

Saint Cecilia

CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

2900 Hoover Avenue • Ames, IA 50010

www.stceciliaparish.org

May 17, 2009

6th Sunday of Easter



Graduation Blessing

Dear Lord,
the life that you have given us has many stages.
Please bless these young people today,
as they leave one stage of life and begin another.
Guide them as they finish this chapter
in the story you have written for them,
and begin a new one, written on a fresh page.
Help them to make the right choices, Lord.
May they always remember
that past choices need not sully a bright future,
nor good choices in the past
ensure that tomorrow will be carefree and easy.
Most of all, remind them, Lord,
that no one's story is fully lived
unless you are allowed to be its one, true author
by those who live it.
Amen.

Congratulations to the Following Seniors

Bryann Benda
Jacob Best
Stephanie Bohnert
Morgan Bradley
Cale Brakke
Jordan Bundy
Kaitlin Clancy
Spencer Cruise
Ross Davis
Blake DeBont
Stormie Dickerson
Connor Dougherty
Emily Edsall
Kelsey Engelken
Jessica Gosch
Chase Haselhoff
Miguel Hegland
John Hopper
Ian Herrman

Katie Isebrands
Jill Joerger
Michaela Jones
Sarah Kirts
Scott Klinkel
Sarah Koehler
Christina Ling
Samantha McGee
Ryan McGowan
Andrea Metzger
Rebecca Miller
Austin Minnihan
Michael Misra
Michael Naughton
Brent Novey
Maura Owings
Christopher Peterson
Erik Peters
Alan Randall

Julia Reynolds
Quentin Ring
Catherine Rubino
Christina Sacco
Stephen Sawyer
Michael Schmidt
Justin Schoenrock
Colin Shriver
Brett Simpson
Shelbi Spear
Stephen Stark
Taylor Steenblock
Isaac Strohmman
Christian Terrones
Kristin Tylka
Ashley Williams
Andrew Walton
Kathryn Witt

Please accept our apologies if you are a graduating senior and your name is not included in the above list.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION



Vacation Bible School

Kids ages 4-10 will have the opportunity to participate in this year's Vacation Bible School: **Crocodile Dock—Where Fearless Kids Shine God's Light**, the week of

June 8-12. Participants and volunteers may register at any time. Forms are available in the Saint Cecilia Education Center Office, or via e-mail request. Many volunteers are needed to make this year's program another great success.

Please contact Heather Currans at 233-2690, chcurrans@mchsi.com or heathc2009@hotmail.com to inquire about available volunteer positions.

Preschool & Kindergarten

Meets First & Third Sundays of the Month during the 10:30AM Mass. May date: 17 (last session until fall)

Youth Ministry Grades 9-12

Girls of Grace: A study group for 8th grade girls only, 6-7:00PM, Wednesdays thru May 20.

Glory: 7:00-9:00PM, May 17, 24 & 31.

Graduation Mass: May 17, 8:30AM

RCIA

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

Baptism Class

Our next preparation session is **Thursday, June 4, 6:30-9:00PM** in the A/Y Room. **All parents seeking baptism for their child are expected to attend a preparation session even though they may have attended previously.** To register for the class or schedule a baptism, please call the Religious Education office at 232-3514.

Adult Education

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

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

Blessing of Religious Items This Weekend

Fr. Nienhaus will bless religious items in the Narthex following 5:00PM & 8:30 & 10:30AM Masses this weekend, May 16/17.

MEETINGS/EVENTS

Our Lady's Rosary Makers will meet at Pauline Skarda's home on Tuesday, May 19 at 9:30AM. Anyone wishing to make rosaries can call 233-1393.

Sixty Plus Group will meet Tuesday, May 26, 11:30AM, for a social and lunch at the Pizza Ranch, 1404 Boston (just west of North Dayton Road & north of E 13th St.).

Social Concerns Committee will meet Monday, May 18, 6:30PM in the South Social Hall. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Fellowship for Parents/Playgroup will meet 10:00-11:30AM in the A/Y room on Wednesday, May 20 and will meet at Brookside Park on Wednesday, May 27. The Group will meet the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of the month during June, July and August, 10:00-11:30AM at Brookside Park. Contact Jon Ryan at 232-2075 or sjryan2@isunet.net or Jenni Mortimer at starkmortimer@yahoo.com or 296-1858. All are welcome to attend.

Altar Server Ministry

Youth, just finishing their fourth grade year and older, may consider an Altar Server ministry. The role of the server is to assist the other ministers of the liturgy, especially the Presider, so that the ceremonies proceed smoothly. Their functions include holding the book as the Presider leads the community in prayer and offering and returning various objects as they are needed in the worship service. The training session will be held in the Church, and will last about an hour. New servers will be scheduled and added to the server list this summer. Please choose one of these sessions for training: Monday, May 18, 3:30-4:30PM or Wednesday, May 20, 6:30-7:30PM. Any questions please contact Wayne Baumhover at 290-8586.



Adoration Schedule for Memorial Day

There will be a break in the Eucharistic Adoration schedule from 7AM on Friday, May 22 until 7AM on Tuesday, May 26

SCHOOL NEWS

Wednesday, May 20: 2:15PM, Early Dismissal
Thursday, May 21: 9:00 AM, Grades K & 1 Para-Liturgy
7:00PM, Band & Orchestra Concert,
Multi-purpose room
Last day of preschool for 3 year olds
Friday, May 22: Field Day (rain date is 5/29)
Last day of preschool for 4 year olds
Monday, May 25: Memorial Day—NO SCHOOL
Thursday, May 28: 9:00AM, All-School Mass (5th Grade
Graduation)

School link on the website: www.stceciliaparish.org/stcschool

Help Wanted

Saint Cecilia School, Ames, IA
Third Grade Teacher—Full-time
Possible: **Preschool Teacher**—Part-time
Applicants must be licensed in Iowa.
Send letter of application & resume to:
Dr. Tom Budnik, Principal
Saint Cecilia Catholic School
2900 Hoover Avenue
Ames, IA 50010

A Marriage Encounter is scheduled for May 29-31 at Shalom Retreat Center in Dubuque. This weekend can enrich your marriage by helping couples to communicate more intimately with one another in order to deepen and enrich their relationships. Sign up now! For more information contact Fr. Paul Schmitt at 319-895-0404 or DBQPSCMITT@arch.pvt.k12.ia.us



Parish Office Updates/New Carpeting

- Fr. Nienhaus on vacation May 18-June 3
- Office closed Memorial Day, May 25
- Main Office closed for recarpeting May 26-29. Signs posted for temporary office locations.
- Parish Library will be closed beginning May 18.
- St. Clare room closed for meetings, beginning May 22.

Position Available

Saint Cecilia Parish is seeking to fill the full time position of Administrative Assistant in the Parish Office. The person performs duties as receptionist, bulletin editor, record keeper, and schedules facilities, works with parishioners and groups as needed and handles general office duties. Qualifications include organizational and people skills, computer skills including Windows, Microsoft Word, EXCEL, Microsoft Publisher, and the ability to learn Automated Church Systems and other programs used in the Parish Office. Please send resume and inquiries by May 20, to Jerry Greving, Business Manager, 2900 Hoover Avenue, Ames, IA 50010 or jgreving@stceciliaparish.org

From the Pastor

On the front cover of the April 26 Parish Bulletin we promoted the first **Tuition Assistance Fund** appeal for the 2009 Calendar Year to help defray the tuition costs for students in our school, religious education and youth ministry programs. To date the parish has received about **\$1,600**. That amount might help two students in our school. During these poor economic times, we are truly hoping that we might help keep our students from dropping out of our education programs through our **Tuition Assistance Fund**. This concern is a very real issue for some students and families. Please consider helping students continue their Catholic Education through your generous gifts. Thank You!

Fr. Ivan Nienhaus

Stewardship: Jesus' commandment is that His disciples love one another, even to the point of laying down their lives, if necessary. What gifts of myself—my skills and talents, my time and resources—will best demonstrate my love for God's people?

Meals on Wheels Help Needed

A volunteer is currently needed to deliver noon meals to shut-ins in Ames on the first Tuesday of the month. Time commitment is only one hour per month. For more information, please call Cathy Kaspar at 233-0517.

Food Containers left over from donations to recent funeral luncheons may be found in the usher's room in the back of the church. Please check the shelves if you are missing containers.

Planned Giving

Gift Annuities Explained: Supplement your retirement income immediately. How it works: You transfer cash, securities, or other property to Saint Cecilia Parish. The parish pays a fixed amount each year to you for life. When you die, the remaining principal passes to the parish. You get an immediate charitable deduction, fixed income guaranteed, income may be partially tax-free, may save capital gains tax, and reduce estate taxes. For more information, call the parish office or contact Jerry Greving, Parish Business Manager @ 515-233-3092.

Your Financial Stewardship

	May 4-11	FYTD
Contributions (general)	\$ 16,536	\$875,109
Needed to meet expenses	\$ 19,648	\$884,164
Weekly Contributions (building)	\$ 1,182	\$365,811

Contact Business Manager, Jerry Greving, for more detailed information or to set up the convenience of automatic withdrawal from your account.

Catechism of the Catholic Church

PART ONE: SECTION TWO

CHAPTER ONE - I BELIEVE IN GOD THE FATHER

Article 1— I Believe in God the Father, Creator of Heaven & Earth

Paragraph 2. The Father

I. "In the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit"

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Christians are baptized "in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit." Before receiving the sacrament, they respond to a three-part question when asked to confess the Father, the Son, and the Spirit: "I do." "The faith of all Christians rests on the Trinity."

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Christians are baptized in the *name* of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit: not in their *names*, for there is only one God, the almighty Father, his only Son, and the Holy Spirit: the Most Holy Trinity.

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The mystery of the Most Holy Trinity is the central mystery of Christian faith and life. It is the mystery of God in himself. It is therefore the source of all the other mysteries of faith, the light that enlightens them. It is the most fundamental and essential teaching in the "hierarchy of the truths of faith." The whole history of salvation is identical with the history of the way and the means by which the one true God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, reveals himself to men "and reconciles and unites with himself those who turn away from sin."

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This paragraph expounds briefly (I) how the mystery of the Blessed Trinity was revealed, (II) how the Church has articulated the doctrine of the faith regarding this mystery, and (III) how, by the divine missions of the Son and the Holy Spirit, God the Father fulfills the "plan of his loving goodness" of creation, redemption, and sanctification.

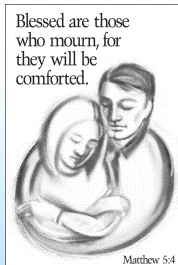
Be One in a Million—Join Us to Confront Global Poverty

The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) and Catholic Relief Services (CRS) call on one million Catholics in the United States to confront global poverty. Advocate with us to end hunger, disease, conflict, and other issues that affect the lives of our brothers and sisters worldwide. Find more information at:

www.usccb.org/sdwp/globalpoverty

Please Remember in Your Prayers:

SUSAN TSIRONIS, mother of Dorothy Sally, **MILDRED BUBOLTZ**, mother of Joan Jones, and **VIRGINIA MUHLENBURG**, grandmother of Jason Eaton, 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.



Correction: These Intentions were not listed last week.

Tuesday, May 12

7:00 AM: Char Beaudry†

5:15 PM: Bill Haas

Wednesday, May 13

7:00 AM: Sarah Opheim

5:15PM: Julia Fitzgerald†

Thursday, May 14

7:00AM: Olga Galecki

9:00AM: John Conley†

5:15 PM: Larry Fisher†

Friday, May 15

7:00 AM: Cat Chennell

5:15PM: Shirley Volk †



M A Y

May is National Foster Care Month

May is National Foster Care Month, a time to raise awareness about Iowa's teens and children in foster care and to recognize the people who make a difference in their lives.

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life. Many foster children have suffered abuse and neglect, but with love and support they can reach their potential for greatness.

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Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday, May 16

5:00 PM: Edward & Paul Shevokas†

Sunday, May 17

8:30 AM: Fred & Amelia Habing†

10:30 AM: Jim Olsson†

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

Tuesday, May 19

7:00 AM: Kathrine Asjest

5:15 PM: Ed and Kathleen Bruening†

Wednesday, May 20

7:00 AM: Cecilia Naughton

5:15PM: Mildred Buboltz†

Thursday, May 21

7:00AM: Pete & Stella Volcko

5:15 PM: Tom Fisher Family

Friday, May 22

7:00 AM: John Preston†

5:15PM: Ron Rasmussen†

Saturday, May 23

5:00 PM: Doris Kleinschmidt †

Sunday, May 24

8:30 AM: Sgt. 1st Class A. L. Adair

10:30 AM: Saint Cecilia Parishioners

5:00 PM: Shirley Sibley†
Misa en Español (Chapel)

Prayer Opportunities

Prayer opportunities held in the Chapel.

Scriptural Rosary Monday 7:00 AM

Intercessory Prayer Group Sunday 9:00-10:00 PM

Rosary Monday 7:30 PM*, Tuesday-Friday before 7:00 Mass
(*The rosary is said for Pro-life the first Monday of each month.)

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

Chaplet of Divine Mercy Friday 3:00 PM

Liturgy of the Hours Saturday 7:00 AM

Eucharistic Adoration The chapel is open daily.

Keypad access only between 10:00PM & 6:00AM. Call the parish office (233-3092) for access information or to sign up for an adoration hour.

Prayer Chain

Send requests to Marge Sutter at 233-2622 or
stceciliaprayerchain@gmail.com.

Readings for the week of May 17, 2009

Sunday: Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48/1 Jn 4:7-10/Jn 15:9-17

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: Acts 18:1-8/Jn 16:16-20

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

Saturday: Acts 18:23-28/Jn 16:23b-28

Next Sunday: Ascension of the Lord: Acts 1:1-11/ Eph 1:17-23 or Eph 4:1-13 or 4:1-7, 11-13/Mk 16:15-20

Mass Schedule

Weekend: Saturday 5:00 PM; Sunday 8:30, 10:30 AM & 5:00 PM(Misa en Español)

Weekday: Tuesday-Friday 7:00AM & 5:15 PM (Chapel)

Reconciliation

Saturday 3:30-4:30 PM and by appointment.

Parish Office

Hours..... Monday-Friday 8:00 AM-5:00 PM

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Someone will contact you. You will receive a registration
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Welcome to Saint Cecilia Parish.