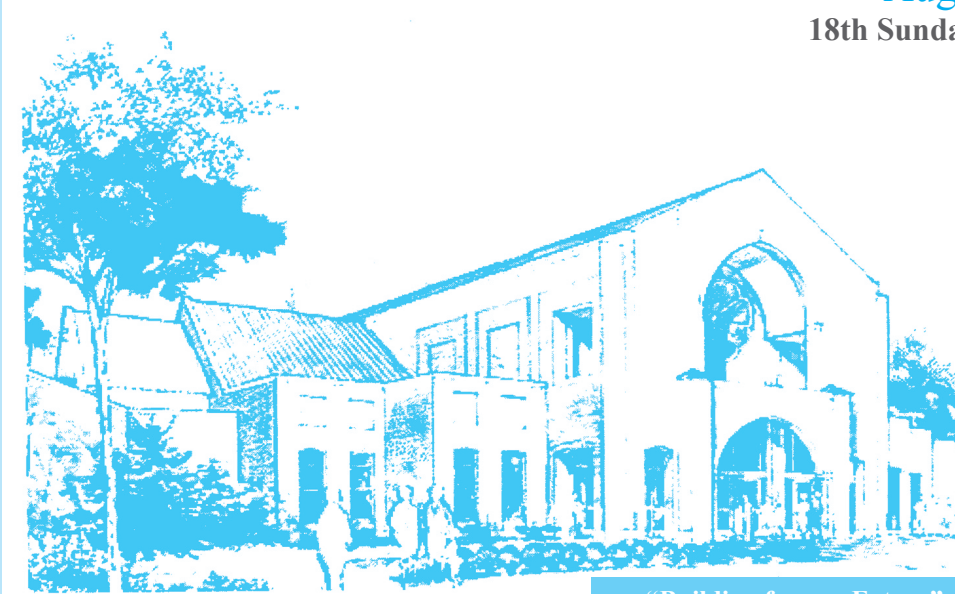


Saint Cecilia Catholic Community

August 5, 2007

18th 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: August 6.

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: August 7.

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, October 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 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.



Youth Appreciation Trip, August 7

For all those who have made reservations to attend the game: The bus will load at 5:15PM in the north parking lot. 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 Call Bob Dahlgren at 232-0916 if you have any questions.

Sponsored by Knights of Columbus and Parish Staff

MEETINGS/EVENTS

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.

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

Stewardship Group

A small group of people is meeting on the first Thursday of each month as part of an effort to improve their understanding, appreciation and practice of stewardship. If you would like to be part of such an activity, please call the parish office, 233-3092, for additional information.

Brunch

The St. Cecilia Widows, Widowers and Single Seniors group will meet for brunch at Café Shi at 11:45 on Sunday, August 12. Please call Pat Rood at 232-3594 for reservations or information about the group.

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

6:15PM: 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

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 reschedule 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.

Heartland Senior Center

Volunteers are needed to deliver noon meals on Tuesdays and Thursdays to homebound older adults in Gilbert beginning in September. If interested, please call Sharon or Marilyn at 515-233-2906.

Stewardship:

Seeing Jesus transfigured made Peter want to do something to mark the event. But the Voice from the cloud said clearly that the first task of those who recognize Jesus as Lord is to listen to Jesus—and then act!

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.

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.

Feasibility Study

A copy of the Feasibility Study Report for the Phase 2 Building Campaign is available on the parish website, www.stceciaparish.org/feasibilitystudyreport.html. For those without internet access, printed copies of the same report are also available in the parish office. Thanks to all who participated in the feasibility study. Your input is critical.

Your Financial Stewardship

July 29 contribution	\$14,813
Fiscal YTD	\$84,575
Budget YTD	\$91,085
July 29, Building Fund	\$ 2,390

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.

Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Their mother had passed away following complications after surgery. The two sisters, now grown and with families of their own, agreed to meet at her home to carry out the task of dividing or disposing of their mother's possessions. One sister, however, arrived a day early, cleared the house of most items of any value and left the state. Devastated, the other sister didn't speak to her again for more than 20 years.

In Jesus' time, rabbis were often called upon to settle disputes such as the inheritance question posed to him in today's Gospel reading from Luke. Jesus, of course, had absolutely no tolerance for anyone who coveted earthly possessions. The only richness we ever need to accumulate should be the wealth of God's love for us. Filled with such a treasure, we can't help but to share it with everyone!

We have been given a great promise by God, to love, honor and serve him as joyfully as we can. All of creation, every "thing," every act, every feeling, is from God and belongs to God; we are merely trusted stewards of his creation. True richness lies in the love of God. (CCC 1723) If you look at someone's possessions with envy, you will most certainly be looked at as someone lacking the greatest possession - a heart of love. Today, give thanks to God for all you have, especially his love.

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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

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In keeping with the Lord's command, the Gospel was handed on in two ways:

-orally "by the apostles who handed on, by the spoken word of their preaching, by the example they gave, by the institutions they established, what they themselves had received—whether from the lips of Christ, from his way of life and his works, or whether they had learned it at the prompting of the Holy Spirit",

-in writing "by those apostles and other men associated with the apostles who, under the inspiration of the same Holy Spirit, committed the message of salvation to writing."

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 becoming 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.

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.

Please remember in your prayers:

Frank Skopec, and **Albert Sieper**, the father of Duane Sieper, who recently passed away. May the Lord grant peace and consolation to their families in their time of need. May they and all who sleep in Christ, find in God's presence, light, happiness and peace.



Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday, August 4

5:00PM: Char & Bernie Beaudry

Sunday, August 5

8:30AM: Saint Cecilia Parishioners

10:30AM: Mary Oberg

5:00PM: George Thorington
(Misa en Español, Chapel)

Tuesday, August 7

7:00AM: Doris Kleinschmidt

Wednesday, August 8

7:00AM: John & Theresa Hudak

Thursday, August 9

7:00AM: Dr. Thomas J. Carroll, Sr.

Friday, August 10

7:00AM: Theda Johnson

Saturday, August 11

5:00PM: Arnold Winslow

Sunday, August 12

8:30AM: Ed & Marcella Noethe

10:30AM: George Lemanczyk

5:00PM: Saint Cecilia Parishioners
(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 August 5, 2007

Sunday: Eccl 1:2; 2:21-23/Col 3:1-5, 9-11/Lk 12:13-21
Monday: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14/2 Pt 1:16-19/Lk 9:28b-36
Tuesday: Nm 12:1-13/Mt 14:22-36 or 15:1-2, 10-14
Wednesday: Nm 13:1-2, 25—14:1, 26-29a, 34-35/Mt 15:21-28
Thursday: Nm 20:1-13/Mt 16:13-23
Friday: 2 Cor 9:6-10/Jn 12:24-26
Saturday: Dt 6:4-13/Mt 17:14-20
Next Sunday: Wis 18:6-9/Heb 11:1-2, 8-19 or 11:1-2, 8-12/Lk 12:32-48 or 12:35-40