

February 10, 2013 | Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time



# Saint Cecilia

## CATHOLIC CHURCH

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**S**aint Cecilia Parish is a Roman Catholic community formed by the Word of God, united by the Holy Eucharist and enlivened by the Holy Spirit. By our commitment to the teachings of Christ and His Church, the sacraments and charity, our parish strives to build up the body of Christ through worship, life-long faith formation and evangelization.



## Ash Wednesday Liturgies & Masses

### February, 13

- 7:00 AM — Liturgy of the Word and Distribution of Ashes**
- 9:00 AM — All-School Mass with Distribution of Ashes**
- 5:30 PM — Liturgy of the Word and Distribution of Ashes**
- 7:00 PM — Mass with Distribution of Ashes**





The traditional Lenten Devotion, **Stations of the Cross** will be prayed **each Friday night** of Lent at 6PM, with exception of Good Friday starting time 2PM.

**You're invited to participate in CRS Rice Bowl!**

Our parish will be participating in CRS Rice Bowl, Catholic Relief Services' Lenten program, as a way to encounter Jesus through others, especially through the most vulnerable in our world. Rice Bowls will be available starting on Ash Wed., Feb. 13. Rice bowls, as well as Lenten Spiritual Guides, will be available with the Rice Bowl display in the Narthex as well as in baskets on the tables at the back entrance of the church. Please be sure to take one home and use the easy and fun resources to deepen your family's Lenten experience. Your prayers, fasting and almsgiving this Lenten season will help Catholic Relief Services continue to provide life-saving assistance in nearly 100 countries. CRS acts as our hearts and hands to care for the poorest in our world. Donate the dollar value of your Lenten sacrifices to help families in need. What you give up for Lent changes lives.



**PRACTICE SESSIONS  
IN CONVERSATIONAL ENGLISH**

Meet at St. Cecilia's Catholic Church at 10-11:30AM & 7-8:30PM on Thur. Typically, each tutor works with 1-3 learners. Contact Lloyd Anderson (296-1002) for information about the morning classes or Karl Gwasda (232-7582) about the evening classes.



**INTRODUCING THE "OWLS CLUB"**

St. Cecilia Catholic School is excited to announce the inauguration of a before and after school childcare program, which will be known as the "OWLS CLUB." For nearly a year, the concept has been developed to offer a "Pilot Program" for children currently enrolled in grades K-5 at St. Cecilia School. Beginning with the 2013-2014 school year, a maximum of 16 children will have the opportunity to enroll in the Owls Club Pilot. The program will offer early morning (6:30AM) and late afternoon (6:00PM) supervised childcare on the premises of the Education Center. Students will be engaged in a variety of indoor and outdoor activities, all of which will take place in our Christ-centered environment. Parents of potential students will soon receive specific details of the program, to include a personal invitation to participate, and the program will also be detailed on the St. Cecilia School web page. Since only 16 students can be accepted for the Pilot, an opening date of March 1, 2013 has been established for parents to express an interest in enrolling their children. A system of acceptance for enrollment has been developed and will be included in materials for distribution. This brief announcement is being made now to make you aware of our OWLS CLUB program. Look for further details in the coming weeks, and please pray for our success.

**BAPTISM PREPARATION**

All parents seeking baptism for their child are expected to attend a preparation session even though they may have attended previously. Please call 233-3092 for registration. Godparents are also expected to attend.

Next session is February 28, 2013 at 6:30PM in the St. Louis Room.

*\*\* Note: Sessions are normally scheduled on the second Thursday of the even numbered months. \*\**

**Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)**

*Jesus says to the fishermen: "Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching men. . .they brought their boats to shore...left everything and followed him."*

Perhaps the most comforting part of this gospel story is that Christ does not give these soon-to-be Apostles a makeover. He takes them as they are. And he takes us as we are. And invites us to become the people we were created to be.

**Want to know more? Come and See!**

If you are an adult or know an adult or child over the age of 7 interested in becoming a Catholic and celebrating Baptism, Confirmation or First Eucharist with this community, contact Jo Anne Dalhoff at [RCIA@stceciaparis.org](mailto:RCIA@stceciaparis.org) or call the parish office at 515-233-3092.

*Parishioners are also needed to support this ministry.*

**SCHOOL NEWS**

- Wed., 02-13: 9AM—All School Mass (Ash Wednesday)
- Tues., 02-19: 6PM—Kindergarten Round Up
- Wed., 02-20: No Kindergarten Classes, 9AM—All School Prayer Service & 9:30-11:30AM—2013/2014 Kindergarten Visit and Lunch



**2013-2014 ST. CECILIA SCHOOL KINDERGARTEN ROUND UP**

Part I: Kindergarten Round Up will be on Tues., Feb. 19 for parents only. The meeting will begin in the multi-purpose room of the Education Center at 6PM. Please bring a copy of your child's birth and baptismal certificates, immunization records and a \$100 refundable deposit.

Part II: Kindergarten Student and Parent Visit will be on Wed., Feb. 20 from 9:30-11AM in the kindergarten rooms. You are invited to stay for lunch, reservations will be taken at round up.

**SCRIP NEWS—SCRIP IS NOW ONLINE!**

Thank you for supporting the St. Cecilia education programs by purchasing scrip. We will continue selling scrip after all masses 1x per month. Look for us the 1st full weekend of every month unless that weekend falls on a holiday or holy day. In that case, we will be there the following weekend. Contact Shannon Schroeder or Bev Williams at [scrip@stceciashoolames.org](mailto:scrip@stceciashoolames.org).

## CATECHISM OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH

To view the Catholic Catechism this week go to  
[www.usccb.org/catechism/text/](http://www.usccb.org/catechism/text/)

## MEETINGS & EVENTS

**St. Anne's Circle** will meet on Tues., Feb. 12 at 9:30AM in the South Social Hall.

**The Catholic Daughters of the Americas**, Court Madonna 858, invites all Catholic women of St. Cecilia, St. Thomas, St. Patrick, and Sts. Peter and Paul Parishes to their meeting Feb. 14 in the South Social Hall of St. Cecilia's. Dinner is at 6:15. At 7:00, Jean Kuhl *will talk on the Stephen Ministry*. Guests, please notify Regent Sharon Jenkins (233-2570) if you plan to attend the meal.

### Lenten Fish Supper

Back by popular demand, the Knights of Columbus will host their Lenten Fish Supper on Feb. 15, Mar. 1, and Mar. 15. The menu will consist of baked fish, green beans, macaroni and cheese, and baked potatoes. Your past support is greatly appreciated and we look forward to seeing you again this year.

**Next Weekend is our Good Samaritan Fund/Food Shelf Collection weekend.** Suggested donations include canned vegetables and fruit, peanut butter, tuna, canned meat, baby food, packaged shelf-stable main meals, pasta, spaghetti sauce and cereal. Also, non-food items such as laundry detergent, dish soap, disposable diapers, baby wipes, paper towels, Kleenex and toilet paper.

**Sunday Afternoon Gathering.** Join us for an afternoon of cards ( any kind), board games, or just conversation next Sunday, Feb. 17 from 2-4PM in the St. Louis Room (entry in back near chapel door). Any questions please call Jean at 450-5715.

**The St. Cecilia Widows, Widowers, and Single Seniors** will meet on Sun., Feb. 17 at noon at the Iowa Stater. Call Pat Rood at 232-3594 for reservations or information.

**Our Rosary Prayer Group** will meet Feb. 19 at the home of Dixie Lickteig. If you would like to attend, go to 2116 Duff Ave. or call 233-1393.

## COMMUNITY

In the First Letter to the Corinthians, Paul said to strive eagerly for the greatest spiritual gifts. Some of those gifts will be given at the **Lincoln Highway Christian Experience Weekend at Pilgrim Heights.** Come and get your spiritual gift! The Women's CEW is Feb. 15-17 and the Men's CEW is Feb 22-24. Set aside some of life's daily demands for a weekend and join us. Brochures are in the church entrance. Call Julie Swartz 641-751-1341 or Deacon Alan Christy 515-231-8099 with questions.

*This Weekend, Life Teen will serve coffee and doughnuts after the 8:30 and 10:30AM Masses. Next weekend, Rich and Janet Brimeyer will serve after 8:30AM Mass, and CFM will serve after 10:30AM Mass.*



**STEWARDSHIP:** In today's readings, both Isaiah and Peter hear the call of God and feel themselves unworthy. But, reassured by the Lord, both answer and follow. Do I hear the Lord asking, "Whom shall I send?" Am I prepared to answer, "Here I am. Send *me*!"?

### 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time

cast out into the  
**DEEP**



We're just a few days from the beginning of Lent. Ash Wednesday is this week, and with it we will enter into forty days of prayer, fasting, and almsgiving. Catholic parishes do all sorts of things to make Lent a special time.

There's Bible study, days of reflection, and retreats. There are faith-sharing groups and Stations of the Cross, extra times for prayer and the celebration of the sacrament of penance. During Lent we try to empty ourselves of sin and evil and make room in our hearts so that we can be filled with the love of God and our neighbor.

This Sunday's Gospel is a perfect pre-Lenten text. After all, how many parishes host fish fries or meatless dinners on the Fridays of Lent? All those fish have to come from somewhere! Of course, the great catch of fish in the Gospel is not about our Lenten fasting and abstaining from meat on Friday. Simon and James and John had no idea that there would ever be a season called Lent. They were fishermen going about their daily tasks. As Jesus makes clear, the miracle of the great number of fish is a metaphor about the growth of the community of believers.

That is what Lent is all about too. During Lent we pray strenuously for those who will plunge into the waters of baptism at the Easter Vigil. These men and women are the concrete signs of the growth of our community. But our penitential disciplines of prayer, fasting, and almsgiving are not for ourselves alone. Through our actions others should be able to see how much we love God and love our neighbor. In that way, what we do during Lent acts as the net that we cast out into the sea of the world, bringing others closer to Christ because they are caught up in God's love by the example we share. Lent is a time to cast out into the deep.

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### SAVE THE DATES !

Saint Cecilia Parish will be conducting a Ministry Fair and Time & Talent Commitment activity the first 3 weekends of March 2013.

- A Time + Talent Opportunities catalog will provide descriptions and contact information.
- A Ministry Fair is scheduled after all Masses the weekend of March 9/10.
- During Masses the weekend of March 16/17 Parish members will be invited to bring their completed Time and Talent Commitment cards forward during the Offertory Procession.

The goal is to increase individual commitment to sharing our time and talents with others through our involvement in ministry, in parish life and in other ways helping to build the kingdom of God in this world.

"Whoever wishes to be great among you will be your servant; whoever wishes to be first among you will be the slave of all. For the Son of Man did not come to be served but to serve and to give his life as a ransom for many."  
Mark 10:43-45

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### Saturday, February 9

5:00PM: Georgene Franco †

### Sunday, February 10

8:30AM: Parishioners of St. Cecilia

10:30AM: Angelica Bonifacio

5:00PM: Ruth Wenckus †

Misa en Español (Chapel)

### Tuesday, February 12

8:00AM: Roberta North †

5:30PM: Fred Varnum †

### Wednesday, February 13

7:00AM: Liturgy of the Word/

Distribution of Ashes

9:00AM: All-School Mass/

Distribution of Ashes

Priest's Intention

5:30PM: Liturgy of the Word/

Distribution of Ashes

7:00PM: Rose Harobin †/Distribution of Ashes

### Thursday, February 14

8:00AM: Audrey Welp Dankbar †

5:30PM: Althea Palmer †

### Friday, February 15

8:00AM: James Kearney †

5:30PM: Lee Stork

### Saturday, February 16

5:00PM: Rosellen Sasse †

### Sunday, February 17

8:30AM: Parishioners of St. Cecilia

10:30AM: Paul Skarda †

5:00PM: Mary Strum †

Misa en Español (Chapel)

### MASS SCHEDULE

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

**Weekday:** Tuesday-Friday 8:00AM & 5:30PM (Chapel)

### Readings for the Week of February 10, 2013

Sunday: Is 6:1-2a, 3-8/1 Cor 15:1-11 or 15:3-8, 11/  
Lk 5:1-11

Monday: Gn 1:1-19/Mk 6:53-56

Tuesday: Gn 1:20-2:4a/Mk 7:1-13

Wednesday: Jl 2:12-18/2 Cor 5:20-6:2/Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

Thursday: Dt 30:15-20/Lk 9:22-25

Friday: Is 58:1-9a/Mt 9:14-15

Saturday: Is 58:9b-14/Lk 5:27-32

Next Sunday: Dt 26:4-10/Rom 10:8-13/Lk 4:1-13

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### BULLETIN DEADLINES

**FEB. 24 Bulletin—announcements due by  
noon on Fri., Feb. 15**

**MARCH 3 Bulletin—announcements due by  
noon on Fri., Feb. 22**

## PRAYER OPPORTUNITIES

Prayer opportunities held in the Chapel.

**Scripture Rosary**.....Monday 7:00AM  
**Intercessory Prayer Group**.....Sunday 9:00-10:00PM  
**Rosary**....Monday 7:30PM\*, Tuesday-Friday before 8:00AM  
 Mass (\*The rosary is said for Pro-life the first Mon. of each month.)  
**Christians in the Spirit**..... Tuesday 7:15-9:00PM  
**Chaplet of Divine Mercy**.....Friday 3:00PM  
**Liturgy of the Hours**.....Saturday 7:00AM  
**Eucharistic Adoration** .....The chapel is open daily, keypad access only between 10:00PM & 6:00AM.

\*\*Contact the Parish Office at 233-3092 to have your information forwarded to the Coordinators to schedule a weekly holy hour.

### Never Write Another Check to St Cecilia Again!

Our parish has been using an Online Giving system that is strengthening stewardship for our parish. There are many benefits for the parish and for parishioners that choose to give online including: no need to write checks; you can give even if you are unable to attend services; and your contribution amount can easily be adjusted; more consistent giving with recurring contributions; accommodates all special parish collections and missions.

Those who wish to continue to use traditional methods of offering may do so. If you would like to enroll, please visit

[stceciliaparish.org](http://stceciliaparish.org) or call our parish office at 515-233-3092.

### YOUR FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP

	<u>FEB.</u>	<u>IUL.-FEB.</u>
Contributions MTD	\$ 27,105	\$685,644
Budget FEB.	\$ 82,022	\$826,213
Need to meet Budget	\$ 54,917	\$140,569
Contributions Last Year	\$ 71,397	\$739,699
Building Imp. Fund	\$ 1,112	\$ 37, 083

### I AM INTERESTED IN BECOMING A MEMBER OF SAINT CECILIA PARISH

Name and Address the way you would like it to appear.

Name:

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Address:

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City:

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Zip:

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Phone:

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Email:

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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.

## RECONCILIATION

Saturday 3:15-4:30PM during lent and by appointment.

### PARISH OFFICE

Hours .....Monday-Thursday  
 8:30AM-4PM  
 Friday 8:30AM-2:30PM  
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 Birthright offers free pregnancy tests and counseling.  
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### PRAYER CHAIN

Call requests to Marge Sutter at 233-2622.