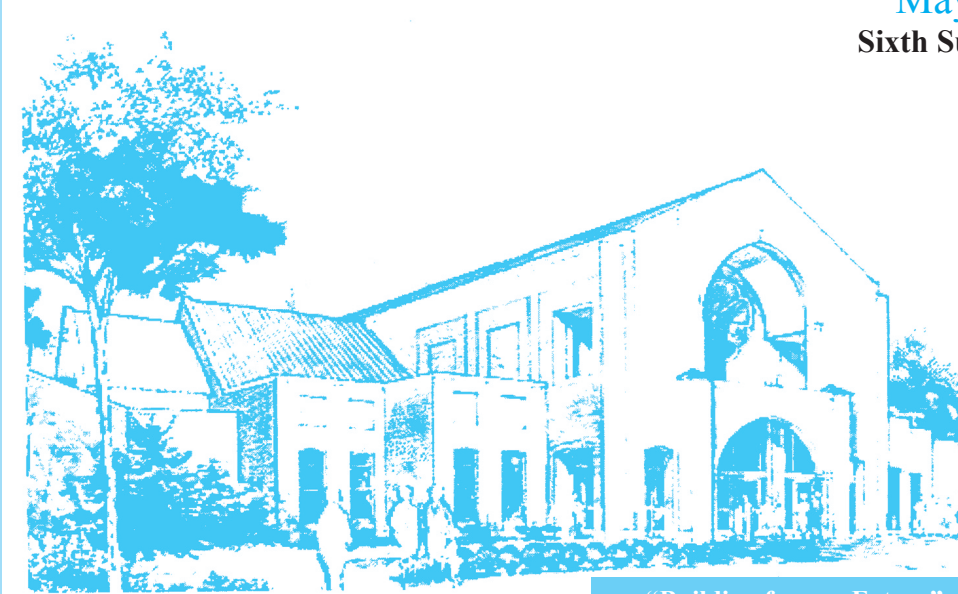


Saint Cecilia Catholic Community

May 13, 2007
Sixth Sunday of Easter



“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, 8:30AM & 10:30AM

Sunday: 5:00PM Misa en Español, Chapel

Weekday: Tuesday thru Friday, 7:00AM, Chapel

Holyday: Consult the bulletin

Sacramental Life

Reconciliation (Reconciliación) English & Español

Saturday 3:30-4:30 PM

Anytime by appointment. (Cualquier horario para una cita)

Marriage (Matrimonio)

Contact the Parish Office at least six months prior to wedding date. (Contacte 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 llame a la oficina de la parroquia. Instrucciones para los padres se requere)

Sick Calls (Llamados para enfermos)

Call the Parish Office to make arrangements to receive the sacraments. (Llamar a la oficina de la parroquia para una cita y ecibir los sacramentos.)

Catholic Charities : Located at St. Thomas Aquinas — 296-2759

Religious Education

for the whole parish family

Registration for Fall Classes Begins

Religious Education & Youth Ministry Registration for fall will begin **after all masses May 19/20** and continue after that date in the Religious Education Office.

Pre-school

Program is held during 10:30AM Mass the 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month. May date: 20 (last class)

Middle School Youth Group - YIKES!

(Youth Increasing Knowledge About Everything Spiritual)

Wednesday, May 16: 7:00-8:30PM, St. Cecilia Multipurpose room. END OF THE YEAR PARTY. Come celebrate the end of YIKES school year activities. Stay tuned for summer fun.....

Visit the Webpage at www.stceciliaparish.org, go to "Middle School Youth Group" for a schedule of activities.

Youth Ministry Grades 9-12

NCYC—Is it for you? Don't miss a chance to witness with 25,000 other Catholic teens—music, workshops, keynote speakers. Columbus, Ohio, November 8-11. \$400.00 includes transportation and lodging. Contact Religious Education for more information.

Appalachia Service Trip applications are available in the RE office. Forms must be completed with deposit of \$125.

For any questions or information regarding upcoming Youth Ministry activities please contact John Hayes, Director of Religious Education, at 232-3514.

Adult Education

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

Tuesday Morning Bible Study: Meets in the A/Y Room, 9:30-10:00AM for open discussion and 10-11:00AM for Bible Study. Babysitting provided. Next session: May 15.

RCIA: Those interested in learning about the process of becoming Catholic please contact John Hayes at 232-3514.

Baptism Class

Thursday, June 7, 6:30-9:00PM in the A/Y Room. Call the office to register.



Parish Cook Books make great gifts.

Special Pricing

1 for \$15, 2 for \$25 or 3 for \$30

Available in the Parish Office

Prayer for Mothers

Dear God,

On this day that we honor mothers, may we draw strength from the mothers who sent before us. May we remember Jochebel, mother of Moses, who have her son over go god's providence when forces that threatened him were beyond her control, May we remember the mother of Mary, St. Anne, who helped her daughter learn an openness to God's will. May we remember St. Monica, who suffered an abusive spouse and her son's poor choices, but lived to see her child's return to God. Most of all, we remember Mary. Though she watched her child suffer and die, she also saw his resurrection and glory and was in turn glorified by him. Amen



MEETINGS/EVENTS



EMERGENCY FOOD SHELF

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; laundry detergent; and disposable diapers.

Our Lady's Rosary Makers will meet Tuesday, May 15, 9:30AM at Althea Palmer's home—209 S. Russell Ave. Anyone wishing to make rosaries please call 233-1393.

Saint Cecilia's Widows, Widowers and Single

Seniors Group will meet for lunch at Audubons Restaurant, May 20, 12:00PM. Call Pat at 232-3594 for reservations or information.

Interfaith Gathering

By popular demand, a second Interfaith Gathering has been established with a format similar to the talks held here last month. Saint Cecilia parishioners are invited to the Darul Argun Islamic Center, 1212 Iowa Avenue, 2:00-4:00PM, Sunday, May 20. Talks for men and women will be held in separate rooms.

New Discussion Group

The Holy Father's encyclical, God is Love (*Deus Caritas Est*) will be the topic of discussion Friday mornings at 10:00AM in the St. Francis room. All are welcome.

Women's Bible Study

Two Women of Grace Bible Studies, the **Full of Grace** study by Johnnette Benkovic, will be held - one on Sundays, 1:00-3:00PM, beginning June 3, and the alternate day will be Wednesdays, 7:00-9:00PM, beginning June 6. (The same material will be presented on Sundays and Wednesdays.) The nine-week sessions will be held in the Adult/Youth Room at Saint Cecilia. If you have not already registered and would like to, or if you have any questions, please contact Janine Greenwood (232-1359), Lynn Lynch (233-6057) or Char Van Kerkvoorde (233-2696).

Fellowship for Parents/Playgroup

meets Wednesdays, 10:00-11:30AM in the A/Y Room. Contact Jenni Mortimer at starkmortimer@yahoo.com or 296-1858 or Diana Thatcher at thatchmd@yahoo.com or 292-9511. All are welcome to attend.



School News

Wednesday, May 16: 9:00AM, Mass, Chapel
Thursday, May 17: 7:00PM, Orchestra concert, Multi-purpose room.

Friday, May 18: Field Day
Noon: 5th Grade class trip

Saint Cecilia Preschool

Classes are filling up for next fall! Only a very few spots remain open for the proposed class schedules! Please call Lois Vidimos at 232-5290 for more information.

Saint Cecilia Vacation Bible School

Avalanche Ranch: A Wild Ride Through God's Word for ages 4-10

June 11-15, 9:00AM-11:30AM

Registrations accepted until May 25 at the Religious Education Office, during the May 19/20 registration period or by contacting Heather Currans at 233-2690 or chcurrans@mchsi.com

2007 Retreat Opportunity

Theme: *The Universal Call to Deep Contemplative Intimacy with the Holy Trinity*. Retreat Master: Fr. Thomas Dubay, July 27-29 at the Franciscan Retreat Center at Prior Lake, MN. There will be opportunities for silent meditation, spiritual direction, adoration, and reconciliation, as well as Masses with Fr. Dubay and Archbishop Flynn. The total fee is \$160 for a single occupancy room. If interested, send a \$25 down payment to Bruce or Shelley Fahay at 20939 Quadrant Ave. N., Scandia, MN 55073 or phone 651-433-2753.

Parish Elections

Parish Elections will be held during Masses next weekend. All confirmed, registered members are eligible to vote. Please study the candidate profiles in the bulletin insert.

Those selected will join the following members currently serving:

Parish Council: Chuck Gilarski, Bill Haas, Karen Popelka, Lisa Underhill-Schmidt, Sly Upham, Jonathan Weber.

Board of Education: Todd Clancy, Larry Gross, Judy Rudman, Pat Stahr, Kathy Wipf

Youth Minister Sought

Saint Cecilia Parish, Ames, Iowa—a Catholic parish of 1400 families, seeks to fill the position of Youth Minister. The parish would entertain candidates who might be interested in either a full or ¾ time position. Salary and benefits are commensurate with availability and educational background. This position would involve Youth Ministry in grades 6-12 along with Confirmation responsibilities and an annual Service, Out-Reach Trip. Qualified candidates must be active and practicing Catholics. Send resume and three letters of recommendation by May 25, 2007 to : Jerry Greving, Parish Manager, St. Cecilia Parish, 2900 Hoover Ave., Ames, IA 50010.

Stewardship: Today's reading from Revelation offers a vision of the City of God, the new Jerusalem. "But" the bishops' pastoral on stewardship reminds us. "that 'life to come' is in continuity with this present life through the human goods, the worthy human purposes, which people foster now."

OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE



VBS Volunteers Needed

Youth assistants are needed for Crafts, Childcare and Crew. An adult assistant is needed for crafts and an adult leader is needed for decorations. Call the Religious Education Office at 232-3514 or contact Heather Currans at chcurrans@mchsi.com or 233-2690 to offer your assistance. Adults or youth ages 10 and older may volunteer.

Western Décor items are needed to help carry out this year's Vacation Bible School theme *Avalanche Ranch: A Wild Ride Through God's Word*. Please contact Heather Currans at 232-3514 or chcurrans@mchsi.com if you have items to donate or loan.

Plant a Row for the Hungry

Gardeners are encouraged to plant an extra row of vegetables, an extra tomato or pepper plant to donate. Food collected will be distributed to MICA Food pantry, Bethesda food pantry and Food for first. Collection will begin July 9, at Reiman Gardens. Last year's Plant a Row for the Hungry was very successful in Story County. More than 6,400 pounds of produce was collected. For more information visit www.PARStory.org or call 23-5926.

Donate Coupons

The national brand coupon fliers that come in weekend papers can be donated for use by military families. The clipping will be done locally by mentally challenged adults and given to the American Legion for distribution to military families serving in four countries overseas. Local coupons not accepted. Place the coupons in the drop box in the ushers' room.



The response to the directory has been fantastic and all of the June times are filled unless there is a cancellation.

Appointments are now being made for September 18-22 & 25-29. It is hoped that additional dates will be added if there is a need. The sign-up sheets have been sent to the Busson company who will be doing the rest of the scheduling. Please call Busson at 800-685-3002 after Wednesday, May 16.

Earn a 20% discount on your entire purchase by volunteering as a host/hostess for a photography session (most shifts are 2 hours). Contact the parish office to volunteer.

Sixth Sunday of Easter

A popular nationally-syndicated radio talk show host has adopted the line "Let not your hearts be troubled" when discussing politics on his show. He professes to be a faithful Catholic, and perhaps feels he is exhibiting his faith by quoting Jesus in his daily discussions. Unfortunately, most of the content of his show is spent criticizing others for their political opinions. Is he being selective in his faith? What does he say of the new commandment to love one another?

Today's Gospel reading from John allows us to remember Jesus' declaration of love for us and his promise that if we love him, he and God will "make our house with" us. But he also tells us that we will receive the Holy Spirit, whom he refers to as counselor and teacher. When Jesus says "Peace I leave with you, my peace I give you," he wants us to have the peace of knowledge that having the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit in our lives, we will need nothing else.

The ability to believe, the very concept of faith, is not knowledge that has been passed on by word of mouth like a radio talk show. The knowledge of faith is possible only in the Holy Spirit: to be in touch with Christ, we must first have been touched by the Holy Spirit (CCC 683). Today, give thanks for the peace in our lives, peace that originated with God, is offered to us in Jesus, and is taught through the Holy Spirit.

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Catechism of the Catholic Church

PART ONE: THE PROFESSION OF FAITH

SECTION ONE "I BELIEVE"—"WE BELIEVE"

CHAPTER TWO: GOD COMES TO MEET MAN, ARTICLE I

THE REVELATION OF GOD, II. THE STAGES OF REVELATION

THE COVENANT WITH NOAH PARAGRAPH 57:

This state of division into many nations, each entrusted by divine providence to the guardianship of angels, is at once cosmic, social, and religious. It is intended to limit the pride of fallen humanity, united only in its perverse ambition to forge its own unity as at Babel. But, because of sin, both polytheism and the idolatry of the nation and of its rulers constantly threaten this provisional economy with the perversion of paganism.

St. Thomas Aquinas

SCUBA: Super Cool Undersea Bible Adventure

Monday, July 23 through Friday, July 27, 9AM-12noon.

If interested, please contact Kathy: Kathy@staparish.net or call 292-3810

Community

Northminster Presbyterian Church, 1416 20th St.

Spring Choir Concert, May 20, 4:00PM

The choir will perform music by Mozart, Pergolesi, Mark Hayes and many more. Organist Arlene Jutting and pianist Adam McDonald will perform arrangements and medleys of church music. Potluck to follow.

Free Admission

Omissions

The following was not included in the Floral Memorial List:

In Memory of

Joseph & Robert Blessington
Mr. & Mrs. Walter Talkington

Given by

Al & Mary Jo Talkington

Graduating Seniors

Lauren Vidimos

Please accept our apologies.

Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday, May 12

5:00PM: Edward & Beulah Lukes

Sunday, May 13

8:30AM: Marian Putz

10:30AM: Harry Svec

5:00PM: Saint Cecilia Parishioners
(Misa en Español, Chapel)

Tuesday, May 15

7:00AM: Rose Marie Hadaway

Wednesday, May 16

7:00AM: Lee Boyer

9:00AM: Saint Cecilia Parishioners

Thursday, May 17

7:00AM: Raymond & Marie Frank

Friday, May 18

7:00AM: Francis Hornby

Saturday, May 19

5:00PM: Jo Newell

Sunday, May 20

8:30AM: Jim Olsson

10:30AM: Melvina Wasel

5:00PM: Jorge & Ivan Perez
(Misa en Español, Chapel)

Prayer Opportunities

(Held in the Chapel)

Scriptural Rosary: Monday, 7:00AM

Evening Prayer: Monday—Friday, 5:00PM

Eucharistic Adoration: The chapel is open for adoration.

Intercessory Prayer Group: Sunday, 9-10:00PM

Rosary: Monday, 7:30PM, and Tuesday-Friday

before 7:00AM Mass. The rosary is said for Pro-life the first Monday of each month.

Christians in the Spirit: Tuesday, 7:15-9:00PM

Saturday Morning Prayer: 7:00AM

Chaplet of Divine Mercy: Friday, 3:00PM

Birthright, 108 Hayward Ave. 292-8414

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

Saint Cecilia Prayer Chain

Send requests to: stceciliaprayer-chain@gmail.com

Readings for the Week of May 13, 2007

Sunday:	Acts 15:1-2, 22-29/Rv 21:10-14, 22-23/Jn 14:23-29
Monday:	Acts 1:15-17, 20-26/Jn 15:9-17
Tuesday:	Acts 16:22-34/Jn 16:5-11
Wednesday:	Acts 17:15, 22—18:1/Jn 16:12-15
Thursday:	Ascension of the Lord: Acts 1:1-11/Eph 1:17-23 or Heb 9:24-28; 10:19-23/Lk 24:46-53
Friday:	Acts 18:9-18/Jn 16:20-23
Saturday:	Acts 18:23-28/Jn 16:23b-28
Next Sunday:	Acts 7:55-60/Rv 22:12-14, 16-17, 20/Jn 17:20-26