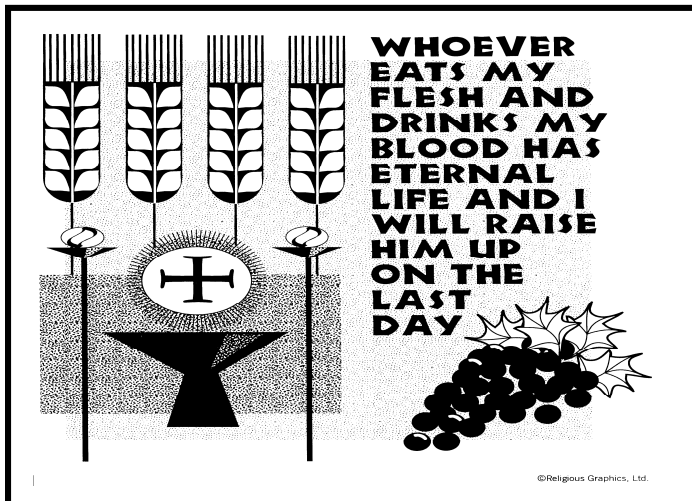


HOLY SPIRIT/ST. EDWARD

May 28/29, 2016

Corpus Christi



FROM FR. KEN

This weekend we have the unofficial kickoff to summer, Memorial Day weekend. As we celebrate this day, we should be reminded that it is more than just another day off of work, or that it is often a day of picnics, or the beginning of summer. Memorial Day is a day that we set aside to remember those who have gone before us. Memorial Day is NOT Veterans Day! It is a day in which we remember those who have died. Memorial Day was proclaimed by General John Logan the national commander of the Grand Army of the Republic on May 5th, 1868 and celebrated on May 30th of that year as a remembrance of the confederate and union soldiers that were at Arlington National Cemetery. It was made a national holiday by the National Holiday Act of 1971. It has been expanded to not only remember those who have died serving our country, but to remember all of our beloved dead. Our celebration of Memorial Day, like all days, should include prayer, but on this day prayers in a special way. Take some time with the family to thank God, to be reminded that the freedoms we enjoy in this country did not come easy or free, they required sacrifice. Jesus Himself knew of the sacrifices that needed to be made for our freedom. He freed us from the tyranny of sin and death and on Memorial Day we remember those who have given their lives so that we may be free on earth. So, as we have our campouts and grill outs, and as we spend some time together as a family, let us be mindful to pray a prayer of thanksgiving for all of the gifts that God has given us, our freedom to worship, and the gift of our ability to enter into eternal life with 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.

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

MEMORIAL DAY

- ♦ Mass: Monday, May 30th, 8:00 a.m., at Holy Spirit Church (no adoration).
- ♦ Military Service at Calvary Cemetery, Monday, May 30th, 9:30 a.m.
- ♦ The Avenue of Flags will be on display at Calvary Cemetery over Memorial weekend. Help will be needed on Sunday morning, May 29th, 6:30 a.m. to put the flags out. They will be taken down Monday, May 30th, at 4:30 p.m. Volunteer help would be greatly appreciated.
- ♦ Bishop Richard Pates will celebrate the annual Memorial Day Mass at Glendale Cemetery in Des Moines on Monday, May 30th, beginning at 10:00 a.m. If it rains, the Mass will be celebrated at St. Theresa Church, 1230 Merle Hay Road, in Des Moines at 10:15 a.m.

LIVING OUR CATHOLIC FAITH VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

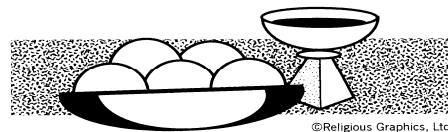
Summer fun and faith building: June 13th-17th, 9:00 a.m.-12:00 Noon, at St. Malachy School. The program will be for students entering first grade-8th grade for the 2016-2017 school year. Mass will be celebrated every day at 11:30 a.m. - Come celebrate with us! Cost of the program: \$10.00 per child. If you would like to volunteer to help or have questions, contact Barb Hudson, 641-202-2064. Registration forms/permission slips are in the back of church. A potluck picnic will also be held at McKinley Park on June 15th, 5:30 p.m. gather/6:00 eat. *This is for students at both Holy Spirit and St. Edward parishes.*

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

- ♦ Monthly meeting Wednesday, June 1st, 7:00 p.m., Holy Spirit Hall
- ♦ Knights of Columbus Second and Third Degree Exemplification in Corning on June 12th. Candidates should arrive by 11:30 in the parish hall located at 607 6th Street.

CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS

- ♦ Ladies Night: June 14th. All ladies of the parish are invited to join us. We will eat at The Sports Page in Winterset. Meet at 5:45 p.m. at Holy Spirit parking lot to car pool. Dinner will be at 6:30 p.m. The program: Butterflies.
- ♦ The annual dues of \$25.00 are payable at this time. Please give or mail to Kay Kinsella, 3189 150th St., Creston.



Monday May 30	(No Adoration) Mass, 8:00 a.m., Holy Spirit For Our Deceased Loved Ones
Tuesday May 31	Adoration, 7:30-8:30 a.m. Mass, 8:30 a.m., St. Edward Lewis Ripperger
Wednesday June 1	Mass, 12:00 Noon, Holy Spirit Joe Aguilar
Thursday June 2	Mass, 7:00 a.m., St. Malachy Chapel Intention of LeAnn Keenan
Friday June 3	Mass, 7:00 a.m., St. Malachy Chapel Don and Nellie Weisshaar
Saturday June 4	Mass, 5:15 p.m., Holy Spirit Intention of Bob and Linda Denton
Sunday June 5	Mass, 9:00 a.m., Holy Spirit For the People Mass, 10:45 a.m., St. Edward Patricia Auffert

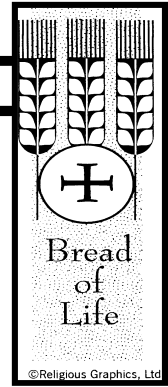
BAPTISM

Our congratulations to Kynzlee Seddon who was baptized May 24th at Holy Spirit Church. Kynzlee is the daughter of Jeremy Seddon and granddaughter of Cathy Seddon.

AROUND THE COMMUNITY

- ♦ The Prescott United Church will hold a Memorial Day Picnic on Monday, May 30th, from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. The menu: Sloppy Joes, Hot Dogs/Coney Dogs, Homemade Potato Salad, Assorted Jello and Pasta Salads, Baked Beans. Price: Adults: \$8.00; Ages 5-12: \$4.00; Under 5: Free.
- ♦ East Union Spanish Club is having a dinner on Sunday, June 5th, from 11:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. at the Afton Community Center. Free will donation. Please come and help them raise funds for their Puerto Rico trip.
- ♦ Bob and Linda Denton will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary June 4th, with an open house from 2:00-4:00 p.m. at Holy Spirit Hall. Please join them in celebrating this special day.

News from Holy Spirit Parish



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Monday	May 30	Memorial Day Service, 9:30 a.m., Calvary Cemetery
Tuesday	May 31	ReRun Shop, Noon-5:00 p.m.
Wednesday	June 1	ReRun Shop, Noon-5:00 p.m. KC Meeting, 7:00 p.m., Hall
Thursday	June 2	Bible Study, 7:00 p.m., Hall
Friday	June 3	ReRun Shop, 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.
Saturday/Sunday	June 4/5	Food Pantry Drive
Saturday	June 4	ReRun Shop, 9:00 a.m.-Noon

GIFTS TO GOD:

Weekly tithes needed	\$8,154.00
May 22nd tithes received	\$5,511.00

ARE YOU INTERESTED?

Would you like to serve on the Board of Education (3 positions to fill) or the Parish Pastoral Council (2 positions to fill)? One must be a practicing Catholic at least 18 years old. If you are interested in serving, please contact the parish or school office.

RAGBRAI DINNER: JULY 25TH

- ◆ Workers needed: If you have a computer please go to www.SignUpGenius.com/go/20F0544A9AA2FAAFD0-ragbrai or sign-up in the back of church. We are asking for the support of all parishioners.
- ◆ Saturday, June 18th and 25th, have been reserved for noodle making days.
- ◆ Monetary donations are being accepted to help pay for supplies for the dinner. Make checks to Holy Spirit Parish and place in the collection basket marked "RAGBRAI DINNER".
- ◆ Check us out on Facebook (Creston Ragbrai Homemade Chicken & Noodle Meal at St. Malachy School) and help spread the word.

MONTHLY FOOD PANTRY

June 4th/5th 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.

MAY 17TH PARISH COUNCIL

Organization Report was by the Knights of Columbus: They have served a Taco Supper and Mother's Day breakfast; added a light switch at the ReRun; stripped walls in the AA room to prepare for Anchor Walls; moved Fr. Kenkel to Panama; held a Tootsie Pop Drive for Culture of Life raising \$400; will hold a golf tournament in June; Round Table in Afton will have a Fish Fry June 21st; will give high school graduates Bibles. **Unfinished Business:** RAGBRAI: Committee has planned the menu, working on sign-ups for day of and preparation work days. Council Election: We have two three year term openings. Will advertise in the bulletin. Seminarian Update: We will not have a seminarian this summer as originally planned. Banner for Christmas Float: The parish will purchase two banners. **Committee Reports:** *Building/Grounds/Safety:* The Visioning Committee met and discussed our present and future needs. In the near future a public meeting will be held regarding the old ReRun building. A new addition to the school was discussed with rooms for preschool and music (arts) programs. This would be attached to the two buildings so we would all be under one roof. The final report to Dekko was sent and they are very pleased with the success of the ReRun Shop. *Family Life:* For Father's Day coffee/rolls will be served after Mass. *Social Concerns:* The Food Pantry was discussed; we will be involved in the Backpack Ministry (collecting colored pencils). Also be helping with the summer food program. *Faith Formation:* 1st Communion and Confirmation went well. Will try to hold our own Vacation Bible School since Totus Tuus cannot come. Parish Picnic will be June 15th. Board of Ed. will have 3 positions to fill. We will have a TAG teacher for reading, math and science next year. Tentative date for CRHP (ladies) Retreat January 29/30th, 2017.

PARISH PICNIC JUNE 15TH

The Annual Parish Picnic will be held Wednesday, June 15th, at McKinley Park (shelter by the bear). We will gather at 5:30 p.m. and eat at 6:00. In case of inclement weather we will meet at the school. Hamburgers and hot dogs, table service, and beverages will be provided. Please bring a food item or two to round out the menu. Feel free to bring lawn chairs.

QUESTIONS OF THE WEEK

Theme: *Jesus continues to offer himself to us and feed us in the Holy Eucharist*

Question for Children: How can you share what you have received from Jesus with others this week.

Question for Youth: When we celebrate the Holy Eucharist we are asked to “do this in remembrance of me”. How else do you acknowledge the importance of Jesus in your life? Through prayer? Through the ways that you treat others?

Question for Adults: How can you prepare yourself to be nourished by Jesus in the Eucharist?

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

June 4/5	5:15 p.m.	9:00 a.m.
Lectors	Linda Hartsock	Paul Baker Dennis Nelson
Eucharistic Ministers	D. & L. Nelson	G. & J. Bucklin J. Simmons
Ushers	T. & C. Sevier T. & K. Freml J. Taylor Fam.	L. & P. Blakesley Elaine Haines T. & L. Root
Servers	N. Kuhlman H. Simmons	Molly Sickels Reese Glynn Aiden Evans
Greeters	T. & C. Sevier	L. & P. Blakesley
Rosary	Bob Jansen	Al Pokorny
Musicians	C. Fredrickson	None Scheduled Rose Wignall & Kateri Foster
Money Counters	Elaine Haines, Karin Freml	

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

RELAY FOR LIFE LUMANARIES

Luminaries will be on sale after Mass in the vestibule and parish hall the next couple of weekends.

News from St. Edward Parish

Wednesday June 1 Devotions, 6:30 p.m.
Knights of Columbus Meeting, 7:00 p.m., Holy Spirit Hall



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A Memorial Day prayer:

God of power and mercy,
Banish violence from our midst and wipe away our tears,

Keep in your mercy those men and women who have died in the cause of freedom and bring them safely into your kingdom of justice and peace.

We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen

[*Catholic Household Blessings and Prayers*](#)

GIFTS TO GOD

Weekly tithes needed	\$909.41
May 22nd tithes received	\$923.00



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MINISTRY SCHEDULE

June 5	10:45 am
Lector	Randy Pettit
Euch. Min.	Dan Rosener Deb Weaver Ripperger Kathy Simmerman
Usher/Greet	Doug Pettit Family
Servers	Steven Fry Hayden Waigand
Money Counters	Sharon Swanson Phil Bradley