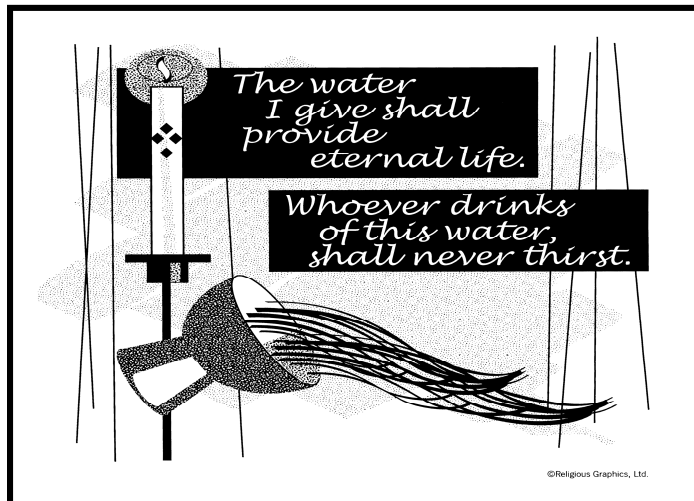


# HOLY SPIRIT/ST. EDWARD

March 18/19, 2017

Third Sunday of Lent



## FROM FR. KEN

Lately I have received some questions about the parts of the Mass, so I will be doing a few different articles about what we do and why. The Mass itself is really broken into four parts, the Entrance, the Liturgy of the Word, the Liturgy of the Eucharist, and the Dismissal. Something to remember is that each and every Mass that is celebrated is for an intention and the bulletin lists all of the Mass intentions for those that we have regularly scheduled, the intention of a wedding Mass is for the couple and the intention for a funeral Mass is always for the person for whom the funeral is being said. Sometimes people say that the songs are the opening and the closing songs, but they are really processional and recessional songs, they were put in for the movement at the beginning and end of the Mass. The Mass itself officially begins and ends with the Sign of the Cross. At the beginning, after the Sign of the Cross, the priest offers the people the peace of Christ and it is offered back to him with the response. We are then invited to open our hearts to see the things that we have done wrong and ask for that mercy that God will give us as we call to mind our sins. We then ask God for that mercy with the Lord have mercy or the "I confess" prayer, and then a prayer of blessing and absolution is then given by the priest, now this does not hold the same power as Confession though especially for serious sins. Then most of the year, we will glorify God with the singing or reciting of the Gloria, and this should be sung with JOY. We conclude the beginning part of the Mass with the opening prayer when the priest says "Let us Pray" and the opening prayer is said. This is the beginning of the Mass.

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## SACRAMENTS

**Baptism:** Call the priest for an appointment.

**Reconciliation:** Holy Spirit: Saturday, 4:30-5:00 p.m.

Sunday, 8:15-8:45 a.m.

St. Edward: Sunday after Mass

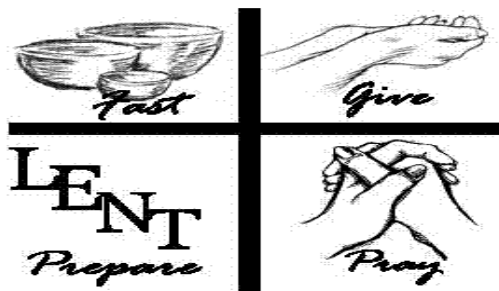
First Saturday of the month 8:30-9:30 a.m.

**Marriage Preparation:** Contact priest at least six months before making marriage plans.

**Newcomers:** Call the parish office to register.

Parish Office, 406 W. Clark Street, Creston  
St. Edward Church, 104 W. Union Street, Afton

St. Malachy School, 403 W. Clark Street, Creston  
Holy Spirit Church, 107 W. Howard Street, Creston



*Lenten activities this week:*

- ◆ **Sunday:** Lenten Ecumenical Service, March 19th, 5:00 p.m. at Platte Center Presbyterian Church. Pastor JoAnna Davis will be the guest speaker.
- ◆ **Monday:** Holy Spirit will have Adoration from 5:00-6:00 p.m.(Fr. Ken will also be available for confession during this time). Mass at 6:00 p.m. with Stations of the Cross and a soup supper to follow. There is a soup sign-up sheet available if you would like to help with future weeks. A free-will offering is taken with money going to Catholic Relief Services Rice Bowl collection.
- ◆ **Wednesday:** Stations of the Cross, 6:00 p.m., at St. Edward's Church
- ◆ **Friday:** During Lent Fridays are a day of abstinence from meat. Everyone 14 years or older must refrain from eating meat.
- ◆ **Friday Fish Fry:** March 24th, at St. Malachy School. Serving from 5:30-7:00 p.m. Price is \$8 which includes 2 pieces of fish, mac and cheese, coleslaw, roll, dessert and drink.
- ◆ **Rice Bowls** are available in the back of church. Please pick one up if you haven't already.
- ◆ **Catholic Relief Services:** Envelopes are available in the back of church for the annual Catholic Relief Service Collection. Your donation provides humanitarian aid, resettling displaced individuals and families and advocating on behalf of the vulnerable.

**OUR LADY OF FATIMA GROUP**

The next two Our Lady of Fatima Group gatherings are Wednesday, March 22nd, 6:30 p.m. in Holy Spirit Hall and April 1st following 9:30 Mass at St. Edward. There are booklets in the back of the church. Please be ready to discuss chapters 1 and 2 and appendix I on March 22nd. All are welcome to attend.

**THE ANNUNCIATION OF THE LORD**

Mass: Saturday, March 25th, 9:00 a.m., at Holy Spirit. (This does not fulfill the weekend obligation.)

**MASS SCHEDULE**

While still sinners  
**CHRIST** died for us

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<b>Monday March 20</b>	<b>Adoration, 5:00-6:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m., Holy Spirit</b> Dale Wagner
<b>Tuesday March 21</b>	<b>Adoration, 7:30-8:30 a.m. 8:30 a.m., St.. Edward</b> Deanne Hoffman
<b>Wednesday March 22</b>	<b>7:00 a.m., St. Malachy Chapel</b> David Kinsella
<b>Thursday March 23</b>	<b>7:00 a.m., St. Malachy Chapel</b> Vicki Jansen
<b>Friday March 24</b>	<b>7:00 a.m., St. Malachy Chapel</b> Rosalie Pesik
<b>Saturday March 25</b>	<b>(The Annunciation) 9:00 a.m., Holy Spirit</b> Albert and Eleanor Walsh
<b>Saturday March 25</b>	<b>5:15 p.m., Holy Spirit</b> Mert Link
<b>Sunday March 26</b>	<b>9:00 a.m., Holy Spirit</b> Lyman and Coletta Bradley <b>10:45 a.m., St. Edward</b> For the People

**ANNUAL DIOCESAN APPEAL**

We thank all those who have made a pledge or gift to the Annual Diocesan Appeal. We encourage all families to make a donation, no matter the size, to help reach our goal. Your generosity allows for many good things to happen within our parish and diocese. The Appeal helps our parish and school in many ways.

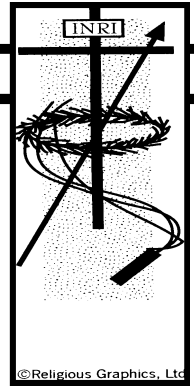
**BENEDICTINE SISTERS OF PERPETUAL ADORATION**

Ever wonder what sisters do all day? Now is your chance to find out. Come experience the Spring Monastic Experience March 18th-22nd. For information contact Sister Maria Victoria at 660-944-2221 or [vocation@benedictinesisters.org](mailto:vocation@benedictinesisters.org).

# News from Holy Spirit Parish

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Monday	March 20	ReRun Sorting, 9:00 a.m. Stations of the Cross + Soup Supper following 6:00 p.m. Mass Finance Council + Cemetery Board Meeting, following Soup Supper, Hall
Tuesday	March 21	ReRun Shop, Noon-5:00 p.m. Parish Council Meeting, 7:00 p.m., St. Malachy School
Wednesday	March 22	ReRun Shop, Noon-5:00 p.m. Our Lady of Fatima Study Group, 6:30 p.m., Hall
Friday	March 24	ReRun Shop, 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. Fish Fry, 5:30 p.m., St. Malachy School
Saturday	March 25	ReRun Shop, 9:00 a.m.-Noon



## GIFTS TO GOD

Weekly tithes needed	\$6,837.36
March 12 tithes received	\$5,259.00



## DCCW CONVENTION: APRIL 1ST

Diocesan Council of Catholic Women's Convention will be held April 1st at Sacred Heart Parish, 1627 Grand Ave., West Des Moines. The event includes Pope Francis' New Beatitudes, keynote speaker Sr. Lucy Slinger FSPA, shopping, drawing for a quilt, continental breakfast and lunch. Cost: \$30 at the door; students \$10. For more information, contact Phyllis Allen at 515-493-9149.

## GUEST NIGHT

The First United Methodist Church has invited all ladies to their annual salad supper on Thursday, April 6th, 6:30 p.m. The program will be "Blooming Together in Christ" by Pastor Jodi Rushing. Please RSVP by April 3rd to 782-2427.

## FOOD FAIR CHAIRMAN NEEDED

We are looking for a chairman or co-chairs for the Annual Food Fair. After many years of co-chairing Lisa Miller and Tonya Green are stepping down. We thank them for their great organization and leadership year after year - thru rain, heat, and wind they carried on!! The Food Fair is scheduled for Sunday, September 10th. Planning begins mid summer to get the booth chairs lined up. Over the years a notebook has been compiled with the "how tos" for the day. If you are interested in heading up the Food Fair, please call the parish office or talk to a Parish Council member.

The Fish Fry scheduled for March 24th, 5:30-7:30 p.m., at St. Malachy School could use some volunteers and desserts for the event. You may sign up at <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0a49acaa2ba7ff2-holy> or contact Kelsey Bailey, 515-460-0496 or email [kbailey@crestonschools.org](mailto:kbailey@crestonschools.org).

## EASTER MINISTRY SCHEDULE

A sign-up sheet has been placed in the church vestibule for people to sign-up for the Easter Masses. Please help if you can.

## PRAYER TREE

If you would like to be part of the parish prayer tree or wish to place a name on the prayer tree, please email or call: Mary Wichhart, 782-2289, or [dmwichhart@iowatelecom.net](mailto:dmwichhart@iowatelecom.net) or Pat Pokorny, 782-4291, or [ppokorny@windstream.net](mailto:ppokorny@windstream.net).

## VICE PRESIDENT NEEDED

The Council of Catholic Women is looking for a vice president. The next meeting is April 11th at Holy Spirit Hall at 7:00 p.m.. This is a combined meeting with the Catholic Daughters. Anyone interested in the position, call Phyllis Allen, 515-493-9149.

## SINCERE SYMPATHY

Please remember in your prayers Pat Schelber, mother of Judy (Mike) Moffitt. May she, and all who sleep in Christ, rest in peace.

## MINISTRY SCHEDULE

<b>March 25/26</b>	<b>5:15 p.m.</b>	<b>9:00 a.m.</b>
<b>Lectors</b>	Mark O'Riley Bob Miller	Steve McCann Bill Mullin
<b>Eucharistic Ministers</b>	Steve Heffern Phyllis Allen Linda Hartsock	E. & M. Gammell Kelsey Bailey R. & J. Huewe
<b>Ushers</b>	D. & B. Baker Monte Neitzel T. & L. Root Terri Koets	R. & M. Baker Family D. & K. Kinsella
<b>Servers</b>	Daniel Buls Sydney Strunk	Kolby Bailey Keegan Bailey Marie Mullin
<b>Greeters</b>	Betty Baker Butch Miller	G. & J. Bucklin
<b>Rosary Musicians</b>	Bob Jansen C. Fredrickson Danna Buls Devon Buls	Kelsey Bailey Lynn Baker Dan Gibbons
<b>Money Counters</b>	Syd Hudek, Bob McKee, Mary McElroy	

*All ministers: If you are unable to be there, please find a substitute.*

## QUESTION OF THE WEEK

*Theme: Jesus is the Living Water*

**Question for Children:** How do you experience Jesus helping and loving you?

**Question for Youth:** Jesus revealed himself to an outcast of society. How can you be "living water" to the outcasts of your school? Society?

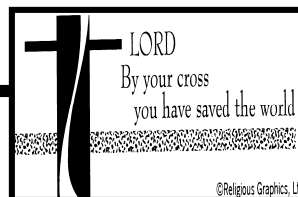
**Question for Adults:** When you are tempted to try to satisfy your "thirst for meaning" through some other means, what keeps you coming back to the living water of intimacy with Christ? Through what means do you experience Christ's power in your life: Sacraments? Scripture? Prayer? Others?

## THE WEEK BY WEEK DEVELOPMENT OF THE UNBORN CHILD

Week 6: My skeleton is complete now and I have reflexes. Now I have electrical brain wave patterns that can be recorded. I am becoming a thinking person.

## News from St. Edward

Sunday	March 19	Parish Council Meeting following Mass
Wednesday	March 22	Stations of the Cross, 6:00 p.m.
Sunday	March 26	Sacramental Meditation, following Mass until 1:00 p.m.



## SACRAMENTAL MEDITATIONS

The following dates have been scheduled: March 26th and April 2nd, from 11:45 (immediately after Mass ) to 1:00 p.m. The April 23rd session will be from 9:30 a.m. until Mass time (*note this change of time*). Please keep these young students in your prayers.

## STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Stations of the Cross will be held Wednesday evenings of Lent at 6:00 p.m. (Third Wednesday of the month will be Adoration/Confession). Please join in this time of prayer.

## DCCW CONVENTION

April 1st in West Des Moines. A sign up sheet is in the back of church if interested in attending along with more information.

## GIFTS TO GOD

Weekly tithes needed	\$964.00
March 12th tithes received	\$823.00

## MINISTRY SCHEDULE

<b>March 26</b>	<b>10:45 a.m.</b>
<b>Lector</b>	Dan Rosener
<b>Eucharistic Minister</b>	Darren Moore, Ellie Fry, Karen Jones
<b>Ushers</b>	Doug & Georgia Pettit Family
<b>Servers</b>	Draven Moore, Hunter Swanson
<b>Money Counters</b>	Carol Waigand, Phil Bradley



*Last call: Time for a new schedule. Contact Sheila Brown if any changes are needed!! New ministers welcome.*