

Saint Cecilia

CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

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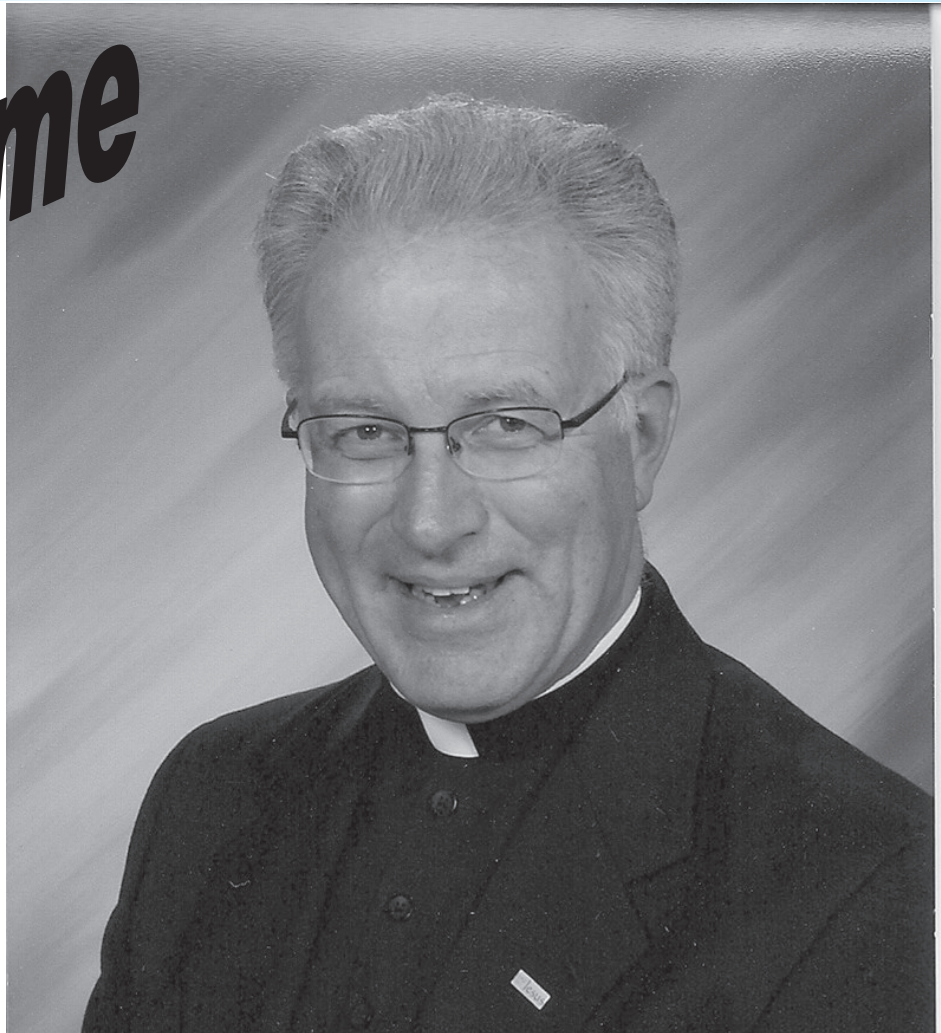
July 12, 2009

15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Welcome

A Parish Potluck will be held Wednesday, August 5, 6:00PM in the Social Hall to welcome Fr. Secora. Fried chicken, cheesy potatoes, rolls, beverage and table service will be provided. Please bring a large side dish or dessert to share.

As part of the Adult Education program in the Year of the Priest, Father will speak and take questions from parishioners.



Fr. James Secora comes to Saint Cecilia Parish from St. Patrick's in Cedar Falls. Father grew up in Fort Atkinson, Iowa and graduated from Turkey Valley Community School in 1967. He received a B.A. Degree from Loras College majoring in English and continued post-graduate studies at St. Mary Seminary and University, Baltimore, Maryland where he received an M.Div. in 1974. Fr. Secora was ordained May 19, 1975 at his home parish in Fort Atkinson. In 1981 he received an M.Ed. From Boston College.

Growing up as an altar server, Fr. Secora learned Latin and the intricacies of Gregorian chant. He loves to sing and music is one of his great pastimes. He also enjoys theater, reading and art museums. Another hobby is

trains. His grandfather, father and youngest brother all worked for the railroad and Fr. Secora spent summers during his college years on the construction end of railroading. Ames should provide a perfect location for Father to do some "train watching".

The strengths he brings to the parish include his wealth of experience from previous assignments and other archdiocesan involvements. He also counts listening and compassion among his strengths. Father asks that we keep him in our prayers as he begins his new assignment, Tuesday, July 14.

Fr. Secora will be officially installed as Pastor of Saint Cecilia at the 10:30AM Mass on July 19 by Fr. Patrick Geary.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Religious Education & Youth Ministry Registration

Registration for Religious Education and Youth Ministry programs is currently taking place in the Religious Education Office 8:00AM-4:00PM Monday—Friday.

Register Now!

The Youth Ministry Team is excited to announce the launching of LIFE TEEN in the fall programs. Check out Life Teen at www.lifeteen.com

63 Days till the Life teen Fall Kick-Off!!

Youth Ministry Grades 9-12

The Journey Summer Study Group: Meets at 1:00PM in the A/Y Room to watch the Lord of the Rings movies and discuss hope, courage and the faith journey. Readings are optional! Remaining sessions are July 21 & 28, August 4, 11 & 18.

NCYC (National Catholic Youth Conference): 5 spots remain for the NCYC trip to Kansas City November 19-21. Registration open until August 15. Please contact Anna if you are interested in attending. **No cost for chaperones who are 21 or older.**

Next Teen Mass: Sunday, August 2, 7:00PM

Website Renovation: Youth Ministry and Confirmation updates and registration forms are posted at www.saintcecilialifeteen.net

RCIA

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

Baptism Class

Our next preparation session is **Thursday, August 6, 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 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 10:00-11:00AM in the A/Y Room. Social time begins at 9:30AM.



Groups and Organizations: Please call Kathy or Patty in the Parish Office to update officers and contact persons for the coming year.

MEETINGS & EVENTS

Our Good Samaritan/Food Shelf Collection is



next weekend. Suggested food items include canned meat products, packaged, shelf-stable main meals, hamburger helper, peanut butter, pasta, spaghetti sauce, cereal, and canned fruit. The following non-food items are needed: laundry detergent, dish

soap, disposable diapers, baby wipes, shampoo, paper towels and Kleenex. Homemade jams and jellies are not accepted. Please check the expiration date on items.

The Saint Cecilia Widows, & Single Seniors Group will meet Friday, July 17, 5:00PM at the Hilton Garden Inn Hotel, 1325 Dickinson Avenue for dinner and live music by The Ed Kaiser Trio. Call Pat Rood for reservations or for more information.

The Marshalltown Deanery Council of Catholic Women Will hold the quarterly meeting Thursday, July 16, St. Gabriel's Catholic Church, 302 N Center Street, Zearing. The day begins with registration, coffee & rolls at 9:00AM. The general meeting will be held at 9:30AM, Liturgy at 11:15 and lunch at noon. The program speakers will present *The Chippewa Native American Reservation*. Call Ingrid Brady at 232-5451 if interested in attending.

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

Mark your calendars: Catholic Daughters will be having a garage sale September 4 & 5. Anyone wishing to donate items (except clothing) call 233-1393. All will be greatly appreciated.



"Is God at dot com or dot org?"

SCHOOL NEWS

The Saint Cecilia School Office is open flexible hours during the summer. Please leave a voicemail and your call will be returned. You may also e-mail Dr. Tom Budnik, principal, tbudnik@stceciliaschoolames.org or lvidimos@stceciliaschoolames.org for Lois Vidimos, administrative assistant.

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

The 2009-2010 school year begins on August 20, 2009.
Have a great summer!

Help Wanted

Part-time Preschool Teacher Associates needed on Tuesday & Thursday mornings and/or Thursday & Friday afternoons during the 2009-2010 school year.

Preschool Teacher for 3 year old class on Tuesday & Thursday mornings.

Please send letter of application to Dr. Tom Budnik, Saint Cecilia School, 2900 Hoover Avenue, Ames, IA 50010.

SCRIP REMINDER:

Orders due by 9:00AM, Monday July 13

- School Office
- Parish Office
- Contact Connie @ 232-8343 or vaclav@iastate.edu.

Forms Available

- SCRIP Bulletin Board in the Narthex
- Parish Office
- School website or office

Orders Ready Friday, July 17

- Pick-up in Parish Office

August Order Date

- Monday, August 10

Last year SCRIP orders generated nearly \$10,000 in profits that were used to benefit Saint Cecilia Education. Thanks to all who use SCRIP. Note: JCPenney no longer accepts SCRIP cards as payment on charge accounts.

Fr. Nienhaus Contact Information

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Stewardship: Today's readings are about being chosen and sent. The prophet Amos was chosen by the Lord and sent to use his talents for the people of God. The Gospel recounts the story of the sending of the twelve disciples; and in the second reading, St. Paul reminds us that we, too, are chosen. For what have I been chosen: To whom have I been sent?

OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE

Wanted: Adults who love being Catholic and want to share their faith with the young Church. If you are being called to 1-2 year commitment to youth ministry, contact annajsteele@gmail.com

All Ames Eats Together

Wednesday, July 29, 6:15PM

Join your neighbors around the city in raising awareness about food issues in Story County while helping to support the Healthy Food Voucher program. Good Neighbor Emergency Assistance is sponsoring a city wide potluck dinner at six locations on July 29. Pick a location and bring a dish to share (including serving utensils) and your own plate and silverware, and ask friends to join you. Drinks will be furnished by your hosts. Following dinner a short time will be spent learning about Good Neighbor and food issues in Story County. You may attend any location.

- **Saint Cecilia Catholic Church**
- Northminster Presbyterian Church, 1416 20th St.
- Collegiate United Methodist Church 2622 W. Lincoln Way
- Maple Shelter at Brookside Park
- Lloyd Kurtz Park, 3711 Hyde Street
- United Church of Christ, 6th and Kellogg

Planned Giving Tax Tip

Retirement funds and Life Insurance - You can name Saint Cecilia Parish as a partial beneficiary (such as a 1 or 2% share) of your life insurance or retirement plan. If your family needs are well provided for, consider including your parish as well. All you need to do is to give the proper beneficiary instruction to the plan administrator. For more information call the parish office or contact Jerry Greving, Parish Business Manager @ 515-233-3092.

Your Financial Stewardship

	July 1-5	FYTD
Contributions (general)	\$ 19,234	\$ 19,234
Needed to meet expenses	\$ 19,687	\$ 19,687
Contributions (building)	\$ 1,185	\$ 1,185

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

IV. The Divine Works and the Trinitarian Missions

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The ultimate end of the whole divine economy is the entry of God's creatures into the perfect unity of the Blessed Trinity. But even now we are called to be a dwelling for the Most Holy Trinity: "If a man loves me," says the Lord, "he will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we will come to him, and make our home with him":

O my God, Trinity whom I adore, help me forget myself entirely so to establish myself in you, unmovable and peaceful as if my soul were already in eternity. May nothing be able to trouble my peace or make me leave you, O my unchanging God, but may each minute bring me more deeply into your mystery! Grant my soul peace. Make it your heaven, your beloved dwelling and the place of your rest. May I never abandon you there, but may I be there, whole and entire, completely vigilant in my faith, entirely adoring, and wholly given over to your creative action.

Visit www.usccb.org

The US Council of Catholic Bishops website contains the entire Catechism of the Catholic Church. Use it to select the information that you need. The Bible, daily readings (also in audio), the latest news on Catholic Issues, and many, many other topics can be found on this website. Check it out!!

The Good Samaritan Service provides assistance to parishioners needing help with indoor care, personal services, transportation and outdoor care. If you or your family are in need of one of these services, please fill out a Good Samaritan Service Card and drop it off in the gold box next to the parish office. Thanks to all who have volunteered to help with this service. Your efforts are truly appreciated.

Please Remember in Your Prayers:

GENE TIERNAN, father of Kathy Ramirez, May the Lord grant peace and consolation to this family in their time of need. May he, and all who sleep in Christ, find in God's presence, light, happiness and peace.



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Sometimes, it feels as if we live in a world of contradictions. Take traveling for example; the Boy Scout in us tells us to be prepared. This means packing for nearly every imaginable weather scenario from blizzards to sandstorms. But the practical person within us knows that the lighter we travel, the easier a time we will have of it. This is especially true if we're flying; between extra costs for extra bags and long lines at baggage pickup, we're better off with just a small carry-on containing the bare essentials. And really, don't we only need the essentials?

In today's Gospel, Jesus has gathered his Twelve Apostles together and is preparing to send them out to heal those afflicted with unclean spirits. He instructs them to carry nothing, only a walking stick, their sandals and a single tunic. He assures them their needs will be satisfied. Those who listen to their preaching will help them; but should their preaching be ignored, they can quickly and efficiently move on to the next person. In this lesson, we learn to rid ourselves of the excess baggage in our lives, freeing us to seek a closer relationship with God.

Jesus did not instruct his disciples to preach to any one type of person, he only gave them the power to cleanse the spirit. In other words, he sent them out to free the people of the burdens of sin and make them able to accept the many and diverse gifts of God (CCC 814). Each day, we are given a wonderful opportunity to cast off the burdens and the excesses of every day life-shake the dust from our sandals-to make room for the gifts of God. And with these gifts, we are also given the responsibility of sharing their beauty with all those who would listen.

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GIFT SHOP IS CLOSING

Everything **MUST** go—including New Products, Bookshelves & Display Walls. This would be a great time to pick up Confirmation, First Communion & Christmas gifts for next year.

Call Char at 233-3092

Open July 12 & 19 9:30AM-Noon
SALE IN PROGRESS



Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday, July 11

5:00 PM: Rita & Irwin Frost †

Sunday, July 12

8:30 AM: Saint Cecilia Parishioners

10:30AM: Geroge Thorington†

5:00PM: An End to Abortion
Misa en Español (Chapel)

Tuesday, July 14

7:00 AM: Marian Remmes Family

5:15PM: Mark Winslow†

Wednesday, July 15

7:00 AM: Mr. & Mrs. W. E. Lowery†

5:15PM: Mildred Buboltz†

Thursday, July 16

7:00AM: Rev. Msgr Bernard Collins†

5:15 PM: John Conley†

Friday, July 17

7:00 AM: Bea Gibbons

5:15PM: Vicki Reyna

Saturday, July 18

5:00 PM: George Lemanczyk†

Sunday, July 19

8:30 AM: Germaine Mullenbach†

10:30AM: Saint Cecilia Parishioners

5:00PM: For Holy Families
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 July 12, 2009

Sunday: Am 7:12-15/Eph 1:3-14 or 1:3-10/Mk 6:7-13
Monday: Ex 1:8-14, 22/Mt 10:34---11:1
Tuesday: Ex 2:1-15a/Mt 11:20-24
Wednesday: Ex 3:1-6, 9-12/Mt 11:25-27
Thursday: Ex 3:13-20/Mt 11:28-30
Friday: Ex 11:10---12:14/Mt 12:1-8
Saturday: Ex 12:37-42/Mt 12:14-21
Next Sunday: Jer 23:1-6/Eph 2:13-18/Mk 6:30-34

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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-4:30 PM

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City: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Please return via mail or drop in collection basket.
Someone will contact you. You will receive a registration packet with additional information.

Welcome to Saint Cecilia Parish.