

# Saint Cecilia

CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

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October 31, 2010

31st Sunday in  
Ordinary Time



**W**e are called one by one and as a community to become part of the living presence of Jesus Christ. We are united with the Father and strengthened and enlivened by the Holy Spirit. We are committed daily to love and serve others as Jesus did.

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## 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.

All Religious Education classes for **Grades 1-8** started the week of September 20. We are always welcoming new students so please stop in to the Faith Formation and Youth Ministry Office to register and receive our 2010-2011 Calendar!

The **Preschool** program began October 3 and will continue on the 1st and 3rd Sundays during the 10:30AM Mass. Stop in the Faith Formation & Youth Ministry Office for a calendar of preschool dates.

**LIFE TEEN welcomes all High Schoolers  
Meets from 7:00-9PM each Sunday!**

**Our Calendar is available on our website at:  
[www.saintceciliailifeteen.net](http://www.saintceciliailifeteen.net)**

**Sunday, October 31:** Life Night, 7-9PM

**Sunday, November 7:** Youth Rally, No Life Night

**Sunday, November 14:** Life Night, 7-9PM

**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](mailto:annajsteele@gmail.com) for more details.

**Middle School Youth Ministry, November 1, Class #6, 6:15PM**

**Middle School Youth Ministry, November 8, Class #7, 6:15PM**

**EDGE Halloween Party, October 31, 7PM**

**RCIA** Call 232-3514 for information about joining the Catholic Church.

**Help Needed:** Help with child care Sunday mornings 9-11:30 during RCIA meetings is needed. If you are interested in volunteering call the Formation Office 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 December 16, 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 St Louis Room.

**Bible Study in Spanish:** Meets Mondays, 6:00-7PM in the St. Louis Room.

**Tuesday Morning Bible Study:** Meets 10:00-11:00AM in the St. Louis Room. Social time begins at 9:30AM.



### **Sacramental Ministry at Mary Greeley Hospital**

Mary Greeley Hospital recently implemented some revised procedures with regard to patient privacy practices as outlined in HIPPA (Health Insurance Portability Protection Act).

St. Cecilia Church along with St. Thomas Aquinas Church are primarily responsible for the sacramental needs of the Catholic patients at Mary Greeley. Each day an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion takes Holy Communion to those Catholic patients whose names appear on the official patient registry of the hospital. If you want to receive Holy Communion while at the hospital, or you want the priest from St. Thomas (on Wednesdays) or me (on Fridays) to visit you and also bring you Holy Communion, celebrate the Sacrament of Penance or Anointing of the Sick, **YOU MUST LET THE HOSPITAL KNOW AT THE TIME OF ADMISSION THAT YOU ARE CATHOLIC.** Otherwise, your name will not be on the list the Ministers of Holy Communion or we priests receive from the Admissions Office of the hospital. The hospital will only call us if you or a family member explicitly give them permission.

If you know that you are going to have surgery here or out of town, please arrange for the Sacrament of Anointing by calling me at the parish office and making an appointment. I consider such ministry very important and am happy to accommodate you.

*Fr. Jim*

### **Alternative Gift Market**

This year, 2010, is the 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Ames Alternative Gift Market. St. Cecilia has been a co-sponsor of this event since 2000. In celebration, traditional market days are returning to Collegiate Presbyterian Church, Sheldon and West Streets, with displays, activities, refreshments and *Worldly Good* products. Give, in honor of a friend or relative, an alternative gift – food, medicine, livestock, education, or help for the environment. At the market, you will receive beautiful cards with your gift described. These cards can then be given to persons on your gift list. International and local agencies will be represented. Market dates and times are Saturday, November 13, 2010, 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. and Sunday, November 14, 2010, 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. *Alternative gift donations are tax-deductible.*

**NCYC Registration!** Do you want to attend the 2011 **National Catholic Youth Conference** in Indianapolis? Current 8th - 11th graders are encouraged to attend. Please contact the Youth Ministry & Faith Formation Office by December 1st, 2010. A \$50 deposit is needed to officially reserve your spot. We will have an information booth set up on the weekends of October 23rd & 24th and November 20th & 21st following all masses if you have any questions or would like to turn in your registration. Visit [www.facebook.com/ncyc2011](http://www.facebook.com/ncyc2011) to find out more!



Christmas Decorations



Wanted

### **Christmas Decorations Wanted**

For Christmas Market

The Social Concerns Committee will sponsor a table at the Christmas Market with recycled Christmas decorations. Please bring Christmas decorations you no longer use to the parish office the week of November 14. Decorations will be available for others to choose (for a free will donation) at the Christmas Market on November 20 & 21. All Proceeds will benefit Good Neighbor Emergency Assistance. **Registration forms for tables at the Christmas Market are due in the parish office November 1.**

## SCHOOL NEWS

### Saint Cecilia School News

Friday, November 5: 9AM, All School Mass

Tuesday to Thursday, November 09-11: Parent-Teacher Conferences with 1:30PM Early Dismissal and No Preschool

Friday, November 12: No School

### ATTENTION! All Future Kindergarteners!

Saint Cecilia School will be hosting a "Passport to Kindergarten" party on Tuesday, **November 16** from 4:30-5:30 p.m. in the school for all 4- and 5-year-olds and their parents. This open house will be a chance for all future students and parents to see the school and meet the teachers. For more information, call the school office at 232-5290.



**SCRIP Reminder:** Please remember to use **SCRIP** for your holiday purchases. Gift cards are the easiest presents and the easiest way to support education at St. Cecilia. Orders received by Mondays by 9AM will be ready to pick up on Fridays at 9AM. Order forms can be found on the school website, at the Parish office, school office, and in the Narthex. Thank you for supporting education at St Cecilia by using **SCRIP!**

## OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE

**St. Cecilia's Home Ministry** needs one more minister to take the Eucharist to our home-bound parishioners. The ministry requires only an hour or two of your time after Sunday Mass once every 7 weeks. There is a prayer guide to help you with prayers. It is a very easy, but rewarding ministry. Please give some thought to helping the home-bound parishioners who need our help. To volunteer please call Julie Haas 232-7138.



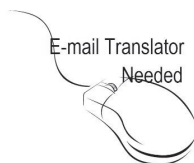
**Voices Needed**

**The St. Cecilia Choir** will rehearse this Saturday, November 6 from 9AM to 10:30AM in the music room. The choir is currently rehearsing for the fall weekend liturgies, Advent/Christmas season and the Good Neighbor Concert on November 7. **New members are always welcomed!** For more info, contact Bob Hauser at the parish office.

**Meals on Wheels** needs volunteer to deliver meals to homebound individual in Ames. Please call Mary Greely Medical Center Volunteer Center at 239-2210 if you are interested in helping deliver meals.

**Needed: Tutors for English as a Second Language (ESL)** No experience needed. Thursday 10:00-11:30 & 7:00-8:30. Tutors are needed for the Thursday night sessions. For additional information call Palmer Holden, Morning Coordinator-515-233-3707 or Karl Gwiasda, Evening Coordinator- 515-232-7582.

**Volunteer** needed to translate emails written in Spanish into English for an international Catholic family life organization. Please contact: Deacon Gary and Kay Aitchison at 296 2966 or email [gaitchis@iastate.edu](mailto:gaitchis@iastate.edu).



**Reminder: The deadline for bulletin items is Monday at noon.**

## MEETINGS & EVENTS

**Fellowship For Parents/Playgroup:** the playgroup meets every Wednesday from 10-11:30AM in the South Social Hall. Contact Jon Ryan at [sjryan2@isunet.net](mailto:sjryan2@isunet.net) or 232-2075 or Mary Cowan at [mary.cowan@hotmail.com](mailto: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 11:30AM and 7:00 to 8:30PM 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.



**St. Mary Circle** will meet Thursday, Nov. 4, in the South Social Hall at 1:30PM. The speaker will be Julie Haas of the Social Concerns Committee.

**St. Gerard's Circle** will meet on Thursday, November 4 in the North Social Hall at 7:00 pm. We will be making Christmas decorations for the residents of The Abington on Grand. If you would like to attend, or need a ride, please call Janice Grove at 233-2510.

**The Knights of Columbus** will be hosting a family breakfast after the 10:30 Mass on Sunday November 14. Free-will offering will be accepted. During this time, families are encouraged to learn more about the Knights of Columbus and men can attend a membership initiation at 12:30 pm. Entertainment activities will be provided for families during the event. For more information contact Tracy Laws, membership chairman at 515-232-3733.

### Heartland Senior Center Community Trivia Night

Welcome back to our new season of Trivia! We have some great door prizes lined up and look forward to seeing if you've gained any trivia knowledge over the summer! Questions will start at 6:30 p.m. so you have plenty of time to greet those early trick-or-treaters and head out!



Priest & Deacon  
APPRECIATION  
WEEKEND

### Priest and Deacon Appreciation

The weekend of November 6/7 the Saint Cecilia Council of Catholic Women will host receptions for our clergy following the 5:00 PM, 8:30 & 10:30 AM Masses. Plan to stop by and let Fr. Secora, Fr. Dzekoe, Fr. Geary, Fr. Herzog and our Deacons know how much we appreciate all they do for our parish community.

### Fall Festival

**St. Mary Catholic Church, Williams, IA.**  
**Sunday, November 7, 4:30-7:00PM**

Meal: Chicken & Homemade Noodles, Meat Loaf, Real Mashed Potatoes, Home-Frozen Corn, Salad, Pie and Beverage  
Adults: \$8.00; Children 4-12—\$4.00; 3 & Under—Free  
Also: Homemade Crafts, Baked Goods, Raffle.



### Good Neighbor Benefit Concert

The annual Good Neighbor Combined Choir Concert will be held on Sunday, November 7 at 3PM at Bethesda Lutheran Church, 1517 Northwestern Ave. A free will donation will be collected. Proceeds from the concert will go to those in need of

3 emergency assistance with rent, utility bills or food vouchers.



**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**

**II. "Body and Soul but Truly One"**

**III. "Male and Female He Created Them"**

*Equality and difference willed by God*

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In no way is God in man's image. He is neither man nor woman. God is pure spirit in which there is no place for the difference between the sexes. But the respective "perfections" of man and woman reflect something of the infinite perfection of God: those of a mother and those of a father and husband.

**Restorative Justice**

Mentors wanted to support three men returning to Ames area in the very near future. Training will be provided. Please contact Deacon Ron (515-441-0480) or [deaconron.ames@gmail.com](mailto:deaconron.ames@gmail.com) as soon as possible for more information.

**Living God's Revolution Men's Retreat** – Nov. 19 – 21 held at Creighton Retreat Center near Griswold.

For more information check the website - <http://www.creighton.edu/ministry/retreatcenter/scheduleofevents/livinggodsrevolutionretreat/index.php> or contact Deacon Ron (515-441-0480) or [deaconron.ames@gmail.com](mailto:deaconron.ames@gmail.com).

**Contributions to Harvest of Blessing**

Harvest of Blessing is sponsored by the Archdiocesan Pastoral Center and Catholic Charities staff are, with the help of the parishes, conducting an Outreach project to give a helping hand to local people who have come upon hard times and are having difficulty meeting basic needs. Last year, your generous contributions helped 1,082 individuals residing in the Archdiocese of Dubuque. Building upon the annual observance of Thanksgiving, donors are invited to contribute to this project which helps hundreds of people in need each year and relies entirely on contributions. We ask that, as you thank God for your blessings, you be as generous as possible in giving to this collection. Donations may be sent to "Harvest of Blessings", Archdiocesan Pastoral Center, P.O. Box 479, Dubuque Iowa 52004-0479, by December 1. Thank you for your help.

**Apply for Harvest of Blessing**

Harvest of Blessings provides some assistance to needy people during the Christmas season and also to connect hurting people to local parishes beyond the Christmas season. If you know of someone who needs help, please contact the Parish office or one of the Deacons to apply as soon as possible.

**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](mailto:DeaconRon.Jobs@gmail.com) or send to the attention of Deacon Ron Smith at the parish office. Please check the Social Concerns bulletin board for available resources.

**Stewardship:** We are called to be good stewards of our personal vocations. St. Paul's prayer for the Thessalonians is therefore ours, too - "that our God may make (us) worthy of his calling and powerfully bring to fulfillment every good purpose and every effort of faith."

**31st Sunday in Ordinary Time**

The Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation is nearly the largest private foundation in the world. With an asset trust endowment of over \$34 billion, its reach through grants is truly worldwide. The Gates Foundation is able to provide funding at a level that exceeds the ability of many governments. Education and health initiatives have been the biggest beneficiaries of the foundation's grants. It is estimated that literally millions have benefited, especially children who have been immunized against childhood diseases and families that have been sustained by increased agricultural yields. Despite such stellar performance, there are those who have criticized the foundation or who have rebuked the source of its funding (Gates' profits from Microsoft) as monopolistic.

Not everything is perfect in this world, as this week's Gospel reveals. Zacchaeus is a tax collector, a position in the ancient world reviled for its cooperation with an occupying army. Local tax collectors were often less than savory characters who would occasionally cheat to get ahead, or overcharge to make a little extra on the side. It could be a lucrative position—especially in Jericho, a sizable town—and from the Gospel, it seems that Zacchaeus was making the most of it. The opinion of the Pharisees that Zacchaeus was a sinner was probably the view that most citizens of the town had of him.

After an encounter with Jesus, Zacchaeus had a change of heart. He was intent on doing good with what he had. Like most philanthropies, the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation is looking to do good with its assets, propelled by the intent of its founders. We don't need to have \$34 billion to help others. All we need is a conversion, a change of heart, to be ready to do good. Whatever small thing we can do each day to help someone puts us in the company of folks like Zacchaeus, open to the saving power of God.

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<b>Your Financial Stewardship</b>		
	<b>10/4-10/11FYTD</b>	
Contributions	\$13,245	\$284,094
Needed to meet expenses	\$20,715	\$352,155
Contributions (building)	\$ 373	\$ 17,699

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

<b>Garage Meeting Room Remodel</b>	
Project update as of 10-11	
Construction Cost Paid	\$184,638
Funds Collected	\$141,691
Funds Pledged	\$ 3,225
Total Funds Committed	<u>\$ 144,916</u>
Balance needed	\$ 39,722

**Please Mark Contributions "Garage Remodel"**  
**The remodeling project is substantially completed. We are still in need of additional contributions to completely fund this project.**

**Planned Giving—Retirement Funds & 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, all the parish office or contact Jerry Greving, Parish Business Manager at 515-233-3092.



**Sanctity of Human Life Committee** will serve coffee and donuts after the 8:30AM and 10:30AM Masses this weekend.



# Mass Intentions for the Week

## Saturday, October 30

5:00PM: Alice Stumpf †

## Sunday, October 31

8:30AM: Raymond Evans †

10:30AM: Parishioners of St. Cecilia

5:00PM: Sandy Dunfee †

Misa en Español (Chapel)

## Tuesday, November 2

7:00AM: Mr. & Mrs. Robert Bonifacio & Children

5:30PM: Charles Kranz †

## Wednesday, November 3

7:00AM: Pour Souls

5:30PM: Germaine Mullenbach †

## Thursday, November 4

7:00AM: Bobby Gehm

5:30PM: Alice Stumpf †

## Friday, November 5

7:00AM: Bill Burke, Sr. †

9:00AM: All-School Mass, Special Intention

5:30PM: Frank Pershern †

## Saturday, November 6

5:00PM: Fred VArnum †

## Sunday, November 7

8:30AM: Bob & Mary Myers

10:30AM: Parishioners of St. Cecilia

5:00PM: Bill Burke, Sr. †

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](mailto:stceciliaprayerchain@gmail.com).

## Readings for the Week of October 31, 2010

Sunday: Wis 11:22-12:2/2 Thes 1:11-2:2/Lk 19:1-10

Monday: Rv 7:2-4, 9-14/1 Jn 3:1-3/Mt 5:1-12a

Tuesday: Wis 3:1-9/Rom 5:5-11 or 6:3-9/Jn 6:37-40

Wednesday: Phil 2:12-18/Lk 14:25-33

Thursday: Phil 3:3-8a/Lk 15:1-10

Friday: Phil 3:17-4:1/Lk 16:1-8

Saturday: Phil 4:10-19/Lk 16:9-15

Next Sunday: 2 Mc 7:1-2, 9-14/2 Thes 2:16-3:5/Lk 20:27-38 or 20:27, 34-38

## 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.

## Parish Office

Hours.....Monday-Friday 8:00 AM-4:30 PM

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## Parish Staff

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John McCully, and Ron Smith

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**Administrative Assistant** .....Lois Vidimos

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Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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.