



Saint Cecilia Catholic Community

Humanae Vitae

An Encyclical Letter of Pope Paul VI

A Retrospective from 40 Years Later

Presented by Fr. Brian Dellaert

Humanae Vitae was a controversial encyclical published during the tumultuous period of the 60's. Fr. Dellaert will address what the encyclical teaches and its continuing relevance.

Wednesday, October 1

Talk 7:00PM

Soup Supper at 6:00PM



September 28, 2008

26th 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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Call the Parish Office: 233-3092

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Religious Education

for the whole parish family

Register for Programs in the Religious Education Office
Monday-Friday 8:00AM-4:00PM

Grades 1-5

Monday classes meet 6:15-7:30PM. Next class: September 29.
Wednesday classes meet 4:00-5:15PM. First class is October 2.

Middle School Youth (Grades 6-8)

Classes meet Wednesdays 7:00-8:15PM, Next class: October 1
YIKES Lock-in with St. Thomas Aquinas, November 2, 6PM-Midnight.

Fall Youth Rally Monday, November 10, 6:30PM, Narthex. \$10

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

Youth Ministry Grades 9-12

Classes meet Wednesdays 7:00-8:15PM, Next class: October 1

World Youth Day 2011 will be held in Madrid, Spain. Youth who will be at least 16 by the summer of 2011 are eligible to attend. Fundraising will begin soon for those who would like to attend this life-changing event.

Archdiocesan Fall Youth Rally: **Obey Your Thirst**, Sunday, November 9, 8AM-5PM, (includes Mass) in Waterloo, featuring Fr. Tony Ricard (from New Orleans) & Andy Cloninger. Visit www.thirst rally.com. \$50. Sign up with Anna by October 15.

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, October 2, 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.

Tuesday Morning Bible Study: Meets Tuesday mornings 10:00-11:00AM in the A/Y Room. Social time begins at 9:30AM.

Altar Server Training

Youth 5th grade and older may consider an altar serving ministry. Training sessions will be held in the Church. Please choose ONE of the following sessions

Monday, October 13: 7:30-8:15PM

Wednesday, October 15, 2:15-3:00PM or 5:15-6:00PM. Call Wayne Baumhover (290-8586) with questions.

Thank You to the parishioners who helped with the tree pruning and trimming on parish grounds. Your work is appreciated.

Coffee & Donuts served
after 8:30 & 10:30AM Masses

Our Lady of Guadalupe Shrine

October 15: 7:30AM-10:30PM

\$79 per person includes:

- Roundtrip motor coach to La Crosse, Wisconsin
- Delicious hot lunch at the Shrine
- Orientation video and guided tour
- Mass in the beautiful new church
- Time to explore the grounds
- Taxes and tips

The new \$25,000,000 shrine is built on 70 acres and took 8 years to build. It includes a Church, Pilgrim Center, Meditation Trail, Outdoor Stations of the Cross, Votive Chapel, Restaurant, Devotional areas and gift shop. For details, visit the website

www.guadalupe Shrine.org. Registration forms can be found on the west bulletin board in the Narthex or Contact Sandi at Sail Aweigh (233-5203). October 10 deadline.

MEETINGS/EVENTS

SCCCW (Saint Cecilia Council of Catholic Women) will hold a soup supper Thursday, October 2, 6:00PM, in the Social Hall. Dr. Tom Budnik, Saint Cecilia School Principal will present the program, with a meeting to follow. All women of the parish are invited to attend.

Widows, Widowers & Single Seniors Group will meet Sunday, October 12, 11:45AM at Perkins restaurant. Call Pat Rood at 232-3594 for reservations or more information.

Fellowship for Parents/Playgroup every Wednesday of the month, 10:00-11:30AM in the A/Y room. 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.

Weekend for Widows/Widowers

This weekend is an opportunity to move forward after the death of a spouse; chance for personal growth with new friends and a time to renew hope. October 17 and/or 18 at the beautiful YMCA Camp in Boone. For more information, contact Judy Anderson at judy00050@yahoo.com or 290-3268

Mark Your Calendar

October 14: Parish Potluck

November 23: Christmas Market

From the Pastor,

The bishops of Iowa have designated Sunday, September 28 as Faithful Citizenship Sunday. Archbishop Hanus has asked that we distribute two documents in our bulletin: the *Forming of Consciences for Faithful Citizenship* and *Faithful Citizenship for Iowa Catholics*. If you have any questions contact Tom Chapman at 515-243-6256 or tom@iowacatholicconference.org. The "Faithful Citizenship" efforts are in full compliance with IRS regulations on political activity by churches.

Fr. Nienhaus

Saint Cecilia School News

October 3: 9:00AM, All School Mass



Blessing of the Animals

Then God said "let the earth bring forth all kinds of living creatures: cattle, creeping things, and wild animals of all kinds." Genesis 1:24. Please bring your pets to be blessed by Fr. Nienhaus, **Friday, October 3, 2:45PM**. Meet in the grassy area on the north side of the Education Center.

Look for our school link on the parish website:

www.stceciliaparish.org

Memorial Dedication

All Parishioners are encouraged to join Fr. Nienhaus, the Knights of Columbus, and the Sanctity of Life Committee in the dedication of the Memorial to the Unborn at the Ames Municipal Cemetery, 13th and Maxwell, on Sunday, October 5, 12:00PM. The monument was completed in May and is located on the north side of the cemetery in the Catholic section east of the Monsignor Supple Cross.

Tornado & Flood Relief

The tornado victims of Parkersburg and the flood victims of New Hartford are still in need of our help. Our Local and Global Outreach committee is supporting collection of needed items for the victims. Suggested donations include paper products, cleaning supplies, diapers, formula, batteries, sheets, towels, pots/pans, kitchen utensils, battery operated clocks or clock radios. Collection boxes for the items can be found in the Narthex. The Nespore family will deliver items to the affected areas.



Pray the Rosary Before Mass

The month of October is dedicated to Our Lady of The Rosary. The recitation of the Rosary is considered to be one of the most beautiful devotions to Our Lady. Prayer will begin 25 minutes prior to the start of the 5:00PM, 8:30 & 10:30 AM Masses throughout the month of October.

The Rosary in its present form was introduced by St. Dominic, founder of the Dominican Order. This prayer soon became a favorite with people who recited it at home and in church. It is Mary's wish that we recite the Rosary daily during this month.

Director of Development

Saint Cecilia Catholic Community is seeking a Director of Development. The Director is responsible for fundraising activities to include: annual giving, anticipated building campaign, planned giving and major gift coordination. Three to five years of development experience working with Church/School or higher education is preferred. An undergraduate degree is required. To further explore this opportunity, candidate should send a cover letter and resume by October 10 to Jerry Greving, Business Manager, Saint Cecilia Church, 2900 Hoover Avenue, Ames, Iowa 50010 or email jgreving@stceciliaparish.org.

OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE

Volunteers Needed

Wedding Receptions and Parties Committee
Jane Baty and Judy Trumpy are recruiting parishioners (men as well as women) for a committee to serve wedding receptions, anniversary receptions, birthday parties and other special events. This is a large committee so members can be expected to be called 2 or 3 times a year for approximately 3 hours. It involves table setting, simple cold food preparation, serving food, making coffee and dishwashing. We hope to make wedding receptions and parties at Saint Cecilia an attractive and economical option for parishioners. If interested, call Jane (292-9071) or Judy at (292-4499).



Catechists and Youth Group Leaders for the 2008-2009 school year. Visit www.freewebs.com/stceciliayouth for a full description of volunteer positions. Contact Anna if interested.

ESL Tutors

Tutors are needed in the English as a Second Language program. Sessions are held Thursdays at 10:00AM and 7:00PM for 90 minutes. There are 25-30 students in the two sessions. Most activity is one or two students per tutor and involves visiting, helping with reading or edition writing. Knowledge of a second language is NOT needed. Please call Palmer Holden at 231-5543 (morning) or Karl Gwiasda at 232-7582 (evening) for information. Those interested may visit one of the sessions to see how easy it is and how much the students appreciate the tutors.

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.

Book and Gift Shop

Radical Hospitality, Benedict's Way of Love, referred to by Fr. Haugen, is available via special order at 20% off the regular price of \$16.95. You may also order the Companion Guide by Robert Gibson at 20% off the \$6.95 price. Orders are being taken for the *Liturgy of the Hours Guide for 2009* by Catholic Book Publishers: \$2 (\$2.75 for large print). You may call 233-2695 to order with name, phone number and number of copies wanted.

October is Rosary Month. All rosaries, rosary bags, and books are 20% off.

Open Saturday, October 11 3:00-6:00PM

Sunday, October 12 9:30AM-Noon

Open by appointment Thursday and Friday Noon to 1:00PM
Call Char for appointment at 233-3092 or 232-2695

Your Financial Stewardship (Sept. 15-21)

Weekly Contributions (general) \$ 13,984

Needed weekly to meet expenses \$ 19,648

Weekly Contributions (building) \$ 7,919

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.

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 - the beginning of eternal life

165 It is then we must turn to the witnesses of faith: to Abraham, who "in hope...believed against hope", to the Virgin Mary, who in "her pilgrimage of faith," walked into the "night of faith" in sharing the darkness of her son's suffering and death; and to so many others: "Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight, and sin which clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus the pioneer and perfecter of our faith."

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Today's Gospel reading from Matthew is a very short parable of two sons. These boys were the recipients of many gifts, including a loving father, a home, food, and a place to work—their father's vineyard. It was this vineyard and its crop that allowed these boys to have their gifts; yet when their father asked them to work in the vineyard, one said no (but later returned and did the work) and the other said yes (but never followed through on his promise). Such is how we live our lives—some eventually giving thanks for their gifts, others meaning to but never getting around to it.

The Catechism of the Catholic Church reminds us that we are called upon to make promises to God frequently in our lives; in baptism, weddings, confirmation, holy orders, we make promises (CCC 2101). Just as Jesus Christ promised us everlasting peace in the arms of a loving God, our promise to "work in the vineyard"—to live our lives as a sign of gratitude for our many gifts—must be kept. This is a sign not only of love for God but respect. So too must we keep our promises to each other, because the love and respect we show to others we show to God too. The road to heaven is paved with promises fulfilled!

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AT SAINT THOMAS AQUINAS

Centering Prayer Workshop —Saturday, October 4, 9:30AM-3:00PM

Rooted in the words of Jesus and in the spiritual practices in the early centuries of Christianity, centering prayer is a prayer of silence, a prayer of consenting to God's presence and action within oneself. Through this prayer, we are prepared to turn our attention outward to discover God's presence everywhere. Presented in the lower lounge by Kathy Reardon of the Des Moines Pastoral Counseling center. A simple lunch will be served. Suggested donation for the meal and event is \$20. An additional six follow-up sessions will further the understanding and practice of centering prayer. Call Mary Merchant at 268-3140 or Todd Flowerday at 292-3810 with questions. Please call STA in advance at 292-3810 if you plan to attend.

Jubilee Year of St. Paul—Series of Talks

A six-week series of talks addressing teachings of St. Paul begins Thursday, October 2, 7:00PM in the Prophets and Martyrs room. All are welcome to come for one or all of the talks. Babysitting provided. For more information, call Nannet Horton at 292-5486. Sponsored by STA Prayer Group.

Week 1: Called, Justified, and Saved by Grace

Week 2: Living in the Holy Spirit

Week 3: Embracing the Cross of Jesus Christ

Week 4: Learning to Pray Without Ceasing

Week 5: Living a Virtuous Life: Faith, Hope and Love

Week 6: Rejoicing in the Victory of God

Please remember in your prayers:

RITA SCHMITZ, mother of Peg Gaul and **BECKY SHELDON**, sister of Cindy Stark. 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 27

5:00PM: Sr. Gene Marie OFM

Sunday, September 28

8:30AM: Saint Cecilia Parishioners

10:30AM: Magdalene Walsh

5:00PM: Trudy Dubon

Misa en Español (Chapel)

Tuesday, September 30

7:00AM: Teddy Legg

5:15PM: For an End to Abortion

Wednesday, October 1

7:00AM: Glen Torgerson

5:15PM: Jacob Michael Streit

Thursday, October 2

7:00AM: Rita Bielfeldt

5:15PM: Helen Michaud

Friday, October 3

7:00AM: Paul & Stella Volcko

9:00AM: Rita Schmitz

5:15PM: Msgr. Bernard Collins

Saturday, October 4

8:30AM: For Holy Marriages

5:00PM: Sr. Gene Marie OFM

Sunday, October 5

8:30AM: Kathy Pelzer

10:30AM: George Lemanczyk

5:00PM: Juanita Dubon

Maria Jose Dubon

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

Liturgy of the Hours: Saturday, 7:00AM

Saint Cecilia Prayer Chain Requests:

stceciliapraychain@gmail.com or call

Marge Sutter at 233-2622.

Readings for the Week of September 28, 2008

Sunday: Ez 18:25-28/Phil 2:1-11 or 2:1-5/Mt 21:28-32

Monday: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 or Rv 12:7-12a/Jn 1:47-51

Tuesday: Jb 3:1-3, 11-17, 20-23/Lk 9:51-56

Wednesday: Jb 9:1-12, 14-16/Lk 9:57-62

Thursday: Jb 19:21-27/Mt 18:1-5, 10

Friday: Jb 38:1, 12-21; 40:3-5/Lk 10:13-16

Saturday: Jb 42:1-3, 5-6, 12-17/Lk 10:17-24

Next Sunday: Is 5:1-7/Phil 4:6-9/Mt 21:33-43

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