

March 17, 2013 | Fifth Sunday of Lent



Saint Cecilia

CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Saint 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.



SAINT CECILIA

Lenten Services

Individual Reconciliation

Monday, March 25 from 11AM-12PM

**Wednesday, March 27 from 11AM-12PM
& 5:30PM-6:30PM**

Saturday afternoons from 3:15-4:30PM (Please, no confessions after 4:25 to allow time to finish by 4:30 to allow Father time to prepare for Mass).

Palm Sunday

March 24 -Procession at the 10:30AM Liturgy

Holy Week

Holy Thursday Liturgy, March 28 at 7:30PM

Good Friday Stations, March 29 at 2PM

Good Friday Liturgy, March 29 at 7PM

Easter Vigil, March 30 at 8PM

Easter Sunday Masses, March 31

7AM, 8:30AM, and 10:30AM

FAITH FORMATION

Office Hours

Monday, Tuesday & Thursday 8:30AM-5:00PM

Wednesday 8:30AM-7:00PM

Friday 8:30AM-3:00PM

Early Childhood & Elementary Faith Formation Sessions

Week of March 17-March 23

St. Cecilia—Ames

There will **NOT** be Faith Formation Sessions for all grades this week due to Spring Break.

Beginning dates are as follows:

March 17th—Sunday Sessions—10:30—11:30AM
Preschool, Kindergarten & 1st grade—**Will NOT Meet**

March 18th—Monday Sessions—6:15—7:30PM
Grades 1—8—**Will NOT Meet**

March 20th—Wednesday Sessions—4:00—5:15PM
Grades 2—5—**Will NOT Meet**

March 20th—Wednesday Sessions—7:00—8:15PM
Grades 6—8—**Will NOT Meet**

St. Cecilia—Jewell

March 20th—Wednesday Sessions—6:45—8:00PM
K—10th grade—**Will NOT Meet**

A LOOK AHEAD!

- * **No sessions:** March 17th-24th Spring Break!
Ames March 25th & 27th Catechist In-service
Jewell will have class on the 27th—March 31st is Easter!
- * **Normal sessions** resume on April 1st and 3rd.
- * **Final Sessions:** Normal sessions for the weeks of April 7th, 14th and 21st.
- * **FINAL NOTICE: ALL PARENTS OF STUDENTS WHO WISH TO RECEIVE FIRST EUCHARIST.**
Parents who were unable to attend the parent meetings must contact Julie Anne in the Faith Formation Office to pick up required materials and complete the required forms. Thanks!
- * **All sessions are cancelled the week of April 28th so everyone can attend the parish mission!**

WOW! LOOK WHAT'S COMING!

APRIL 28th-MAY 1st

SAINT CECILIA PARISH MISSION

“OUR WALK IN HIS FOOTSTEPS”

*New on the website Faith Formation Calendar!
Check it out....*

YOUTH MINISTRY



~ Next Edge ~

Wednesday March 27th

Spring Lock-In Friday April 5th

Info coming soon...stay tuned!



March 17: **No Life Night:** Spring Break

March 24 : White Smoke

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### Sacrament of Confirmation

*Confirmation Sunday April 14th will be hosted at  
St. Cecilia's Catholic Church*

*Worship Logs were due March 10th!*

*Spring Break week of March 17-22nd*

**Please remember to attend your weekly  
Faith Formation program.**

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## Trips & Conferences Upcoming Fundraisers

April Bake Sale—CHWC

May Mother's Day Breakfast—NCYC

2nd trip payments were due March 1st for ALL trips

These payments are to be made online at:

[www.stcames.org/home/youth-ministry](http://www.stcames.org/home/youth-ministry)

*Online Giving/Event Registration tab on Home page.*

*Now on the website Youth Ministry Calendar!*

[www.stcames.org](http://www.stcames.org)

Under the Youth Ministry tab

### ADULT BIBLE STUDY

Mon., 6-7PM (Spanish) Reading the book of Job.

Mon., 7-8:30PM in the St. Louis Room -

Series on Catholicism by Father Robert Barron

Tues., 9:45-11AM in the St. Louis Room -Discuss Readings for  
upcoming Weekend. Social time begins at 9:30AM

Deacon John will not be available for the next 4 weeks.  
Spanish Mass will still be celebrated at 5PM on Sundays.



A beautiful collection of hand-carved olive wood religious articles from the Holy Land will be for sale in the gathering area this weekend, March 16 & 17. The profit goes to support the needy Catholic families who made these articles in Bethlehem and Jerusalem. You are encouraged to please stop by and support our suffering Catholic families in the Holy Land.

## SCHOOL NEWS

Mon., 03-18 to Fri., 03-22: Spring Break—NO SCHOOL

### Kindergarten 2013-2014

Tell your friends, tell your neighbors... St. Cecilia School has openings for the 2013-2014 Kindergarten class. It is not too late to register. Please call the office for more information, #232-5290.



We are excited to report that the 2013 Gala had a net profit of over \$125,000!

Of this amount, \$39,000 was given specifically to Fund A Need. The 2013 Fund A Need will

outfit the education center with new desks, tables, chairs, storage, and document readers. These much-needed upgrades will improve the learning environment for everyone who uses this space.

The Saint Cecilia Gala passed a significant milestone in 2013. In just 8 years, Gala has now raised over \$1 million dollars for St. Cecilia's educational and faith formation ministries. That includes over \$780,000 for the endowment funds, \$86,000 for immediate needs, and \$214,000 for special projects (Fund A Need).

### Drinking Clean Water in Pakistan

This week we focus our prayers, fasting and almsgiving on Pakistan, where poor communities often do not have access to clean water. CRS helps communities build water pumps so they can have clean water nearby for use at home and on their farms. This week, consider fasting from all beverages except for water, and donate what you saved to your Rice Bowl. What you give up for Lent changes lives.



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.

*This weekend, Rick and Janet Brimeyer will serve after 8:30 Mass and CFM will serve after 10:30 Mass. Next weekend, the Knights of Columbus will serve after both Masses.*



## 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 April 11, 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)

*In today's gospel we hear Jesus tell those accusing the woman caught in adultery: "Let the one among you who is without sin be the first to throw a stone..."*

Today we are offered a glimpse of Jesus' "new life" – compassion and mercy offered to all, no matter their offense. While the Pharisees try to trap Jesus, he turns the tables and confronts them with the truth of their own sinfulness. They condemned the woman in their self-righteousness. Jesus forgives her – and all sinners – in his love.

**Looking for forgiveness and "new life?" 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@stceciliaparish.org](mailto:RCIA@stceciliaparish.org) or call the parish office at 515-233-3092.

*Parishioners are also needed to support this ministry.*



### Confirmation for Adults

Are you a Catholic, age 17 or older, who has never celebrated the sacrament of Confirmation?

Join a 7 week Confirmation Preparation Program and celebrate Confirmation on Saturday, May 18, 2013

First session: March 14, 2013

Second session: April 4, 2013

Program location: St. Cecilia Parish - St. Louis Room

Thursdays: from 7 - 8:30 PM

**OR**

At a time which best fits your schedule

For more information contact Jo Anne Dalhoff at [jdalhoff@stceciliaparish.org](mailto:jdalhoff@stceciliaparish.org) or 515-233-3092.

### Saint Cecilia Parish will be conducting the final Time & Talent Commitment activity this weekend.

During Masses this weekend, March 16/17, parish members will be invited to bring their completed Time and Talent Commitment cards forward during the Offertory Procession.

**PICTORIAL DIRECTORY UPDATE:** We've received word that the pictorial directories from Lifetouch are scheduled to ship on March 27, 2013. We will distribute them to parishioners who had their pictures taken as soon as they are received. It's been a long process and we appreciate your patience!

Lynn Franco - Parish Pictorial Directory Coordinator

## 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

**The St. Cecilia Widows, Widowers, and Single Seniors** will meet today Mar. 17 at noon at Perkins. Call Pat Rood at 232-3594 for reservations or information.

**SUNDAY AFTERNOON GATHERING** Join us for an afternoon of cards (any kind), board games or just conversation today, Sun., Mar. 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 Social Justice Committee** will meet Mon., March 18, at 7PM in the Sunroom. All are welcome to attend.

**The Parish Seder Supper** will be held Holy Thur. - Mar. 28 at 5:30PM in the Social Hall. All members of the Parish Family are invited. Call Deacon Gary and Kay Aitchison at 296-2966 or email [gaitchis@iastate.edu](mailto:gaitchis@iastate.edu) for reservations -before Mar. 24.

## COMMUNITY

**The annual Lucullan's fundraiser for the Healthy Food Voucher Program** of Good Neighbor Emergency Assistance, Inc. will be held on **Sun., Apr. 7**. Social time begins at 5:30; at 6:00 there will be live *a cappella* gospel music presented by the Brethren quartet. The family-style meal starts at 6:30. Buy your tickets from your Good Neighbor representative, Doreen Berg (956-3414), or at the Good Neighbor office, 3202 Duff Avenue (296-1449). Tickets are \$35 each (\$25 is tax deductible). Come for fellowship, good music, and a great meal. Can't make it that evening? Your representative will gratefully accept your donation. Many thanks!

**A passion for changing lives:** National Social Work Month is a time to celebrate social workers and the services they provide to children, families and individuals. The men and women in this field of work are unsung heroes in our society. They bring hope to people in their darkest times and help make our communities better places to live one person, one child and one family at a time.

Lutheran Services in Iowa (LSI) is proud to have so many dedicated workers who bring life changing services to people in need. Without the dedication, passion and commitment of its social workers, LSI could not carry out its mission of responding to the love of Jesus Christ through compassionate service. Your valued partnership through support and prayer is what ensures LSI and its devoted employees can continue to help change lives for the better.

For more information on LSI, visit [www.LSIowa.org](http://www.LSIowa.org). Join us on Facebook at [www.facebook.com/LSI.iowa](http://www.facebook.com/LSI.iowa).

**Catholic Radio:** Tune in to 1150AM (KWKY) for "Catholic Radio for the Heart of Iowa." You can obtain a schedule of their radio programs at their website: [www.kwky.com](http://www.kwky.com).

**STEWARDSHIP:** In today's second reading, St. Paul says, "For His sake I have forfeited everything: I have accounted all else rubbish so that Christ may be my wealth." Does my stewardship suggest that I could say the same?

### 5th Sunday of Lent-3rd Scrutiny

The Basilica of the Holy Sepulcher in Jerusalem is often filled with incense that wafts through the archways and corridors as worshippers pray in one of the most sacred places for Christians. Burned in sacred rites through the centuries, the dried, hardened sap of the Boswellia trees that grow on the Arabian Peninsula forms the base of most religious incense blends today. Mixed with myrrh and other fragrances, the same sap was used in the preparation of bodies for burial in an attempt to mask the stench of decomposition.

Martha's warning to Jesus in today's Gospel about the state of Lazarus' body is a reminder of our very mortality. After he commands the onlookers to take away the stone from the tomb, Martha tells Jesus, "Lord, by now there will be a stench; he has been dead for four days." With our modern funerals, embalming practices, and sealed caskets, Martha's rather blunt expression of the eventual disposition of our human remains seems like a shocker. About the only remnant we retain of what would cover a rather messy end is the abundance of flowers that surround a casket. What was once a need because of their scent, is now just a pleasant addition to a mournful situation.

The death of Lazarus is a reminder of our own eventual passing. Like him, we will not be in this world forever. Our death is just as real. And while our human remains may not necessarily corrupt as quickly as those of Lazarus, we will still turn to dust. At least our physical selves will. But we are much more than that. Just like we can see incense, so we can see one another physically. But there is more to incense than the smoke we see. There is also the sweet smell, that unseen fragrance that rises toward the heavens. And so do we. More than our physical selves, our souls rise with Christ to the heavenly realm.

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### Eucharistic



### Adoration

### Eucharistic Adoration Information Now on the Parish Website!

Lent is a great time to begin a new spiritual habit. It's easier than ever to sign-up for Eucharistic Adoration on the St. Cecilia website at: <http://stcomes.org/committees/liturgy-committee/eucharistic-adoration/>. You'll find all kinds of information about Eucharistic Adoration and 2 sign-up forms, one with a list of our current needed hours and a general sign-up form. When you sign up online, your information is forwarded automatically and you'll receive a quick response. The Holiday Break Schedule can be found at the site, as well as the contact information for the Eucharistic Adoration Coordinator and Divisional Leaders. In addition, anytime Eucharistic Adoration is suspended for inclement weather, the information will be posted on the home page of the website. If you have any suggestions or questions about the website and Eucharistic Adoration, please contact Cyndi Volcko 451-4749.



**Please Remember in Your Prayers: Dorothy Stohlmeyer and Hans Petersen.** 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.

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### Saturday, March 16

5:00PM: Bunny Richert †

### Sunday, March 17

8:30AM: Parishioners of St. Cecilia

10:30AM: Karen Davis-Rutter

5:00PM: Special Intention

Misa en Español (Chapel)

### Tuesday, March 19

8:00AM: Alvera Irlbeck †

5:30PM: Fred Varnum †

### Wednesday, March 20

8:00AM: Mary Strum †

5:30PM: VPR Soedyastuti †

### Thursday, March 21

8:00AM: Frank Trcka †

5:30PM: Youth of St. Cecilia, St. Thomas and  
Sts. Peter & Paul

### Friday, March 22

8:00AM: Tony & Michelle Valdez & Family

5:30PM: Richard Huntley †

### Saturday, March 23

5:00PM: Kenneth Mueller †

### Sunday, March 24

8:30AM: Parishioners of St. Cecilia

10:30AM: Chris Schmitt †

5:00PM: Mike Plummer †

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 March 17, 2013

Sunday: Ez 37:12-14/Rom 8:8-11/Jn 11:1-45 or 11:3-7, 17,  
20-27, 33b-45

Monday: Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 or 13:41c-62/Jn  
8:12-20

Tuesday: 2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16/Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22/Mt  
1:16, 18-21, 24a or Lk 2:41-51a

Wednesday: Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95/Jn 8:31-42

Thursday: Gn 17:3-9/Jn 8:51-59

Friday: Jer 20:10-13/Jn 10:31-42

Saturday: z 37:21-28/Jn 11:45-56

Next Sunday: Lk 19:28-40/Is 50:4-7/Phil 2:6-11/Lk 22:14-23:56  
r 23:1-49

### BULLETIN DEADLINES

**MARCH 24** Bulletin announcements due by  
Noon on Wed., March 13

**MARCH 31** Bulletin announcements due by  
Noon on Wed., March 20

*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.

**YOU ARE INVITED TO PARTICIPATE:**

We invite all parishioners to respond to the Facility Exploration Survey now available on the St. Cecilia website under the heading "FEC Survey".  
 This is your opportunity to give us vital feedback regarding our facility needs and space usage. Multiple submissions will be allowed from each computer/IP address if several members of each household wish to take the survey separately. A paper copy is available that you may download, complete and return to the parish office. A paper copy is also available at the parish office. Results of the survey will be posted for the entire parish and will be used by your Facilities Exploration Committee in its work with RDG Planning & Design. If you have any other thoughts or questions in the future, members of the Facilities Exploration Committee are always available for your input.

| YOUR FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP |             |                  |
|----------------------------|-------------|------------------|
|                            | <u>MAR.</u> | <u>JUL.-MAR.</u> |
| Contributions MTD          | \$ 40,987   | \$777,038        |
| Budget MAR.                | \$ 84,735   | \$910,949        |
| Need to meet Budget        | \$ 43,748   | \$133,911        |
| Contributions Last Year    | \$ 73,848   | \$813,547        |
| Building Imp. Fund         | \$ 2,068    | \$ 41,491        |

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

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

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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.

**RECONCILIATION**

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

**PARISH OFFICE**

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The Gabriel Project is a crisis pregnancy assistance program. Call 450-6473 for assistance.  
 Birthright offers free pregnancy tests and counseling.  
 Confidential. 108 Hayward Ave. 292-8414.

**PRAYER CHAIN**  
 Call requests to Marge Sutter at 233-2622.