



Saint Cecilia Catholic Community

www.stceciliaparish.org

July 27, 2008

17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass Schedule

Saturday 5:00 PM

Sunday 8:30 AM & 10:30 AM

5:00 PM. Misa en Español

Tuesday thru Friday

7:00AM, 5:15PM Chapel

Reconciliation

Saturday 3:30-4:30PM

and by appointment

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Rent Our Facilities

Parties/Weddings/Birthdays

Call the Parish Office: 233-3092

Reception Coordinators

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Who's in Heaven?

I was shocked, confused, bewildered
As I entered Heaven's door,
Not by the beauty of it all,
By the lights or its décor.

But it was the folks in Heaven
Who made me sputter and gasp—
The thieves, the liars, the sinners,
The alcoholics, the trash.

There stood the kid from seventh grade
Who swiped my lunch money twice.
Next to him was my old neighbor
Who never said anything nice.

She, who I always thought
Was rotting away in hell,
Was sitting pretty on cloud nine,
Looking incredibly well.



I nudged Jesus, "What's the deal?
I would love to hear your take.
How'd all these sinners get up here?
God must've made a mistake.

And why's everyone so quiet,
So somber? Give me a clue."
"Hush child," said He. "They're all in shock.
No one thought they'd see you!"

Religious Education

for the whole parish family

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

Forms available on the parish website or stop by the Religious Education Office

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

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

Help Needed! Seeking catechists and youth group leaders for the 2008-2009 school year. Visit the above website for a full description of volunteer positions. Contact Anna if interested.

RCIA

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

Baptism Class

Our next preparation session is **Thursday, August 7, 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: July 28.

Tuesday Morning Bible Study: Will not meet in July. Next Meeting, Tuesday, August 5, 10:00AM, A/Y Room.

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 involving 10-12 phone calls per year. Call John at 232-3514 for more information.

Place Your Order

The Year of St. Paul Jubilee Bible Study by Fr. Mitch Pacwa. Learn how Paul's life can lead you to personal growth in your faith. For group or personal study— \$8.95 order now.

The Apostles by Pope Benedict XVI plus Study Guide.

The Fathers by Pope Benedict XVI plus Study Guide. Ask about group discounts.

Book Store Hours

Open Aug 2, 1:00-6:00PM

Aug 3, 9:30AM-Noon

E-mail: lembookman@aol.com



Cornfest Sign-up In the Narthex

July 26/27

August 2/3

Cornfest weekend August 23/24

Many volunteers are needed for set-up, serving, clean-up, corn preparation, games, etc. Please consider helping for a couple of hours.

MEETINGS/EVENTS

Sanctity of Human Life Committee will meet in the South Social Hall, after the 8:30AM Mass on Sunday, August 3.

Interfaith Dialogue Continues at the mosque, Darul Argun Islamic Center, 1212 Iowa Avenue, Sunday, July 27, 2:00-4:00PM.

Fellowship for Parents/Playgroup will meet the 1st & 3rd Wednesdays of the month, 10:00-11:30AM at Brookside Park during summer months. Next playgroup will be **August 6**. 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. Meet at the play area near the 6th St. parking lot.

Memo to Parish Groups and Organizations:

Please send names of new leaders and/or contact persons to the Parish Office by phone, 233-3092, or e-mail:

parish-sec@stceciliaparish.org

Positions Available

Two 1/5 time preschool associate positions available or could be combined. Each day is 3.5 hours.

• Tuesday & Thursday morning for preschool teacher Ms. Marie Bohr.

• Thursday & Friday afternoon for preschool teacher Mrs. Lindsey Wirth.

If interested, please contact Dr. Budnik at 515-232-5290, Monday—Friday, 8:00AM-3:00PM.



Votive Light Stand

Through the generosity of Rita and Phil Baumel, a new votive light stand is now available in the Chapel for those who enjoy lighting candles in conjunction with their prayer intentions. The votive lights on the new stand are electrified. Simply push the button in front of the candle. A \$1 gift is the recommended donation. A slot is available for bills or coins. We, once again, want to thank the Baumels for their love of Saint Cecilia Parish and for their generosity.

Pictorial Directories

Directories that have not been picked up can be found on a table in the Narthex near the Parish Office. If you did not have your picture taken and wish to purchase a directory (\$10), contact the Parish Office.

Box Tops and Campbell's Labels

Please continue to save Campbell soup labels and Box Tops for Education. A collection box is located in the usher's room. Funds from box tops and labels are used by Saint Cecilia School for additional equipment and supplies. If you have any questions, please contact Brenda Neppel at 663-9742 or Diana Thatcher at 292-9511. Thank you!

Urgent Need: ESL Tutors

Tutors are needed in the English as a Second Language program. Meetings are held Thursdays at 10:00AM and 7:00PM in the St. Clare Room. Knowledge of a second language is not necessary. Training available for those who wish it. For information on the morning session contact, Dr. Palmer Holden (231-5543). For information on the evening session call Dr. Karl Gwiasda (232-7582).

Eucharistic Adoration

Beginning September 1, the Burke Chapel will be accessible for Eucharistic Adoration between the hours of 10:00PM & 6:00AM only through the double doors directly south of the Chapel. The doors will be locked for the security of the adorers, and the Chapel will be accessed by use of a keypad (located on the east wall of the entrance about 5 feet off the ground). Scheduled adorers have been notified and given the access code. Anyone who is not on the schedule, but would like to spend time with the Blessed Sacrament during the hours of 10:00PM—6:00AM is asked to call the Parish Office at 233-3092 for information regarding the access code. Visits to the Blessed Sacrament at any time of the day or night are still encouraged. While there have been no new security issues, Saint Cecilia Church is dedicated to responsibly providing for the security of the Eucharistic Adoration team and all parishioners and visitors.

Your Financial Stewardship (July 14-20)

Weekly Contributions (general) \$ 18,383
Needed weekly to meet expenses \$ 19,648
Weekly Contributions (building) \$ 505

More detailed information can be shared by contacting Jerry Greiving at the Parish Office. Remember automatic contributions can be made directly from your bank account on the 1st or 15th of each month.

Basic Catholic Teaching Review

During the month of August reviews will be offered covering The Creed, Sacraments, Prayer, and the Bible. These reviews are for all parishioners and especially for catechists and potential catechists. **Classes will meet Monday and Thursday evenings, 7:00-9:00PM in the Sun Room.** For your convenience, each topic will be offered more than once.

Prayer: August 4, (repeated August 14, 20)

Sacraments: August 11 (repeated August 21)

Creed: August 18 (repeated August 28)

Bible: August 7 (repeated August 19, 25)

Appalachia Service Trip

Our youth and their leaders leave this weekend to spend a week in the Harlan, Kentucky area working through COAP on various repair/improvement projects in the area. Thank you to all who contributed to their fund raising projects. Please keep them in your prayers this week.

COMMUNITY

Plant a Row for the Hungry

Clean, quality fruits and vegetables as well as simple recipes for the produce are accepted each Monday morning 7:00-8:30AM at the Reiman Garden Maintenance Building.

If you are interested in becoming a volunteer or have questions about the program, call 515-231-5926 or visit

www.reimangardens.iastate.edu



The National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI)

will hold its annual Garage Sale Fundraiser on Friday, August 1, 4:00 - 7:00PM, and Saturday, August 2 8:00AM - 1:00PM, at St. Andrew's Lutheran Church, 209 Colorado Ave., Ames. Please take donated items to St. Andrew's Church, July 30 or 31, from 9:00AM-3:00PM. Adult clothing, computers, or dehumidifiers **not** accepted. Tax letters are provided for donations. NAMI-CI is a United Way of Story County agency and will receive a matching grant from Thrivent Financial for Lutherans. For more information, call Deb Niehof, 515-292-9400.



Special Thanks to all who generously contributed to the Disaster Relief Fund. As of July 22, a total of \$13,627 has been collected to aid those who seek help through Catholic Charities. If you wish to contribute, please send your gift (designated *Disaster Relief*) to the parish office no later than July 31.

Catechism of the Catholic Church

PART ONE: THE PROFESSION OF FAITH

SECTION ONE "I BELIEVE"—"WE BELIEVE"

Chapter Three: Man's response to God, Article 1, I BELIEVE

III THE CHARACTERISTICS OF FAITH

Faith is a Human Act

154 Believing is possible only by grace and the interior helps of the Holy Spirit. But it is no less true that believing is an authentically human act. Trusting in God and cleaving to the truths he has revealed are contrary neither to human freedom nor to human reason. Even in human relations it is not contrary to our dignity to believe what other persons tell us about themselves and their intentions or to trust their promises (for example, when a man and a woman marry) to share a communion of life with one another. If this is so, still less is it contrary to our dignity to "yield by faith the full submission of...intellect and will to God who reveals," and to share in an interior communion with him.

155 In faith, the human intellect and will cooperate with divine grace: "Believing is an act of the intellect assenting to the divine truth by command of the will moved by God through grace."

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Though it is now the peak of summer, many gardeners look forward to the fall, when they will be planting many flower bulbs. To some, it may seem like too much work with nothing to show for it; digging a hole in the dirt, dropping something in, and covering it up. But the good gardener knows that come spring, what took a bit of work a few months ago has been rewarded with a tapestry of colors.

Jesus' parable of the treasure in the field is a wonderful way to describe the kingdom of heaven. Within each of us, God has planted his word. And as we find it, we are called to give up everything in this worldly life that has no value and no place in heaven, just as the man in the parable who sold everything in order to own the field which contained the treasure.

The most beautiful aspect of this treasure is that it can always be shared without ever diminishing itself within you! As faithful followers of Jesus Christ, we are entrusted with passing this treasure on from generation to generation. We do this by professing the faith, by living it in fraternal sharing, and by celebrating it in liturgy and prayer (CCC 3). Look deeply into your own heart; uncover that treasure of the love of the Lord, and share it with everyone.

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Saturday, July 26

5:00PM: Arnold Winslow

Sunday, July 27

8:30AM: Raymond Evans

10:30AM: Teddy Legg

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

Tuesday, July 29

7:00AM: Don Finnegan

5:15PM: Edward & Marcella Noethe

Wednesday, July 30

7:00AM: Martha Galecki

5:15PM: Bob Fleege

Thursday, July 31

7:00AM: Stephen Asjes

5:15PM: Tom Weigel

Friday, August 1

7:00AM: For an End to Abortion

5:15PM: Patrick Lane Family

Saturday, August 2

8:30AM: Clarence & Francis Thole

5:00PM: Arnold Winslow

Sunday, August 3

8:30AM: Raymond Evans

10:30AM: Teddy Legg

5:00PM: Saint Cecilia Parishioners

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, (the rosary is said for Pro-life the first Monday of each month).

Tuesday-Friday, before 7:00AM Mass.

Christians in the Spirit: Tuesday, 7:15-9:00PM

Saturday Morning Prayer: 7:00AM

Chaplet of Divine Mercy: Friday, 3:00PM

Prayer Hour for Youth & the Future of the Church:
Friday, 4:00PM

Saint Cecilia Prayer Chain Requests:

stceciliapraychain@gmail.com or call

Marge Sutter at 233-2622.

Readings for the Week of July 27, 2008

Sunday: 1 Kgs 3:5, 7-12/Rom 8:28-30/Mt 13:44-52
or 13:44-46

Monday: Jer 13:1-11/Mt 13:31-35

Tuesday: Jer 14:17-22/Jn 11:19-27 or Lk 10:38-42

Wednesday: Jer 15:10, 16-21/Mt 13:44-46

Thursday: Jer 18:1-6/Mt 13:47-53

Friday: Jer 26:1-9/Mt 13:54-58

Saturday: Jer 26:11-16, 24/Mt 14:1-12

Next Sunday: Is 55:1-3/Rom 8:35, 37-39/Mt 14:13-21