

# Saint Cecilia Catholic Church

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Fr. James L. Secora, Pastor

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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.

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From  
Fr. Jim



In their statement on Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship, the U.S. Catholic bishops apply Catholic teaching to many important issues affecting human life and dignity. As Pope Francis reminds us, "The dignity of each human person and the pursuit of the common good are concerns which ought to shape all economic policies." Visit [www.faithfulcitizenship.org](http://www.faithfulcitizenship.org) to read the statement and access helpful resources.

## 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 2<sup>nd</sup> grade are welcome!

Classes resume the week of Sept 28<sup>th</sup> for all grades.

Still time to sign up for classes, contact Dori Gass at [dgass@stceciliaparish.org](mailto:dgass@stceciliaparish.org).

### FAITH FORMATION

Sunday: Prek-5 <sup>th</sup> grades	9:00-10:15AM
Monday: 1 <sup>st</sup> -8 <sup>th</sup> grades	6:15-7:30PM
Wednesday: 6 <sup>th</sup> -8 <sup>th</sup> grades	7:00-8:15PM

If you missed the Parent Meeting for all parents of 2<sup>nd</sup> grade students, contact JulieAnne Bovenmyer at [jboven@stceciliaparish.org](mailto:jboven@stceciliaparish.org) for make up information.

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](mailto:dgass@stceciliaparish.org), we will send it out promptly.

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

Alpha

It's not too late to Join in!

Wednesday nights at 5:15PM in the South Social Hall  
child care is available.

## YOUTH MINISTRY

- **Life Teen** is off to a grace-filled start. Terry Engelken, spouse of Core member Elizabeth and Dad to Josh & Josiah Engelken, taught us about the love of God the Father on September 21. Next, we'll pray about how the Spirit moves in our lives and begin our year-long study on Jesus: the Bridge that connects, the Light in the darkness, the Love that awaits. "It's only in you that my treasure is found, only in you I can swim and not drown. If it'd only been for me you'd still lay your life down. For me, and for your kingdom, you laid your life down." (Claire Aitchison, 2014-15 Life Teen Song) #Love Awaits

- **Promotional Boxes** for 2015 youth ministry trips, including our 2016 Mission to Nicaragua, will be available next weekend after mass. Every family with an 8th grade or high school teen can pick up a box in the gathering space.

## EDGE

EDGE will be meeting Wed., Oct 8th from 7PM to 8:15PM We'll be having a bonfire. Location is St. Cecilia.

## 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., Nov. 20, 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



# Saint Cecilia S C H O O L

*In Christ We: Live, Love, Learn.*

Alex Read – Iowa Catholic Daughters State Award



(Pictured: Mrs. Tilda Thompson, Catholic Daughter representative and Alex Read, 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Student)  
Congratulations to Alex Read, fifth grade student at St. Cecilia School...

His fourth grade Computer Art entry of the Iowa Catholic Daughters of America was awarded Second Place-Division I at the state level.

Alex received an Award of Merit and \$15 cash.  
Congratulations on this honor!

### Blessing of the Animals

Calling all pet lovers....please feel free to join us on Fri., Oct. 3 at 2:45PM on the north lawn of the Education Center for the Blessing of the Animals by Father Jim Secora. Please bring your pets on a leash or in a kennel.

Mon., Sept. 29: 6:15PM Marketing Committee Meeting (Sun Room)

Wed., Oct. 1: 9AM All School Mass

Fri., Oct. 3: 2:45PM Blessing of the Animals (North Lawn)

**For admissions information call:**

**515-232-5290**

**[www.stceciliaparish.org/school](http://www.stceciliaparish.org/school)**

## 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 1<sup>st</sup> 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)

## • 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 •

Saint Augustine, a doctor of the church, once wrote that the first, second, and third most important attitude in Christianity is humility. In today's second reading, Saint Paul is concerned with how we conduct ourselves in our community of faith. He urges us to let our conduct be worthy of the Gospel we say we believe; and that it all begins with humility. He asks us to consider others better than ourselves, and to serve them by looking out for their best interest, not ours. Consider how Saint Paul's appeal to imitating Christ's humility can enhance your relationships.

**STEWARDSHIP: The first son in today's Gospel said he would do his father's bidding, but did not. The second son balked at first, but then repented and did as he was asked. What service is God calling me to do? Which son am I more like?**

### CONTRIBUTIONS

#### Month of Sept. as of Sept. 22, 2014

Month to date Actual:	\$ 63,814
September Budget	\$ 88,653
YTD Actual	\$ 236,739
Need to Meet Annual Budget	\$1,228,000
Good Sam Collection MTD	\$ 6,314
Good Sam Collection YTD	\$ 236,739

**Thank you so very much for the wonderful 20<sup>th</sup> year anniversary celebration.** I am most grateful for the St. Cecilia Icon gift depicting her directing a choir while playing the organ and the anniversary fund that was collected. My wife, Janean, and I are humbled by your kindness and thoughtfulness and feel truly blessed to be part of this parish family. To many more years and 'Go Cyclones!'



# Mass Intentions for the Week

## 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

## Tuesday, September 30

8:00AM: Alvera Irlbeck †

## Wednesday, October 1

9:00AM: All School Mass

Priest Intention

## Thursday, October 2

8:00AM: Don, Brad & Michelle Friedly

## Friday, October 3

8:00AM: Doris Kleinschmidt †

## Saturday, October 4

5:00PM: Mark Wessman †

## Sunday, October 5

8:30AM: Parishioners of St. Cecilia

10:30AM: Tom Palmer †

5:00PM: Theresa Joncas

Misa en Español

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### 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)  
Thursday 8AM (Chapel)

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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/)



**CATHOLIC RADIO**  
KWKY 1150 AM

**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).

### Readings for the Week of September 28, 2014

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

Monday: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 or Rv 12:7-12a/Jn 1:47-51

Tuesday: Jb 3:1-3, 11-17, 20-23/Lk 9:51-56

Wednesday: Jb 9:1-12, 14-16/Lk 9:57-62

Thursday: Jb 19:21-27/Mt 18:1-5, 10

Friday: Jb 38:1, 12-21; 40:3-5/Lk 10:13-16

Saturday: Jb 42:1-3, 5-6, 12-17/Lk 10:17-24

Next Sunday: Is 5:1-7/Phil 4:6-9/Mt 21:33-43

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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 12 bulletin announcements  
due by Friday, October 3

October 19 bulletin announcements  
due by Friday, October 10

### 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](mailto:DeaconRon.Ames@gmail.com) or 515-441-0480 by Oct. 3.

Bring another couple with you!

### MARRIAGE CORNER

Does your beloved need to hear words of love or apology from you? Do it today. There might not be a tomorrow.

### Prayer of the Faithful

That husbands and wives may share in the graces of their sacrament, we pray:

## MEETINGS

### 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 today, 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](mailto: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.

#### 2015 Saint Cecilia Gala News

Mark your calendars for the 2015 Gala on April 18, 2015! This is the 10th Gala and we have lots of exciting things planned to celebrate this occasion.

The Gala kickoff event is scheduled for October 3, 2014 starting at 6:30PM in the social hall, where the 2015 theme will be revealed. There will be appetizers and drinks and a chance to have some fun with friends.

We are looking for plenty of volunteers. Please visit this site and see which role best fits you!

[www.SignUpGenius.com/go/5080F4FA9AB238-2015](http://www.SignUpGenius.com/go/5080F4FA9AB238-2015)

or email - [stceciliagala@stceciliaschoolames.org](mailto:stceciliagala@stceciliaschoolames.org)

**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.

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**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](mailto:cdacourtmadonna858@gmail.com).

## UPDATE

### "Pastoral Council Update"

The Pastoral Council offers counsel to, and collaborates with, our Pastor to provide the long-range planning which will guide St. Cecilia parish toward our common future. It is comprised of Father Jim, nine members elected to 3-year terms, three ex-officio members (from Finance Council, Faith Formation Commission, and Stewardship Committee), and two appointed youth representatives. At the time of our parish elections in May, there were four vacancies to fill, but no official candidates to run for election. Since that time the council has elected the following new members to fill the vacancies. **Jim Stuart** (re-elected), **Kathy Wipf**, **Joel Rogers**, and **Adriana Hernández de Alvarez**. Also, **Jacob Hess** and **Adriana Alvarez** have accepted appointments to serve as youth representatives. Pastoral Council meetings are held on the fourth Tuesday of each month and the minutes are available on the parish web site. Please share your future aspirations for our parish with council members at any time!

## EVENTS



**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](mailto:amundel@dmacc.edu)).



### GRANDPARENTS RETREAT

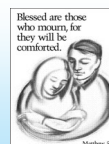
American Martyrs Retreat House

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](mailto:gaitchis@iastate.edu), 515-296-2966.

## PRAYERS



**Please Remember in Your Prayers: Patricia Netcott**, wife of Curtis Netcott. May the Lord grant peace and consolation to her family in their time of need. May she and all who sleep in Christ, find in God's presence, light, happiness and peace.

*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 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.

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:

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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**

Hours.....Mon.-Thur. 8:30AM-4PM  
Fri. 8:30AM-2:30PM  
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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  
[www.birthrightames.org](http://www.birthrightames.org)