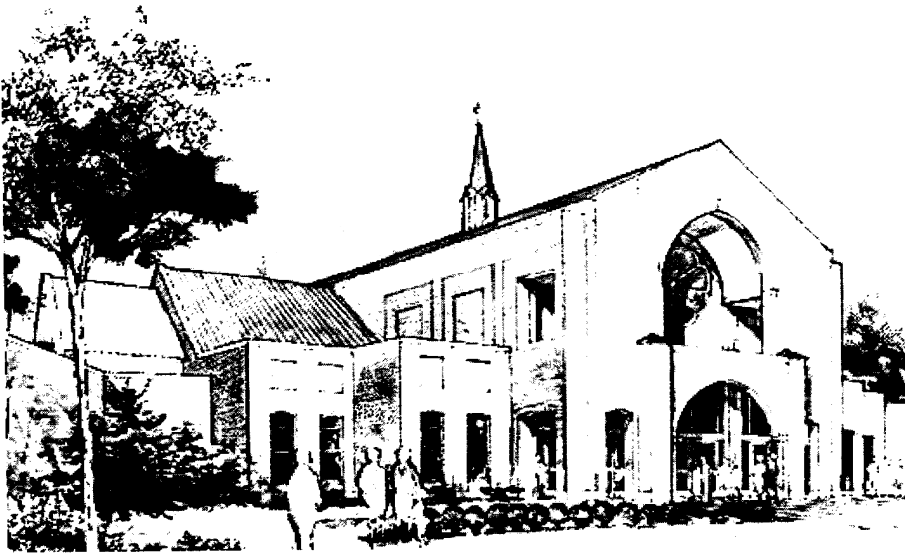


April 6, 2008

Third Sunday of Easter



Saint Cecilia Catholic Community

www.stceciliaparish.org

Congratulations
to the following who
will receive the
Sacrament of Confirmation
April 6



Frank Ackerman
Cory Baughman
Leo Bird
Anne Block
Kira Boswell
Katherine Clark
Ann Coady
Sean Davis
Allison Dickson
Tyler Dockstader
Shauna DuCharme
Emily Edsall
Kayla Ely
Thomas Elbert
Kyle Farmer
Brad Forth
Megan Girard
Taylor Godwin
Joshua Gorman
Ashley Greff
Mary Halbur
Brett Hanson
Francis Hindt
Emily Krakau

Edward Kraus
William Kresse
Lindsay LaPage
Rebecca Luzbetak
Douglas McDermott
Mitchell McGee
Kyle Martin
Kayne Montang
Megan Nelson
Kylie O'Connor
Cathy Pastiak
Sean Ranney
Daniel Schaefer
Tyler Schoenrock
Kali Short
Lauren Sillman
Christine Stammer
Paige Swift
Andrew Tucker
Jeffrey VonArb
Sarah Withrow
Cassandra Wuebker
Austin Whetstone

Mass Schedule

Saturday 5:00 PM

Sunday 8:30 AM & 10:30 AM
& 5:00 PM. Misa en Español
(Burke Memorial Chapel)

Tuesday thru Friday
7:00AM, 5:15PM Chapel

Holyday

Check the bulletin

Reconciliation (*Reconciliación*)

Saturday 3:30-4:30PM

and by appointment

cualquier horario para una cita

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Religious Education

for the whole parish family

Early Registration for Religious Education and Youth Ministry Programs for Fall 2008 will begin April 19/20.

A discount is available for registrations received before June 1.

Preschool & Kindergarten

Classes are held the 1st and 3rd Sunday of each month during the 10:30AM Mass. April dates: 6, 20.

Grades 1-5

Monday, 6:15-7:30PM— April class dates: 14, 21.

Wednesday, 4:00-5:15PM — April class dates: 9, 16, 23.

Share a Meal (2nd grade): April 7.

Middle School Youth

Classes Wednesday, 7:00-8:30PM— April date: 16.

YIKES!: Wednesday, April 9, 7:00-9:00PM, Multi-purpose room.

Come join us for fun, friendship and faith sharing.

Saturday, April 12, 10:00AM-6:00PM, YIKES! Retreat. Free if you sign up by Wednesday, April 9.

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

Youth Ministry Grades 9-12

9th Grade Class: April 23, 7-8:15PM, Social Hall.

For Youth Ministry information please visit the website www.freewebs.com/stceciliayouth

RCIA

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

Baptism Class

Our next preparation session is **Thursday, June 5, 6:30-9:00PM** in the A/Y 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.

Adult Education

Scripture Study: Meets Mondays, 7:30-9:00PM in the A/Y room. Next session: April 7.

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: April 8.

Theology of the Body For Adults: contact Anna at 232-3514

April 16: 7:00PM Social Hall *Vocations*, Fr. David Schatz

Responding to God's Call

Everyone is invited to join the Saint Cecilia Vocations Committee and Knights of Columbus for a soup supper and evening focusing on the Vocation of the Priesthood, Wednesday, April 16, 6:00-8:30PM in the Social Hall. Fr. David Schatz, Director of Vocation Awareness for the archdiocese will present the program and then join a panel of local priests including our own Fr. Nienhaus and Fr. Dennis Quint of St. Mary, Grundy Center, to share their own vocation stories and answer vocation questions. The Saint Cecilia High school leadership team will serve the meal. Reservations required by Friday, April 11, to Elin at 292-4968, eherrman@isunet.net or call the Parish Office.

MEETINGS/EVENTS

GALA Auction Preview

This weekend

Come to the Social Hall after any Mass to get a 2008 Gala Booklet and view auction displays.

Wine & Cheese served Saturday
Muffins, Mimosas and juice served Sunday



Potluck Dinner

Parish Potluck Tuesday, April 8, 6:00PM Social Hall

Fried chicken, cheesy hash brown casserole, rolls, beverage, and table service provided. Please bring a side dish or dessert to share. All ages welcome. Newly registered parishioners are especially encouraged to attend.

Sanctity of Life Meets Sunday, April 6, 9:30AM in the new usher's room in the northeast corner of the Narthex.

Catholic Daughters Program, *The Rich Single Life*, presented by Jennifer Settle, radio broadcaster from KWKY, is open to everyone, **Thursday, April 10, 8:00PM in the A/Y room.** Prior to the program the Catholic daughters will meet at 6:00PM for dinner and a business meeting.

Renewal of Marriage Vows ceremony with Fr. Nienhaus as the celebrant will be held Sunday, April 20, 1:30PM in the Church. A reception will follow in the South Social Hall. All married couples in the parish whether married 5, 25 or 50+ years are invited to participate in this special event.



Fellowship for Parents/Playgroup meets Wednesdays, 10:00-11:30AM in the A/Y Room. Next session is April 9. Contact Jenni Mortimer at 296-1858 or starkmortimer@yahoo.com or Jon Ryan at 232-2075 or sjryan2@isunet.net. All are welcome to attend.

A Voice of HOPE A Voice of PEACE

Pope Benedict XVI Visits the United States

Complete, LIVE Commercial-Free Coverage
April 13-20 on EWTN Channel 65

SCHOOL NEWS

WEEK OF APRIL 7

ITBS testing for kindergarten and first grades

Wednesday, April 9: 2:25PM dismissal

Thursday, April 10: 9:00AM grades 2 & 5 Mass

Saint Cecilia Widows, Widowers & Single Seniors, group will meet for lunch Sunday, April 20, 11:45AM at Village Inn on Lincoln Way. New members are always welcome. Call Pat Rood at 232-3594 for information or to make a reservation.

The Quarterly Meeting of the Marshalltown Deanery of Catholic Women will be held Thursday, April 17, St. Michael's Church in Belle Plaine. Mass at 9:00AM with meeting lunch and program to follow. Contact Ingrid Brady at 232-5451 if you would like to attend.

Baptism Mentor Parents Needed

Parents who have celebrated baptism in the past 5 years are sought as mentors to parents of the newly baptized. This is a telephone ministry. Call John at 232-3514 for more information.

Local and Global Service Commission

A general interest meeting will be held Sunday, April 6, 9:30-10:15AM in the Sun room (across from the Social Hall). Commission Chairs are Tom & Janet Samson. If you are interested in participating in service projects and programs please join us to 1) review the current and future activities of the commission; 2) gather information from parishioners about existing Saint Cecilia service projects and programs; 3) propose ideas for parish wide service projects and programs; 4) volunteer your time and talent for future projects.

Position Available

Saint Cecilia Parish has an immediate opening for a **half-time Bookkeeper**. This position reports to the Business Manager and will be responsible for day to day financial support services including accounts payable, receivables, payroll processing and deposits.

Associate's degree or equivalent is required plus 2-4 years experience as a bookkeeper or closely related experience.

Please submit a cover letter, resume and names of 3 professional references no later than April 11 to Bookkeeper Search Committee, 2900 Hoover Avenue, Ames, IA 50010.

Your Financial Stewardship	March	FYTD
Contributions (general)	\$73,839	\$733,890
Christmas & Easter	\$26,586	\$67,043
Needed to meet expenses	\$80,458	\$728,679
Contributions (building)	\$17,207	\$430,323

More detailed information can be shared by contacting Jerry Greving at the parish office. For your convenience, automatic contributions can be set up or changed by contacting the parish office. Thank you for your generosity to Saint Cecilia Parish.

Catholic Book Store Grand Opening April, 5 & 6

Steve and Char VanKerkevorde, prior owners of Lemstone Books, are opening a Catholic bookstore in the former St. Francis Room. The store offers Catholic and religious books, bibles, religious gifts and special order items at the request of patrons. The bookstore will operate on weekends and selected weekday hours (to be announced).

Parish Library

All books in the library collection, as well as the Catholic CD's and videos, are now located in the St. Clare room (former rectory living room). Library hours are 9:00AM-5:00PM, Monday-Friday. The library can be reached by using the outside entrance located next to the garage (go through the wrought iron gate) or by going through the parish office.

Catechist Training Offered: The best way to learn more about our Catholic faith is to TEACH IT! Energetic and passionate Catechists and Youth Group leaders needed for the 2008-2009 school year. There is no better use of your time than sharing your faith with our young people. Call or e-mail Anna today(232-2524) or annajsteele@gmail.com.

Meet your Muslim and Jewish Neighbors

There is no better way to do so than to attend the next Interfaith Meeting at the Synagogue, Sunday, April 13, from 2:00-4:00PM. The Synagogue is located at 3721 Calhoun Avenue (right off of Top-O-Hollow Road). This is the first year anniversary of an initiative launched at Saint Cecilia. Everyone ages 16 and over are welcome. You need not have attended in the past. Come share a friendly smile with our neighbors as we discuss issues and ideas common to our world.

Saint Cecilia Prayer Chain Requests:
stceciapraychain@gmail.com



GALA 2008

Sharing our Gifts from God

Saturday, April 19, Gateway Hotel

5:30PM	Social Hour/viewing of Silent Auction Items
7:00PM	Opening Prayer and Introductions
7:30PM	Dinner and Live Auction

Visit the parish website and click on Saint Cecilia Gala for details and a complete listing of auction items and ticket information.

There will also be silent auction items and a raffle with raffle winners getting half of the raffle money.

Tickets are \$75 each (\$40 counts as charitable donation) and are available at the school office, in the narthex after weekend Masses, on the website, and by calling Jean Dirks at 292-8455. Donations also accepted.

Support Our Children

Faithful Citizenship

For the next few weeks, we will feature summaries of the *United States Bishops' Reflection* on the topic: "How does the Church help Catholics to address political and social questions?"

Solidarity We are one human family, whatever our national, racial, ethnic, economic, and ideological differences. Our Catholic commitment to solidarity requires that we pursue justice, eliminate racism, end human trafficking, protect human rights, seek peace, and avoid the use of force except as a necessary last resort.

Next week: Caring for God's Creation

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 3 Sacred Scripture

III The Holy Spirit Interpreter of Scripture, Paragraph 115: According to an ancient tradition, one can distinguish between two senses of Scripture: the *literal* and the *spiritual*, the latter being subdivided into allegorical, moral, and anagogical senses. The profound concordance of the four senses guarantees all its richness to the living reading of Scripture of the Church.

Paragraph 116: The *literal sense* is the meaning conveyed by the words of Scripture and discovered by exegesis, following the rules of sound interpretation. "All other senses of Sacred Scripture are based on the literal."

Third Sunday of Easter

There is a line from the movie *Evan Almighty* in which God, played by Morgan Freeman, explains to Evan what prayer should mean. He tells him that when people pray for patience, for example, God doesn't give them patience but rather the opportunity to be patient. Our problem is in recognizing these opportunities. It is just as true that we should recognize the opportunity to live with Christ in our lives.

On the very day in which Mary Magdalene, Peter, John and the others found the empty tomb following Jesus' crucifixion, two followers were returning to their homes in Emmaus. Obviously distraught over the events of the past few days, they were joined by another traveler who explained to them how the events had fulfilled all of the promises of the Scriptures. They did not recognize their fellow traveler as Jesus; only when he broke bread with them were their eyes opened.

By means of touch and the sharing of a meal, the risen Jesus establishes direct contact with his disciples (CCC 645). But the failure to recognize him immediately teaches us that we must look for him more deeply in others; the homeless man asleep beneath a bridge, the single mom trying to feed her children, the quiet co-worker who goes home alone every night. To live and love as Christ we must recognize the opportunity to see him in others, as well.

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The Ames Police Department notified Saint Cecilia Parish that three individuals were apprehended and have confessed to the January burglary at Saint Cecilia and several other churches in Iowa and northern Missouri.

Please remember in your prayers:

JOE BUBOLTZ, father of Joan Jones, who recently passed away. May the Lord grant peace and consolation to his family in their time of need. May he and all who sleep in Christ, find in God's presence, light, happiness and peace.



Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday, April 5

5:00PM: Mark Anthony Bonifacio

Sunday, April 6

8:30AM: Leon Harris

10:30AM: Mel Manion

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

Tuesday, April 8

7:00AM: Chuck Kranz

5:15PM: Germain Mullenbach

Wednesday, April 9

7:00AM: Betty Doran

5:15PM: Charlie Walsh

Thursday, April 10

7:00AM: Joan Eslick

9:00AM: Loren Jacobson

5:15PM: Helen Michaud

Friday, April 11

7:00AM: Catholic Daughters

5:15PM: James J. Winslow

Saturday, April 12

5:00PM: Johnny & Janice Coder
50th Anniversary

Sunday, April 13

8:30AM: Saint Cecilia Parishioners

10:30AM: Edward & Paul Shevokas

5:00PM: Maureen Markham

(Misa en Español, Chapel)

Prayer Opportunities (Held in the Chapel)

Scriptural Rosary: Monday, 7:00AM

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)

Prayer Hour for Youth & the Future of the Church:

Friday, 4:00PM

Readings for the Week of April 6, 2008

Sunday: Acts 2:14, 22-33/1 Pt 1:17-21/Lk 24:13-35

Monday: Acts 6:8-15/Jn 6:22-29

Tuesday: Acts 7:51-8:1a/Jn 6:30-35

Wednesday: Acts 8:1b-8/Jn 6:35-40

Thursday: Acts 8:26-40/Jn 6:44-51

Friday: Acts 9:1-20/Jn 6:52-59

Saturday: Acts 9:31-42/Jn 6:60-69

Next Sunday: Acts 2:14a, 36-41/1 Pt 2:20b-25/Jn 10:1-10

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