

Reverend James L. Secora  
40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Priesthood Ordination  
May 31, 2015



Ordination Day, May 31, 1975  
St. John Nepomucene Church, Fort Atkinson, Iowa



Mass at St. John Nepomucene Church, Fort Atkinson, Iowa  
March 17, 2014



## Welcome!

A heartfelt "Welcome" to my family, and all of you, friends old and new, on the occasion of my fortieth anniversary of ordination to the priesthood in service to the church of the Archdiocese of Dubuque this weekend. Each of you has been, and continues to be, a source of joy and God's blessing for me!

Let us continue to hold each other daily in prayer before Christ, who is the same, yesterday, today and forever.

With my love,  
Father Jim

### Director of Faith Formation Hired.

The Faith Formation Commission, along with myself, is happy to announce that we have hired Katie Patrizio as our new parish Director of Faith Formation. Katie will assume her responsibilities on July 1, 2015.

Katie has a BA in Philosophy and Theology and a MA in Biblical Theology. Her previous ministry experience has been with Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish, San Diego, California, the Young Adult Commission of the Diocese of San Diego, California, and most recently working at Divine Treasures Catholic Books and Gifts in Des Moines.

Katie has coordinated a young adult ministry program as well as coordinating and teaching program of adult faith formation, especially in the area of Scripture.

We welcome Katie to our parish staff and continue to pray God's blessing on Tom Primmer our former Director of Faith Formation as he begins his new venture with Benzinger Religious Publications.

## FAITH FORMATION

### Faith Formation & Youth Ministry Registration 2015-16

Will begin online **Tuesday June 1<sup>st</sup>** for all Faith Formation and Youth Ministry classes.

You should receive an email with the link for registration by June 2<sup>nd</sup>.

If you do not receive this email contact Dori Gass at [dgass@stceciliaparish.org](mailto:dgass@stceciliaparish.org) and we will get it emailed to you. Classes will fill up so please note it is a first come first serve basis for each grade.

Please contact Dori in the Faith Formation office with any questions you might have or if you are new to the parish.

We look forward to seeing you in 2015-16!

Sign up is now ready!

Vacation Bible School July 27-31, 2015

Sign up available on the website homepage under VBS

<https://www.groupvbspro.com/vbs/ez/>



## 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., June 25, 2015 at 6:15PM

**Baptism Preparation II** for second/later child -  
Next session: Thur., July 23, 2015 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

### Life Teen Schedule

Youth Ministry Orientation for 5<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Parents  
7-8:15PM on Sun., May 31 at St. Thomas

Congratulations, 2015 Graduates!

Check out our summer youth ministry schedule at

[www.AmesLifeTeen.weebly.com](http://www.AmesLifeTeen.weebly.com)

### Middle School Summer Events

This summer, starting in July, we will be offering a weekly Summer Sports Ministry. We will get together the Mon., of every week in July to play pick-up games of different sports.

Anyone who is entering 6th through 12th grade is welcomed to join. See the link for more information and to sign up

[www.SignUpGenius.com/go/9040C4DA9A62FAB9-summer](http://www.SignUpGenius.com/go/9040C4DA9A62FAB9-summer)

### \*\*New this Summer\*\*

#### Totus Tuus

For more information about Totus Tuus use this link from the Archdiocese of Dubuque.

<https://www.dbqarch.org/wp-content/uploads/2014/10/Archdiocesan-Totus-Tuus-Guide-20152.pdf>

#### Sign Up

Entering these grades in the Fall of 2015

Grades 1-6 July 20<sup>th</sup>-July 24<sup>th</sup> - 8:30am-2:30 pm

Register at <http://goo.gl/ZjwLMq>

Grades 7-12 July 19<sup>th</sup>-July 23<sup>rd</sup> - 7:00pm-9:15 pm

Register at <http://goo.gl/Q1GzVD>



# Saint Cecilia SCHOOL

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

## New Staff & Staff Changes

We would like to take this opportunity to announce our St. Cecilia School new staff or staff changes for 2015-2016.

We'd like to introduce our new part-time cook who will replace Ms. Anderson, her name is Ms. Melissa Bowker. Our new Physical Education teacher who will replace Ms. Rupnow is Ms. Sally DuBois. We are happy to welcome them to our St. Cecilia Family.

Ms. Beaudry will move from teaching third grade to second grade. Ms. Fletcher will move from teaching fifth grade to fourth grade.

## 2015-2016 Calendar

Our 2015-2016 school calendar has been approved and is on our school website. Our first day of school classes will be Monday, August 24.

## Guidance Counselor

St. Cecilia School is in need of a .2FTE Guidance Counselor, prefer State of Iowa Certified Teacher License, will consider other applicants. Please send letter of application to Mr. Ervin Rowlands, St. Cecilia School, 2900 Hoover Avenue, Ames IA 50010, by Friday, June 5, 2015.

**For admissions information call:**

**515-232-5290**

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

## SCRIP

### Scrip Tidbits!

We will continue selling SCRIP after Masses on a monthly basis during the summer months. Summer SCRIP selling schedule: June 6/7, June 27/28 and August 1/2.

## STEPHEN MINISTRY

**In Matthew 18, Jesus promises to be with us.** That's one of the great miracles of Stephen Ministry. When a Stephen Minister meets one-to-one with his or her care receiver, Jesus is present too. He brings the power of His transforming love, and the peace, healing, and comfort that only God can give. For a Stephen Minister call 231-8099.

## • 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.

## STEWARDSHIP MOMENT

In today's Gospel and reading from the letter of St. Paul we hear of the gift of the Triune God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit. In our devotional life we make the sign of the cross and recite the "Glory Be" as an expression of our faith as a Trinitarian people. But what does it mean for Christian stewards to accept in a practical way the experience of God in this three-fold gift? Is it a call to share our own life in community, with compassion and love, and to work for healing, justice, peace and unity? Is it an invitation to invite others into fellowship with us in the unity of the Father, Son and Spirit?

**STEWARDSHIP:** Today's second reading reminds us that we are the adopted sons and daughters—the heirs—of God. We are good stewards of our inheritance when we share our faith and fulfill Our Lord's command to "go—and make disciples of all the nations."

## PLANNED GIVING

The Holy Spirit brought the early church alive by giving individuals gifts that would sustain the church, but there was a catch—THEY HAD TO BE SHARED. By sharing the gifts you have been blessed with, you can keep the Church alive for years to come. Please contact Frank Oppold—290-1163.

### CONTRIBUTIONS

#### Month of May as of May 24, 2015

General Collection MTD	\$ 70,356
Budget May	\$ 78,950
General Collection YTD	\$1,165,212
Budget YTD May 31	\$1,126,823
Good Sam May	\$ 4,106
Good Sam YTD	\$ 45,354



# Mass Intentions for the Week

## Saturday, May 30

5:00PM: Patty Rua †

## Sunday, May 31

8:30AM: Parishioners of St. Cecilia

10:30AM: Priest Intention

5:00PM: William Strabala †

Misa en Español

## Tuesday, June 2

8:00AM: Mark Wessman †

## Wednesday, June 3

8:00AM: Don, Brad & Michelle Friedly

## Thursday, June 4

8:00AM: Bill Long †

## Friday, June 5

8:00AM: Mary Joanne Devine†

## Saturday, June 6

5:00PM: Marian & Linus Putz †

## Sunday, June 7

8:30AM: Parishioners of St. Cecilia

10:30AM: Michael Rader †

5:00PM: Youth of St. Cecilia & St. Thomas

Misa en Español



Some of our parishioners are highly allergic to perfumes and scented lotions. Please be considerate and refrain from wearing perfumes and scented lotions to Mass.

## RCIA

Our celebration of the feast of Pentecost reminds us that we are all gifted with the Holy Spirit . . . . to do what?

Jesus says: "Go teach all nations baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the he Son and of the Holy Spirit."

So, how are you using your gift of the Spirit? Have you invited an interested person to learn more about the Catholic church?

In case you are not aware, the RCIA process receives interested persons at any time during the year. If you are an adult or know an adult or child over the age of 7 interested in becoming a Catholic & celebrating baptism or confirmation and First Eucharist, please contact Jo Anne Dalhoff at [RCIA@stceciliaparish.org](mailto:RCIA@stceciliaparish.org) or call the parish office at 515-233-3092.

## Readings for the Week of May 31, 2015

Sunday: Dt 4:32-34, 39-40/Rom 8:14-17/Mt 28:16-20

Monday: Tb 1:3; 2:1b-8/Mk 12:1-12

Tuesday: Tb 2:9-14/Mk 12:13-17

Wednesday: Tb 3:1-11a, 16-17a/Mk 12:18-27

Thursday: Tb 6:10-11; 7:1bcde, 9-17; 8:4-9a/Mk 12:28-34

Friday: Tb 11:5-17/Mk 12:35-37

Saturday: Tb 12:1, 5-15, 20/Mk 12:38-44

Next Sunday: Ex 24:3-8/Heb 9:11-15/Mk 14:12-16, 22-26

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## St. Thomas Aquinas Mass Times

### Weekend Masses

4:45PM Saturday

8:30AM & 10:30AM

(Sunday night Masses resume on August 23)

### 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

June 14 bulletin announcements  
due by Friday, June 5

June 21 bulletin announcements

due by Friday, June 12

Bulletin announcements are due by noon on the due date.

## MASS SCHEDULE

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

**Weekday:** Tuesday, Thursday & Friday 8AM (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/](http://www.usccb.org/catechism/text/)



**Please Remember in Your Prayers: Fr. Pat Geary.** 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.

## MEETINGS

### Marriage Enrichment - "Date Night"

Many are married during the month of June. This month we will gain wisdom from experienced couples on our "marriage panel" as well as from each other.

Engaged and married couples are invited to join us on June 6 in the St. Cecilia Social Hall. Meal and refreshments will be provided.

Please gather for dinner at 6:15PM, followed by "Marriage Panel" at 7PM, concluding by 8:45PM. There will be a meal for the children. Please help our preparation of the meal and childcare or for more information by contacting Deacon Ron and Mary Smith at [DeaconRon.Ames@gmail.com](mailto:DeaconRon.Ames@gmail.com) or 515-441-0480 by June 6. Consider inviting a couple to enjoy the evening with you!

## COMMUNITY

**Do your children receive free or reduced price lunch and breakfast at school?** And maybe you're not sure how you are going to feed them during the summer? There is a USDA Summer Meals Program here in Ames. Free meals will be served on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 11:30-12:15 during the months of June and July. They are located at First United Methodist Church, 516 Kellogg Ave. between the post office and public library. There is no cost, no income guidelines, and no registration process. Anyone 18 years old and younger can have a free, nutritious lunch.

**You can help by volunteering** to serve, supervise or clean up a free lunch this June and July. Because you'll be working with children, a background check is required. Sign up through the Story County Volunteer Center ([http://vcstory.galaxydigital.com/aem/general/event/?doc\\_id=1675](http://vcstory.galaxydigital.com/aem/general/event/?doc_id=1675)) or contact Ellen ([ejohnsen@yss.ames,ia.us](mailto:ejohnsen@yss.ames,ia.us); 515-298-2206) with questions.

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### Volunteer at The Mustard Seed Community Farm Catholic Worker

Did you know that the Mustard Seed Farm is an 100% volunteer, not-for-profit, service farm in your community? We are practicing love of our neighbor and care of creation through sharing healthy food with anyone in need, restoring habitat, and much more.

June 5: potluck and concert 6-8PM

June 6: 9-5 planting day: sweet potato and prairie etc.

call Alice McGary for more info: 515-460-1467

[mustardseedfarm.org](http://mustardseedfarm.org) for more events

## PASTORAL COUNCIL

Meets 4th Tues. of each month at 7PM in the North Social Hall

Tim Simodynes, **Chair** 663-0715

## FAITH FORMATION COMMISSION

Meets 2nd Tues. of each month at 7PM in the St. Louis Room

Tina Colburn, **Chair** 509-1827

## EVENTS

Theology on Tap is a monthly gathering for young adults to meet, connect, and learn about faith and life. Join us on Mon., June 1 at Olde Main Restaurant from 7-9PM. We will be continuing the "Freedom to Love" series by Christopher West. Join us and bring a friend to learn more about John Paul II's Theology of the Body. For more information, please contact Elizabeth Bovenmyer at [eaboven@gmail.com](mailto:eaboven@gmail.com).



### Corpus Christi Procession Sun., June 7

We invite you to join us in our 2015 Corpus Christi Procession here at St. Cecilia Catholic Church following the 10:30AM Mass today, Sun., June 7.

We will process with the Holy Eucharist in the local neighborhood (about 20-30 minutes) and return to the church for a light luncheon. We especially invite children who have recently received their First Eucharist to attend and help with the procession. Please plan on attending this powerful public witness of our love for the Lord Jesus in the Most Blessed Sacrament!

### St. Cecilia Summer Playgroup

The St. Cecilia Playgroup will meet every week this summer. The 1st & 3rd weeks of the month playgroup will meet on Wed., at Moore Memorial Park (3050 Northridge Pkwy). The 2nd & 4th weeks of the month playgroup will meet on Tues., at Daley Park (340 Wilder Blvd). Playgroup will meet from 9:30-11:00AM. Playgroup will not meet the week of July 27-31 (Vacation Bible School week). Look for the red balloon to find the St. Cecilia group. Bring your own snacks and drinks if you'd like. Children of all ages (along with their parents or caregivers) are encouraged to come! If you would like to be added to the email list to receive weekly reminders and emails if we cancel because of weather, please send an email to Jessica Loecke at [jjloecke@gmail.com](mailto:jjloecke@gmail.com) or call/text (515) 451-8126.

## OPPORTUNITY TO SERVE

Thank you very much for your support of **CRS Rice Bowl**. The sacrifices and donations you made will continue to help the less fortunate in the world through the bishops' Catholic Relief Services. This year \$2,998.00 was donated through the parish and school. 25% of the funds donated supports local hunger and poverty relief efforts in our diocese. The remainder supports Catholic Relief Services' programs around the world. *What you give up for Lent, you give to others.*

With much gratitude,

Social Justice Committee Members

## FINANCE COUNCIL

Meets 3rd Tues. of each month at 7PM in the Sun Room

Mark Moore, **Chair** 337-1551

## CATHOLIC SCHOOL BOARD

Meets 1st Tues. of each month at 7PM in the St. Louis Room

Steve Hustedt, **President** 956-4388

*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  
Women's Rosary.....Tuesday 9:00PM

For Peace and Health in our world  
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 3:15-4:30PM and by appointment.

**PARISH OFFICE**

Hours .....Mon.-Thur. 8:30AM-4PM  
Fri. 8:30AM-2:30PM  
Phone.....(515) 233-3092  
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St. Cecilia Website.....[stcames.org](http://stcames.org)

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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)