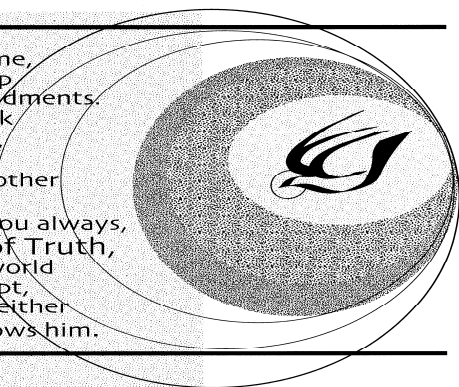


HOLY SPIRIT/ST. EDWARD

May 20/21, 2017

Sixth Sunday of Easter

If you love me,
you will keep
my commandments.
And I will ask
the Father,
and he will
give you another
Advocate
to be with you always,
the Spirit of Truth,
whom the world
cannot accept,
because it neither
sees nor knows him.



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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

We again have been blessed at Holy Spirit Parish and Calvary Cemetery with a large bequest. The estate of Roberta Ambrose has been shared with both Holy Spirit and Calvary Cemetery. I have been continually amazed at the generosity of the people of both parishes, especially in bequests. This donation is a reminder of the love and concern that Roberta had for the Church. I heard stories about how she and her brother Robert would be the “keepers of the silverware” and would count it after each event to make sure that it was all there, and if something was missing they would call. Also during this process, I helped to go through the house to prepare for the sale. I had many different reminders of her and Robert’s faith and care for the Church. Along with a couple of sets of keys for the church building, I found a number of prayer and holy cards, missals, prayer books, bibles, and many other wonderful religious items. One thing I found and decided I am purchasing for myself was a two-dollar bill and a note given to Roberta on Holy Thursday in 1958 from her mother telling her to keep it, which she did! Sometimes gifts that are given are worth far more than the monetary value. Right outside my office door is a wonderful image from the Pesik house. So many times, bequests have kept the parish going, or allowed us to do something that we would not have normally been able to do. I personally am so grateful for this gift as well as for the many different gifts we have received in the past to both parishes and the school. While this is another large gift, it is by no means more important than a smaller one, so keep Roberta and all of the many other people who have remembered the Church in their wills in your prayers.

Parish Office, 406 W. Clark Street, Creston
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St. Malachy School, 403 W. Clark Street, Creston
Holy Spirit Church, 107 W. Howard Street, Creston

RERUN NEWS

- ◆ Due to Memorial Day weekend, the shop will be closed on Saturday, May 27th. There will be no sorting on Monday, May 29th. Sorting will be done Tuesday morning, May 30th.
- ◆ The shop is in need of clean plastic grocery bags.
- ◆ Got an hour or two to spare? We are in need of a few more volunteers to help mark clothing prices. Stop in anytime the store is open or Monday morning when we sort.
- ◆ Thanks to all the great volunteers working at the store. We couldn't do it without you!!

SERVER TRAINING

Training will be held at both Holy Spirit and St. Edwards the weekends of June 3/4 and June 10/11. Training after both Saturday and Sunday Masses. Students who will be in 4th grade (and above) next school year are eligible to serve. Students who are already serving may come for a refresher class.

ON THE MINISTRY SCHEDULE?

To eliminate the hassle of picking up or having to mail ministry schedules we will try emailing them to families (at both parishes). Please let Kay know your email address. We will see if it helps getting the schedule to you. (Email kboden@iowatelecom.net)

ANNUAL DIOCESAN APPEAL

Diocesan report as of May 12th:

Holy Spirit is \$1,380 short of its goal

St. Edward is \$1,608 short of its goal

If we do not meet our assigned goal, the remaining balance will be taken from our parish funds. All gifts are appreciated! Pledge cards are available in the back of church or at the parish office.

CREST AREA FOR LIFE MEETING

Tuesday, May 23rd, 7:00 p.m., Holy Spirit Hall. The public is invited to attend.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

VBS will be held June 12-16 at St. Malachy School from 9:00 a.m.-12 Noon. This is for students at both Holy Spirit and St. Edward and for students who will be in 1st-8th grade next school year. Mass will be celebrated everyday at 11:30 a.m. Cost: \$10.00 per student. Please contact Barb Hudson, 641-202-2064, for more information. (Forms in the back of church.)

MASS SCHEDULE



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Monday May 22	Adoration 5:00-6:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m., Holy Spirit Dale Wagner
Tuesday May 23	Adoration 7:30-8:30 a.m. 8:30 a.m., St. Edward Duane Brown
Wednesday May 24	9:15 a.m., St. Malachy School Eddie, Dorothy, and Jimmy Peak
Thursday May 25	7:00 a.m., St. Malachy Chapel Jessica Moeller
Friday May 26	7:00 p.m., Holy Spirit + Eighth Grade Graduation For the Graduates
Saturday May 27	5:15 p.m., Holy Spirit Aaron Mansour
Sunday May 28	9:00 a.m., Holy Spirit Shirley Lybarger and Carrie Crenshaw 10:45 a.m., St. Edward For the People

THE WEEK BY WEEK DEVELOPMENT OF THE UNBORN CHILD

Week 15: Soon I will be able to grasp with my hands! What will I grasp? My other hand! Did you know that I have my own unique fingerprints now?

CALVARY CEMETERY

- ◆ The Calvary Cemetery Board is looking for a sexton for the Cemetery. If interested in the position, please call the parish office or talk to cemetery board members: Ron Dunphy, Paul Baker, or Dennis Kinsella. It is a paid position.
- ◆ Volunteers are welcome to go to Calvary Cemetery to weed eat or mow as we approach Memorial Weekend. Thank you to those who have volunteered their time. It is greatly appreciated.

News from Holy Spirit Parish

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sunday	May 21	Honor High School Graduates at 9:00 a.m. Mass + Reception Following
Monday	May 22	ReRun Sorting, 9:00 a.m. Board of Education Meeting, 7:00 p.m., St. Malachy School
Tuesday	May 23	ReRun Shop, Noon-5:00 p.m. Crest Area for Life Meeting, 7:00 p.m., Hall
Wednesday	May 24	ReRun Shop, Noon-5:00 p.m. KC Officers Meeting, 7:00 p.m. St. Malachy School Spring Concert, 6:30 p.m., Creston High School
Friday	May 26	ReRun Shop, 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. St. Malachy 8th Grade Graduation + Mass, 7:00 p.m., Church

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the
KINGDOM
of GOD



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GIFTS TO GOD

Weekly tithes needed	\$6,837.36
May 14th tithes received	\$5,840.00

CONGRATULATIONS GRADUATES

- ◆ This Sunday we are honoring our high school graduates. Congratulations and best wishes to: Madison Callahan, Rebecca Coleman, Angela Drey, Macy Evans, Isaiah Foster, Cora Green, Hannah Hood, Tyler Peters, Logan Pettit, Leah Schuler, Morgan Shawler, Kyle Somers, Isaac Wignall, and Kaden Wilson. (Our apologies if we have inadvertently forgotten someone.) A reception will follow in the parish hall following Mass and everyone is invited.
- ◆ St. Malachy 8th grade graduation will be Friday, May 26th, 7:00 p.m. at Holy Spirit Church. You are invited to join the graduates and their families as they celebrate. Our congratulations to: Aubrey Allen, Kenzie Britten, Colby Burg, Rylie Driskell, Samantha Dunphy, Jessilyn Eblen, Olivia Hagen, Sierra Myers, Cassie Ralston, Molly Sickels, Keagan Smith, Brodie Wallace, Hunter Walter, Andy Weis, and Garon Wurster

MEMORIAL DAY

- ◆ Mass: Monday, May 29, 8:30 a.m., at the church (no adoration). Military Services at Calvary Cemetery at 9:30 a.m.
- ◆ The Avenue of Flags will be on display at Calvary Cemetery over Memorial weekend. Help will be needed on Sunday, May 28th, 6:30 a.m. to put the flags out. They will be taken down Monday, May 29th, at 4:30 p.m. Volunteer help would be appreciated.

PARISH COUNCIL RECAP

May 15th meeting: The organization report was from the Catholic Daughters. 4 members have gone to the State Convention. Live Saver campaign gave 40% of their donations to the diocese and 60% went to the local domestic violence shelter. They have also made a donation to the Houma Indian Mission. *Unfinished Business:* Plans have been approved by the city on the grading after the old Re-Run is torn down. Getting concrete prices for parking/stairs to church. Meeting the 17th with the independent contractor on costs for the new addition to the school. The Ambrose sale/auction was disappointing. Not well attended and bid for house \$32,000. The Finance Council and Cemetery Board have agreed to sell at this price. There is electrical and plumbing work that needs to be done to increase the selling price of the home. The parish and cemetery will each receive \$161,000 from the estate in addition to the home sale. The Ambrose family has left an incredible gift and we are truly grateful. *New Business:* We will hold a parish picnic Wednesday, June 14th, at McKinley Park. 5:30 gathering/6:00 p.m. picnic. *Committee Reports:* Building/Safety/Grounds: Hand railing is up on the east wall of the church another will be added to the west side. Office roof needs new shingles and rectory kitchen needs new flooring and counter tops. We want to add sound deadening panels in the school gym. *Family Life:* Newcomers packets for Keith and Katie Worland and Lisa Shawler were handed out. *Social Concerns:* The committee will serve Open Table on August 28th. *Liturgy:* The committee will decorate with red for Pentecost and then green for ordinary time. Work has begun on the recovering of the church pews. We will continue work days until completed. Next work day June 8th from 10-3 p.m. *Finance:* Have been working on next year's budget, reviewing of Ambrose sale and upcoming projects. *Faith Formation:* Working on VBS, NCCY plans, and recording of sacraments. Hope to have an RCIA class this fall. Only 2 weeks left of school. SM looking for a TAG/Resource teacher and a person to work in the library.

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

May 27/28	5:15 p.m.	9:00 a.m.
Lectors	Dennis Nelson	Paul Baker
	Paul Somers	Dottie Dunphy
Eucharistic Ministers	Steve Heffern	Virginia Aguilar
	Phyllis Allen	Mark O'Riley
	Pat Miller	Theresa Pudenz
		Bob & Lisa Miller
Ushers	J & C Mansour	Adolfo and Fidelina
	L & MJ Dorgan	Saturno Family
	T. & K. Freml	
Servers	Daniel Buls	Madalyn Kinsella
	Andy Weis	Anthony Eblen
		Vincent Eblen
Greeters	R. & A. Mohr	Virginia Aguilar
		Sue Bissell
Rosary Musicians	Bob Jansen	Mary S. McDonald
	C. Fredrickson	Linda Taylor
	Danna Buls	Larry Rayhons
	Devon Buls	
Money Counters	Todd Dunphy, Tom Dunphy, Luke Baker	

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

QUESTION OF THE WEEK

Theme: We have the spirit of truth to guide us.

Question for Children: Jesus promises to be our friend forever. How do friends treat each other?

Question for Youth: Jesus promises us that the Holy Spirit would remain with us always. When have you experienced the Spirit?

Question for Adults: Which one of the promises in today's Gospel gives you the most hope?

RELAY FOR LIFE

Team Spirit will be selling luminaries before and after Mass (at Holy Spirit Church) starting May 20th for four weekends.

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 or Pat Pokorny, 782-4291, or ppokorny@windstream.net.

News from St. Edward

Sunday	May 21	Parish Council Meeting following Mass
Wednesday	May 24	Devotions, 6:30 p.m.

PRAYER TREE

Please call Patty Bradley, 347-8812, if you know someone that needs to be added to our prayer tree. You may also call Patty if you wish to be notified of those added to the prayer tree.

END OF LIFE HEALTH CARE

The Iowa bishops' "Supportive Care Iowa" project is available to help people seeking guidance on making decisions about end-of-life health care that is aligned with Catholic values. Often we cannot foresee situations that will arise in regard to our health. Therefore, it may be important, to choose a person who knows us and speak on our behalf if we are not capable of doing so. There are trained volunteers called "Catholic Advanced Care Planning Consultants" that can help with the completion of documents that designate another person with power of attorney for health care. Call, 515-243-7653, if you are interested in this service.

GIFTS TO GOD

Weekly tithes needed	\$964.00
May 14th tithes received	\$779.00

We have been called from darkness into the Lord's light

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MINISTRY SCHEDULE

May 28	10:45 a.m.
Lector	Wayne Wuebker
Eucharistic Minister	Dan Rosener
	Deb Weaver-Ripperger
	Kathy Simmerman
Ushers	Monty and Diane Ide
Servers	Joshua Lopez
	Hayden Waigand
Money Counters	Dan Rosener
	Sharon Swanson