

Saint Cecilia Catholic Community

July 29, 2007

17th 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, 8:30AM & 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)

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

Youth Ministry Grades 9-12

Attention High Schoolers!

This year's exciting new Youth Ministry program is called GLORY. For information about retreats and upcoming events, including service and leadership opportunities, please visit the new website www.freewebs.com/stceciliayouth

For information regarding Youth Ministry activities please contact Anna Steele, Youth Minister at 232-3514 or asteele@stceciliaparish.org

Adult Education

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

Tuesday Morning Bible Study: Meets in the A/Y Room, 9:30-10:00AM for open discussion and 10-11:00AM for Bible Study. Next session: July 31.

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 August 8, 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.

HOST AN EXCHANGE STUDENT!!

Iowa Resource for International Service is looking for host families for high school students from Tanzania and Nigeria for the 2007-2008 school year. IRIS is a non-profit funded by the U.S. State Department and has been placing students for the past four years. IRIS is looking to place students in North Ames so they can attend school in Gilbert. **Hosts are also needed for orientation periods only, August 6-12 & 15-19 and need not be in the Gilbert district.** If interested contact Nicole Pitts at 515-292-7103 or nicole@iris-center.org.



A TRIP to the I Cubs Game

Youth Appreciation Trip August 7

Children free, Adults \$6.
Bus loading at 5:15PM,
North Parking Lot.

Call Bob Dahlgren at 232-0916 to make reservations. Youth through 5th grade must be accompanied by an adult. Youth 6th grade or older need a parental consent form. Consent forms may be found in the east corridor by the bulletin board or online at www.stceciliaparish.org

Sponsored by Knights of Columbus and Parish Staff

MEETINGS/EVENTS

Sanctity of Life Committee will meet Sunday August 5, 9:30AM in the St. Francis Room.

Come One and All Interfaith Gathering Time Again

A meeting for continuing discussion with members of the Muslim community will be held at the mosque, 1212 Iowa Street, Sunday, July 29, 2:00-4:00PM. Men and women over the age of 16 are invited to attend. Refreshments provided. For more information call Sue Stanton at 233-4762 or e-mail merton420@hotmail.com

Garage Sale

The Catholic Daughters will hold a garage sale August 24 & 25. Call 233-1393 if you have items to donate. **No** clothing, please.

Golf Tournament

Mark your calendars for the annual Saint Cecilia Best Ball Golf Tournament to be held Sunday, September 9 at Veenker Memorial Golf Course starting at 1:00PM. \$45 per person includes eighteen holes of golf, cart and a meal. Foursomes preferred. Guests may attend the meal for \$6. Registration forms available near the east corridor bulletin board in the Social Center or on the website at www.stceciliaparish.org.



Cornfest

August 18

7:00PM: Music by Sound Track, refreshments

August 19

Gather at 2:30 PM, Food served 3:30-5:00PM

Pork burgers, brats, hot dogs, buns, sweet corn, beverage and table service provided. Please bring a salad, side dish or dessert to share. Activities include Bingo and children's games.



**Fr. Nienhaus
will be on vacation
from July 29 until August 18.**

Fr. Patrick Geary and Fr. Dennis Miller will be filling in. Please call St. Thomas Aquinas at 292-3810 if a priest is needed in an emergency.

Pilgrimage to Poland, May 2008

Consider joining Fr. Nienhaus from May 5 – 12 and travel to the Land of Pope John Paul II. William Feldman said, "Anyone who wants to get to know the soul of Poland should look for it in Krakow, Poland." Cost \$2,499 per person. This includes 7 days and 6 nights at the comfortable Atrium Hotel in Krakow. We will travel to the Shrine of Divine Mercy, the Shrine of the Black Madonna, Auschwitz, Tieliczka Salt Mines, Wawel Castle and many other sites. A visit to Catholic Poland is a life-changing experience. For more information contact Fr. Nienhaus, Joan Jones or Sail Aweigh Travel (515-233-5203). Sign-up soon before this Pilgrimage is extended to individuals outside of Ames, Iowa. An optional Post Tour is also available to Prague, Czechoslovakia (May 12 – 16)

Saint Cecilia School

Office hours vary during July.

Please call ahead and/or leave a voicemail for Mr. Siepker or Mrs. Vidimos, as they will be checking their messages frequently. Thank you.

Openings—Due to recent relocations, there is an opening in each of the following areas:

Preschool -3 year olds

Kindergarten

Contact the school office at 232-5290 if you are interested.



Portraits will be taken again in September. If you have not had your picture taken or had to cancel your appointment and need to re-schedule please call the Busson company at 800-685-3002 ext. 416.

Community

The Alliance for the Mentally Ill of Central Iowa annual Garage Sale Fundraiser will be held Friday, August 10, 4:00-7:00PM and Saturday, August 11, 8:00AM-1:00PM at St. Andrews Lutheran Church, 209 Colorado Avenue. Donations of household items, books and children's clothing appreciated. Potted plants may also be donated. No adult clothing, computers or humidifiers accepted. Tax letters provided. Please call Fran Berger at 292-9400 for more information.

Volunteer Opportunity

If you would be interested in volunteering at the Radiation/Oncology reception desk at Mary Greeley Hospital, please call Jane Simon at 232-1383 for more information.

Stewardship: Jesus is describing God's immeasurable generosity when He says in today's Gospel, "Whoever asks, receives; whoever seeks, finds; whoever knocks, is admitted." But it should also be the description of us as Christian stewards—those seeking to follow Christ by using our gifts in service to others.

OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE

Cornfest Sign-up Weekends August 4/5 & August 11/12

Volunteers are needed to help with set-up, corn preparation, corn cooking, serving in both the kitchen and dining areas, games, clean-up etc. Please consider donating a couple of hours of your time to help make this another successful event.

Bingo Prizes needed. Please drop off at the Religious Education office.

Christmas in July

New and gently used toys and small appliances for Appalachia will be collected during the month of July. Please place your donations in the collection box located near the coat racks in the Narthex. The donations will be taken to the Ames Appalachia warehouse and distributed to the people of Appalachia during the Christmas season.

Book Sale Donations

Donations of books, DVD's, CD's and VHS tapes and cassettes are being accepted for the Pro-Life Book Sale (sponsored by Iowa Right to Life Committee) to be held September 12-18. Please place donations in the collection box near the coat racks in the Narthex.

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 disabled 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 basket in the old ushers' room. The value of coupons donated so far totals over \$14,840.00. Thank you for your contributions.

Cyclone Catholics: Phi Kappa Theta, the Catholic Fraternity in Ames needs your help identifying men for membership in a faith based house. Contact Ben Bakkum at 515-230-8314.

Your Financial Stewardship

July 22 contribution	\$14,506
Fiscal YTD	\$69,762
Budget YTD	\$72,868
July 22, Building Fund	\$8,664

An estimated average weekly offering of \$18,217 to the general operating fund is required to balance the Saint Cecilia Budget for fiscal year 2007-2008

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

In today's Gospel reading from Luke, we are given the gift of reassurance that God is truly all-knowing; the prayer we call the Our Father or the Lord's Prayer allows us to ask for what we truly need - food, protection, and forgiveness. It is a prayer to be said with confidence, truth and humility. But we must always remember that God indeed does answer our prayers in ways that will keep him first and foremost in our lives.

"Lord, teach us to pray," the disciples ask of Jesus. By asking, they - and we - receive the very words of God, petitions with which to both honor God and ask for his blessings. The Catechism of the Catholic Church reminds us, however, that although we teach our children by repetition, the Lord's Prayer is to be learned and internalized, to become in us spirit and life. (CCC 2766)

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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, 2
THE TRANSMISSION OF DIVINE REVELATION. 74

God "desires all men to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth", that is, of Christ Jesus. Christ must be proclaimed to all nations and individual, so that this revelation may reach to the ends of the earth: God graciously arranged that the things he had once revealed for the salvation of all peoples should remain in their entirety, throughout the ages, and be transmitted to all generations.

I. THE APOSTOLIC TRADITION 75

"Christ the Lord, in whom the entire Revelation of the most high God is summed up, commanded the apostles to preach the Gospel, which had been promised beforehand by the prophets, and which he fulfilled in his own person and promulgated with his own lips. In preaching the Gospel, they were to communicate the gifts of God to all men. This Gospel was to the source of all saving truth and moral discipline.

ConQuest is a National network of leadership programs, clubs, and camps for boys and young men 5-16 years of age. ConQuest trains boys to become self-disciplined and confident young men, Catholic leaders who possess moral integrity and are committed to improving the communities in which they live. For more information on beaconing a member in the Ames area ConQuest program, please come to one of the informational meetings on either Sunday, August 12 or 19, 11:30AM in the Saint Clare Room.

Feasibility Study

Copies of the feasibility study can be reviewed at (but cannot leave) the parish office. Thanks to all who participated in the feasibility surveys. Your input is critical in developing a strategic plan for the future of our parish.

50th Anniversary Celebrations

Bernard & Charlotte Beaudry invite the Saint Cecilia Parish Community to join them Saturday afternoon, August 4, at the 5:00PM Mass to celebrate their 50 years of marriage. A reception will follow in the Social Center.

Deacon John and Ruth McCully would like to invite the Saint Cecilia Parish Community and other friends to join them, Saturday, August 11 at the 5:00PM Mass and reception afterwards in the Social Hall to celebrate the 50th anniversary of their marriage.



Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday, July 28

5:00PM: Jo Newell

Sunday, July 29

8:30AM: Don Finnegan

10:30AM: Marvin Rader

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

Tuesday, July 31

7:00AM: Alma Hornby

Wednesday, August 1

7:00AM: Edward & Paul Shevokas

Thursday, August 2

7:00AM: Charlie Walsh

Friday, August 3

7:00AM: Special Intention

Saturday, August 4

8:30AM: Catholic Daughters

5:00PM: Char & Bernard Beaudry

Sunday, August 5

8:30AM: Saint Cecilia Parishioners

10:30AM: Mary Oberg

5:00PM: George Thorington
(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

(The Chaplet takes about 10 minutes to recite)

Missing: Rosary and baby garment from the St. Anne Circle bulletin board display in June. The rosary is one of a set belonging to a member of St. Anne Circle. Please call the Parish Office if you have any information about these items.

Saint Cecilia Prayer Chain

Send requests to: stceciliaprayerchain@gmail.com

Requests remain on the list for six weeks.

Readings for the Week of July 29, 2007

Sunday: Gn 18:20-32/Col 2:12-14/Lk 11:1-13

Monday: Ex 32:15-24, 30-34/Mt 13:31-35

Tuesday: Ex 33:7-11; 34:5b-9, 28/Mt 13:36-43

Wednesday: Ex 34:29-35/Mt 13:44-46

Thursday: Ex 40:16-21, 34-38/Mt 13:47-53

Friday: Lv 23:1, 4-11, 15-16, 27, 34b-37/Mt 13:54-58

Saturday: Lv 25:1, 8-17/Mt 14:1-12

Next Sunday: Eccl 1:2; 2:21-23/Col 3:1-5, 9-11/Lk 12:13-21