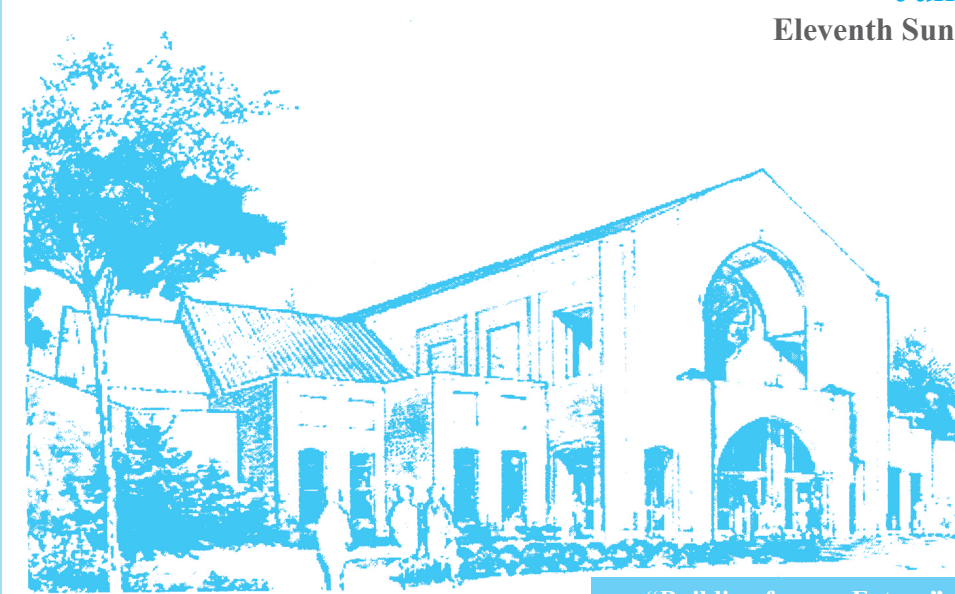


# Saint Cecilia Catholic Community

June 17, 2007

Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time



“Building for our Future”

**W**e 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 tener 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. Se requiere que los padres reciban instrucciones.)

Sick Calls (Llamados para enfermos)

Call the Parish Office to make arrangements to receive the sacraments. (Para una cita, y si desea recibir los sacramentos.) llame a la oficina de la parroquia

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

## Religious Education

for the whole parish family

### Registration for Fall Classes

Religious Education & Youth Ministry Registration forms for 2007-2008 classes are available in the Parish Office.

### Middle School Youth Group - YIKES!

(Youth Increasing Knowledge About Everything Spiritual)  
**ADVENTURELAND TRIP— Wednesday, June 27.** Bus leaves at 9:00AM. Register Now. There are 20 Spots left. Permission slips can be picked up at the **Parish office**.

Visit the Webpage at [www.stceciliaparish.org](http://www.stceciliaparish.org), go to "Middle School Youth Group" for a schedule of activities.

### Youth Ministry Grades 9-12

**Peer Leaders Needed**—If you are interested in helping lead and plan Youth Ministry events, please join Anna for an informational meeting Wednesday, June 20, 7:00PM in the North A/Y Room. Students in grades 11 & 12 and adults are welcome.

**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 —3 spots still available.**

**Call John at 232-3514 by June 18.** Forms must be completed with deposit of \$125.

For information regarding 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: June 18.

**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: June 19.

**RCIA:** Inquirer sessions for those interested in becoming Catholic or learning more about the Catholic Faith will be held on alternate Wednesdays this summer. Next session is June 27, 7:30PM in the Library Conference room. Contact John at 232-3514 for more information.

### Baptism Class

Our next preparation session is Thursday, August 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 for the class or schedule a baptism, please call the parish office at 233-3092.

### Prayer for Fathers

**D**ear God,  
You have given fathers the task of raising their children to holiness. You chose Abraham, Isaac and Jacob as fathers of your holy nation of Israel. Despite their failings, weaknesses and poor choices, you made of them a great and long-lasting nation. And when the time came for your Son to enter this world, you chose a holy man named Joseph as his father. As our Heavenly Father, you have seen us, your children, make both wise and poor choices. Give us grace to be faithful to you, despite our failings, and help us be fathers to our children as you have been to us.



Amen.

## MEETINGS/EVENTS

**Our Lady's Rosary Makers** will meet Tuesday, June 19, 9:30AM at the home of Bonny Callahan. Anyone interested in making rosaries may call 233-1393.

**Saint Cecilia Widows, Widowers, & Single Seniors** will meet for breakfast on Sunday, June 24, 10:00AM at Hy-Vee West Lincoln Way. New members are always welcome. Call Pat Rood 232-3594 for information and reservations.

**Social Concerns Committee** will meet Monday, June 18, 7:00PM in the St. Francis Room (Library). All are welcome to attend.

**A HUGE "Thank You"** to all the participants and volunteers for Saint Cecilia's Vacation Bible School 2007. Nearly 100 children learned about God's word through songs, games, crafts, snacks and stories. We have the best kids and volunteers around. Thanks also for the generous donations from Cub Foods, Fareway, Lincoln Center Hy-Vee, Target and West Ames Hy-Vee.

Thanks  
for your  
participation

**Thank You** so much to everyone who helped make the Corpus Christi procession a prayerful occasion of joy. Many parishioners participated in the procession and enjoyed each other's company during a light lunch at the park. The help of many parish organizations including the Knights of Columbus, Catholic Daughters, Regnum Christi, and Sanctity of Life Committee who worked with the Eucharistic Adoration Committee to coordinate the event was greatly appreciated. Thanks, also, to the Ames Police Department and those parishioners who worked to make our route safe. We are grateful to the Lord for the beautiful weather and a wonderful time of shared spirituality. Please plan to join us again next year.

Visit our website, [www.stceciliaparish.org](http://www.stceciliaparish.org), photogallery to see pictures of the event. Thanks to Alan Christy for taking the pictures and Bill Haas for posting them to the website.

## Pope Urges the Practice of Eucharistic Adoration Says Silence is needed in the Scattered World

Vatican City, June 10, 2007

Benedict XVI recommends the practice of Eucharistic adoration, saying the capacity for interior silence and recollection is ever more important in life that is often "noisy and scattered."

The Pope said this today after praying the Angelus with crowds gathered in St. Peter's Square. His address centered on the Eucharist, as many nations celebrate the feast of Corpus Christi today.

"Even after the celebration of the divine mysteries, the Lord Jesus remains living in the tabernacle; because of this he is praised, especially by Eucharistic adoration," the Holy Father said.

"There is an intrinsic connection between celebration and adoration. The holy Mass, in fact, is in itself the Church's greatest act of adoration," he added. "Adoration outside holy Mass prolongs and intensifies what happened in the liturgical celebration and renders a true and profound reception of Christ possible.

"I would like to take the opportunity that today's solemnity offers me to strongly recommend to pastors and all the faithful the practice of Eucharistic adoration."

Benedict XVI noted that youth are showing great interest in adoration.

"I invite priests to encourage youth groups in this, but also to accompany them to ensure that the forms of adoration are appropriate and dignified, with sufficient times for silence and listening to the word of God," the Pope said.

He continued: "In life today, which is often noisy and scattered, it is more important than ever to recover the capacity for interior silence and recollection: Eucharistic adoration permits one to do this not only within one's "I" but rather in the company of that "You" full of love who is Jesus Christ, "the God who is near us."

"May the Virgin Mary, Eucharistic Woman, lead us into the secret of true adoration, Her heart, humble and silent, was always recollected around the mystery of Jesus, in whom she worshipped the presence of God and his redemptive love."

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**Stewardship:** "Who do you say that I am?" Jesus asks Peter in today's Gospel. Does my use of the gifts and talents entrusted to me accurately reflect my answer to that same question? How willing am I to deny myself, take up my cross, and follow in His steps?

## OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE

**Volunteers Needed:** Classrooms at Saint Cecilia Education Center will be painted this summer. Preparation will begin in Mid-June. Many volunteers are needed for preparation and painting. Please call the school office at 232-5290 if you can help.

### Prayers for those in the Military

If you have family members or relatives serving in Iraq or Afghanistan, please consider sending their names and their relationship to you, to the parish office to be added to a special prayer list.

### Is God Calling?

Saint Cecilia Parish is forming a Vocations Committee to promote personal and community prayer, discernment and nurturing for all God's callings to holiness and especially for vocations to the priesthood and consecrated religious life. Do you hear a call to serve on the committee? Do you know of another who may have a calling to such service? If so, please call the parish office at 233-3092 or Bill Haas at 232-7138. We'd love to share information about how the committee might operate.

From the Pastor:

We welcome Anna Steele as the new Youth Minister to the St. Cecilia Parish. Anna graduated in May from the University of Iowa.

Some of Anna's extracurricular activities during her time at the University of Iowa: Chartering President of the Alpha Epsilon Phi Sorority, participated in the MFA Writers Workshop, and taught religious education at the Regina Catholic Education Center and St. Thomas More Parish. Anna Steele was highly recommended by Fr. Rasmussen in his Letter of Reference on her behalf. Those on the Interviewing Committee were: Fr. Nienhaus, Jerry Greving, John Hayes, Kathy Wipf, Julia Hanson, Alex Bortle and Adam Halbur. Anna will begin her employment here at Saint Cecilia Parish on July 1. We look forward to this new staff person and the many gifts that she will be bringing to this parish.

Fr. Nienhaus



- Pictures will be taken in the **Education Center Music Room** across from the A/Y room. You may park in the back.
- **Tuesday thru Friday**, check in will be in the **south half of the A/Y room**.
- **Saturday check-in** it will be in the **hallway near the Music Room**.
- The Busson company will call to remind you of your appointment. **Please call 800-685-3002 ext. 416 if you have any questions about, or need to change your appointment.**

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

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A visitor from a foreign country once said that he was amazed at our country and its system of laws. "How," he said, "can a wonderful country such as yours with its many treasures and opportunities take the 10 laws God gave us to live by and turn those 10 laws into thousands of new laws and rules?" He felt surely that if one truly lives by the Ten Commandments, he or she will surely obey any other law written.

Unfortunately, many of us have a great many things for which to be sorry. It is very hard for us to forget our past, even harder to ask for forgiveness. In today's Gospel reading from Luke, a woman with a sinful past seeks out Jesus in the home of a Pharisee to both honor him and ask for God's forgiveness for her sins. The Pharisee, considering himself above such a common sinner, does neither. Who does Jesus say that God will show mercy upon?

Our sins make our hearts ache with hardness. But the beautiful thing is that there is no sin God cannot forgive provided our repentance is honest and genuine. He gives us the strength to renew our hearts and the ability to realize that we truly hurt God when we sin. (CCC 1432) God gave us Ten Commandments to guide our lives; Jesus told of the great commandment, to love one another. When we truly love, we will be forgiven.

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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

GOD FORMS HIS PEOPLE ISRAEL, PARAGRAPHS 64: Through the prophets, God forms his people in the hope of salvation, in the expectation of a new everlasting Covenant intended for all, to be written on their hearts. The prophets proclaim a radical redemption of the people of God, purifications, from all their infidelities, a salvation which will include all the nations. Above all, the poor and humble of the Lord will bear his hope. Such holy women as Sarah, Rebecca, Rachel, Miriam, Deborah, Hannah, Judith, and Esther kept alive the hope of Israel's salvation. The purest figure among them is Mary.

## Traveling This Summer?

Use our website [www.stceciliaparish.org](http://www.stceciliaparish.org) to find out information about church locations and mass times world wide. Click on Mass & Reconciliation Times and scroll to the last entry Mass Times Around the Nation. The default country setting is USA so you need only type in the name of the town/city, choose the appropriate one, and a list of all Catholic churches in the area will come up. If you are traveling outside the United States, just select the country and follow the same procedure.

## Community

**The Volunteer Center of Story County** has a new volunteer alert system called Rapid Action Volunteers (RAV) to aid nonprofit organizations and community members in Story County in times of short-term, unexpected need. For example, a woman had to rush her husband to the hospital and needed someone to watch her children for a few hours. Rapid Action Volunteers could help meet the need. Organizations, businesses, and individuals can sign up by filling out a RAV profile form. For more information, please contact the Volunteer Center at 515-268-5323 or [info@vcstory.org](mailto:info@vcstory.org). A flyer about the system is on the bulletin board in the east corridor.



### Saturday, June 16

5:00PM: Saint Cecilia Parishioners

### Sunday, June 17

8:30AM: Linus Putz

10:30AM: Magdalene Walsh

5:00PM: Rose Marie Hadaway  
(Misa en Español, Chapel)

### Tuesday, June 19

7:00AM: Catholic Daughters

### Wednesday, June 20

7:00AM: Bob & Mary Myers

### Thursday, June 21

7:00AM: Edna Fischenick

### Friday, June 22

7:00AM: Jerry Finnegan

### Saturday, June 23

5:00PM: Roman & Audrey Dankbar  
60th Anniversary

### Sunday, June 24

8:30AM: Frank Pershern

10:30AM: Saint Cecilia Parishioners  
5:00PM: Felipe Gonzales

## 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

## Saint Cecilia Prayer Chain

Send requests to: [stceciliaprayerchain@gmail.com](mailto:stceciliaprayerchain@gmail.com)

Requests remain on the list for six weeks.

**Birthright**, 108 Hayward Ave. 292-8414

Pregnancy tests & counseling, free and

## Readings for the Week of June 17, 2007

Sunday: 2 Sm 12:7-10, 13/Gal 2:16, 19-21/Lk 7:36—8:3  
or 7:36-50

Monday: 2 Cor 6:1-10/Mt 5:38-42

Tuesday: 2 Cor 8:1-9/Mt 5:43-48

Wednesday: 2 Cor 9:6-11/Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

Thursday: 2 Cor 11:1-11/Mt 6:7-15

Friday: 2 Cor 11:18, 21-30/Mt 6:19-23

Saturday: 2 Cor 12:1-10/Mt 6:24-34

Next Sunday: Vigil: Jer 1:4-10/1 Pt 1:8-12/Lk 1:5-17

Day: Is 49:1-6/Acts 13:22-26/Lk 1:57-66, 80