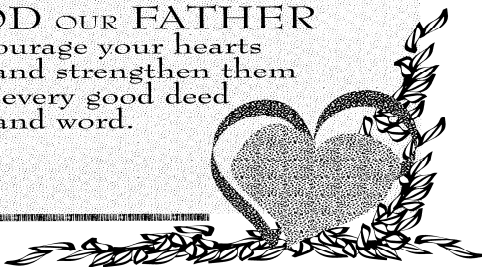


HOLY SPIRIT/ST. EDWARD

November 5/6, 2016

Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

May our
LORD JESUS CHRIST
himself
and GOD OUR FATHER
encourage your hearts
and strengthen them
in every good deed
and word.



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FROM FR. KEN

During the month of November we focus on those who have died and gone before us. In many ways, while this can be a healing time, it can also be difficult, especially if they have died recently. We have that “year of firsts”, the first birthday, anniversary, Thanksgiving, Christmas, etc without that person that we love, and that can be a challenge all in itself. Within the United States, it is generally considered that we have six weeks to “get over” the death of someone, but we all know that we can never “get over” the death of someone that we really loved, we can get through it, but we will never get over it. One of the great things we can do is to keep the person in our prayers and then one day, we will switch from praying for the person to praying with the person. God will often give us a sign that can guide us and show us when that time is. As a part of the funeral rite, we emphasize God’s mercy for us and the one who has died, that is because mercy, which includes love, is the reason that Jesus Christ came down to be with us. It is something that we need to be continually reminded of. Mercy is something that God gave us, but also something that He is calling us to use and share as well. When we experience the loss of someone we love, the best thing we can do is to fall back on our faith, which is rooted in the love that God has for us and for the person who has died. Jesus tells us that He will not lose anything that has been given to Him and who is following Him, so we can trust in Him. Let us give those who have died over to the loving hands of God.

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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

CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS

Monthly meeting Tuesday, November 8th, at Holy Spirit. Mass celebrated at 6:00 p.m. followed by dinner and business meeting. The committee: Anita Studer (Chr), Marsha Mohr, Mary McElroy, Lois Nelson and June Huewe. Program: Conversation with Fr. Ken. Business: Discuss charity work for Advent and education contest.

HURRICANE MATTHEW RELIEF

Bishop Pates is asking all parishes to take up a collection for the people impacted by Hurricane Matthew. Funds will be used to support the efforts of Catholic Relief Services through which the Catholic Church provides international aid. A basket will be in the back of church if you wish to make a donation or you may put your donation in the collection basket next weekend in an envelope marked "Hurricane Matthew Relief" (make check to Holy Spirit and we send one check to the diocese).



HOST HOME NEEDED

A young lady from Iowa State will be working at Bunn-O-Matic this summer as an intern. She is a Catholic and has been involved with the Catholic Daughters. A host home is needed for her during her stay in Creston. If you are interested in hosting her in your home, please call Suzanne Johnston at Bunn, 641-278-8226.

GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP MEETING

The Pearson Family Funeral Service is sponsoring a 12 week grief support program. The purpose of the program is to help persons who are experiencing grief due to the physical death of a family member, friend, or special person to understand your grief and provide hope, healing and reconciliation. The facilitators, Dick and Elaine Krambeck, will be utilizing Dr. Alan Wolfeft's

material. The program will be held on Thursdays from 6:30-8:00 a.m. for 12 weeks beginning December 1st at the Pearson Family Funeral Service at 809 W. Montgomery in Creston. Cost will be \$30 for materials. Contact Bruce Pearson at 641-782-6555 by November 21st if you are interested in participating or have questions.

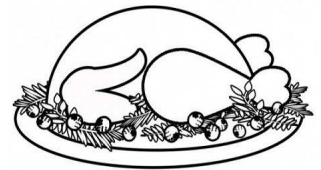


MASS SCHEDULE

Monday November 7	Adoration, 5:00-6:00 p.m. Mass, 6:00 p.m., Holy Spirit Joe Aguilar
Tuesday November 8	9:00 a.m., Afton Care Center Intention of Dick Kuhl 6:00 p.m., Holy Spirit The Pesik Family
Wednesday November 9	9:15 a.m., St. Malachy School C.J. Miller
Thursday November 10	7:00 a.m., St. Malachy Chapel Chris Pokorny
Friday November 11	7:00 a.m., St. Malachy Chapel Don and Nellie Weisshaar
Saturday November 12	Mass, 5:15 p.m., Holy Spirit Lyman & Coletta Bradley
Sunday November 13	Mass, 9:00 a.m., Holy Spirit Thomas Dunphy Mass, 10:45 a.m., St. Edward For the People

TURKEY DINNER

The Knights of Columbus will be serving a turkey dinner and all the trimmings next Sunday, November 13th, at St. Malachy School. Serving from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.



SINCERE SYMPATHY

Please remember in your prayers the family and friends of:

- ♦ Payton Glynn, son of Thane (Rachel) Glynn and Jill Nelson (Bill Young).
- ♦ Evelyn Connor, grandmother of Ann Marie (Jeff) Kinsella.

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

News from Holy Spirit Parish

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Saturday/Sunday	November 5/6	Food Pantry Drive
Sunday	November 6	First Reconciliation Parent/Student Meeting, 1:00 p.m., St. Malachy School
Monday	November 7	ReRun Sorting, 9:00-Noon CRHP Meeting, 6:30 p.m., Hall
Tuesday	November 8	ReRun Shop, Noon-5:00 p.m. CD of A Mass, 6:00 p.m. + Dinner Meeting following in Hall
Wednesday	November 9	ReRun Shop, Noon-5:00 p.m. Religious Ed. Classes for Grades 1-8, 6:45 p.m., St. Malachy School
Thursday	November 10	Liturgy Committee Meeting, 6:00 p.m., Hall
Friday	November 11	ReRun Shop, 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.
Saturday	November 12	ReRun Shop, 9:00 a.m.-Noon
Sunday	November 13	Thanksgiving Dinner, 11:00 a.m., St. Malachy School

GIFTS TO GOD:

Weekly tithes needed	\$6,837.36
October 30th tithes received	\$4,649.00

FIRST RECONCILIATION PARENT AND STUDENT SESSION

This Sunday students who are making their First Reconciliation and their parents will meet at St. Malachy School at 1:00 p.m.

MONTHLY FOOD PANTRY

Thank you to everyone who participated in our monthly Food Drive. Your donations of food, personal care items and money will help many local residents.

THE BISHOP IS COMING

Bishop Pates will be at St. Malachy School this coming Wednesday, November 9th, to celebrate Mass with the students. Everyone is invited to this special celebration. Mass will be at the normal 9:15 a.m. time.

LITURGY COMMITTEE MEETING

Liturgy Committee Members: We will be meeting Thursday, November 10th, 6:00 p.m., in the parish hall. It's time to start preparing for the upcoming Advent and Christmas seasons.

CONGRATULATIONS TO....

Trisha and Adam Snodgrass on the baptism of their son, Bennett Daniel, last Sunday, October 30th.

LADIES: PLEASE NOTE

The Council of Catholic Women's books are available in the back of church. Member's dues of \$10 can be paid by dropping an envelope marked "CCW" in the collection basket. CCW members will also be collecting dues after both Masses this weekend. All Catholic women are members of the CCW.

RERUN NEWS

- ♦ The ReRun Shop is in need of gently used women's coats in size 2x or 3x.
- ♦ New religious articles such as rosaries, necklaces, crosses, etc. are on sale at the shop.
- ♦ Thank you to all those who support the shop in any way by donations, working, cleaning, shopping. You are all a tremendous asset to our community.

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.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

- ♦ ASP Bake Sale after the weekend Masses on November 19th/20th
- ♦ CD of A Soup Supper after Saturday night Mass on November 19th
- ♦ St. Malachy Holiday Fair, November 19th
- ♦ Coffee and Rolls after Mass on November 20th
- ♦ First Reconciliation and Potluck, November 20th, at 1:00 p.m.

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Nov. 12/13	5:15 p.m.	9:00 a.m.
Lectors	Dennis Nelson Linda Hartsock	Carole Rayhons Larry Rayhons
Eucharistic Ministers	Steve Heffern Phyllis Allen J. Simmons	Missy Sickels Virginia Aguilar Betty Baker Mark O'Riley Theresa Pudenz
Ushers	Monte Neitzel Joni Taylor T. & L. Root Terri Koets	L & P. Blakeley Elaine Haines Paul Baker Mary S. McDonald Sue Bissell
Servers	Daniel Buls Haley Simmons	Anthony Eblen Reese Glynn Aiden Evans
Greeters	T. & L. Root	L. & P. Blakesley
Rosary	Ted Willets	Mary S. McDonald
Musicians	C. Fredrickson Katie Brennan	Lynn Baker Mike Peters
Money Counters	Scott Coen, Paul Varner, Ryan Mohr	

Please find a substitute if you are unable to fulfill

QUESTION OF THE WEEK

Theme: *God strengthens us and we live with him forever.*

Question for Children: God always stays with you, no matter what. What signs can you see to help you believe that?

Questions for Youth: Death is a hard reality in our human life, but if we believe in the resurrection, we know it isn't the end of the journey. How does your belief in heaven affect the way you live?

Question for Adults: Having faith in difficult times is hard! What makes you believe in the promise that God will be your strength, as Paul says?

MUSICIANS AND LECTORS

The Respond and Acclaim and Liturgy of the Word books are in for the new year. Please pick up your copy (your name is on the book).

Musicians: Books are in the choir loft.

Lectors: Books are in the sacristy.

Thank you for sharing your time and talent with the parish.

News from St. Edward Parish

Tuesday	November 8	CD of A Mass, 6:00 p.m. + Dinner Meeting Following, Holy Spirit
Wednesday	November 9	Religious Education Classes, 6:15 p.m.

ROSARY IN NOVEMBER



Sheila Brown will be leading the Rosary for the souls in Purgatory before Mass in November.

CHILDREN'S TITHE ENVELOPES

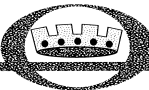
Several boxes of children's tithe envelopes have been placed in the back of church. If your child would like a box of envelopes, please pick one up.

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.

GIFTS TO GOD

Weekly tithes needed	\$ 964.00
October 30th tithes received	\$1,045.00

JESUS  is LORD

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MINISTRY SCHEDULE

November 13	10:45 am
Lector	Randy Pettit
Euch. Min.	Sharon Findley Dan Rosener Deb Weaver-Ripperger
Usher/Greet	Fritz and Lois Weis Family
Servers	Gus McNeill Ansley Waigand
Money	Jerry Travis
Counters	Phil Bradley