



April 27, 2008

Sixth Sunday of Easter

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

Holiday
Check the bulletin

Reconciliation *(Reconciliación)*

Saturday 3:30-4:30PM
and by appointment
cualquier horario para una cita

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Saint Cecilia Catholic Community

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**Congratulations to the following
who will receive the sacrament
of First Eucharist Sunday, April 27:**



Aaron Ament
Kenneth Baker
Henry Bennett
James Bentley
Cecilia Berg
Gregorius Bernhard
Adam Berryhill
Alexander Berryhill
Jeffrey Blevins
Philip Bower
Nicole Boyd
William Contento
William Crow
Caroline Culek
Josiah Engelken
Callie Flattery
Gabrielle Gianello
Abigail Gorden
Erica Gorden
Christian Graber
Van Gundersen
Gage Gunnerson
Michael Hart
Melinda Hegelheimer
Tate Hustedt
Andrzej Koziel
Meggianne Leamen
Care Liew
Emanuel Malual

Jacob Marks
John McFarland
Grace Meyers
Carson Montang
Elizabeth Nelson
Ashley Nethers
Andrea Newman
Dylan Nguyen
Evan O'Sullivan
Morgan Ogg
Tameron Paulson
Seth Petersen
Jacob Pohlen
Isabel Polashek
Margaret Pollard
Brianna Richard
Alaina Rober
Jacob Schoenrock
Brenda Sellberg
Joel Stahr
Will Stalder
Jacob Stevens
Benjamin Stewart
William Stolte
Nicholas Thielen
Derrick Tope
James Volcko
Benjamin Von Arb
Jozef Zekanoski

Religious Education

for the whole parish family

Early Registration for Religious Education and Youth Ministry Programs for Fall 2008 is now taking place.

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. May dates: 4, 18

Grades 1-5

Monday, 6:15-7:30PM— April class date: 28 (Last Class)

Wednesday, 4:00-5:15PM — Classes are over for this school year.

Middle School Youth

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

Youth Ministry Grades 9-12

Liturgical Training: 6:00-7:00PM, Wednesday, April 30 for all 10th graders. All are welcome to a Mass featuring music by Leap of Faith, a Christian band from Iowa City at 7:00PM.

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 28.

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 29.

Celebration of Memories Kick Off 40th Anniversary of the Appalachia Committee

In the summer of 1968 a mission trip to Kentucky by the Joe and Lois Johanns family began what was to become The Appalachia Committee and its various service projects. The summer high school Appalachia Service Trip sponsored by Saint Cecilia Parish is an outgrowth of the Appalachia Committee's work. Please join us in kicking off the 40th anniversary of the Committee's work. The gathering will take place Wednesday, April 30, 7:30PM, St. Thomas Aquinas in the Bethany Newman room. For more information, please contact Steve Heideman 292-5441.

Important Dates

Parish Council & Board of Education
Candidate "Meet and Greet" Coffee and Donuts
May 4, 9:30-10:15AM

Parish Elections

May 17 at all Masses
All registered, confirmed members may vote

MEETINGS/EVENTS

St. Mary Circle will meet for Mass at 7:00AM, Thursday, May 1. Brunch will follow at Audubon's restaurant.

Sanctity of Life Committee will meet Sunday, May 4, 9:30AM in the Education Center Media Center Conference Room.

Fellowship for Parents/Playgroup meets Wednesdays, 10:00-11:30AM in the A/Y Room. Next session is April 30. 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.

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.

Full of Grace

Women.....a nine week study to learn how to make a difference in your world today. "Women impregnated with the spirit of the Gospel can do so much to aid humanity in not falling. It is for you to save the world." This is one of the many focuses in the Full of Grace study series, which also includes information on several women saints who lived the Gospel and made a difference in their time. If you are interested in discovering genuine femininity and living the spirit of the Gospels, join us and learn how you can make a difference in your time. An informational meeting will be held Wednesday, **April 30, 7:00PM in the North Social Hall.** This meeting will introduce you to the material covered in the 9 week session which will begin in June. If you are unable to attend the meeting but would like more information contact Janine Greenwood, (232-1359), Char Van Kerckvoorde (233-269) or Lynn Lynch (233-6057). Registration deadline is May 10.

Vocations

Knights of Columbus will be collecting for vocations after all Masses this weekend. Your donations to the "Pennies for Heaven" fund are appreciated.

All are Invited to attend Mass and hear *Leap of Faith* a Christian Band from Iowa City 7:00PM, Wednesday, April 30.

SCHOOL NEWS

Sunday, April 27: Congratulations to the 2nd graders on their First Holy Communion. Wishing you God's blessings on this special day.

Wednesday, April 30: Early dismissal , 2:15PM

Thursday, May 1, 9:30AM: May Crowning at Madonna of the Schools Statue

Friday, May 2, 9:00AM: All School Mass.

Saint Cecilia School has openings in the First Grade class for 2008-2009. Openings may become available in the Kindergarten class if there is sufficient interest for a second section. Please contact Mrs. Vidimos in the school office by April 30 (232-5290) for more information and to register your child.

Box Tops & Campbell's Labels

Please collect the following to benefit Saint Cecilia School:
Box Tops For Education (found on cereal boxes, tissue boxes and other products)

Campbell's Labels (UPC needed, not the front)

Swiss Valley Milk lids

Tyson A+ Labels,

Ink jet and laser cartridges

Please place any of these items in the box in the usher's room. Over \$1100 has been raised this school year to benefit children. If you have questions, please contact Brenda Neppel (663-9742) or Diana Thatcher (292-9511).

Thank you.



Vacation Bible School

Kids ages 4-10 will have the opportunity to participate in this year's Vacation Bible School:

"Power Lab: Discovering Jesus' Miraculous Power" the week of June 9-13, 9:00-11:30AM.

Please register in the Religious Education office of with Heather Currans by phone (233-2690) or by e-mail: chcurrans@mchsi.com

We are in need of youth and adult volunteers. Please contact Heather Currans to discuss available positions.

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.

Your Financial Stewardship (4/14/08-4/20/08)

Weekly Contributions (general) \$ 15,259

Needed weekly to meet expenses \$ 18,217

Weekly Contributions (building) \$ 1,578

Thank you to contributors to our General Fund and Building Fund. A special thank you to those who have increased their contributions. More detailed information can be shared by contacting Jerry Greving at the Parish Office.

Gala

Our Board of Education and Parish Council say "Thanks" to the Saint Cecilia Catholic Community for making this year's Gala a GREAT Success!

Gala facts and figures:

- Over \$225,000 -- the amount raised by Gala to fund our Educational Endowment and programs for our community.
- 300+ -- people attended the event.
- \$ 45,000+ raised for our "fund-a-need" item for educational use. The money is allocated for the purchase and maintenance of "smart-boards" which can be used for teaching at every level--elementary, youth, and adult.
- 2 Saint Cecilia parishioners received distinguished service awards for their commitment and support of our education programs and our Catholic Community. This year's awards went to the Clancy family and William 9Bill) Burke.

Thank you to those volunteers who invested hundreds of hours to make this dream of a community Gala a reality. Watch for news about the evolving mission and goals of our Gala as we expand our Gala team and scope to integrate the plans for growing and building our community and facilities.

Groups Needed for Funeral Lunches

Saint Cecilia currently has only two groups serving funeral lunches and more are needed. The typical number of funeral lunches served per year is 12-18. Your time commitment would be 2-3 hours/ lunch. If your group is willing to help with this important ministry, please call Janet or Rick Brim-eyer at 296-2990.

Mad Science Summer Camps: Saint Cecilia School is hosting camps for all children currently enrolled in Kindergarten through grade 5. Sessions are entitled **NASA Space Explorers, Junior Engineers** and **Shutterbugs, Birds & Beasts**. Sessions are offered in June and August. Pick up a flyer/registration form in the Social Hall this weekend, by the east corridor bulletin board, or from the website www.stcomes.com . **Registration now through April 30.**

Saint Thomas Aquinas

Piano player/organist needed to fill in on some Saturdays (4:45PM) and Sundays (10:30AM) during the summer months when all of the ISU student musicians will be out of town.

Saint Cecilia Community Book Store Hours

April & May

Saturday: 1:00-6:30PM

Sunday: 9:30AM-12:30PM

Monday 5:30-8:30PM

Other Evenings by Special request

Very Veggie Tale Event

April 28 & April 30, 5:30-8:30PM

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

IV The Canon of Scripture Paragraph 120: It was by the apostolic Tradition that the Church discerned which writings are to be included in the list of the sacred books. This complete list is called the canon of Scripture. It includes 46 books of the old Testament (45 if we count Jeremiah and Lamentations as one) and 27 for the New.

The Old Testament: Genesis, Exodus, Leviticus, Numbers, Deuteronomy, Joshua, Judges, Ruth, 1 and 2 Samuel, 1 and 2 Kings, 1 and 2 Chronicles, Ezra and Nehemiah, Tobit, Judith, Esther, 1 and 2 Maccabees, Job, Psalms, Proverbs, Ecclesiastes, the Song of Songs, the Wisdom of Solomon, Sirach (Ecclesiasticus), Isaiah, Jeremiah, Lamentations, Baruch, Ezekiel, Daniel, Hosea, Joel, Amos, Obadiah, Jonah, Micah, Nahum, Habakkuk, Zephaniah, Haggai, Zachariah and Malachi.

The New Testament: the Gospels according to Matthew, Mark, Luke and John, the Acts of the Apostles, the Letters of St. Paul to the Romans, 1 and 2 Corinthians, Galatians, Ephesians, Philippians, Colossians, 1 and 2 Thessalonians, 1 and 2 Timothy, Titus, Philemon, the Letter to the Hebrews, the Letters of James, 1 and 2 Peter, 1, 2, and 3 John, and Jude, and Revelation (the Apocalypse).

Sixth Sunday of Easter

We have many voices within us. When faced with a difficult situation, the voice of cowardice may say, "I can get away with it." The voice of greed asks, "How can I benefit by it?" Lust may say, "This will make me happy." But the most important voice, the one that usually speaks first and should be listened to first, is the voice of our conscience. It will see your situation and ask, "Is it right?"

In today's Gospel reading from John, Jesus refers to our inner conscience as an Advocate, the Spirit of Truth. The Holy Spirit within us guides us in every aspect of our daily lives, but as Jesus also points out, the world around us will not accept its reality because such a world cannot see it or hear it. The voice of the Holy Spirit is our gift, the one true guide to living a life with Jesus Christ.

The Catechism of the Catholic Church teaches us that a person's moral conscience enables him or her to do the right thing at the appropriate time. It also judges the decisions we make, approving those that are good and denouncing those that are evil (CCC 1777). Today, we are called to listen to our conscience, because when we do, we are truly listening to the voice of God.

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Renewal of Wedding Vows

Congratulations to the 35 couples who renewed their wedding vows on April 20. Marriage dates of couples attending ranged from 1942-1999. They are a witness to the community of love, faithfulness and service.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend, May 30-June 1 in either Des Moines or Dubuque. Starts at 8:00PM on Friday and ends at 4:00PM Sunday. Contact John & Deb at jdcman88@netins.net or call 641-755-3667.

Saint Cecilia Prayer Chain Requests:

stceciliaprayerchain@gmail.com

Please remember in your prayers:
JOHN CONLEY, TRUDY NICHOLAS and
FRED VARNUM, 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, April 26

5:00PM: Doris Schaeffer

Sunday, April 27

8:30AM: Teresa Cain

10:30AM: Harry Svec

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

Tuesday, April 29

7:00AM: Roger McCully

5:15PM: Betty Lawler

Wednesday, April 30

7:00AM: Jonathan Tower

5:15PM: Marie Baldus

Thursday, May 1

7:00AM: Jason Martin

5:15PM: For an End to Abortion

Friday, May 2

7:00AM: Magdalen Walsh

9:00AM: Charlie Walsh

5:15PM: Alice Risheson

Saturday, May 3

8:30AM: Trudy Nicholas

5:00PM: Virginia Reiser & Anna Mae
Lehmann

Sunday, May 4

8:30AM: Steven Perry

10:30AM: Saint Cecilia Parishioners

5:00PM: In Thanksgiving for Healing
(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 27, 2008

Sunday: Acts 8:5-8, 14-17/1 Pt 3:15-18/Jn 14:15-21

Monday: Acts 16:11-15/Jn 15:26-16:4a

Tuesday: Acts 16:22-34/Jn 16:5-11

Wednesday: Acts 17:15, 22-18:1/Jn 16:12-15

Thursday: (Easter Weekday) Acts 18:1-8/Jn 16:16-20

Friday: Acts 18:9-18/Jn 16:20-23

Saturday: 1 Cor 15:1-8/Jn 14:6-14

Next Sunday: Ascension of the Lord:

Acts 1:1-11/Eph 1:17-23/Mt 28:16-20

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