

BARB READ



REASON FOR RUNNING: I am a mother of 4 great children who have attended and are currently attending St. Cecilia School. My oldest will be a freshman in Ames this fall and my youngest will be starting 1st grade at St. Cecilia. My husband, Tim, and I love St. Cecilia School for its high standards in education as well as exceptional character development. I have owned and operated Read Health Center for the past 15 years and gotten to know the community well. I've volunteered in many ways at school including coaching the St. Cecilia Lego League team for the past 5 years. This time has afforded me a small glimpse of the needs and challenges the administration and staff face day to day. St. Cecilia School has always stood out as an exceptional school and I feel I would be able to help maintain that standard of excellence. I would be honored to be a part of the planning and advancements the school will be making in the next three years.

LENGTH OF TIME IN PARISH: 10 years

PARISH LIFE INVOLVEMENT: FAITH FORMATION EXPERIENCE: Our family has been parishioners at both St. Cecilia and St. Thomas for the past 10 years. We were parishioners only at St. Thomas prior to that starting in 2003. Between the two parishes I have served as Eucharistic Minister at mass and with the Ministry to the Sick. I served on the Education Committee at St. Thomas for two years. Occasionally I will help with music ministry and helped coordinate the nursery when my children were infants.

Adults Adolescents Persons with Disabilities
 Family Children of Catechetical Age Catholic Schools
 Young Adults Early Childhood

PERSONAL INFORMATION: I have owned and operated Read Health Center in Ames for the past 15 years. I am a licensed chiropractor and Board Certified in the National Upper Cervical Chiropractic Association (NUCCA). In addition to caring for my patients I also instruct the NUCCA technique at Palmer College of Chiropractic and at biannual conferences. I am an active wife and mother, spending any extra time outside of the office with my husband, Tim and our four children.

PABLO RAUL-STINGA



REASON FOR RUNNING: I am a Professor of Mathematics at ISU. The academic and research lives have always been a part of me. After teaching in several countries, visiting many universities and interacting with so many students with different backgrounds, I came to the conclusion that a top-quality scholar education based on solid Christian moral values are fundamental for the development of our society. I am convinced that we need to do as much as we can to help in the formation of our young citizens. I would like to be a member of the St. Cecilia Catholic School Board to be able to serve out of my experience in the academic world to help St. Cecilia Catholic School strive in excellence.

LENGTH OF TIME IN PARISH: 3 years

PARISH LIFE INVOLVEMENT: FAITH FORMATION EXPERIENCE: I have been a member of St. Cecilia Parish since I moved to Ames in August 2015. You can mostly find me attending the Spanish Mass, often acting as a reader, and participating in the Spanish Ministry events. I am a member of the Catholic young adults group CAYAC and I am very happy to be actively involved in it. Whenever I have the time, I like attending to 8am Mass and stop by for some time of Adoration in front of the Holy Eucharist. I also participate at some of the events, retreats and lectures at St. Thomas Aquinas Parish.

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PERSONAL INFORMATION: I am originally from Buenos Aires, Argentina. I grew up in a Catholic family and was educated in one of the schools founded by St. Frances Xavier Cabrini. I am very devout of Mother Cabrini! After finishing my degree in Argentina, I moved to Spain, where I lived for six years, completing my Master and PhD in Mathematics. From 2012 to 2015 I was a faculty member at The University of Texas at Austin. I am passionate about my research in mathematics and science. I enjoy going to the movies, swimming, running, traveling, and visiting new local breweries with my friends, especially during summer time!

2018 Faith Formation Commission—The Candidates

These are the candidates running for two (2) openings for the **Faith Formation Commission** to be held at all Masses next weekend. The people that are elected will served for a three (3) year term. You will be asked to vote for NO MORE THAN two (2) of the candidates.

PAUL FELL

**REASON FOR RUNNING:**

I have always felt fortunate to have found the St. Cecilia Parish. It is a wonderful place to worship and is constantly growing in faith based opportunities. I would like to give something back to help this growth continue.

LENGTH OF TIME IN PARISH: 8.5 years

PARISH LIFE INVOLVEMENT:

I currently am a reader and Mass coordinator and am a member of the Bereavement Committee. I have served on Pastoral Council, Stewardship Committee and am a past Grand Knight of the St. Cecilia Council.

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PERSONAL INFORMATION:

I have been a member of the parish since the fall of 2009. I retired from the Army after 20 years of active duty and 9 years of Reserves. My daughter and her family live also live here in Ames. I have very much enjoyed being a part of St. Cecilia and look forward to being part of the future here.

IRMI MILLER

**REASON FOR RUNNING:**

Parish Life depends on the efforts of many people in very different functions and capacities. I want to contribute my time and talents. May God help me to be useful.

LENGTH OF TIME IN PARISH: 27 years

PARISH LIFE INVOLVEMENT:

Music ministry (since early 1990s); Parish Council (early 1990s); Spiritual Life and Liturgy Committee

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PERSONAL INFORMATION:

My husband and I have raised our three children in St. Cecilia parish and school. I found a home when I immigrated from Germany. With our children out of the home, I want to serve the parish where help is needed.

2018 St. Cecilia Pastoral Council—The Candidates

These are the candidates running for three (3) openings for the **Pastoral Council Election** to be held at all Masses next weekend. The people that are elected will served for a three (3) year term. You will be asked to vote for NO MORE THAN three (3) of the candidates.

MIRNA CANUSO



REASONS FOR RUNNING: I am running for the pastoral council because I want to be able to give back to the community and help to connect the pastoral council with the Hispanic community.

LENGTH OF TIME IN PARISH: 9 years

PARISH LIFE INVOLVEMENT: I got married at St. Cecilia's 11 years ago. My 2 young children are in St. Cecilia School and next school year my 3 year-old daughter will join the pre-K school. All of our children have received the sacraments at St. Cecilia.

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PERSONAL INFORMATION: I am a proud mother of 4 kids (Brian—19 years old, Darren—9 years old; Liam—5 years old; Hannah—3 years old). I am currently working at Iowa State University as Facility Building Manager. I oversee 95 employees. I am also the owner of Carlos Quesadillas Mexican Restaurant at the North Grand Mall. I love to be outdoors, I am a people-person, love movies, my favorite food is Mexican and Italian and enjoy to spend time with family and friends when possible.

JANE FERRELL-BECK



REASONS FOR RUNNING: This wonderful parish deserves whatever support we can give it.

LENGTH OF TIME IN PARISH: 36 years

PARISH LIFE INVOLVEMENT: Choir, Bereavement Committee, Adoration, Homebound, EME

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PERSONAL INFORMATION: My family (2 sisters and their families) live on the east coast. My husband, Marvin Beck, is not a parish member but enjoys the weekend Masses. Hobbies: Des Moines Metro Opera Guild, writing (endlessly) on a book, cooking (THANK YOU, St. Cecilia cookbook!)

Additional candidate listed on reverse side

NANCY JENSON



REASONS FOR RUNNING: Being active in my parish is important to me. So it's time to become involved at St. Cecilia's! This parish has so much to offer that I will benefit from everything I learn, as well as share my interests and skills. As a former County Extension Education Director, I have experience in budgeting, program planning, facilitation, teaching, working with youth (4-H) and event planning.

LENGTH OF TIME IN PARISH: 1 year

PARISH LIFE INVOLVEMENT: At my previous church I was Chair of the Church redecorating committee at the large Gothic Church in Pocahontas, Chair of Catholic School kitchen remodeling, member of the Property and Grounds committee, 40 year Canter and choir member. I served on many Catholic school committees including writing grants for playground equipment. My husband and I helped start the Dinner auction fundraiser (like the Gala). As an educator I have taught high school CCD, presented student workshops, led music for School Mass and led a family fun night.

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PERSONAL INFORMATION: My husband Doug and I retired to Ames. We both sing in the choir, and Doug has cantered at 8:30 Mass since November. We have a daughter and her family in Ames, a daughter and her family in Cincinnati, OH, and a son in Des Moines who will soon be married. I have a BS in Family and Consumer Sciences and a graduate degree in Educational Administration. I taught in Pocahontas for 3 years before I began a 35 year career with ISU as the Pocahontas County Extension Director. I enjoy sewing, singing and being with the 4 Grandkids!

LOIS LEHMKUHL



REASONS FOR RUNNING: I am vested in the life of our parish and want to see it grow in inclusivity, vibrancy, connectedness, and hospitality. I have the time and skills to be an active participant on the Pastoral Council

LENGTH OF TIME IN PARISH: 40+ years

PARISH LIFE INVOLVEMENT: I have been a member of the parish for over forty years and enjoy working with a dynamic group. *Parish/Faith Activities:* CURRENT/ONGOING: Eucharistic Ministry, Eucharistic Adoration, Funeral Lunches, Scripture Study, Food @ First, "Meals for Moms", Military Caring Church, Welcoming Committee, Benedictine Oblate, CFM. PAST: Stephen Ministry Leader, Faith Formation Commission (Chair), Pastoral Council, Small Faith Sharing Group (facilitator), VIRTUS training, 1:1 volunteer at St Cecilia School, Parish Library Volunteer.

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PERSONAL INFORMATION: Married 45 years—soon 46! Benedictine Oblate, 16 years of Catholic education, manager for 21 years, nurse for 40+ years, mother of 3, and grandmother to 9. Sibling, friend, care giver mentality. Enjoy learning, challenges, thinking outside the box though in a circle.

2018 St. Cecilia Pastoral Council—The Candidates

MARK SORRENTINO

REASONS FOR RUNNING: I would like to be a better servant within our parish.

LENGTH OF TIME IN PARISH: 20 years

PARISH LIFE INVOLVEMENT: I have been a member of the parish for over twenty years and enjoy working with a dynamic group.

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PERSONAL INFORMATION: I look forward to working in collaboration with many talented people to help form this parish now and into the future.
