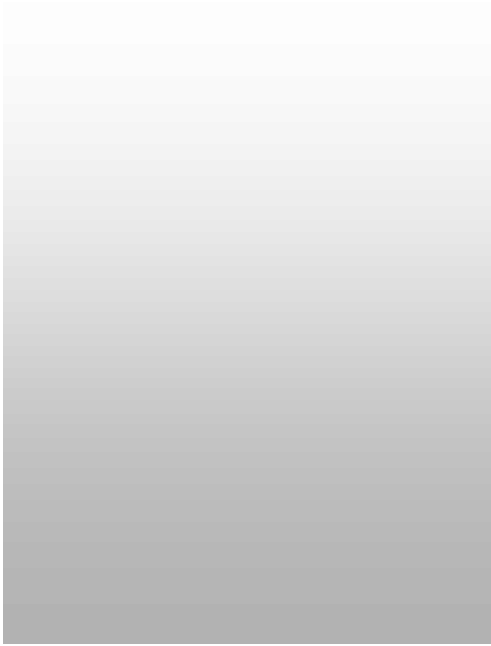
Wednesday: Gn 41:55-57; 42:5-7a, 17-24a/ Mt 10:1-7

Thursday: Gn 44:18-21, 23b-29; 45:1-5/ Mt 10:7-15

Friday: Gn 46:1-7, 28-30/ Mt 10:16-23

Saturday: Gn 49:29-32; 50:15-26a/ Mt 10:24-33

Next Sunday: Is 55:10-11/ Rom 8:18-23/ Mt 13:1-23



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COMMUNITY

www.micaonline.org

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

