

Saint Cecilia Catholic Community

November 13, 2005

Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time



“Building for our Future”

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, 5:00PM

Sunday, 8:00, 9:30 & 11:15AM

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 recibir los sacramentos.)

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

Religious Education

for the whole parish family

Preschool Religious Education (Ages 3&4)

Classes meet the 1st & 3rd Sunday during 9:30AM Mass.
November dates: 20. December dates: 4, 18

Middle School Youth Group (Grades 6-8)

Come join us for Fun & Friends!

November 16: Ice Skating, 7:15-8:30PM. Drop off & pick-up at the Ames Ice Arena. Cost is \$4.50 (\$2.75 if you bring your own skates).

November 30: Regular Youth Group 7-8:30PM,
Multi-Purpose Room

First Reconciliation parent/child meeting November 14, 6:30PM or parents only meeting Wednesday, November 16, 7:00PM. All meetings in the Church.

High School Youth Ministry (Grades 9-12)

Classes meet Sundays, 7:00-8:30PM, in addition to the Generations of Faith program.

November dates: , 20

November 19/20: Confirmation retreat Grade 10

Register in the Religious Education Office, 8:00AM-4:00PM.

Call 232-3514 for more information.

Adult Education

Scripture Study: Meets Mondays, 7:30-9:00PM in the Adult/Youth room. Next Session: November 14.

Tuesday Morning Bible Study: Meets 9:30-11:00AM. **Beginners welcome.** Baby sitting provided. The November 15 session will meet in the Deacons Office, room 406.

Sunday Scripture Study: This group reads and reflects upon the Scriptures for the next Sunday. Next session, Thursday, November 17, 10:15AM in the A/Y Room.

BAPTISM

Our next preparation session is **Thursday, December 1, 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 for the preparation class or schedule a baptism, please call the parish office.

Generations of Faith

All gatherings begin with a meal in the Multi-Purpose Room.

November 13: 5:00-7:30PM

For more information, to register, or to volunteer call the Religious Education Office at 232-3514.

****Families who attended Generations of Faith but did not pick up a Home Kit may pick one up in the back of the Church.**

Stillpoint Theatre Presents

The Hermit in Times Square

(The Life of Thomas Merton)

Sunday, November 20, 3:00PM

Saint Cecilia Church

Admission is free

Trappist monk and American author Thomas Merton has influenced and inspired many people through his writings and lectures. In keeping with its mission to portray modern spiritual heroes for contemporary audiences, Stillpoint Theatre Collective is now offering a wonderful new play about Merton's life and spiritual path. Don't miss this entertaining and inspiring production.

MEETINGS/EVENTS



PANCAKES, SAUSAGE, FRUIT, CEREAL

Served after the 8:00 & 9:15AM Masses this weekend. Free will offering accepted. Proceeds will help fund the 5th grade class trip.

Good Samaritan/Food Shelf: next weekend is our Good Samaritan/Food Shelf Collection weekend. Suggested items include baby foods, canned meat products, packaged shelf-stable main meals, hamburger helper, peanut butter, pasta, spaghetti sauce, canned fruit, cereal, toiletries, and disposable diapers. Thank you for your continued generous support; donations are especially important as the holidays approach.

Our Lady's Rosary Makers will meet Tuesday, November 15, 9:30AM, at the home of Althea Palmer. Anyone interested in making rosaries call 233-1393.

Fellowship for Moms/Playgroup will not meet November 17 or 24. Next session Wednesday, November 30, 10:00-11:30AM, A/Y Room.

Praise Cecilia Concert

Saturday, November 19, 6:30PM



Come join us for a night of uplifting song and prayer in honor of St. Cecilia. Featuring Lisa Underhill-Schmidt, Judy Brown Stephanie Imhoff, and Cosette Scallon on vocals, Tim Gaul on guitar, Liz Morse on flute, Jeff Gibbons on drums, and Chuck Fox on bass.

Special Music

Saint Cecilia School News

November 16: 9:00AM, Mass Grades 1 & 4, Chapel
November 23: All School Thanksgiving Mass, Church
Thanksgiving break: No school November 24, 25, 28.

Children's Liturgy

Children's Liturgy held at the 9:30 & 11:15 AM Masses, will be suspended during winter months since the children need to go outside to reach the Chapel. Weather permitting, Children's Liturgy will be held through Sunday, November 27.

Family & Parenting Classes

The Growing Kids Program will begin again in January with a new name but the same objectives. The class is a practical application parenting course where you will learn the joy of raising children to reflect the character of God. The main objective is to train parents to raise children charitably by living charitably. Join us in this life changing perspective on growing up godly families that will impact generations to come! Informational meeting coming soon. Watch the bulletin for details.

Social Concerns Committee Report

The Social Concerns Committee has been busy with the donations that parishioners have generously given in the Black Bag Collections. As of the end of September, a total of \$34,000 has been dispersed to local, national and international groups. Dollars have been sent and earmarked for the hurricane victims in the South. Local organizations receiving funds are MICA, Emergency Residence, Good Neighbor and the Free Medical and Dental Clinics. Thank you for your kindness and generosity.

Share in the Care

Almost 33,000 women religious and more than 5,500 men religious are past age 70. Though they may withdraw from compensated, full time ministry, religious continue to visit the sick, tutor children, and volunteer among refugee populations. Religious institutes must provide for their own retirement and health care costs. The December envelope packet contains an envelope for The Religious Retirement Fund. Next weekend, envelopes will be available in the back of the Church for those who do not receive envelopes but wish to make a contribution.

Sixty Plus Meeting Cancelled.

The Sixty Plus Group will not hold potluck dinners in November or December. Next potluck is scheduled for January 24. Call Mary Kay at 232-4793 if you have any questions.

Stewardship Good stewards are like the industrious and reliable servants in today's Gospel, prudently using and multiplying the gifts entrusted to them by God.

OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE

Attention college students and high school seniors...WE WANT YOU! We are looking for more LEADERS for our Middle School Youth Group which meets 2 Wednesday nights each month. If you like working with middle schoolers and want to put your leadership skills to great use...please contact John Hayes in the RE Office or Judy Rudman at j.rudman@mchsi.com.

The Generations of Faith Program needs a large number of volunteers to make it successful. Current needs include Catechists, Assistant Catechists, child care and food preparation. To volunteer, call the Religious Education Office (232-3514).

English as a Second Language

Classes are held on Thursday, 10:00AM to 11:30AM and 7:00PM to 8:30PM. Due to the success of the ESL program, 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. All materials are provided. Contact Deacon John McCully at 232-6755 or call the Parish Office to volunteer.

Provide a Ride to Mass

A parishioner on 16th Street would appreciate a ride to 5:00PM mass on Saturdays. Please call 233-3092 if you are able to help.

Saint Cecilia Choir

The Saint Cecilia Choir rehearses Wednesday, November 16, 7:00PM in the music room. Please park in the South parking lot, and enter by the Chapel. The choir is currently preparing for the Advent/Christmas season. New members are welcomed. Your time and talent will be greatly appreciated. For more information, please contact Bob Hauser at 233-3092.

Unclaimed Containers

Several dishes/containers have been left after recent funeral luncheons. They have been placed on shelves in the ushers room. If you are missing items please check the ushers room to reclaim your containers.



33rd Sunday of Ordinary Time



Financial planners help their clients take advantage of compound interest to make investments grow faster. A good financial plan can help us achieve our goals, do a lot of good for others, and make retirement a little more secure. Using money wisely and saving often is key to successful investing.

The parable of the talents is an example of spiritual investment. Each servant is entrusted with a number of talents while the master is away. The talents are put to work so that they grow and earn even more. The successful servant works hard and invests wisely so that he can show a profit. The unsuccessful servant caves in to fear, hiding his talents and not even making a minimal effort.

Like our finances, our spiritual life needs a plan. Besides Mass and prayer, there is so much more we can do. A little time and attention to our choices can lead to great success. Sacraments, education, social action, and ministry all offer possibilities for growing our faith and reaping the rewards for ourselves and our communities. Don't leave it to chance. Choose well how you will invest your faith and beliefs. You have nothing to lose and heaven to gain!

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COMMUNITY

Ames Interfaith Council Annual Thanksgiving Eve Service

Wednesday, November 23, 7:00PM

Collegiate Presbyterian Church, 159 North Sheldon Avenue

Everyone is invited. Contributions of non-perishable food items (for MICA food pantry) or cash donations (for Earthquake relief) accepted. Call Randy Lueth at 292-9753 with questions.

AREA CHURCHES

Annual Bazaar Sunday, November 13 Sacred Heart Gym

11th & Marshall Streets in Boone

Swiss Steak dinner served 11:00AM-1:30PM

Adults \$7.50, Children 12 & under \$3.50

Home-made crafts and baked goods sale starting at 8:30AM



Please be
Praying for...

Those in our parish and the
community who are ill.



Thanksgiving Day Mass will be held at 9:00AM in the Church.

Communal Penance: Monday, December 19, 7:30PM.

Mass Times

December 24: 4:00PM (Children's), 6:30PM & 11:00PM.

December 25: 10:00AM

The regular weekend schedule will be followed December 31/January 1.

Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday, November 12

5:00PM: Durwood Baker

Sunday, November 13

8:00AM: John Richard

9:30AM: Alice Foley

11:15AM: Saint Cecilia Parishioners

Tuesday, November 15

7:00AM: Rose Marie Hadaway

Wednesday, November 16

7:00AM: Catholic Daughters

9:00AM: Joe & Mary Moore

Thursday, November 17

7:00AM: For an end to abortion

Friday, November 18

7:00AM: Lory Mullaly

Saturday, November 19

5:00PM: Ralph Britson

Sunday, November 20

8:00AM: Amelia & Fred Habing

9:30AM: Saint Cecilia Parishioners

11:15AM: Melvina Wasel

5:00PM: Rose Marie Hadaway

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, 7:15-9:00PM, Chapel

Saturday Morning Prayer: 7:00AM, Chapel

Catholic Charities: Individual, marital, and family counseling; confidential assistance with marital problems, depression, stress and other issues. Affordable sliding fee schedule. For an appointment call 296-2759.

Readings for the Week of November 13, 2005

Sunday: Prv 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31/ 1 Thes 5:1-6/ Mt 25:14-30
Monday: 1 Mc 1:10-15, 41-43, 54-57, 62-63/ Lk 18:35-43
Tuesday: 2 Mc 6:18-31/ Lk 19:1-10
Wednesday: 2 Mc 7:1, 20-31/ Lk 19:11-28
Thursday: 1 Mc 2:15-29/ Lk 19:41-44
Friday: 1 Mc 4:36-37, 52-59/ Lk 19:45-48
Saturday: 1 Mc 6:1-13/ Lk 20:27-40
Next Sunday: Ez 34:11-12, 15-17/ 1 Cor 15:20-26, 28/ Mt 25:31-46