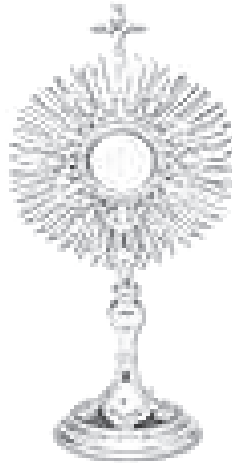


Saint Cecilia

CATHOLIC COMMUNITY
2900 Hoover Avenue • Ames, IA 50010

September 5, 2010

23rd Sunday in
Ordinary Time



Visiting the Lord In the Blessed Sacrament

*"One thing I have desired of the Lord. That will I seek:
That I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life
and behold the beauty of the Lord". (Ps 27:4)*

*When you visit the Lord in the Blessed Sacrament, you open your soul to His transforming action.
In His presence, you offer Him your joys and sorrows, your feelings and affections, your plans and desires.
Spending time with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament is saying to Him:*

*"I love you, Lord, and I have stopped
all activities in order to give you my undivided attention and love".*

*You offer your love, devotion and friendship to the Lord.
Jesus is looking for a friend who will spend time with Him
in a world that is becoming more and more hostile to Him.*

Can He find that FRIEND in You?

**Eucharistic Adoration Sign-up Weekend
September 12-13
After All Masses**

Commit to one scheduled hour each week with our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament in the Burke Chapel (through the double doors on the east side of the Narthex, down the hall on the left)

You will be contacted within 1 week of signing up to choose an hour that works in your schedule.

Substitution assistance is always available and
orientation is provided.

Jesus waits for you!

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Religious Education & Youth Ministry Registration

Registration for Religious Education and Youth Ministry programs is always available in the Religious Education Office 8:00AM-3:30PM
Or by Appointment Monday—Friday.

**LIFE TEEN welcomes all High Schoolers
Meets from 6:30-9PM each Sunday!**

**Our Calendar is available on our website at:
www.saintceciliailifeteen.net**

Sunday, September 5: Retreat Reunion at 7PM
Sunday, September 12: Life Teen '10-'11 Kick-Off

Want to support Saint Cecilia Life Teen but you aren't able to join the Core Team? Sign up for the Core Support Team to help with snacks, Core retreats, and other very helpful ministries! E-mail Anna at annajsteele@gmail.com for more details.

BABY-SITTING AVAILABLE:
Saturday, September 11
St. Cecilia A/Y Room, 5-10pm.

High schoolers attending World Youth Day in Madrid, Spain are starting an outreach for young families by hosting a night of baby-sitting every second Saturday from April of 2010 to May of 2011. Upcoming dates when child care will be available in 2010: September 11, October 9, & December 11. Children ages 0-10 years are welcome. Recommended donation is \$5 an hour per child. To help us plan ahead, you may call Anna at 232-3514 to let us know you are coming.

RCIA

Call John Hayes for information about joining the Catholic Church at 232-3514.



Baptism Class

All parents seeking baptism for their child are expected to attend a preparation session even though they may have attended previously. Next class is October 14, 2010. **Note: Class is regularly scheduled on the second Thursday of the even numbered months. To register for the class or schedule a baptism, please call the Parish office at 233-3092.**

Adult Education

Scripture Study: Meets Mondays, 7:30-9PM in the North Social Hall.



Bible Study in Spanish: Meets Mondays, 6:00-7PM in the North Social Hall.

Tuesday Morning Bible Study: Meets 10:00-11:00AM in the North Social Hall. Social time begins at 9:30AM.

Labor Day, 2010.



This weekend we observe the Labor Day holiday. More than just an excuse for a final summer "three day weekend", Labor Day is an opportunity to reflect, briefly, on the role work plays in our lives. For believers, work is more than "just a job" or a way to "make money in order to buy things" or "pay the bills" although the last two are by-products of it.

In the creation story in the book of Genesis, we hear God giving human beings a share in his own divine work of the on-going care and development of the created world. Human labor is a participation in the life of God! What a grace and what a responsibility! Whatever our particular "work", do we see it and engage in it with an attitude of reverence as the "liturgy of our hands" a sacred act, albeit of a different form, than that of the altar, but related to it nonetheless? St. Benedict in his Rule for Monasteries instructs his monks that they are to treat and use the tools of their secular work of the monastery with the same respect and reverence they give to handling the sacred vessels of the altar.

May God bless the work of our hands!

Fr. Jim



Parish Soup Supper

Sponsored by Adult Faith Formation
September 8
At 6:00PM

Fr. Jim will give a presentation on Icons and Iconography following the Supper

Everyone is welcome

Ushers Wanted

Due to career changes and retirements a number of openings are available for ushers. Any confirmed member of the church, man or woman, is eligible. Ushers are assigned to a crew of 5 to 6 ushers who serve at a specific mass time every fourth month. Ushers help people find seats, identify a family to bring up the gifts, and take up the collection. If you are interested contact Marion Kresse at mkresse@isunet.net or call him at 292-7251. You can also talk with an usher at the mass you normally attend to find out more about their duties. Ushers, please ask parishioners who attend the mass you serve to consider becoming an usher.

Birthright of Ames offers free infant and maternity clothing to women and children in need. Donations are needed to help us stock our clothing room. We need infant clothing up to size 2T (new or used), and maternity clothes. All donations can be dropped off at the Birthright office at 108 Hayward in Campustown Ames. Please help us provide for those in need and make a difference in a child's life. Your gift is tax deductible; just ask for a tax receipt form.

SCHOOL NEWS

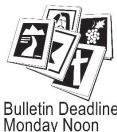
School News

- Monday, September 6:** Labor Day-No School
Tuesday, September 7: Preschool Begins for 3-Year-Old & 4-Year-Old (PM) Classes
Wednesday, September 8: Preschool Begins for 4-Year-Old (AM) Class and Picture Day for Preschool/School Students/Staff
Thursday, September 9: 9 a.m. Grades 4/5 Mass
Thursday, September 16: 9 a.m. Grades 2/3 Mass & Fundraiser Packets Due
Friday, September 17: 2:30 p.m. Children's Theater-Native American Folklore

Scrip is now back to the usual schedule of ordering every Monday. Orders received by 9:00AM on any Monday, will be ready to be picked up by 9:00AM on Friday. Orders can be picked up in the school office or in the parish office. Order forms are available in the narthex, the school office, the parish office and on the school web page. Profits from scrip sales benefit all education programs at Saint Cecilia, the day school and religious education classes. Please support St. Cecilia education by purchasing scrip certificates. For more information on scrip, please contact Connie Vaclav at 232-8343, vaclav@iastate.edu or go to www.glscrip.com.

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.

Construction at Saint Cecilia: Construction on the remodeling for new rooms resulted in the loss of parking and may result in the re-routing of traffic flow into the Burke Chapel. Teak Construction has assured us we will have access to the Burke Chapel during construction. We are sorry for any inconvenience.



Deadline for bulletin items is Monday at noon.

ST. THOMAS AQUINAS

Saint Thomas Aquinas Basement Sale

2210 Lincoln Way
Thursday, September 9—8AM-6PM
Friday, September 10—8AM-2PM

Students with a student ID may shop on Wednesday, September 8 from 6—8PM. Please use Ash Ave. entrance.



CHURCH BASEMENT SALE

MEETINGS & EVENTS



The annual **Saint Cecilia Golf Outing—Four Person Best Shot**—will be held on Sunday, September 12 at 1:00PM at Veenker Memorial Golf Course. The Registration fee is \$50- that includes 18 Holes of Golf, Cart, Prizes and Meal. Non-golfer meals are available for \$8.00. Get your foursome together and make plans to attend. Sign up sheets are available in the Parish Office and on the Parish Web-site.

Saint Anne's Circle will meet Tuesday, September 14 in the South Social Hall at 9:00AM.

Fellowship For Parents/Playgroup: the playgroup meets every Wednesday from 10-11:30AM in the South Social Hall. Contact Jon Ryan at jryan2@isunet.net or 232-2075 or Mary Cowan at mary.cowan@hotmail.com or 291-7409. All are welcome to attend.



English as a Second Language (ESL) classes at St. Cecilia's Catholic Church. Classes meet from 10:00 to 11:30 a.m. and 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. on Thursdays and are usually one tutor to one student depending on numbers. Please contact Palmer Holden (231-5543) for morning classes or Karl Gwiasda (232-7582) for evening classes. Or just come to the north entrance.

The Christ Our Life Conference will be held October 16-17 at the Iowa Events Center in Des Moines. It is designed to deepen the life of faith of Catholics. Des Moines Bishop Richard E. Pates approves of the conference and cordially invites members of the Archdiocese of Dubuque to participate. Mass will be celebrated and there will be an opportunity for Reconciliation. The conference is a lead-up to the 100th anniversary of the Diocese of Des Moines. For more information, or to register, go to www.Christourlifeiowa.com or call 1-888-326-8033.

Christ Our Life Youth Fund-Raiser: If you plan to attend the Christ Our Life conference October 16-17 in Des Moines, (www.Christourlifeiowa.com), be sure to enter the promotion code **SCLT** and proceeds from your ticket will benefit our very own Saint Cecilia Life Teen Program!

Mass Intentions:

Just a reminder, if you want a Mass said for someone, either living or deceased, or for a special intention, please call the Parish Office at 515-233-3092 to schedule a date.

COMMUNITY

Heartland Senior Services has an immediate need for home-delivered meal volunteers Monday through Friday to cover the areas just east and west of the City of Ames and also Kelley. This currently involves four stops. The meals would be picked up at HSS, 205 S. Walnut in Ames, between 11:00 and 11:30 am and would take less than an hour to deliver. Volunteers could choose to deliver either one or more days. For further information please call HSS Nutrition Director Sharon Millage at 233-2906.

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 6. Man
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Being in the image of God the human individual possesses the dignity of a person, who is not just something, but someone. He is capable of self-knowledge, of self-possession and of freely giving himself and entering into communion with other persons. And he is called by grace to a covenant with his Creator, to offer him a response of faith and love that no other creature can give in his stead.

ST. THOMAS AQUINAS

Divorce Group to Discuss Issues with Former In-Laws

Lean Into the Wind, the St. Thomas Aquinas divorced and separated support group, will meet Thursday, Sept. 9, with dinner at 5:15 p.m. at Valentino's, 823 Wheeler St. in Ames, followed by a talk on how to resolve issues with former in-laws after divorce from 7 - 8:30 p.m. in the St. Catherine Room at the church, 2210 Lincoln Way in Ames. Catholic Charities Counselor Mary Jo Pfeifer Wulf of Ames will be the evening's speaker. Men and women of all faiths are welcome. To RSVP for dinner by noon on Wed., Sept. 8, call Carol at (515) 296-2250 or breathe2relax@msn.com

Employment Help! Do you have job openings? Are you unemployed and looking for a job? Are you willing to help with resumes or be a mentor for interview skills? Please e-mail for information to: DeaconRon.Jobs@gmail.com or send to the attention of Deacon Ron Smith at the parish office.



CFM OFFERS FRIENDSHIP AND SUPPORT:

Families, faith and fun. That is what the Christian Family Movement is all about. Through prayer, discussion and action, families grow in their faith as they provide support and friendship to one another. Meeting in small faith sharing groups, parents and their families learn to live their faith in their every day lives, at home, in our communities and in the market place. If you want to learn more about this group here at St. Cecilia, please contact Deacon Gary and Kay Aitchison at 296-2966 or gaitchis@iastate.edu.

Mustard Seed Catholic Worker Farm

Weekly Potlucks continue through mid-September, Friday evenings. Potluck dinner at 6PM, Discussion of Catholic Worker and/or farming related topics at 7PM. Upcoming discussion topics: Sept. 10 Integrated Pest Management. Mustard Seed Farm is located in Boone County on W Ave, just 1/2 mile south of E-18 (130th St.)



Coffee and donuts will not be served after the 8:30 and 10:30AM Masses this weekend due to the holiday.



EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION BREAK
 for the Labor Day holiday from
 7AM, Friday, September 3 until
 7AM, Tuesday September 7

Stewardship: Jesus tells the crowd that only those who renounce all of their possessions can be His disciples. Is He truly asking us to give up everything? Perhaps instead He is trying to help us see that everything we think we own is really a gift from God. Good stewards know that and strive to use those gifts accountably.

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Labor Day weekend doesn't appear as a celebration in the cycle of the church year. But Monday's holiday does affect a lot of what many people do this weekend. For some, three days off means the opportunity for a short trip out of town. Others may schedule a vacation for the week before to take advantage of the extra day off. Grocery stores have sales, highlighting products that can be consumed at picnics or prepared on outdoor grills. A holiday honoring labor becomes the effective end of summer for most folk.

Labor shows up in some interesting ways in the Scriptures for this weekend. The only time in the three-year Lectionary cycle that we read from Paul's Letter to Philemon comes this week. Paul is sending back Philemon's slave, Onesimus, who had run away. In the interim, Onesimus has become a Christian and, from Paul's view, a brother in the Lord to Philemon. So what is Philemon to do with this worker that he had owned? How was he to act?

The Gospel includes a description of the work of building a tower. Jesus compares the calculation of the work involved to that taking up the cross and being a disciple. When Philemon became a Christian he may not have understood that his life might change radically—that he was expected to deal in a new way with one of his slaves who became a Christian. At Paul's insistence, Philemon's adherence to the faith was requiring that he act differently from the society in which he lived. We are confronted with the same situation as Philemon. In the workplace, in the market, in our leisure, and while on vacation, we are called to adhere to the faith just as we do in church on Sunday. That is the real work we have, and it is not always an easy job. We don't have to carry Jesus' cross, but we do have to carry our own.

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Your Financial Stewardship

	8/24-30	FYTD
Contributions	\$13,497	\$145,955
Needed to meet expenses	\$20,715	\$186,435
Contributions (building)	\$ 5270	\$ 11,988

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

Garage Meeting Room Remodel

Project update as of 8-30

Forecasted Cost (Revised)	\$160,000
Funds Collected	\$90,351
Funds Pledged	\$29,275
Total Funds Committed	\$119,626
Balance needed	\$ 40,374

Please Mark Contributions "Garage Remodel"

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 income tax deduction, fixed income guaranteed, income may be partially tax free, may save capital gain tax, and reduce estate taxes. For more information call the parish office or contact Jerry Greving, Parish Business Manager, at 515-233-3092.



Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday, September 4

5:00PM: James Winslow †

Sunday, September 5

8:30AM: Parishioners of St. Cecilia

10:30AM: Ron & Mary Sievers

5:00PM: Jacob Petrich †

Misa en Español (Chapel)

Tuesday, September 7

7:00AM: No Mass

5:30PM: Ron Rasmussen †

Wednesday, September 8

7:00AM: Janie & Frank Neumann

5:30PM: Ed & Marcella Noethe

Thursday, September 9

7:00AM: Bill Burke, Sr. †

9:00AM: Willi & Susan Tsironis

5:30PM: Rose Warren †

Friday, September 10

7:00AM: Alvera Irlbeck

5:30PM: Bernie English

Saturday, September 11

5:00PM: Mary Camp †

Sunday, September 12

8:30AM: Mildred & Gregory Gundrum

10:30AM: Parishioners of St. Cecilia

5:00PM: Loretta Lane

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 September 5, 2010

Sunday: Wis 9:13-18b/Phlm 9-10, 12-17/Lk 14:25-33

Monday: 1 Cor 5:1-8/Lk 6:6-11

Tuesday: 1 Cor 6:1-11/Lk 6:12-19

Wednesday: Mi 5:1-4a or Rom 8:28-30/Mt 1:1-16, 18-23 or 1:18-23

Thursday: 1 Cor 8:1b-7, 11-13/Lk 6:27-38

Friday: 1 Cor 9:16-19, 22b-27/Lk 6:39-42

Saturday: 1 Cor 10:14-22/Lk 6:43-49

Next Sunday: Ex 32:7-11, 13-14/1 Tm 1:12-17/Lk 15:1-32 or 15:1-10

Mass Schedule

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

Weekday: Tuesday-Friday 7:00AM & 5:30 PM (Chapel)

Reconciliation

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

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City: _____ Zip: _____

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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.