

August 31, 2014 | Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time



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.

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Labor Day

Sept. (at least in this country) opens with our annual holiday honoring human labor. With the end of summer, and for all of us (hopefully) some short or longer needed “time off” for rest and renewal, Sept. brings all of us once again into a full schedule of work and other family or related activities.

It is important to take a few minutes on “Labor Day” to reflect on the place that work has in our lives of discipleship. For the Christian disciple work is more than “making money” so that I can “buy” things, good and necessary as some of those things may be. Both the Scriptures and modern Church social teaching remind us that human work is our sharing in God’s own “work” of creation—both of human life and of the natural environment. Human work is the way through which God continues to bring about the divine plan of ultimate union of all things in heaven and on earth in him, the Kingdom. Through the care and diligence each of us brings to the particular work we have been given to do, the Kingdom of God is revealed and moves toward its ultimate fulfillment. Through our collaboration with others in our work we acknowledge our common origin as the children of God in our collective call to “tend the earth” and “steward wisely” the material, personal and spiritual gifts God has put at our disposal. Church teaching also proclaims that every human being is to be afforded work that enhances human dignity, is able to provide the means through which the ordinary necessities of life (food, shelter, clothing, access to medical care) is available, a just and living wage is provided, and adequate provision is made to cultivate personal, family and community relationships through necessary “time off”.

As we celebrate this Labor Day, may “God prosper the work of our hands” (Ps. 90).

In Christ,
Father Jim Secora

FAITH FORMATION

Children’s Liturgy of the Word

Begins on Sunday, Sept. 7 at 10:30 mass

Children will be dismissed from the mass to participate; and then will return during the Offertory hymn.

Ages Pre-K through 2nd grade are welcome!

Faith Formation Sessions begin the week of Sept 7, 2014.

- Sunday Sept 7 at 9:00AM grades Pre-k through 5th
- Monday Sept 8 at 6:15PM grades 1st – 8th
- Wednesday Sept 10th at 7:00PM grades 6-8th
- Sign up deadline is Sept. 1. After Sept. 1 there is a \$25 late fee.
- If you have not received the online sign-up/welcome letter contact Dori Gass at dgass@stceciliaparish.org, we will send it out promptly.

YOUTH MINISTRY

Confirmation Candidates & Sponsors: Don’t forget to sign up for the Christ our Life Conference by Sept. 1.

Our bimonthly bulletin was sent for the first time on Fri., Aug. 15 to all registered youth ministry families. Please register or contact the Faith Formation Office if you did not receive these important updates!

Upcoming Events

- **Confirmation**, Sept. 7 6-9PM, St. Thomas Aquinas Lower Lounge
- **EDGE Small Groups**, Sept. 8: 6:15-7:30PM, St. Cecilia
- **EDGE Youth Group**, Sept. 10: 7-8:30PM, St. Cecilia
- **Life Teen**, Sept. 14 21 and 28: 7-9PM, St. Cecilia

ADULT CONFIRMATION

St. Cecilia Parish

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 Sat., Oct. 25, 2014

- First session: September 11, 2014
- Second session: September 18, 2014
- Third session: September 25, 2014
- Fourth session: October 2, 2014
- Fifth session: October 9, 2014
- Sixth session: October 16, 2014
- Seventh session: October 23, 2014
- Confirmation: October 25, 2014 5:00 PM Mass

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 or 515-233-3092.

BAPTISM

BAPTISM PREPARATION

All parents seeking baptism for their child are expected to attend a preparation session.

Baptism Preparation I for first born child –
Next session: Thur., Oct. 23, 2014 at 6:15PM

Baptism Preparation II for second/later child –
Next session: Thur., Sept. 25, 2014 at 7:00PM

Please call the parish office at 233-3092 for reservation.
Godparents are also expected to attend.
All sessions take place in the St. Louis Room

Come to St. Cecilia School & watch your child(ren) GROW...

Monday, September 1: Labor Day—No School or Preschool or Owls Club

Tuesday, September 2: First Day of Preschool and 7PM Catholic School Board Meeting

Wednesday, September 3: 9AM All School Mass

Tiny Circus is coming to St. Cecilia School September 15-19!

What is Tiny Circus? *Tiny Circus* is a community-based organization from Grinnell, Iowa that uses stop-motion animation to create and tell stories. They facilitate collaborative experiences for the participants while making films that are meaningful and engaging for their audiences.

Tiny Circus is partnering with St Cecilia students **September 15-19** to create an original 3-5 minute movie. Throughout the week, students will create visual elements in Art class, compose sound effects and songs in Music class, and create imagery using the movement of their bodies in Physical Education.

You can be a partner too! We need your help to provide meals and host the *Tiny Circus* team of four during the week. If you are interested in providing meals or a place for them to stay, please email

Lisa Teske at leteske@stceciaschoolames.org.

Special thanks to the sponsors: Greater Iowa Credit Union, Target, and St. Cecilia School FSA.

SHOWTIME! Mark your calendars and plan to join us for:

St. Cecilia School's Tiny Circus Movie Premiere!
Fri., Sept. 19, 7:45-9PM
St. Cecilia Playground

Bring your lawn chairs and blankets and join us on the playground where St. Cecilia's very own *Tiny Circus* movie will premiere on an outdoor screen. Popcorn, treats and lemonade will be provided.

Mrs. Lisa Teske, Art Teacher



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For more information visit our website
www.stcames.org/school
or call 515-232-5290

• WELCOME •

TO OUR GUESTS

We hope that God will grant you peace and rest while you are under our roof today.

May this church be your "second" home.

May those you love be near you in thought and prayer.

Even though we may not get to know you,

We pray that you will be comfortable and happy as if you were in your own church home.

May whatever need brought you our way find a hearing by God.

When you leave, may your journey be safe.

We pray you God's peace.

• A STEWARDSHIP MOMENT •

In today's Gospel reading, Jesus brings up the topic of the cross to his followers. They would not realize the cross was part of God's plan and was to be their legacy until after the Resurrection. Today's followers of Christ recognize they are stewards of his entire legacy, including his cross; that through their mutual sacrifices God's glory is revealed. They don't live their life in Christ only when it is convenient for them. They make a decision to take up their cross and carry it, no matter what the cost. What crosses do we bear in order to reveal God's glory?

STEWARDSHIP: In today's second reading, St. Paul exhorts the Romans to total stewardship. Brothers and sisters, he urges, ". . .offer your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God."

CONTRIBUTIONS

Month of Aug as of Aug. 25, 2014

Month to date Actual:	\$ 71,995
August Budget	\$ 79,026
YTD Actual	\$ 142,117
Need to Meet Annual Budget	\$1,228,000
Immigrant Children	\$ 5,027

Electronic Giving Available: Your annual pledge helps us forecast, with confidence, the level of financial support our congregation will receive in the year ahead. It is through the pledges and contributions of our members that we are able to carry on our work here at St Cecilia.

As you consider your pledge, we remind you that we offer Electronic Giving as a way to automate your offerings, or you may use Bill Pay VIA your financial institution. It is convenient for you and provides much-needed consistency for the church. Collection basket offerings can fluctuate significantly from week to week but when contributions are automated, the church receives funds on a steady, uninterrupted basis. Authorization forms are available at the church office.



Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday, August 30

5:00PM: Bob & Mary Myers †

Sunday, August 31

8:30AM: Parishioners of St. Cecilia

10:30AM: Anna Marie Best †

5:00PM: Father Richmond
Misa en Español

Tuesday, September 2

8:00AM: No Mass

Wednesday, September 3

9:00AM: All School Mass
Priest Intention

Thursday, September 4

8:00AM: Vernon Parker †

Friday, September 5

8:00AM: Don, Brad, & Michelle Friedly

Saturday, September 6

5:00PM: Mark Wessman †

Sunday, September 7

8:30AM: Parishioners of St. Cecilia

10:30AM: Theresa Vanderah †

5:00PM: Youth of St. Cecilia, St. Thomas &
Sts. Peter & Paul
Misa en Español

MASS SCHEDULE

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

Weekday: Tuesday & Friday 8:00AM (Chapel)
Wednesday 8AM (Chapel in Summer)

Wednesday 9AM All School Mass (Church During School Year)

CATECHISM OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH

To view the Catholic Catechism this week go to
www.usccb.org/catechism/text/



Readings for the Week of August 31, 2014

Sunday: Jer 20:7-9/Rom 12:1-2/Mt 16:21-27

Monday: 1 Cor 2:1-5/Lk 4:16-30

Tuesday: 1 Cor 2:10b-16/Lk 4:31-37

Wednesday: 1 Cor 3:1-9/Lk 4:38-44

Thursday: 1 Cor 3:18-23/Lk 5:1-11

Friday: 1 Cor 4:1-5/Lk 5:33-39

Saturday: 1 Cor 4:6b-15/Lk 6:1-5

Next Sunday: Ez 33:7-9/Rom 13:8-10/Mt 18:15-20

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St. Thomas Aquinas Mass Times

Weekend Masses

4:45PM Saturday

8:30 & 10:30AM on Sunday

7PM Sunday

Weekday Mass

12:00 Noon Monday-Friday

9:15PM Thursday (TNL)

Sts. Peter & Paul Mass Time

8:30AM Sunday in Gilbert

Don't Miss the
DEADLINE!

UPCOMING DEADLINES

September 14 bulletin announcements
due by Friday, September 5

September 21 bulletin announcements
due by Friday, September 12

Eucharistic

Adoration

Eucharistic Adoration will be suspended from
8AM Fri., Aug. 29 until 8AM Tues., Sept. 2
due to the Labor Day Holiday.

St. Cecilia
SHOP +1

Shop+1: Please remember to buy one non-perishable item for the MICA food pantry when you shop for your household. Make it a habit for yourself or your children! The next food collection weekend is September 20/21.

EVENTS/MEETINGS



PARISH PICNIC

Sat., Sept. 13, following the 5PM Mass.

On the South Lawn

Come, help us celebrate

**Bob Hauser's 20th Anniversary as
Director of Music and Liturgy here at St. Cecilia.**

Iowa Pork Producers will be grilling pork tenderloins.

Beer and Soda also provided.

Bring a salad, veggie, or dessert to share.

Listen to great music and enjoy the end of summer!

St. Mary Circle will meet Thur., Sept. 4, 1:30PM in the South Social Hall. Sue Benson will present a program on Therapy Dogs. Guests are most welcome to attend. Call Joan at 232-2776 if you would like a ride.

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

Saint Cecilia Annual Golf Outing - Veenker Golf Course on Sun., Sept. 14, 2014
4-person Best Shot with a Shotgun start at 1PM.
\$45 entry fee includes: Golf, Cart, Prizes, and Steak Supper in the Social Hall.
Non-golfers dinner \$8.
Sign-up sheets by the bulletin board by the parish office.

RCIA

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!

First fall session begins Thur., Sept. 11. The group meets from 7-8:30PM in the St. Louis Room.

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 or call the parish office at 515-233-3092.

Parishioners are also needed to support this ministry.

SCRIP

Scrip Tidbits!!

We will continue to sell Scrip the first weekend of the month. The dates are: Sept 6/7, Oct 4/5, Nov 1/2, & Dec 6/7.

COMMUNITY

Clothing that Works is a FREE clothing closet for those needing interview or work clothes PLUS Iowa Workforce Development Computers for job searches. It is open Wednesdays 1-4PM until Sept. 24, then Wednesdays 2-6PM. Location: **Collegiate Wesley Annex building 130 S. Sheldon, Suite 308.** Second building behind Dunkin Doughnuts, use door off parking lot (515) 292-2156.

Adult Faith: Living with Passion & Purpose Seminar

Matthew Kelly Live! Sat., Nov. 22, 9AM-1:30PM. St. Edward Parish, Waterloo. For more information and to register:

<http://www.waterloocatholics.org/matthewkelly.html>

Good Neighbor's annual ITALIAN DINNER (formerly known as Lucullan's Italian Restaurant Fundraiser Dinner) will be held at the Unitarian Universalist Fellowship at 1015 Hyland Ave. today, Sun., Aug. 31 with Social Time beginning at 6PM. Tickets are \$35 per person, with a large portion of that being tax deductible. Please call Doreen Berg (956-3414) for ticket information.

Protecting our Children, a local volunteer group, along with the Ames Town and Country Kiwanis invites the community to attend a program about human trafficking in Iowa on Tues., Sept. 23, 7-8:30PM at First United Methodist Church, 516 Kellogg. The program will be appropriate for anyone over 14 years of age and is specifically planned for those who have contact with children-parents, educators, church youth leaders and pastors.

ST. THOMAS AQUINAS

Building Stronger Families

JOIN The Family Project A Divine Reflection

A 12 session DVD small group experience that combines lessons and inspiring stories to help families thrive **Starts Sept. 4 on** Thurs. 7-8:30PM Prophets & Martyrs Room, St. Thomas Aquinas Church. All are Welcome. Register by emailing domesticchurchinstitute@gmail.com. Babysitting Provided Contact Nannet nanagatep@hotmail.com.

Prayer opportunities held in the Chapel

Scripture Rosary.....Monday 7:00AM
Intercessory Prayer Group.....Sunday 8:00-9:00PM
RosaryMonday 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 AdorationThe 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.

Like us on Facebook: <http://www.facebook.com/stcames>

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.

Welcome to Saint Cecilia Parish.

RECONCILIATION

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

PARISH OFFICE

Hours.....Mon.-Thur. 8:30AM-4PM
Fri. 8:30AM-2:30PM
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Birthright offers free pregnancy tests and counseling. Confidential. 108 Hayward Ave. 292-8414
www.birthrightames.org