

## Saint Cecilia Catholic Community

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### Building Fund Update

This past week the Saint Cecilia Development Commission sent to your homes, a brochure on the Building Fund Update. An additional copy is included in this bulletin for those who may not have received it.

Many of us realize that we are in the last year of a 5 year pledge campaign in regards to the new Narthex (Gathering Space). Good stewardship calls us to pay off our debt before we can begin the next building phase in regard to planning a new church.

We thank the parishioners who have honored their commitments in this 5 year capital campaign. This is the time for all parishioners to help us eliminate our debt by making a donation prior to the end of the year. I'm sure you would agree with me that the Narthex is beautiful and has benefited our parish.

Thank You!

*Fr. Nienhaus*

**August 3, 2008**  
18th 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

### Pastoral Staff

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**Pastor:** Father Ivan Nienhaus  
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**Deacons:** Gary Aitchison, John McCully, Ron Smith, Richard Tondra

**Director of Music & Liturgy:**  
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### Religious Education

(515) 232-3514

**Director of Religious Education**

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**Youth Ministry Coordinator**

Anna Steele, [asteel@stceciliaparish.org](mailto:asteel@stceciliaparish.org)

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### School

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**Principal: Dr. Tom Budnik**

[tbudnik@stceciliaparish.org](mailto:tbudnik@stceciliaparish.org)

**Administrative Assistant: Lois Vidimos**

[lvidimos@stceciliaparish.org](mailto:lvidimos@stceciliaparish.org)

### Parish Office

(515) 233-3092 - Fax: 233-6423

**Office Hours:** 8AM-5 PM Mon-Fri  
2900 Hoover Avenue, Ames, IA 50010

**Business Manager:** Jerry Greving  
[jgreving@stceciliaparish.org](mailto:jgreving@stceciliaparish.org)

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**Administrative Assistant:** Joan Jones  
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### Rent Our Facilities

**Parties/Weddings/Birthdays**

Call the Parish Office: 233-3092

**Reception Coordinators**

**Judy Trumpy:** [jmtrumpy@gmail.com](mailto:jmtrumpy@gmail.com)

**Jane Baty:** [jbaty1@aol.com](mailto:jbaty1@aol.com)



## 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)

**At Home With the Word 2009** is a guide to a deeper understanding of the Sunday readings. A bulk order for those desiring this resource will be made in early September. Cost is \$6, due when the book is picked up. To order a copy, call the Religious Education Office, 232-3514.

## 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.

## Save the Date: Monday, September 22

Fr. John Haugen of Loras College will present *Radical Hospitality* followed by an updated training session for all parishioners who are currently or newly involved in any of the liturgical, hospitality, or music ministries.

## EWTN's Family Celebration In Illinois

*Called to Conversion in the Year of St. Paul*

You are invited to the Northern Illinois University Campus, DeKalb, October 4/5. Tickets are free. Check the website [www.ewtn.com](http://www.ewtn.com) or call 205-795-5820 for details.

## Your Financial Stewardship (July 21-27)

Weekly Contributions (general) \$ 15,785

Needed weekly to meet expenses \$ 19,648

Weekly Contributions (building) \$ 1,888

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

## OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE

### Volunteers Needed:

- ✓ To help with weekly grass trimming along the west side of the church property.
- ✓ To put water sealant on the wooden statue of Jesus located in the south playground area.

If you would be willing to help in either of these areas please call Ed Fawkes, Facilities Commission at 232-5860.

### Bingo Prizes for Cornfest may be taken to the Parish Office

This is a great way to recycle your "White Elephants"

### 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.

### 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 Gwasda (232-7582).

### 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.

## COMMUNITY

**Ames Historical Society** is pleased to announce the display of a recently donated collection of antique Catholic Holy Cards which belonged to Saint Cecilia parishioner Dan Konrady's great and great-great grandmothers. Holy Cards were typically sent in response to donations or membership dues paid to religious organizations, or to mark significant life events such as ordinations, memorials, etc. Dating from the 1870s to the mid 1900s, these Holy Cards feature verses in German, French, Latin, and English. The artwork ranges from black and white to color, gold, and silver, often framed with intricate, delicate borders.

### Custodian

Immediate opening at Saint Cecilia church/school. Duties include cleaning services and light maintenance in buildings and grounds. One or more position(s) may be filled on a full-time or part-time basis depending on the interest of the applicants. \$9 to \$11 per hour plus benefits. Persons with prior custodial experience may apply by sending a letter of application with qualifications to Jerry Greving, Business Manager, Saint Cecilia Parish, 2900 Hoover Avenue, Ames, IA 50010 by August 18.



# 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 and Understanding

**156** What moves us to believe is not the fact that revealed truths appear as true and intelligible in the light of our natural reason: we believe "because of the authority of God himself who reveals them, who can neither deceive nor be deceived". So "that the submission of our faith might nevertheless be in accordance with reason, God willed that external proofs of his Revelation should be joined to the internal helps of the Holy Spirit." Thus the miracles of Christ and the saints, prophecies, the Church's growth and holiness, and her fruitfulness and stability "are the most certain signs of divine Revelation, adapted to the intelligence of all"; they are "motives of credibility" (*motiva credibilitatis*), which show that the assent of faith is "by no means a blind impulse of the mind."

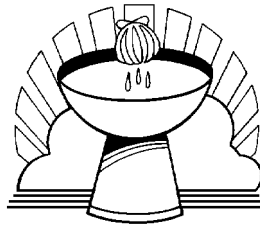
## 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

In Hollywood's version of Man of La Mancha, Don Quixote sings of doing what seems impossible—fighting unbeatable foes, righting unrightable wrongs, trying when one's arms are too weary. But it is the last verse which is the most powerful: "And the world will be better for this / that one man, scorned and covered with scars / still strove with his last ounce of courage / to reach the unreachable star."

In today's Gospel reading from Matthew, we hear the story of the feeding of the 5,000 people with only a few loaves of bread and a couple of fish. Impossible, you say? This is the only miracle of Jesus that is recorded in all four Gospels. Our lesson is to look deeper into the miracle and realize that the gifts God has given us are so plentiful we can share with those around us, especially those who need God the most.

Once we have grasped the reality of God's power, we will then confirm our faith and hope because we will once and for all know that nothing is impossible with God (CCC 274). When faced with a seemingly impossible challenge, do not allow the test of doubt to keep you from realizing your potential. Even the disciples, who witnessed so many miracles, coped with doubt as to the resurrection of Christ; look at what they were able to accomplish!

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## July Baptisms

**Tristan Mark**, son of Mark & Amy Crabbs  
**Brody Joseph**, son of Brant & Annette Lemer  
**Jessie Ann**, daughter of Jason & Linda Lohman  
**Christopher Jacob**, son of Joshua & Sara Opheim  
**Jacob Charles**, son of Andrew & Marisa Weisskopf  
**Avery Marie**, daughter of Aaron & Lindsay Wirth



Available in the  
Parish Office  
\$10

**Please remember in your prayers:**  
**MARY HUNTLEY**, mother of Nancy Kraus, and  
**RITA BIELEFELDT**, sister of Louise Jacobson,  
Marlene Michaud and Marie Swenson, 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 2

5:00PM: Mark Wessman

### Sunday, August 3

8:30AM: Saint Cecilia Parishioners  
10:30AM: Chris Sillman  
5:00PM: John Elbert  
Misa en Español (Chapel)

### Tuesday, August 5

7:00AM: John & Theresa Hudak  
5:15PM: Ray Uthe

### Wednesday, August 6

7:00AM: Special Intention  
5:15PM: Joanne Steinhoff

### Thursday, August 7

7:00AM: Louise Lowery  
5:15PM: Rita Bielefeldt

### Friday, August 8

7:00AM: Donald & Jared Finnegan  
5:15PM: Mr. John Teehan

### Saturday, August 9

5:00PM: Mike Rolling

### Sunday, August 10

8:30AM: Ray & Helen Michaud  
10:30AM: Saint Cecilia Parishioners  
5:00PM: For an Increase in Vocations  
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, (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](mailto:stceciliapraychain@gmail.com) or call  
Marge Sutter at 233-2622.

## Readings for the Week of August 3, 2008

Sunday: Is 55:1-3/Rom 8:35, 37-39/Mt 14:13-21  
Monday: Jer 28:1-17/Mt 14:22-36  
Tuesday: Jer 30:1-2, 12-15, 18-22/Mt 14:22-36 or  
Mt 15:1-2, 10-14  
Wednesday: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14/2 Pt 1:16-19/Mt 17:1-9  
Thursday: Jer 31:31-34/Mt 16:13-23  
Friday: Na 2:1, 3; 3:1-3, 6-7/Mt 16:24-28  
Saturday: Hb 1:12-2:4/Mt 17:14-20  
Next Sunday: 1 Kgs 19:9a, 11-13a/Rom 9:1-5/Mt 14:22-33