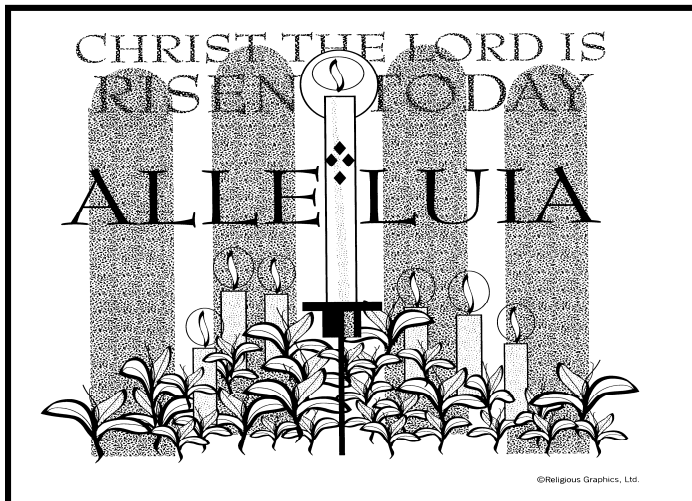


# HOLY SPIRIT/ST. EDWARD

March 26/27

Easter Sunday



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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.

## FROM FR. KEN

Happy Easter, the Lord has Risen!

We just finished the Lenten season in which we hopefully looked at some aspects of our lives in which we wanted to change. We spent six weeks of focusing more on fasting, praying, and almsgiving. An interesting side note, in the traditions of the Church, it was forbidden to fast during the season of Easter, because the bridegroom is with us again, Christ is risen and walking among us! We hopefully will keep on leaving some of those bad practices that we have given up behind us, fasting, and to carry some of the good practices that we had in Lent into the Easter season and beyond, by this I mean the prayer, and almsgiving. The Easter season is one that we are in celebration and we can celebrate with prayer. Prayer is one of the best ways to draw us closer to God and when we draw closer to God, we will automatically draw closer to others. Take some time this Easter season to thank God for the great gift that he has given us. The Father sent the Son to live our life, die our death, and show us the way home to heaven. This is the reason that Jesus came into this world. Easter is all about the celebration of Christ's resurrection and thus opening up a path for us to enter into eternal life with God. Good intentions are not always enough, yes, we need to have the good intentions, but we also need to have the action that follows it, the action that leads us to a life with Christ. As we spend some time with our families during this Easter Season let us always be mindful of the great sacrifice and the great gift that Jesus Christ gave us and rejoice for He has truly risen!

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

## WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Congratulations to: Kim Coen, Amanda Montayne, Pedro Henandez and Andrea Rojas, Chad Simmons, Jack and Clarissa Walter and children Jack, Hunter and Hailey. . These people entered into the Church at the Easter Vigil. Their spiritual journey has brought them here and we welcome them with open arms. Keep them in your prayers this year as they continue to learn about the Catholic faith.

## HOLY DOOR

Following ancient practice, Pope Francis has invited in this Jubilee Year the faithful to participate in pilgrimage to a Holy Door. Holy Spirit Parish has been chosen as a Holy Door site. In the back of church are flyers that will assist you in making a pilgrimage. The church is open from 8:00 a.m.—8:00 p.m.

## ANNUAL DIOCESAN APPEAL

Just as we are one in the Body of Christ, we must remember that we are one with other parishes in our diocese. Once a year, Bishop Pates asks each of us to make a commitment to support the work of our diocese's programs and ministries that provide services that no one parish could provide on its own. ***Our goal at Holy Spirit and St. Edward is 100% participation.***

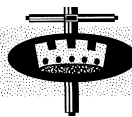
Experience the joy of giving and join us as we work to continue God's work of spirituality, charity, and education. We are off to a great start. Thank you to those who have made a donation. Extra pledge forms are available at church if you have lost yours. Remember, no gift is too small.

## TACO TIME

April 2nd from 5:00-7:30 p.m. the Knights will be serving a tasty taco dinner at St. Malachy School to raise money for the teachers. If you can't make it to the dinner, please consider donating to the silver buckets in the back of church. There are two committees for this event: 3:00-5:00 p.m. Rick Brown (chair), John Baker, Carl Schuler, Ed Harvey, Rick Benson, Bill Mullin, Dennis Purdum and Dan Downing. The 5:00-7:30 committee is Dennis Hopkins, Paul Boden, Frank Ripperger, Jeff Mostek, Rick Carter, Ben Adamson, Eldon Gammell, Paul Baker, Chuck Carlson, and Dave Moffitt.



I know that my Redeemer lives!



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<b>Monday March 28</b>	<b>Adoration 5:00-6:00 p.m. Mass, 6:00 p.m., Holy Spirit</b> Jim Collins
<b>Tuesday March 29</b>	<b>Adoration, 7:30-8:30 a.m. Mass, 8:30 a.m., St. Edward</b> For Those Buried at Hopeville and St. Edward Cemeteries
<b>Wednesday March 30</b>	<b>Mass, 9:15 a.m., St. Malachy School</b> Tom Nelson
<b>Thursday March 31</b>	<b>Mass, 7:00 a.m., St. Malachy Chapel</b> Mary Ward
<b>Friday April 1</b>	<b>Mass, 7:00 a.m., St. Malachy Chapel</b> For the Halbur Family
<b>Saturday April 2</b>	<b>Mass, 5:15 p.m., Holy Spirit</b> C. J. Miller
<b>Sunday April 3</b>	<b>Mass, 9:00 a.m., Holy Spirit</b> For the People <b>Mass, 10:45 a.m., St. Edward</b> Joe Weinkoetz

## SINCERE SYMPATHY

Please remember in your prayers the family and friends of Margaret Wimmer-Long, mother of Gary (Janene) Wimmer and Bill Wimmer. May she, and all who sleep in Christ, rest in peace.

## RICE BOWL

If you forgot your Rice Bowl, please return next weekend or drop off at the parish office.

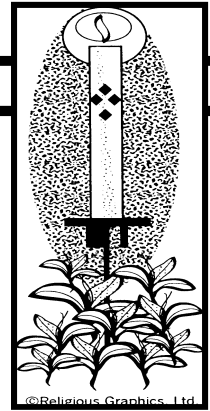
## KNIGHTLY NEWS

- ♦ Officers Meeting, March 30, 7:00 p.m., Holy Spirit Hall
- ♦ Knights are needed to help at the Taco Dinner, Saturday, April 2nd. Set-up begins at 4 p.m.; Dinner 5-7:30 p.m. Remember to furnish one dessert. Call Rick Brown, 515-468-8431, with questions.
- ♦ Monthly meeting: Wednesday, April 6th, 7:00 p.m., Holy Spirit Hall.

# News from Holy Spirit Parish

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Monday	March 28	Finance Council Meeting, 7:00 p.m., Parish Office
Tuesday	March 29	ReRun Shop, Noon-5:00 p.m.
Wednesday	March 30	ReRun Shop, Noon-5:00 p.m. High School Youth Group, 6:30 p.m., St. Malachy School RE Classes, 6:45 p.m., St. Malachy School KC Officers Meeting, 7:00 p.m., Hall Rediscover Jesus Book Study, 7:00 p.m., Parish office
Friday	April 1	ReRun Shop, 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.
Saturday	April 2	ReRun Shop, 9:00 a.m.-Noon Taco Supper, 5:00-7:30 p.m., St. Malachy School
Saturday/Sunday	April 2/3	Monthly Food Pantry Drive



## GIFTS TO GOD:

Weekly tithes needed	\$ 8,154.00
March 20th tithes received	\$11,298.00



## RABRAI JULY 25TH

Our parish will be serving a chicken/noodle dinner when RABRAI is in Creston. We will need the help of *all parishioners*

to prepare and serve the meal. Sign-up sheets will be in the back of church for your to pick a time you will be willing to help. Co-chairs for the dinner are Margy Gammell, 782-2748, and Jerry Katzer, 782-8218. Contact them if you would like to be involved on the general committees. Saturday, June 18th and 25th, have been reserved for noodle making days. Mark your calendar!

## MEALS FROM THE HEARTLAND

Meals from the Heartland is an opportunity to help package meals to combat hunger in Central Iowa and around the world. Volunteers package meals in teams of 8-10 members. Our parish plans to fund two teams (20 people). During this time the team will average 2,000 meals per hour. We need to raise \$850 (\$500 has been raised) to pay for the meals. If you can help fund this project, please make your check to Southwestern Community College and in the memo line list Meals of the Heartland (checks may be sent to the parish office). A sign-up sheet is in the back of church. *We still have many openings, so please consider helping.* Past participants say it is a lot of fun. The date: April 21st: 11:45 a.m.-1:00 p.m. at SWCC. Questions, please contact Chris Mansour, 782-4382, or June Huewe, 515-491-7814.

## PARISH COUNCIL RECAP

A review of the March 15th meeting.

The organization report was given by the Catholic Daughters. In February they took cookies to the shut ins. April the CD of A and CCW will have a joint potluck. Some of the students who attended NCYC gave a report at their last meeting. Their yearly audit is coming up. Unfinished business: Jerry Katzer and Margy Gammell will co-chair the RAGBRAI dinner. We need the cooperation of the entire parish to pull this off. Plan to advertise in parishioners yards along the route and hopefully publish an ad in the diocesan newspapers. Fish Fry: The combined efforts of parishioners, KC members, and the school recruitment committee served a successful fish fry. Food was good and many compliments received. They plan to do another next year. Committee Reports: Building/Grounds/Safety: This summer some work will be done inside the school including cabinets, shelves, and a permanent wall. A company will be checking the rectory for water proofing needs. The church boiler is not working and is being repaired. Family Life: Coffee and rolls were served in February but will not be in March. Newcomer visit to Autumn Buckingham has been completed. Visit to the Niggemeyer/Brown household not completed. Social Concerns: Committee is recruiting parishioners to help with Meals from the Heartland. Liturgy: Busy with Lenten activities and preparing for Easter. Faith Formation: Preparations continue for 1st Eucharist and Confirmation. St. Malachy School is looking at technology needs for students. The St. Malachy Foundation Gala was a huge success. RCIA class is winding up with 5 adults to be received into the church and 3 children. Other Business: The Knights will hold a Taco Supper on April 2nd with proceeds going to St. Malachy School teachers.

## MONTHLY FOOD PANTRY

April 2nd/3rd will be our monthly food drive. Non-perishable food items/personal care items are split between MATURA and the UCC Food Pantry. If you would like to make a monetary donation to the UCC Food Pantry, a container is in the back of church (make checks to the UCC Food Bank). The UCC Church works in conjunction with the Iowa Food Bank and is able to purchase large quantities of food for minimal dollars.

## CCW CONVENTION

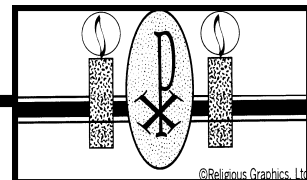
Saturday, April 30th, at Queen of Apostles Parish Hall in Council Bluffs. Breakfast, 8:30 a.m./meeting 9 a.m./ending at 3:00 p.m. Keynote speaker is Kelly Wahlquist, a Catholic author and speaker whose gift of weaving personal stories and scripture together is entertaining. Cost is \$18 per person if paid by April 15th/\$20 after that date or at the door. RSVP to Marilyn Alfery, 26345 Sycamore Rd., Neola, IA; check to Des Moines DCCW.

## MINISTRY SCHEDULE

<b>April 2/3</b>	<b>5:15 p.m.</b>	<b>9:00 a.m.</b>
<b>Lectors</b>	Jean Miller Alice Reed	Karen Fries Joanne Bucklin
<b>Eucharistic Ministers</b>	T. & L. Root Pat Miller	E. & M. Gammell Theresa Pudenz Terri Koets Paul Baker
<b>Ushers</b>	Paul Johnson B. & L. Miller Family	D. & K. Kinsella Francis Doyle Elaine Haines Joni Taylor Family
<b>Servers</b>	N. Kuhlman Andy Weis Carly Green	Mallory Tallmon Abby Tallmon Jasmine Hernandez
<b>Greeters</b>	Ann Johnson Butch Miller	D. & K. Kinsella
<b>Rosary Musicians</b>	Ted Willets C. Fredrickson Danna Buls	Al Pokorny Bill Mullin Julie Weisshaar Mullin
<b>Money Counters</b>	Syd Hudek, Bob McKee, Mary McElroy	

*Please find a substitute if you are unable to fulfill your assignment.*

# News from St. Edward Parish



Wednesday	March 30	RE Classes, 6:15 p.m. Devotions, 6:30 p.m.
Sunday	April 3	Parish Breakfast after Mass



The Parish Council will be serving their annual breakfast after Mass next Sunday, **April 3rd**. Mark your calendar and come enjoy a great breakfast and fellowship with your parish family! On the menu: breakfast casseroles, biscuits and gravy, rolls, donuts, and scrambled eggs.

## MINISTRY SCHEDULE

<b>April 3</b>	<b>10:45 am</b>
<b>Lector</b>	Retta Ripperger
<b>Euch. Min.</b>	Darren Moore, Ellie Fry, Karen Jones
<b>Usher/Greet</b>	Doug Pettit Family
<b>Servers</b>	Gabrielle Valencia, Hayden Waigand
<b>Money Counters</b>	Darren Moore, Randy Wuebker

## GIFTS TO GOD

Weekly tithes needed	\$ 909.41
March 20th tithes	\$1,198.00

## PRAYER TREE

Please call Carolyn Hubatka, 347-8791, if you know someone that needs to be added to our prayer tree. You may also call Carolyn if you wish to be notified of those added to the prayer tree.

## DEVOTIONS RESUME

Wednesday devotions will resume March 30th at 6:30 p.m. Everyone is welcome.

## SATURDAY CONFESSION

April 2nd: 8:30-9:30 a.m.