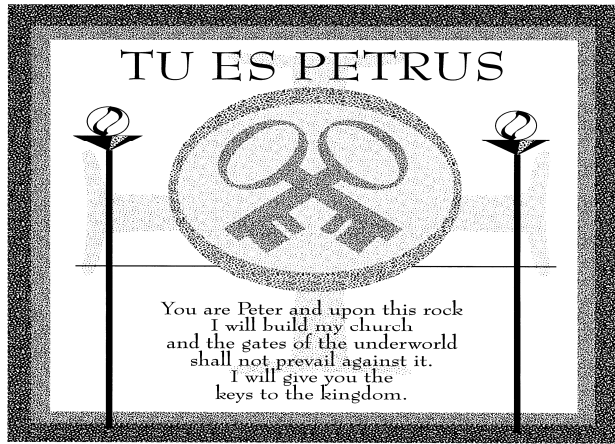


# HOLY SPIRIT/ST. EDWARD

August 26/27, 2017

21st Sunday in Ordinary Time



## FROM FR. KEN

With school starting we see it now as the end of the summer. So how did it go? Was it busy? Did we get everything done that we wanted to? I know that I did not. I still have a few summer things that I want to get done, but have not gotten to. We sometimes have the best of intentions, but then the other things come up and we get our plans derailed. Sometimes, the things that interrupt our plans are much more important, like the time that we get to spend with a friend who needs something, or a sick family member, but other times we just end up wasting time watching crazy cat videos on the internet. While there is an entertainment value of watching stupid pet videos, they can sometimes distract us from doing what we really need to be doing. One of my downfalls is “just one more episode on Netflix”, or just one more part of a movie, but I know that there may be something more important that I need to do. One of the things that we should always make time for is time with God. In the Gospels, Jesus often goes away to pray with the Father and we should use His example for us to follow. Take that 5 minutes after we wake up to ask God what you need to be doing in the day. I will often spend a couple of minutes in prayer while the coffee is brewing. Our prayer times do not need to be full Holy Hours, while it is wonderful if we could do a Holy Hour every day, we know that it does not always work out that way. What if we decided to do a Holy Five. Pick a time of the day and spend Five minutes with God each and every day, then let that time grow in our hearts.

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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



## SUMMER STAG

The Knights of Columbus will hold their annual summer stag Wednesday, August 30th, at the home of Dennis Kinsella, 3189 150th Street, Creston. Social begins at 6 p.m. Please bring a side dish to share. All men of both parishes are invited.

## RCIA CLASS

Do you know someone interested in joining the Catholic Church or an adult who needs to be Confirmed? If so, please have them call the parish office, 782-5278. We hope to have an RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) class this year. Classes begin in the fall and run through Easter.

## 7TH ANNUAL RURAL LIFE MASS

The 7th Annual Rural Life Mass will be held September 10th, 2:30 p.m., at the farmstead of Art and Marcia Pontier located at 1643 Hwy. 34, Osceola, Iowa (5 1/4 miles west of the intersection of I-35 and Hwy. 34 — watch for signs). Following Mass, enjoy walking tacos, home-baked treats, and displays of livestock, equipment and more! Event sponsored by St. Bernard's Parish and Fr. David Polich. For more information, contact Ken Bresnan at 515-237-5089 or kbresnan@catholiccharitiesdm.org.

## SINCERE SYMPATHY

Please remember in your prayers the family and friends of Bernard Shea, husband of Betty, and father of Gary and Larry (Kathy) Shea. May he, and all who sleep in Christ, rest in peace.

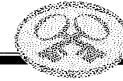
## HEADSTART PROGRAM

The MATURA Preschool program (for low income households) is looking for individuals or a group sponsor to help with expenses for field trips and classroom supplies. If anyone would like to donate money or their time and talent, contact 641-745-7337.

## YOU TUBE VIDEOS AVAILABLE

The diocese has produced a number of videos over the last few years: vocation stories of seminarians, Bishop Pates on mercy and living our faith, and more. While you are surfing the internet, stop by YouTube.com/dmdioocese and see what we have to offer.

## MASS SCHEDULE



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<b>Monday August 28</b>	<b>Adoration, 5:00-6:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m., Holy Spirit</b> Don and Nellie Weisshaar
<b>Tuesday August 29</b>	<b>Adoration, 7:30-8:30 a.m. Mass, 8:30 a.m.</b> Duane Brown
<b>Wednesday August 30</b>	<b>9:15 a.m., St. Malachy School</b> Joey Clear
<b>Thursday August 31</b>	<b>7:00 a.m., St. Malachy Chapel</b> Jessica Moeller
<b>Friday September 1</b>	<b>7:00 a.m., St. Malachy Chapel</b> Vicki Jansen
<b>Saturday September 2</b>	<b>9:30 a.m., St. Edward</b> Leonard and Gail Feld <b>5:15 p.m., Holy Spirit</b> Roberta Ambrose
<b>Sunday September 3</b>	<b>9:00 a.m., Holy Spirit</b> For the People <b>10:45 a.m., St. Edward</b> Patricia Auffert

## THE WEEK BY WEEK DEVELOPMENT OF THE UNBORN CHILD

Week 24: I'm starting to put on weight faster. I've gained about half a pound in the last few weeks.



## SHOTGUN SHOOTERS

The 4th Annual LC Open Trap Shoot competition will be held Saturday, September 9th, at the High Lakes Outdoor Alliance shooting range. Anyone 12 years of age or older is invited to participate. Competitors will be grouped by age and experience. The information/registration/rules can be acquired at the public bulletin boards of: Creston Farm and Home, Tractor Supply, and True Value. You may call Rick Ramaeker at 782-5264 for more information. Proceeds will go to the Life Care Clinic, Creston/Stuart.

# News from Holy Spirit Parish



## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Monday	August 28	ReRun Sorting, 9:00 a.m. Board of Education Meeting, 7:00 p.m., St. Malachy School
Tuesday	August 29	ReRun Shop, Noon-5:00 p.m.
Wednesday	August 30	ReRun Shop, Noon-5:00 p.m. Men's Stag, 6:00 p.m., Dennis Kinsella Home
Friday	September 1	ReRun Shop, 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.
Saturday	September 2	ReRun Shop Closed

## GIFTS TO GOD

Weekly tithes needed	\$6,837.50
August 20th tithes received	\$4,973.00



- ◆ Mark your calendar for Sunday, September 10th. This is the date of our Annual Food Fair.
- ◆ Tickets were recently mailed. Please sell to neighbors and friends. Help us make this our best year yet!! More tickets are available at the parish office. You may return the ticket money the day of the event or place in an envelope marked "Food Fair Tickets" and place in the weekend collection basket or mail to the parish office.
- ◆ There will be kids games and live music along with fantastic food!!
- ◆ If you can help provide chicken broth, chicken cooked and deboned, or homemade egg noodles, please call Kelsey Bailey, 515-460-0496.
- ◆ Apple, cherry, and peach pies are needed, please call Shelley Bakerink, 641-202-0911, if you can help furnish pies.
- ◆ Cookies, bars, and brownies are needed, please call Lisa Miller if you can help, 641-202-2385.
- ◆ Lisa Miller is chairing the event. Please contact her at 202-2385 if you can volunteer an hour or two to help with the Food Fair.



## RERUN NEWS

- ◆ Homecoming is just around the corner. Come check out our homecoming dresses.
- ◆ We have several volunteers who will be on vacation. If you could volunteer an hour or two, please stop in!
- ◆ The ReRun will be closed Saturday, September 2nd, for the Labor Day weekend.

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

- ◆ Wednesday night Religious Education classes for students in grades 1-8 who do not attend St. Malachy School will begin September 13th, 6:45 p.m., at St. Malachy School. Registration will be before classes begin.
- ◆ Kick off for high school youth group will be Wednesday, October 4th, 6:30 p.m., at St. Malachy School.
- ◆ First Confirmation Class (for those students in the freshman and sophomore classes that are preparing for the sacrament of Confirmation) will be Wednesday, October 18th. Those preparing for the sacrament are required to come every night. Those who have received the sacrament are not required on Confirmation class nights.
- ◆ Please call Barb Hudson, 641-348-2343 or 641-202-2064, with questions.

## RIDE TO MASS

Howie Cross and Wes Brzozowski are in need of a ride to Mass on Saturday night. If you can help with transportation, please call the parish office. We are hoping to have a few volunteers to rotate from.

## COMING UP.....

Monday, September 18th, 11:00 a.m., combined ReRun and CCW meeting at the ReRun Shop. Lunch will be provided.

## MINISTRY SCHEDULE

<b>September 2/3 5:15 p.m.</b>	<b>9:00 a.m.</b>
<b>Lectors</b>	Linda Hartsock Dottie Dunphy Paul Somers Virginia Aguilar
<b>Eucharistic Ministers</b>	J. Simmons Dean Schulte Betty Baker E. & M. Gammell Mark O'Riley G. & J. Bucklin
<b>Ushers</b>	Bob & Lisa John & Retta Baker Miller Family Roger & Melissa Baker T. & L. Root Family
<b>Servers</b>	Cade Simmons Anthony Eblen Haley Simmons Vincent Eblen Volunteer
<b>Greeters</b>	T. & L. Root John & Retta Baker
<b>Rosary</b>	Marsha Mohr Al Pokorny
<b>Musicians</b>	C. Fredrickson Linda Taylor Rose Wignall Jolene Griffith
<b>Money Counters</b>	Scott Coen, Ryan Mohr, Paul Varner

*All Ministers: Please find a substitute if you cannot fulfill your assigned day.*

## QUESTIONS OF THE WEEK

*Theme: God is creating a church, built on rock.*

**Question for Children:** What are three things you know about Jesus?

**Question for Youth:** Today's Gospel is about identity—the revealing of Jesus' true self. How difficult is it to you to reveal your true self? What holds you back from being who God created you to be?

**Question for Adults:** If Jesus turned and asked you the same question, who would you say he is? How would you describe Jesus to someone who did not know him?

## 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

Wednesday August 30 Devotions, 6:30 p.m.  
Men's Stag, 6:00 p.m., Dennis Kinsella Home



## FIRST SATURDAY OF THE MONTH

A reminder: Confession, 8:30-9:30 a.m. on Saturday, September 2nd. Mass following at 9:30 a.m.

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES

Classes for PK3-8th grade will begin on Wednesday, September 20th. Class time 6:15—7:30 p.m.

## HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

The kick off for High School Youth Group will be Wednesday, October 4th, at St. Malachy School. 6:30 p.m. Social; 7:00-8:00 p.m. Lesson. We have a lot of fun learning and sharing our faith.

## CONFIRMATION CLASS

Freshmen and sophomores students preparing for Confirmation: First class will be October 18th, 6:30 p.m., at St. Malachy School.

## GIFTS TO GOD

Weekly tithes needed	\$844.86
August 20th tithes received	\$632.00

## MINISTRY SCHEDULE

	<b>September 3</b>
<b>Lector</b>	Retta Ripperger
<b>Eucharistic Minister</b>	Darren Moore Georgia Pettit Jan Pettit
<b>Ushers</b>	Terry and Lisa Smith
<b>Servers</b>	Hunter Swanson Logan Findley
<b>Money Counters</b>	Parish Council

A new schedule will be printed the end of September. Please let Sheila Brown (641-344-4718) know if there are any additions, deletions, changes that need to be made.