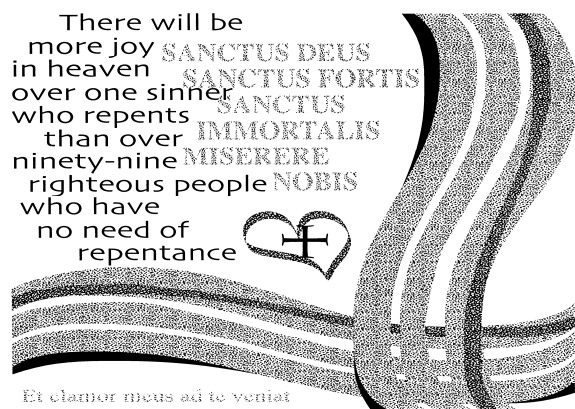


HOLY SPIRIT/ST. EDWARD

September 17/18, 2016

Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time



FROM FR. KEN

Have you ever been online and saw a post that you just wanted to say “What the heck?!?” and then look at where it is from. There are a couple of really good mock-news websites out there one called the Onion and another called The Eye of the Tiber. The first one takes current events and makes up wild stories about them for example “Sugar industry shaped public opinion for decades” and then it makes a story that only a true conspiracy theorist could believe. The second site is in the same vein but Catholic based, one of the people they talk about is “pope” Michael who is a mailman from Oklahoma City was elected “pope” in 1990 by six people including himself and his parents. Both of these websites take things that some people would like to hear that then take it to the extreme of making it seem real. In the past, I have had some people contact me about things that they have seen on one of these websites and ask if it is true... no they are not! Where we get our information and is there an agenda behind it is something we should always ask about where we get our information, especially when it comes to information about the Church. Politicians and Lobbyists are very poor places to get Church teaching because they usually seem to be more in line with their political party instead of the Church. So if something does not seem to make sense when you hear it, it most likely is not from a good and reliable source. I have a couple of good resources and trustworthy websites that I visit to make sure things that I have heard are the correct teachings. We cannot know everything, but if we know where to look to find the truth, we can learn anything.

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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

JOINING THE CHURCH

If you or someone you know is interested in joining the Catholic Church or learning more about it, please call the parish office, 782-5278, or talk to Fr. Halbur. We are making a list of interested persons and will start classes soon if there is interest.

SEMINARIAN APPEAL WEEKEND

This weekend is the diocesan-wide Special Collection for Seminarians. Gifts to this collection support the education and formation costs associated with seminarians, which continually rise. Your gift to this important appeal makes the difference for the faith leaders of tomorrow by providing necessary educational funding. Every gift, regardless of the size, is vital and we thank you for your generosity. Gifts may also be made online at dmdiocese.thankyou4caring.org. Please designate the Seminarian Annual Appeal.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ANNUAL TOOTSIE ROLL DRIVE

Knights: we need volunteers! Two to four hours at any of the listed locations and dates (any length of time will help):

September 23: Creston Homecoming

September 23/24: Fareway, Farm & Home

September 24/25: After Mass, True Value

September 30/Oct 1: True Value

Call Rick Brown if you can help, 515-468-8431.

LAST CALL...

The Christ Our Life Conference is September 24th-25th at Wells Fargo Arena in Des Moines. Get your all-weekend pass at ChristOurLifeIowa.com or contact Virginia Aguilar at 641-340-2745.

SAVE THE DATE

Women of Holy Spirit and St. Edward Parish: Mark your calendars NOW to save the date for the next Christ Renews His Parish Retreat the weekend of January 28/29, 2017. Details and sign-up to follow at a later date.

CRESTON SERVICES

The Creston Food Pantry located at 417 Wyoming Avenue (lower level) provides food to families who are hungry every Sunday from 12 Noon—2:00 p.m. Open Table (free meal) every Tuesday from 5:00-6:00 p.m. at the UCC Church, 501 W. Montgomery.



God has reconciled the world to himself in Christ

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MASS SCHEDULE

Monday	Adoration, 5:00-6:00 p.m.
September 19	Mass, 6:00 p.m., Holy Spirit Vicki Jansen
Tuesday	Adoration, 7:30-8:30 p.m.
September 20	Mass, 8:30 a.m., St. Edward Margaret Brosnahan
Wednesday	Mass, 9:15 a.m., St. Malachy School
September 21	Lorraine Victor
Thursday	Mass, 7:00 a.m., St. Malachy Chapel
September 22	Edmund & Dorothy Baker
Friday	Mass, 7:00 a.m., St. Malachy Chapel
September 23	Jessica Moeller
Saturday	Mass, 5:15 p.m., Holy Spirit
September 24	Florence Allen
Sunday	Mass, 9:00 a.m., Holy Spirit
September 25	Living/Deceased CCW Members
	Mass, 10:45 a.m., St. Edward For the People

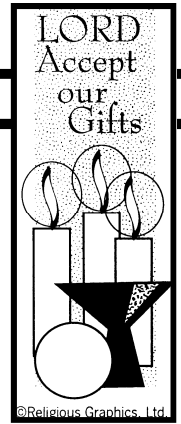
ANNUAL GRILLED CHICKEN AND HAM DINNER

This Sunday, September 18th, 11:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. at St. Patrick Catholic Church, 600 W. Michigan, Lenox. Tickets: \$8.00 adults; \$5 kids 6-12; Free for ages 5 and under. Menu: Grilled half chicken or baked ham, baked potato, corn or green beans, salad bar, pie, and drink.

PULL! 3RD ANNUAL Lc OPEN TRAP SHOOT

Saturday, September 24th, at High Lakes Outdoor Alliance Shooting Range. Open to boys and girls, men and women (minimum age 12). Early registration \$25/day of \$35. For more information about this event, contact Rick Ramaeker, 782-5264. Proceeds to the Lc Clinics in Creston and Stuart.

News from Holy Spirit Parish



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Saturday/Sunday	September 17/18	Catechist Sunday
Monday	September 19	ReRun Sorting, 9:00-Noon Finance Council Meeting, 7:00 p.m., Parish Office
Tuesday	September 20	ReRun Shop, Noon-5:00 p.m. Parish Council Meeting, 7:00 p.m., St. Malachy School
Wednesday	September 21	ReRun Shop, Noon-5:00 p.m. Religious Education Classes for Grades 1-8, 6:45 p.m., St. Malachy School
Thursday	September 22	CRHP Meeting, 6:00 p.m., Maple Street Memories
Friday	September 23	ReRun Shop, 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.
Saturday	September 24	ReRun Shop, 9:00 a.m.-Noon
Sunday	September 25	First Reconciliation Parent Meeting, 10:00 a.m., Upstairs in Church

GIFTS TO GOD:

Weekly tithes needed	\$6,837.36
September 11th tithes received	\$5,141.00

FOOD FAIR

- ◆ A huge thanks to everyone who supported our food fair by attending, cooking, serving, taking tickets, counting money, setting up and tearing down, and cleaning up. We couldn't do this without you!
- ◆ A round of applause to Lisa Miller and Tonya Green and their families for all the work they put into co-chairing this event!! Thank you!!

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

- ◆ For students who do not attend St. Malachy School, religious education classes for grades 1-8 are held at St. Malachy School Wednesday evening from 6:45-8:00 p.m.
- ◆ High School Youth Group/Confirmation Class will have their "kick off" on Wednesday, September 28th, 6:30-8:00 p.m., at St. Malachy School.
- ◆ First Reconciliation Parent Meeting, Sunday, September 25th, following Mass.
- ◆ If you are new to the area or have questions, please call Barb Hudson, 641-202-2064.

GOING.....GOING.....GONE

There are many bowls and containers in the church kitchen left from funeral dinners and functions. All items will be thrown away or given to the ReRun Shop if not picked up by Sunday, September 25th.

OCTOBER FOOD DRIVE

Canned goods/non-perishable food items donated at our October 1st/2nd monthly food drive will be given to the CROP Walk Food Drive. Plan ahead and help us collect food for the Annual Crop Walk. A table is in the back of church for you to place your items on. Thank you for your support!

CONGRATULATIONS TO.....

Ashton (Behlers) and Brett Kline who were married September 10th at Holy Spirit Parish.

LADIES GUEST DAY

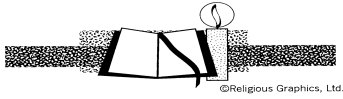
Holy Spirit ladies are invited to the following event: First Christian Church, 301 E. Townline Rd, October 6th, 12:30 p.m. for the Annual Women's Fall Luncheon. RSVP by September 29th to the church at 782-5511.

BISCUITS AND GRAVY BREAKFAST

The Knights of Columbus will be serving breakfast on Sunday, October 2nd, after Mass. Committee members: Francis Doyle (chair), Ben Adamson, Eldon Gammell, Larry Bailey, Jim Baker, John Baker, Luke Baker, Paul Baker, Rudy Ehm, Richard Baker, Roger Baker, Joe Weisshaar, Rick Benson, Dale Wagner, Larry Wagner, Allen Weisshaar, Jim Walsh, Ron Walter.

KC MEMBERS: PLANNING AHEAD

The Knights of Columbus will be fulfilling the church ministries on Saturday, October 29th. They need two lectors and one Eucharistic minister. Call Rick Brown, 515-468-8431, if you can serve.



MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Sept. 24/25	5:15 p.m.	9:00 a.m.
Lectors	Dennis Nelson	Larry Rayhons
	Terri Koets	Carole Rayhons
Eucharistic Ministers	Steve Heffern	Paul Baker
	Phyllis Allen	B. & L. Miller
	Jennifer Simmons	E. & M. Gammell
Ushers	J. & T. Latus	Francis Doyle
	T. & C. Sevier	D. & K. Kinsella
	T. & K. Freml	J. & R. Baker
Servers	Haley Simmons	Jasmine Hernandez
	Sydney Strunk	Lourdes Saturno
		Halle Evans
Greeters	J. & T. Latus	D. & K. Kinsella
Rosary	Bob Jansen	Paul Baker
Musicians	C. Fredrickson	Lynn Baker
	Rose Wignall	Heather Sitek
Money Counters	Syd Hudek, Bob McKee, Mary McElroy	

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

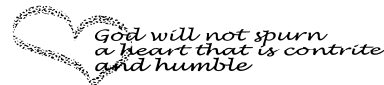
QUESTIONS OF THE WEEK

Theme: *How do we use what God has given us?*

Question of Children: Clothes, food, toys all cost money. How do you keep your faith more important than money?

Questions for Youth: The Gospel tells us that money can get in the way of serving God. How can you use all that you have (possessions, money, time, talent) to serve God?

Question for Adults: Money is an important part of modern life. Suggest one or two ways you can keep the need for money in balance with your faith.



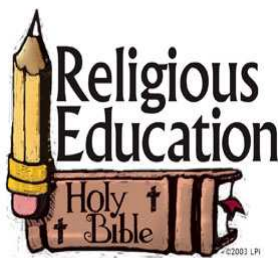
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PRAYER TREE

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

News from St. Edward Parish

Sunday	September 18	Parish Council Meeting after Mass
Wednesday	September 21	Religious Education Classes, 6:15 p.m. Devotions, 6:30 p.m.



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

- ◆ Religious Education classes will begin on September 21st at 6:15 p.m. Please notify Jennifer Valencia at StEdREAfton@gmail or call Jennifer at 641-347-7115 if you have questions.
- ◆ High School Youth Group/Confirmation Class will have their "kick off" on Wednesday, September 28th, 6:30-8:00 p.m., at St. Malachy School. Bring your Catholic friends and come!!

PRAYER TREE

Please call Carolyn Hubutka, 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
September 11 tithes received	\$755.00

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

September 25 10:45 am	
Lector	Retta Ripperger
Euch. Min.	Jan Pettit
	Sharon Findley
	Dan Rosener
Usher/Greet	Ellie Fry Family
Servers	Steven Fry
	Layla Lopez
Money	Sharon Swanson
Counters	Darren Moore



Current schedule will end September 25th. Please notify Sheila Brown of any additions or deletions that need to be made. New ministers are welcome!