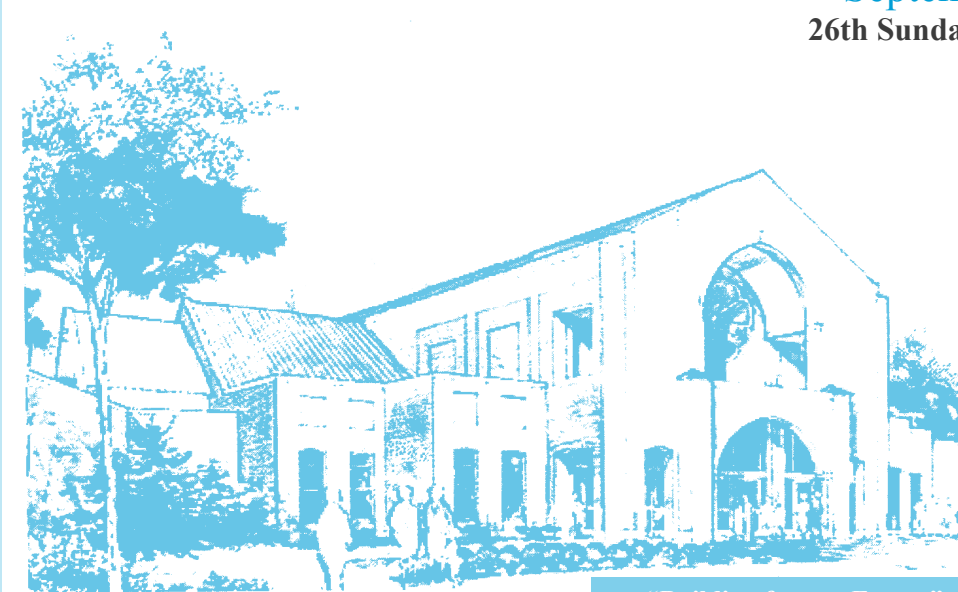


# Saint Cecilia Catholic Community

September 30, 2007  
26th 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 require 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



Busson Photographers have scheduled an additional day, Monday, October 8. Call 800-685-3002 ext 416 if you need to reschedule or have not been able to have your portrait taken.

### Registration for 2007-2008 Classes

Registration for Religious Education Classes for youth from Grade 1 to High School is available in the Religious Education Office. Individual classes for grades 1-5 meet Wednesdays, 4-5:15PM beginning October 10. Grades 6-8 meet 1st & 3rd Wednesdays, 7-8:30PM beginning October 17. **All are expected to attend the kickoff on October 3.**

### Religious Education Kickoff October 3

Religious Education classes will begin for all ages with the Generations of Faith event on October 3, at 5:30PM. **Families of all those registered in Religious Education programs are expected to attend.** Parishioners not registered are also invited to attend. Please contact the Religious Education Office if you are not registered but will be attending. The topic for this session will be *Intercultural Images of Mary*.

### Middle School Youth Group - YIKES!

**October 10: Bonfire at the Webers.** Meet 6:30PM at Saint Cecilia. Pick up 8:30PM at 1403 Top-O-Hollow. (Please note time changes.) Come have s'mores and enjoy the campfire with us!

**October 27: Halloween Lock-in.** Mark your calendars. Details to come. 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

**All students wishing to be confirmed in the coming year must register by October 1.** Forms available in the Religious Education Office. **Wednesday, October 3:** 7-8:15PM, 9th grade class in the South Social Hall.

**Confirmation:** Sunday, October 14—Rite of Entrance at 10:30AM Mass followed by retreat with sponsors in the A/Y room.

**Wednesday, October 17:** Glory

For Youth Ministry information please visit the new website [www.freewebs.com/stceciliayouth](http://www.freewebs.com/stceciliayouth)

### Adult Education

**Scripture Study:** Meets Mondays, 7:30-9:00PM in the Adult/Youth room. Next session: October 1.

**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: October 2..

### RCIA

For information on joining the Catholic Church, call John at 232-3514.

### 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.

**If you attend Saint Cecilia Parish but have not registered as members, please contact the Parish Office or download a registration form from the Parish Website.**

## MEETINGS/EVENTS

**The Saint Cecilia Council of Catholic Women (SCCW)** will hold a general meeting Thursday, October 4, 6:00PM in the Social Hall. A soup supper will be served. Shari Reilly, director of Campus Ministry at St. Thomas Aquinas Church will present the program. All women in the parish are invited.

**Sanctity of Life Committee** will meet Sunday, October 7, 9:30AM in the St. Francis Room.

**Parish Pot-luck Dinner,** Tuesday, October 9, 6:00PM. Fried chicken, rolls, beverage and table service are provided. Please bring a large side dish, salad or dessert to share. All parishioners are invited but those new to our parish are especially encouraged to attend.

**Fellowship for Parents/Playgroup** meets in the A/Y room, 10:00-11:30AM twice each month. Next session is October 5. Contact Jenni Mortimer at 296-1858 or [starkmortimer@yahoo.com](mailto:starkmortimer@yahoo.com) or Jon Ryan at 232-2075 or [sjryan2@isunet.net](mailto:sjryan2@isunet.net). All are welcome to attend.

### Faithful Citizenship: Action for the Common Good

The St. Thomas branch of A Mid-Iowa Organizing Strategy (AMOS) will host four sessions about what it means to be a faithful citizen within the context of Catholic social teaching. The first Session, What is Faithful Citizenship: The Seven Themes of Catholic Social Teaching will take place Monday, October 1, 7-8:30PM in the Saint Cecilia Social Hall. For more information about this session of AMOS contact Chris Rehmann at [rehmann@isunet.net](mailto:rehmann@isunet.net).

### Fall 3-in 1 Appeal.

If you did not receive an envelope and wish to contribute, please use a plain envelope marked *3-In-1*. **Please make your contribution by October 7.** Be as generous as possible and remember these important efforts of the Universal Church in your prayers.

**American Martyrs Retreat House—Cedar Falls October 26-28:** Women & Catholic Daughters with Fr. Pat Greary as Retreat Master. One time offer: new retreatant may pay half price. Call Priscilla Matt at 232-7688.

**November 2-4:** Knights of Columbus with retired Archbishop Daniel Kucera as Retreat Master. Suggested Offering \$105. Call Dick Matt at 232-7688.

**Marriage Encounter:** There is still room in the October 13/14 Marriage Encounter weekend in Cedar Rapids. Call Roger & Marsha Luensmann to register (563-927-4352)

## School News

**Monday, October 1:** 7:00PM, Ice Cream Social

Sponsored by FSA



**Friday, October 5:** 9:00AM All School Mass

**Monday, October 8:** NO SCHOOL

**Blessing of the Animals**, Thursday, October 4,  
2:45PM in the grassy area north of the Saint Cecilia School.  
Everyone invited to bring a special animal for the blessing.

### Saint Cecilia Prayer Partner Program

Any senior member of the parish who would be interested in being Prayer Partners with 2nd-5th grade students, please contact Lois Vidimos at 232-5290 or email her at [vidimos@stcames.com](mailto:vidimos@stcames.com) by October 3. Thank You.

### Pilgrimage to Poland, May 2008

Join Fr. Nienhaus from May 5 – 12. Seven days six nights in Krakow. Travel to the Shrine of Divine Mercy, the Shrine of the Black Madonna, Auschwitz, Wieliczka Salt Mines, Wawel Castle and many other sites. Contact Joan at the parish office or Sail Aweigh Travel (515-233-5203). Sign-up now. An optional Post Tour is also available to Prague, Czech Republic (May 12 – 16).

### Good Neighbor Fundraiser

The annual Lucullan's fundraiser will be held Tuesday, October 16, Social time, 5:30PM, meal at 6:30PM. Tickets are \$30 (\$25 is tax deductible) and may be purchased from Mary Ross (232-5080). Come for fellowship, a meal served family style and to learn more about the Good Neighbor Emergency Assistance program. If you are unable to attend, your donation will be graciously accepted.

## Baptisms

### August

**Haley RuthAnn**, daughter of Jay & Lindsay Lampe  
**Kaylee Catherine**, daughter of Phil & Carrie Mescher  
**Roman James**, son of Joseph & Ruth Anne Pometto  
**William Barrie**, son of Barrie & Sarah Terrones

### September

**Mark Augustine**, son of Dustin & April Bower  
**Bryn Lee**, daughter of Shawn & Tricia Crain  
**Reagan Jean**, daughter of Christopher & Kelly Hanfelt  
**Austin Joseph**, son of Marvin & Jennifer Kohles  
**Charles Jacob**, son of Jason & Jennifer Mortimer  
**Lauryn Christine**, daughter of Brian & Keri Muff

## In Marshalltown

### Mission: St. Henry,

You are invited to attend a Mission, 7-8:15PM each evening October 7-11 at St. Henry Parish in Marshalltown. During the mission, God's Word is proclaimed through the Bible, Catholic Doctrine and through the life, learning and personal experience of the priest who is presenting the mission. **Remember All are Welcome...A Time of Renewal.**

**Lincoln Highway Men's Night**, Thursday, October 4, St. Henry's Church, Marshalltown. 6:00PM, (gather), 6:30PM Chili supper followed by Fr. Hueber speaking about reconciliation. Call Dennis Zmokek at 641-752-7022 or Bill Fisher at 641-752-7814 by October 1 to sign-up.

**Stewardship** Are we complacent in our own time, enjoying our luxuries while others are in need? Stewardship calls us to consider how God wants us to use our blessings before we spend all our time, talent and treasure to indulge our own wants.

A Christian Steward:

- Receives God's gifts gratefully
- Cultivates them responsibly
- Shares them lovingly in justice with others
- And returns them with increase to the Lord.

*From US Conference of Catholic Bishops' Pastoral on Stewardship*

### 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. They welcome additional participants. If you are interested, please call the parish office at 233-3092.

## OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE

### Child Care

Child care is needed during the English as a Second Language classes Thursday mornings from 10:00-11:30AM. Call the parish office (233-3092) if you can help.

### Meals on Wheels

Volunteers are currently needed to deliver noon meals to shut-ins in the Ames area. There are currently two openings: the first Friday and the second Saturday of each month. Time commitment is about one hour per month. For more information please contact Cathy Kaspar at 233-0517.

### Funeral Lunch Volunteers

Additional volunteers are needed to help set-up and/or serve lunches held after funerals in our parish. This is a very worthwhile service to fellow parishioners. Volunteers need not work at every lunch. Men and women of all ages are encouraged to participate. Please call the Parish Office (233-3092) to volunteer.

### Musicians for Spanish Mass

Guitar and piano players are needed for the Spanish Mass, 5:00PM, Sundays. Call the parish office 233-3092 if you are interested.

### 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.

### Your Financial Stewardship

September 23 contribution	\$ 14,914
Fiscal YTD	\$ 216,603
Budget YTD	\$ 236,821
September 23 Building Fund	2,861

**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 (\$965,500).**

## 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

In many upscale neighborhoods across this country, there are housing developments called "gated communities." Behind these gates can be found the wealthiest people living in the finest homes. Without proper identification or permission, outsiders are prohibited from entering into these neighborhoods. One must consider the question of who is really separated from whom, though; do the wealthy keep the world out, or does the world keep the wealthy confined?

In today's Gospel reading from Luke, Jesus paints a graphic picture of life on earth versus life in heaven. Whatever we are lacking or suffering from in this existence will be rewarded, provided we are faithful to God's teachings. Just as Lazarus' painful life was relieved, so, too, was the rich man's selfishness rewarded. Whatever compassion he did not have or show, he was repaid in kind. In the end, the beggar received his reward, and the wealthy became a beggar for mercy.

We are taught in the Catechism of the Catholic Church that human misery is the obvious sign of human frailty and the need for salvation. (CCC 2448) Jesus Christ did not spend his ministry in the presence of the wise and the wealthy; rather, he sought to minister to the poor, the sick, and the sinners. Today, look inward and see if you have erected a gate around your heart, open that gate and free your mercy and compassion for others!

## 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 2

#### THE TRANSMISSION OF DIVINE REVELATION. III THE INTERPRETATION OF THE HERITAGE OF FAITH

#### The heritage of faith entrusted to the whole of the Church.

The apostles entrusted the "Sacred deposit" of the faith (the *depositum fidei*), contained in the Sacred scripture and Tradition to the whole of the Church. "By adhering to [this heritage] the entire holy people, united to its pastors, remains always faithful to the teaching of the apostles, to the brotherhood, to the breaking of bread and the prayers. So, in maintaining, practicing, and professing the faith that has been handed on, there should be a remarkable harmony between the bishops and the faithful.

## COMMUNITY

**Stuff the Bus Food Drive** will take place Friday, October 5, 2-8:00PM and Saturday, October 6, 8:00AM-5:00PM. Cy-ride buses will be parked at Fareway, East Hy-Vee, West Hy-Vee and Walmart/Cub Foods to accept donations for MICA (Mid-Iowa Community Action) food pantry in Ames. Sponsored by the *Iowa State Daily*.

## "Saints for Today and Everyday."

**Speaker Robert Ellsberg**

**October 1, 8:00PM**

**ISU Memorial Union Sun Room**

Free and open to the public

Robert Ellsberg is the publisher and editor-in-chief of Orbis Books. He is the author of many books including *Blessed Among All Women*, *All Saints* and *The Saints' Guide to Happiness*. His books have won several Christopher and Catholic Book awards. Sponsored by Saint Thomas Aquinas Church and Catholic Student Center (with a grant from the Msgr. Supple Endowment Fund) and ISU Committee on Lectures (funded by GSB).

### Please remember in your prayers:

**CHRIS SILLMAN, & AGNES VEACH**, mother of Mrs. Betty Cole, 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, September 29

5:00PM: Jo Newell

### Sunday, September 30

8:30AM: Fred & Amelia Habing

10:30AM: Shirley Reece

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

### Tuesday, October 2

7:00AM: Dan & Patricia Maher

### Wednesday, October 3

7:00AM: Magdalene Walsh

### Thursday, October 4

7:00AM: Padre Pio Intentions

### Friday, October 5

7:00AM: George Lemanczyk

9:00AM: David Asjes

### Saturday, October 6

8:30PM: Poor Souls in Purgatory

5:00PM: Saint Cecilia Parishioners

### Sunday, October 7

8:30AM: Kathy Pelzer

10:30AM: Marvin Rader

5:00PM: Catholic Daughters  
(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

## Saint Cecilia Prayer Chain

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

Readings for the Week of September 30, 2007

Sunday: Am 6:1a, 4-7/1 Tm 6:11-16/Lk 16:19-31

Monday: Zec 8:1-8/Lk 9:46-50

Tuesday: Zec 8:20-23/Mt 18:1-5, 10

Wednesday: Neh 2:1-8/Lk 9:57-62

Thursday: Neh 8:1-4a, 5-6, 7b-12/Lk 10:1-12

Friday: Bar 1:15-22/Lk 10:13-16

Saturday: Bar 4:5-12, 27-29/Lk 10:17-24

Next Sunday: Hb 1:2-3; 2:2-4/2 Tm 1:6-8, 13-14/Lk 17:5-10

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