



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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Faithful Citizenship for Iowa Catholics

Included in this weekend's Bulletin is an insert "Faithful Citizenship for Iowa Catholics" from the Iowa Catholic Conference. This insert draws from the larger document, "Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship" of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, a statement originally published in 2007 and most recently updated in 2011. The **purpose** of both documents is to **help Catholics form their consciences in making their choice of political candidates for elected government office.** Both documents are **NOT VOTER GUIDES.** The **CATHOLIC CHURCH DOES NOT ENDORSE ANY PARTICULAR POLITICAL PARTY OR CANDIDATE.** It is important

to remember that **CATHOLIC SOCIAL TEACHING IS NOT "SINGLE ISSUE"** but covers the whole breadth of issues affecting human life and well-being. All social issues must be considered in relation to one another, since all are connected. As we approach the November elections, each Sunday the Bulletin will contain an excerpt either from "Forming Consciences" or "Faithful Citizenship" for our review/reflection. As Catholics our faith teaches us that we must exercise our rightful duty to participate in the political life of our country, but with an informed Catholic conscience and not merely as a partisan political party member.

FAITH FORMATION

Children's Liturgy of the Word

Began on Sun., 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!

No Faith Formation Classes Sun., Sept. 21; Mon., Sept. 22 or Wed., Sept 24 due to Catechist In Service.

If you haven't signed up, you still can!

If you have not received the online sign-up/welcome letter contact

Dori Gass at dgass@stceciliaparish.org, we will send it out promptly.

Sign up deadline was Sept. 1. After Sept. 1 there is a \$25 late fee.

Parent Meeting

Parent First Reconciliation Meetings

Mon., Sept. 22 6:15-7PM in the Church

Wed., Sept. 24 7-8:15PM in the Church

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

YOUTH MINISTRY

New!! AGAPE Harvest Stomp

Line Dancing, Fall Games & Fellowship

Thur., Sept. 25, 6-9PM

Brookside Park

Rain Location St. Thomas Aquinas

Agape is a ministry for teenage guys and girls to grow in Christian brotherhood and sisterhood. Young men and women will meet separately to focus on purity, dating and what it means to be made to love! Agape begins with a social for guys and girls before splitting up for worship, music and testimonies. 8th grade and high schoolers are welcome!

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.

Alpha

It's not too late to Join in!

Wednesday nights at 5:15PM in the Social Hall

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

Marketing Committee

This is an invitation to all parish members to join our Marketing Committee which meets on the fourth Mon. of each month during the school year. This group is looking at ways to strengthen our presence of our St. Cecilia Community in the Ames community. If interested, please contact the school office at #515-232-5290. Thank you for your consideration.

Department of Education Site Visit

Next week, the state of Iowa will be completing a site visit, which is an evaluation by the Department of Education of St. Cecilia School. The state will be looking at our policies, programs, and regulations to determine if we have met the requirements to be an accredited private school of the state of Iowa.



Saint Cecilia
SCHOOL

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 •

From an early age, we tend to distort the concept of "fairness": "I am good. I deserve good things. I am not receiving good things, Something must be wrong. Who's going to fix it?" We also know the age-old expression: "Whoever said life was fair?" Jesus knew this expression when he offered his parable in today's Gospel reading. Christian stewards acknowledge, with humility, that they receive good things from the Lord in abundance; even if these gifts are not the ones they think they need when they need them. Consider which servants you identify with most in the Gospel reading, the ones who demand "fairness," or that final servant who, seemingly, deserves the least.

SCRIP

Scrip Tidbits!!

Did you know? Last year, with parishioner help, the Scrip program raised over \$9000 towards education programs at the parish and school! Thank you so much to all of you who have faithfully stopped by the Scrip table and purchased gift cards. If you would like to learn more about the Scrip program, stop by the Scrip table after masses the 1st weekend of each month.

If you have any questions about Scrip, please contact Bev Williams or Shannon Schroeder at scrip@stceciliaschoolames.org

NEW HAPPENINGS AT ST. CECILIA

St. Cecilia Playgroup & Parent Fellowship

1st & 3rd Wed. of the month after the 9AM Mass (approximately 10:15) until 11:30. Kids ages 0-5 and parents (if all your kids are in school, still come & chat!) At Inis Grove Park (playground back behind the tennis courts, *not* the playground along Duff Ave.) when the weather is nice; if it rains and once the weather turns cooler we will meet in the Sun Room at St. Cecilia Church. If you have any questions or if you want to receive email reminders/updates about the playgroup/parent fellowship, email Jessica Loecke at jjloecke@gmail.com or call (515) 451-8126.



HOSPITAL VISITS

For those of you who have family or friends in the hospital, please remember that privacy laws prevent hospitals from freely distributing or making available information on patients without their consent. **If you are going to be hospitalized for more than just a "same day procedure", PLEASE NOTIFY THE PARISH so that we can arrange a visit to you if you wish. THE HOSPITAL WILL NOT AUTOMATICALLY DO THIS FOR YOU.**



Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday, September 20

5:00PM: Rita Voss †

Sunday, September 21

8:30AM: Parishioners of St. Cecilia

10:30AM: Jim Mitchell †

5:00PM: Corinne Judge †

Misa en Español

Tuesday, September 23

8:00AM: No Mass

Wednesday, September 24

9:00AM: All School Mass

Priest Intention

Thursday, September 25

8:00AM: Anna Marie Best †

Friday, September 26

8:00AM: Doug Conley †

Saturday, September 27

5:00PM: Fred Varnum †

Sunday, September 28

8:30AM: Parishioners of St. Cecilia

10:30AM: Jim Mitchell †

5:00PM: Mike McBride †

Misa en Español

MASS SCHEDULE

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

Weekday: Tuesday, Thursday & 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/



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.

Readings for the Week of September 21, 2014

Sunday: Is 55:6-9/Phil 1:20c-24, 27a/Mt 20:1-16a

Monday: Prv 3:27-34/Lk 8:16-18

Tuesday: Prv 21:1-6, 10-13/Lk 8:19-21

Wednesday: Prv 30:5-9/Lk 9:1-6

Thursday: Eccl 1:2-11/Lk 9:7-9

Friday: Eccl 3:1-11/Lk 9:18-22

Saturday: Eccl 11:9-12:8/Lk 9:43b-45

Next Sunday: Ez 18:25-28/Phil 2:1-11 or 2:1-5/Mt 21:28-32

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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



UPCOMING DEADLINES

October 5 bulletin announcements
due by Friday, September 26

October 12 bulletin announcements
due by Friday, October 3

Marriage Enrichment - "Date Night"

When is the last time you took your spouse on a picnic date? How well do you and your spouse communicate? Do you know each other's love languages? Engaged and married couples are invited to join us for an exciting evening on October 4. The evening will begin at 6:15 with a romantic picnic for the adult couples and pizza for the children. (Childcare will be provided.)

Our topic will be "**Communication**". Good communication in marriage requires time and energy. Successful couples develop the virtues of honesty, charity and empathy in their communication.

Save the date for our next "Date Night" on Nov. 1.

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 or 515-441-0480 by Oct. 3. Bring another couple with you!

MARRIAGE CORNER

Want to pray more, but not sure how? Try taping a list of people you want to pray for (or a morning offering) to the bathroom mirror. Make sure your spouse is #1. You both will see it every day. Maybe alternate the responsibility for this each week.

Prayer of the Faithful

That married couples may not be shaken by misfortune and pain, we pray:

MEETINGS

The St. Cecilia Widows, Widowers, and Single Seniors group will meet on Sept 21 at Old Chicago at noon. Call Pat Rood at 232-3594 for reservations or information.



The Fall Liturgical Formation night is scheduled for Thur., Sept. 25 at 7PM. All Current Liturgical ministers are required to attend and those interested in a Liturgical Ministry are invited. This evening is open to all parishioners.

For Charity, for Unity, for Fraternity: Join the Knights of Columbus

The Knights council at St. Cecilia welcomes all practicing Catholic men 18 years of age and older in joining the largest Catholic family fraternal organization. The Knights of Columbus support the teaching and mission of the Holy Father and the bishops of the church and offer many service and faith-building programs. A new member initiation is scheduled for Sun., Sept. 28 at 2PM in the North Social Hall. For more information contact Grand Knight Paul Fell 515-520-3426 or membership chair Dan Rajewski 515-290-4374 (danrajewski@gmail.com).

SCCCW (St. Cecilia Council of Catholic Women)

All Ladies of St. Cecilia's Parish are invited to the SCCCW Soup Supper in the South Social Hall on Thur., Oct. 2, at 6PM. All food and table service will be provided. Celeste Philibert will give a presentation about her Volunteering in Prison Ministry. Come socialize and enjoy the program. Mark your calendars now. Bring a friend. Need a ride? Call Darlene Bovee at 232-4520.

Teams of Our Lady: An informational meeting for married couples interested in joining Teams of Our Lady will be held at 7PM on Mon., Oct. 13 in the Sun Room at St Cecilia. TOOL is a group of 5-7 couples that meet monthly for a meal, sharing, support, prayer and study a catholic topic that has a family/marriage/spiritual focus. As part of an international movement recognized by the Pope, we strive to live and grow in the vocation of marriage. There are couples of all ages in Teams, with and without children. Call Stephen and Mary Stritzel with questions at 515-268-0211.

Catholic Daughters, Court Madonna 858 of Ames, IA is starting a Young Catholic Daughters court for Catholic girls 6 - 17 years of age. Each monthly meeting will include joyful music, activities, fellowship and spiritual enrichment. For information, please contact Celeste Philibert at 515-292-3703 or email cdacourtmadonna858@gmail.com.

EVENTS

New Member Registration Weekend September 20 & 21
Are you new to St. Cecilia's, moving back, just married, attending Mass but never officially registered? Formally registering is a declaration of your desire to become a part of the life of St. Cecilia's Catholic community. Being registered makes the process much easier when it is time for infant baptism, school or religious education registration, weddings, being a baptismal or confirmation sponsor, and even funerals. Registered parishioners receive all parish mailings and information.
If you have not officially registered at St. Cecilia's, stop by the new member registration table after Mass this weekend, Sept. 20 & 21. We can answer your questions and help you with the registration process.

Sunday Afternoon Gathering. Join us for an afternoon of cards (any kind), board games or just conversation this Sun., Sept. 21 from 2-4 PM in the St. Louis Room.



Adult volleyball is on Tuesdays at 7PM in the Education Center Multipurpose Room. Everyone is welcome. For information, please contact Jim Schoenrock 450-0480.

COMMUNITY

DMACC's High-School Equivalency Program.

Oct. 9 (9AM & 12PM) for classes starting Oct. 20
Dec. 15 (9 am & 12 pm) for classes starting Jan. 12.
if you have any questions please contact Anneke Mundel at (515-290-4775 or amundel@dmacc.edu).



GRANDPARENTS RETREAT

American Martyrs Retreat House
Oct. 31 - Nov. 2

A weekend that will empower and support Contemporary grandparents in their unique roles as family anchors, models, mentors, memory-makers, sages, stewards of the family legacy, and shepherds of faith and tradition.

To learn more, contact Deacon Gary and Kay Aitchison, gaitchis@iastate.edu, 515-296-2966.

ST. THOMAS AQUINAS

The Carpenter Shop

Sept. 26 Friday 7PM STA Lower Lounge

Come and invite your friends to this coffee-shop event with music, faith testimonies, fun video clips. open mic, and snacks. Featured speaker, Daryl Chicoine will share his faith story including how his life changed after a near-electrocution experience. ISU student, Evie Sue Ward and high school student, Audrey Nelson will also share their faith stories. Questions? Contact Nannet nanagatep@hotmail.com

Prayer opportunities held in the Chapel

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