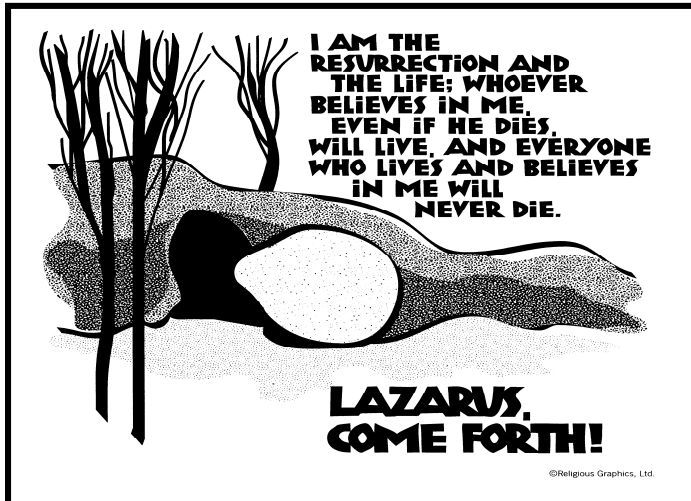


HOLY SPIRIT/ST. EDWARD

April 1/2, 2017

Fifth Sunday of Lent



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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

The third part of the Mass is the Liturgy of the Eucharist. This begins with the people presenting their gifts to God and to the Church, this is why we process up with the bread, wine, and basket. This is a wonderful time to offer our own gifts in our hearts or to offer a prayer to go up with the gifts. The gifts are then prepared by the priest in prayers that are said softly or quietly. Then there is an invitation for us to pray together and since we are praying together, we all stand together. The parts of the Mass are a conversation and a prayer with the people and priest to God. This is why we have a response to the prayers by the people. The Eucharistic Prayer itself begins with the Preface prayer, which includes an offering of Christ's peace to the people and back to the priest, it then continues with us offering our hearts up to God so that we can give praise to God with the prayer that the angels used at the birth, Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God of Hosts! For the main part of the Eucharistic Prayer, there are a number of different formulas that can be used, and there are four that are most commonly used, but within all of the prayers that can be used, the prayer of Consecration itself is always the same. Once the bread and wine become the Body and Blood of Christ we remember the Mystery of our Faith. The Eucharistic prayer concludes with the doxology that is what the prayer is all about. When the priest says "Through Him, and with Him, and in Him" it is Jesus Christ that we are talking about, but then the rest of the Holy Trinity is mentioned. "O God, almighty Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit" and we are reminded to give glory to God and conclude with the Amen or "I believe."

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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, April 2nd, 5:00 p.m. at the First Christian Church Disciples of Christ (301 E. Townline). Pastor Mary O'Riley 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. 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., St. Edward Church.
- ◆ **Thursday:** An additional confession time has been added this week from 5:00-8:00 p.m. at Holy Spirit 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 at Afton Community Center from 6:00-8:00 p.m. Free-will donation with the proceeds going to the Smith family who recently lost their house and possessions in a fire.
- ◆ **Friday:** April 7th, the Chrism Mass will be celebrated at the Cathedral at 7:00 p.m. Everyone is invited to this Mass where Holy Oils are distributed to the parishes of the diocese and the priests renew their vows.



ANNUAL DIOCESAN APPEAL

Diocesan report as of March 24th:

Holy Spirit at 63% of goal

St. Edward at 29% of goal

All gifts, no matter the size, are greatly appreciated.

We ask all families to prayerfully consider giving to the Appeal. Many thanks to those who have given!

SINCERE SYMPATHY

Please remember in your prayers the family and friends of:

- ◆ Jackie Hermanstorfer, mother of Sarah (Matt) Dinham (Sarah is the kindergarten teacher at St. Malachy)
- ◆ Betty Hudson, grandmother of Mike (Barb) Hudson and Missy Sickels.

May they and all who sleep in Christ, rest in peace.

MASS SCHEDULE

THE SPIRIT OF GOD DWELLS IN YOU



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Monday April 3	Adoration, 5:00-6:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m., Holy Spirit C. J. Miller
Tuesday April 4	Adoration, 7:30-8:30 a.m. 8:30 a.m., St. Edward Leonard and Gail Feld 1:00 p.m., Assisted Living Sr. Mary B. Miller
Wednesday April 5	9:15 a.m., St. Malachy School Vincent Falk
Thursday April 6	7:00 a.m., St. Malachy Chapel Florence Allen
Friday April 7	7:00 a.m., St. Malachy Chapel Cheryl Keenan
Saturday April 8	5:15 p.m., Holy Spirit Marshel and Agnes Fredrickson
Sunday April 9	9:00 a.m., Holy Spirit For the People 10:45 a.m., St. Edward Don Weis

THE WEEK BY WEEK DEVELOPMENT OF THE UNBORN CHILD

Week 8: I'm almost two month old now. I'm not an "embryo" anymore. Now doctors call me a "fetus." "Fetus" is a Latin word that means "little one." I may be less than an inch and a half long! But my stomach is already making its own juices and using an ultrasonic stethoscope you could listen to my heartbeat.

GRANTS ARE AVAILABLE

Could a Diocese of Des Moines program you are part of use additional financial assistance? The Catholic Foundation of Southwest Iowa may be able to help. Visit www.catholicfoundationiowa.org to find more information regarding the eligibility for grants to be awarded in May. Application deadline: April 30th.

News from Holy Spirit Parish

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Saturday/Sunday	April 1/2	Food Pantry Drive Jewelry Sale after Masses
Sunday	April 2	First Eucharist Student/Parent Session, 1:00 p.m., St. Malachy School
Monday	April 3	ReRun Sorting, 9:00 a.m. Stations of the Cross + Soup Supper following 6:00 p.m. Mass
Tuesday	April 4	ReRun Shop, Noon-5:00 p.m.
Wednesday	April 5	ReRun Shop, Noon-5:00 p.m. Religious Education Classes + Reconciliation, 6:45 p.m., St. Malachy School Knights of Columbus Meeting, 7:00 p.m., Hall
Thursday	April 6	Confession, 5:00-8:00 p.m.
Friday	April 7	ReRun Shop, 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.
Saturday	April 8	ReRun Shop, 9:00 a.m.-Noon
Saturday/Sunday	April 8/9	Jewelry Sale after Masses

GIFTS TO GOD

Weekly tithes needed	\$6,837.36
March 26 tithes received	\$8,688.80

MEALS FROM THE HEARTLAND

SWCC and High Lakes Leadership classes are sponsoring Meals from the Heartland. Holy Spirit will again participate in Meals on Wednesday, April 19th at noon. Our teams will package approximately 2000 meals to combat hunger in central Iowa and around the world. We need 10 members per team and hope to have 2 teams. You may sign-up in the back of church to participate or call Chris Mansour, 782-4382, or June Huewe, 515-491-7814. We also need to raise \$425 per team to cover the cost of the meals packaged. To make a tax deductible contribution, please make checks out to Southwestern Community College and in the memo, write Meals from the Heartland. You can put it in the collection basket or drop it off at the parish office.

JEWELRY SALES

As a fundraiser to send students to the National Catholic Youth Conference this November we will hold a jewelry sale this weekend and next. We have several students interested in attending NCYC. The cost to attend NCYC is around \$550.00 a student.

GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE

Holy Spirit will host the ecumenical Good Friday service. We will need 6 ushers, a lector, and 8 crock pots of meatless soup. A sign-up sheet is in the back of church. Please help if you can.

RERUN NEWS

- ◆ Thanks to all the men who helped load the AM truck during school spring break!!
- ◆ Men's jeans in good condition are needed.
- ◆ Check out our baseball and soccer shoes.
- ◆ There are still prom dresses and Easter dresses.
- ◆ Thanks for all the support!!

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MEETING

All Knights are encouraged to attend the monthly meeting this Wednesday, April 5th, 7:00 p.m., in the parish hall.

FOOD FAIR CHAIRPERSON NEEDED

We are looking for a chairperson or co-chairs for the Annual Food Fair. Over the years a notebook has been compiled with the detailed instructions for the day. If there is no one willing to step up, we will cancel the event this year. Call the parish office or talk to a Parish Council member if interested.

VICE PRESIDENT NEEDED

The Council of Catholic Women is looking for a vice president. The next meeting is April 11th, 7:00 p.m., in the hall. This is a combined meeting with the Catholic Daughters. Contact Phyllis Allen, 515-493-9149.

GUEST NIGHT

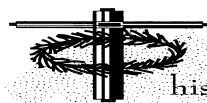
The First United Methodist Church has invited all ladies to their annual salad supper on Thursday, April 6th, 6:30 p.m. The program will be "Blooming Together in Christ" by Pastor Jodi Rushing. Please RSVP by April 3rd to 782-2427.

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

April 8/9	5:15 p.m.	9:00 a.m.
Lectors	A. Reed + N P. Schlapia + V	Dottie Dunphy + N Bill Mullin + V
Eucharistic Ministers	Teresa Pudenz J. Simmons Pat Miller	Al Pokorny Dean Schulte Francis Doyle E. & M. Gammell
Ushers	Paul Johnson J. & C. Mansour Joni Taylor D. & B. Baker	Missy Sickels Family Barb Hudson Virginia Aguilar Jamie Hayes Paul Baker
Servers	Keely Coen H. Simmons	Jackson Kinsella Angel Saturno Lourdes Saturno
Greeters	Ann Johnson Betty Baker	Virginia Aguilar Mary S. McDonald
Rosary Musicians	Bob Jansen C. Fredrickson Rose Wignall	Paul Baker Lynn Baker Mike Peters
Money Counters	Elaine Haines, Karin Freml, June Huewe	

EASTER MINISTRY SCHEDULE

A sign-up sheet has been placed in the church vestibule for people to sign-up for the Easter Masses. There are still many ministers needed.



His crown is thorns
his throne, a cross

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QUESTION OF THE WEEK

Theme: *New life in Christ Jesus.*

Question for Children: How do your actions show that you put your faith and trust in Jesus?

Question for Youth: Lazarus received a second chance at the life through Jesus. How have you experienced second chances in your own life?

Question for Adults: The death from which we are called is healing from those things which bind us and hold us back: memories, rejection, or other such things. What binds you? What keeps you from fully being your own most true self in Christ?

News from St. Edward

Sunday	April 2	Sacramental Meditation, following Mass until 1:00 p.m.
Wednesday	April 5	Religious Education Classes, 6:15 p.m. Stations of the Cross, 6:00 p.m. Knights of Columbus Meeting, 7:00 p.m., Holy Spirit Hall
Friday	April 7	Fish Fry, 6:00-8:00 p.m., Afton Community Center

COMMUNITY FISH FRY

Community Fish Fry at Afton Community Center, April 7th, from 6:00-8:00 p.m. Free will donation.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Wednesday: 6:00 p.m.

TO THE WOMEN OF THE CHURCH

You are invited to attend the Arispe Women's Christian Fellowship Annual Guest Day on Thursday, April 20, 9:30 a.m., at the Arispe United Methodist Church. Brunch provided and the program will be given by Deb Goerndt on Guatemala Medical Missions. If you would like to bring a bottle of children's vitamins, Deb will take them with her on her next mission trip.

GIFTS TO GOD

Weekly tithes needed	\$964.00
March 26th tithes received	\$988.00

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

April 9	10:45 a.m.
Lector	Randy Pettit Volunteer
Eucharistic Minister	Sharon Findley Dan Rosener Deb Weaver-Ripperger
Ushers	Sharon Swanson Family
Servers	Gus McNeill Joshua Lopez
Money	Sharon Swanson Emily McNeill



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