

## Litany of Remembrance

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All preborn children who died naturally  
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November 3, 2013 |  
Thirty-First Sunday in  
Ordinary time

Saint  
Cecilia  
Catholic  
Church

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Program Year Office Hours

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

Wednesday 8:30 AM–7:00 PM

Friday 8:30 AM–3:00 PM

Week of November 3-9

St. Cecilia—Ames CLASSES THIS WEEK!

November 3—Sunday Sessions—10:30–11:30AM  
Preschool & Kindergarten

November 4—Monday Sessions—6:15–7:30PM Grades 1–8

November 6—Wednesday Sessions—4:00–5:15PM Grades 1–5

November 6—Wednesday Sessions—7:00–8:15PM Grades 6–8

A LOOK AHEAD!

- \* NATIONAL RELIGIOUS EDUCATION WEEK!  
The week of November 3-9 has been designated as National Parish Religious Education Week. Thank a catechist! Pray for our students!
- \* IT IS NOVEMBER! Thanksgiving is around the corner!  
There will be no faith formation classes the week of
- \* November 24th. That includes all programs for preschool through eighth grade.
- \* SECOND GRADE: Reminder that First Reconciliation is at 10:00 on November 16th.
- \* LECTIONARY LINK: The 31st Sunday of Ordinary Time. Reflect on the Gospel for today with your whole family. Gospel: Luke 19:1-10  
  
**Adult:** How will your eternity be celebrated?  
**Child:** When did you act like Jesus this past week?

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)

Are you or anyone you know interested in exploring the Catholic Church as your church home? Have you been sitting in the pew next to your Catholic spouse for years wondering what you have to do to become Catholic? Statistics show that most people respond to a personal invitation. So this is that personal invitation and a challenge to all of us who might know someone who fits the categories above.

**Invite that person!**

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.*



EDGE NIGHT  
WED NOVEMBER 13TH  
EVENT TBA



*Sunday November 3rd Life Night*  
7:9PM Where: St. Cecilia

What to Bring: Please bring a Rosary, if you have one.  
This week's Life Night will challenge us to better understand the deep relationship we Catholics have with the Bible. (HINT: The topic is a lot more complicated and a lot more interesting than you might think!) We'll look at the 2,000-year-old relationship between Catholics and the Bible and we'll examine some commonly-held misconceptions about the relationship. We'll examine the Rosary for what it is in its simplest form - a beautiful form of Bible study - and then our 100-strong group will come together to pray the luminous mysteries of the Rosary en masse. It will be a spiritual experience you won't want to miss!  
Go Deeper: In Masses this week, count the number of times Sacred Scripture is quoted either in spoken word or song.  
Put it into Action: Prepare for Mass by reading and meditating on the week's Scripture verses before attending Mass. Pray the Rosary together as a family.

NEW FOR PARENTS

*Life Nights*

Sunday November 3rd St Louis Room STC

Contact Herrman's @ [eherrman@isunet.net](mailto:eherrman@isunet.net)

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For more information!

Confirmation Information  
Confirmation Class & Life Night

November 10th - Miraculous

6-7PM Social Hour/Dinner

Dinner provided by 9th grade girls

7-9PM Confirmation Life Night @ St Cecilia

TRIP INFORMATION

NCYC Youth/Chaperone Meeting

Sunday Nov 17th

Check us out at the following



AmesLifeTeen



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## SCHOOL NEWS

### School News

- Monday, 11/4:** Regular School & Preschool Day and 1PM 4th Grade Saints Presentation (Social Hall)
- Tuesday, 11/5:** No Preschool Classes due to Parent/Teacher Conferences, Bookfair, 1:30PM K-5 Early Dismissal, K-5 Parent/Teacher Conferences & 7PM Catholic School Board Meeting (St. Louis Room)
- Wednesday, 11/6:** No Preschool Classes due to Parent/Teacher Conferences, 9AM All School Mass, Bookfair, 1:30PM K-5 Early Dismissal and School Staff Development Meeting
- Thursday, 11/7:** No Preschool Classes due to Parent/Teacher Conferences, Bookfair, 1:30PM K-5 Early Dismissal and K-5 Parent/Teacher Conferences
- Friday, 11/8:** NO SCHOOL

**Congratulations to Mr. John Kinley, former co-principal** at St. Cecilia School, who on Oct. 25, 2013, was presented with the NCAA Lifetime Achievement Award for his work in the wrestling world and other efforts to promote NCAA principles. To be the recipient of the NCAA Lifetime Achievement Award is quite an honor and we are very proud of him. Congratulations!

### Scrip Tidbits!!

Did you know that every penny you purchase through the St. Cecilia Scrip program adds up to be a substantial benefit to our faith formation and school programs? If each family in St. Cecilia Parish bought all of their gas with Scrip, the programs would benefit \$108 per year per family. Alone, this doesn't seem like a lot, BUT...

If EVEN 1/4 of the parish families bought all of their gas with Scrip, our programs would benefit almost \$46,000 without any additional out of pocket expense!! Together, we really can do great things to help our faith formation and school programs.

We will continue selling after all masses the first weekend of each month. If you have any questions about Scrip, please contact Bev Williams or Shannon Schroeder at [scrip@stceciliaschoolames.org](mailto:scrip@stceciliaschoolames.org)

### **Pilgrimage to Italy. February 18-28, 2014**

Join Father John Vakulskas on a pilgrimage to Italy, including Venice, Ostiglia, Florence, Assisi and Rome.

R/T Omaha \$3,199, Chicago \$3,099.

Includes air, daily tours, first class hotels, transfers, most meals, daily Mass, baggage handling, Papal audience in Rome & more.

For complete information,

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## • A STEWARDSHIP MOMENT •

### The Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

The encounter between Jesus and the wealthy Zacchaeus offers a number of stewardship themes for this week's reflection: heeding the call of Jesus, conversion, repentance, generosity, acting out of justice. One stewardship theme from this Gospel reading that is not often commented upon is the steward's task of receiving Christ with a joyful heart. How often do we "receive him with joy?" Do we know him well enough to receive in joy? Do we experience his love? Do we accept him as our savior, or are we looking for something or someone else? It seems that only when we have some personal knowledge of Jesus, open our hearts to him and accept him as Christ, our savior, can we truly receive him with joyful hearts.

**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."

### YOUR FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP

	<u>OCT. 2013</u>	<u>YTD to OCT. 31</u>
Contributions MTD	\$ 80,427	\$ 304,860
Budget OCT. 31	\$ 91,667	\$ 366,667
Need to meet Budget	\$ 11,240	\$ 61,807
Contributions Last Year	\$ 72,349	\$ 303,901
Good Sam	\$ 4,069	\$ 15,969

**Support elderly religious.** A parishioner writes, "As a Catholic school student from grades K-12, I was formed to be the person I am by many religious brothers and sisters, and I am forever grateful." Show your appreciation for the senior Catholic sisters, brothers, and religious order priests who made a positive difference in so many lives. Please give generously to next week's collection for the Retirement Fund for Religious



**Please Remember in Your Prayers: Kenneth Gillette.** May the Lord grant peace and consolation to his family in their time of need. May he, and all who sleep in Christ, find in God's presence, light, happiness and peace.

## 31th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Children have such great expectations. They often show an eagerness that marvels adults. They can't wait to get at the Christmas gifts. They race off to explore new vistas. They dive into new things with an energy that seems beyond imagining. This exuberant curiosity that characterizes childhood gets channeled over time into an exploration of one's place in the world as teenagers or young adults discover their own selves and decide what they want to do with their lives. Sometimes, the intense eagerness of childhood is restrained by the reality of the adult world in which real limitations are made manifest. Not everything is a game to explore anymore.

In this weekend's Gospel, we have a story of a man who had to face his own limitations. Zacchaeus was a short guy. He couldn't see above the crowd. But he used his own ingenuity in his attempt to see Jesus. He climbed up a sycamore tree and sat in its branches because he wanted to catch a glimpse of this prophet who had come to Jericho. Jesus in turn stops at the sycamore and invites Zacchaeus to come down. Whatever limitations Zacchaeus had because of his height, it didn't seem to affect his business acumen, for the Gospel tells us that he was a wealthy man. The people of Jericho seem to think that not all of his wealth was acquired legitimately. But Zacchaeus stands his ground, promising to over-compensate anyone whom he may have harmed.

As we move on in life, we may find ourselves at the point of having lost some of the enthusiasm for what got us to where we are. Our day-to-day experiences can sometimes feel like a rut that consumes our energy. The story of Zacchaeus reminds us that there can be a renewal of grace that enlivens us once again. We might consider where Jesus is walking by in our life, and if we have the eagerness to see him.

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### Saturday, November, 2

5:00PM: Priest's Intention

### Sunday, November, 3

8:30AM: Parishioners of St. Cecilia

10:30AM: Mary Sturm

5:00PM: Dennis Krokowski †  
Misa en Español

### Tuesday, November, 5

8:00AM: Denise Brunia

5:30PM: Leo Blanchet †

### Wednesday, November, 6

9:00AM: All-School Mass  
Priest's Intention

5:30PM: Paul Skarda †

### Thursday, November, 7

8:00AM: Bob & Mary Myers †

### Friday, November, 8

8:00AM: Jack Urbance †

5:30PM: Bill Shonrock †

### Saturday, November, 9

5:00PM: Marian Putz †

### Sunday, November, 10

8:30AM: Parishioners of St. Cecilia

10:30AM: Lory Mullaly †

5:00PM: Special Intention †  
Misa en Español

## MASS SCHEDULE

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

**Weekday:** Tuesday & Friday 8:00AM & 5:30PM (Chapel)  
Wednesday 9AM (Church) & 5:30PM (Chapel)

## Readings for the Week of November 3, 2013

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

Monday: Rom 11:29-36/Lk 14:12-14

Tuesday: Rom 12:5-16b/Lk 14:15-24

Wednesday: Rom 13:8-10/Lk 14:25-33

Thursday: Rom 14:7-12/Lk 15:1-10

Friday: Rom 15:14-21/Lk 16:1-8

Saturday: Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12/1 Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17/Jn 2:13-22

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

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## 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/)

## BULLETIN DEADLINES

November 10 bulletin announcements due by  
Noon on Friday, November 1

November 17 bulletin announcements due by  
Noon on Friday, November 8

## EVENTS

### Marriage Enrichment

**"Date Night"** Come join us for a great evening on Nov. 9 in the St. Cecilia Social Hall. Couples come together, married and engaged, to gain knowledge and develop tools to build and enrich their relationship. Dinner and refreshments are offered at 6:15PM, followed by the program at 6:45PM, concluding by 8:45PM. This month we look at "Priorities in Marriage". Joy and success in marriage requires keeping our relationship priorities. Come and learn more! To help us plan for the meal and childcare or for more information, please contact Deacon Ron and Mary Smith at [DeaconRon.Ames@gmail.com](mailto:DeaconRon.Ames@gmail.com) or [515-441-0480](tel:515-441-0480) by Nov. 8. Each gathering has a different topic. Come when you can and bring a couple with you!

### Priest & Deacon Appreciation Weekend - Nov. 9 & 10

Reception Following  
Morning Masses November 10

#### Say "Thank You" to Our Ministers

Check the Bulletin Board in the Narthex  
Write a note using cards provided  
Meet them after Masses November 9/10

#### Can't Attend Mass That Weekend

Look for the Bulletin Board Display  
Pick Up a Note Card in the Narthex  
Drop Your Cards in the Box by the Office



**Theology on Tap:** Theology on Tap group will listen to a CD presentation of "7 Levels of Intimacy" by Matthew Kelly. We will meet on Monday, Nov. 4 at 7PM at Olde Main Restaurant. All young adults are welcome.

### Facilities Exploration Committee Presentation

Join us on November 10 at 11:45 in the Social Hall

Mark Hanson, FEC Chair, and Randall L. Milbrath partner of RDG Design & Planning, will share the survey results and assessment of facility needs of St Cecilia Parish and School.

A question and answer forum will follow the presentation.



## COMMUNITY



**Let's pack the house!!!** Invite your friends, family, and neighbors! Bring a bus/van of parishioners to this joyous **Archdiocesan Closing Celebration for the Year of Faith!** Sun., Nov. 10 at St Elizabeth Ann Seton, Hiawatha, 1-4:30PM. Door open at 12:30PM, Mass with Archbishop Jackels at 1PM, followed by dynamic speaker Allen Hunt, author of, Confessions of a Mega-Church Pastor: *How I Discovered the Treasure of the Catholic Church*. No Reservations; Free Will Offering; Refreshments; Seating for 1000+, **PACK THE HOUSE!!**

## MEETINGS

**Come and See!** Interested in getting closer to God, learning how to listen to His voice in your heart, how to know how to choose from two good choices, how to be a disciple? The Disciples of Jesus and Mary will offer an informational meeting Nov. 5 after the 5:30PM Mass (about 6:15) in the St. Francis Library. This is a lay adult formation program that begins with prayer in your life and teaches you how to pray, following different methods and the blueprint given by Christ, the Our Father. The meeting will last a half hour. If you're interested & cannot attend, please email Jill Sankovitch at [sankojill@yahoo.com](mailto:sankojill@yahoo.com) or call Jayne Misra at 232-5386.

**MOMS:** Moms of Pre K children are invited to join us for an organizational meeting for MOMS on Tues., Nov. 5, 2013, at 2PM in the St. Louis Room. MOMS is a group designed to support and affirm women who are mothers. Children enjoy play time together. Come, help us develop plans to meet your ideas and wishes. For more information contact Esther Glasnapp at [edubec@yahoo.com](mailto:edubec@yahoo.com) or 515-460-6721 or Jo Anne Dalhoff, [jdalhoff@stceciliaparish.org](mailto:jdalhoff@stceciliaparish.org) or 515-233-3092.

**St. Mary Circle** will meet Thur., Nov. 7, 1:30PM in the South Social Hall. Fr. Jim will present a program on Icons starting at 1:30PM. Anyone interested in hearing Fr. Jim's presentation is welcome to attend. A business meeting will follow the program. Call Joan Jones at 232-2776 for more information.

**St. Gerard's Circle** will meet on Thur., Nov. 7 at 7PM at the home of Mary Stevermer, 2607 Tyler Ave. We will be making Christmas ornaments for the nursing home residents.

**GABRIEL PROJECT TRAINING:** Gabriel Project, a parish-based outreach to Mother's in crisis pregnancy, needs your help. Do you have a heart for the unborn child and their Mothers? Want to put hands and heart to the pro-life message of Jesus? Come to the Gabriel Project Training. One day training Sat., Nov. 9. 8:30AM - 3:30PM. Sponsored by Gabriel of Dubuque/Dryersville. St. Anthony's in Dubuque will host. Breakfast/Lunch provided. \$20 fee covers materials. Become an "Angel" for the Ames area Gabriel Project. Please join us. Contact: Beth Dahlke 515.771.7617

**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, Nov. 14 in St. Cecilia's Social Hall. Dinner is at 6:00 with the Knights of Columbus while watching the first episode of the Catholicism series by Fr. Barron. There will be a free-will offering for dinner. We will adjourn for the meeting at 7PM.

**St. Cecilia Widows, Widowers and Single Seniors:** We have a change of plans for Nov. 17. Let's meet for breakfast in the Social Hall after the 10:30 mass at St. Cecilia's. We'll gather in the narthex and hope you can join us. Call Pat Rood at 232-3594 for reservations or information.

### 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 December, 12, 2013 at 6:15PM  
in the St. Louis Room**

**\*\* Note: Normally sessions are scheduled on the fourth Thursday of the even numbered months, starting in August. \*\***



*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.

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

**Homebound Ministry**

If someone is unable to get to mass, please contact the parish office at 233-3092 to be added to the list to be visited

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**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.

*Welcome to Saint Cecilia Parish.*

**RECONCILIATION**

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

**PARISH OFFICE**

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The Gabriel Project is a crisis pregnancy assistance program. Call 450-6473 for assistance.

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