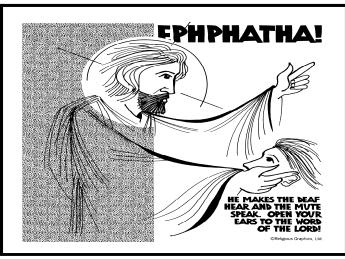
HOLY SPIRIT/ST. EDWARD

September 5/6, 2015

23nd Sunday in Ordinary Time



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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

To get it straight, ALL priests have ALWAYS had the power to forgive ANY sin that someone has sorrowfully brought to God through the, even procuring an abortion! The confusion comes because according to Canon Law (Church Law) certain sins, those that are very serious and are also not covered by civil law carry an additional penalty of excommunication from the Church and this needs to be removed by the bishop or a delegate of his. Within the Diocese of Des Moines, the bishops have delegated every validly ordained priest (who has faculties to hear confessions) to be able to remove the excommunication within the sacrament of reconciliation, so, the decree by Pope Francis is nothing new within our diocese. This was not so in other diocese, but is now. This is where it can get confusing, for the latae sententae or automatic excommunication for this sin or others (for example violating the seal of confession or obstinate heresy or apostasy) that have this additional penalty to happen, a few criteria must also be met. One must be over the age of 16, AND be aware of the law, AND not be forced, AND not act out of grave fear, AND possess the use of reason at the time of the sin. For most of these sins the bishop of the diocese can remove the penalty of excommunication, but if a priest violates the seal of confession, which means revealing what someone said in the confessional, the case needs to go to the Vatican for the penalty to be removed. Excommunication is always meant to be a correction, and not to be a punishment, it is something that we have chosen by the seriousness of the sin that we do. With his decree, the Holy Father in this upcoming Year of Mercy, wants us to utilize the sacraments of healing to be reconciled with our Heavenly Father.

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

WELCOME VISITORS

We hope you have enjoyed celebrating with us. Whether you are new to the area or have lived here for years, you are invited to join our parish family. We have much to offer for all ages and stages of faith. If you are a visitor from out of town, we hope you enjoyed your visit with us and felt welcomed in our church as your "home away from home." Registration forms are available in the back of church if you are new to the area and wish to register.

SUMMER STAG SEPTEMBER 9TH

Summer Stag for all men of Holy Spirit and St. Edward parishes is scheduled for September 9th, 6:30 p.m. at the Dennis and Kay Kinsella farm (3189 150th Street). Bring a side dish and playing cards. (The Knights will have a short business meeting.)

CONGRATULATIONS TO.....

Our 11 new 3rd Degree Brother Knights: Michael Bennett, James Findley, James Findley II, Dan McNeill, Randy Wuebker, Skyler Miller, Kyle Weaver, Eric Ripperger, James Sevier, Austin Berry and Larry Bailey.

CLASSES START SEPTEMBER 17TH

Classes will begin Thursday, September 17th, 7:00 p.m., at Holy Spirit Hall for those wishing to join the Catholic Church or for those who have not received all their sacraments. Please call the parish office if you are interested or know of someone who is.

CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS

Next meeting: September 8th at Holy Spirit. Mass will be celebrated a 6:00 p.m. with a pizza party following. We will be discussing the Catholic Daughters Fall Workshop/Conference to be held at Holy Spirit Hall September 12th. The conference is a great opportunity for all members to learn about the Catholic Daughters. The State and District officers will be presenting the programs for the day. Cost is \$15 per person (includes coffee/rolls and lunch). We will end by 2:30 p.m. If interested in attending, contact Teresa Weis, 782-2068, or Retta Ripperger, 641-782-0918.

SINCERELY SYMPATHY

Please keep in your prayers the family and friends of John Lawrence, a 30 year old seminarian from our diocese, who passed away in his sleep last Monday. May he, and all who sleep in Christ, rest in peace.

MASS SCHEDULE



Monday No Mass or Adoration September 7

Tuesday No Adoration

September 8 9:00 a.m., Afton Care Center

Virginia Wagner

6:00 p.m., Holy Spirit Church

Tina Lonowski

Wednesday 9:15 a.m., St. Malachy School

September 9 T. J. Frey

Thursday 7:00 a.m., St. Malachy Chapel

September 10 Helen Eagan

Friday 7:00 a.m.. St. Malachy Chapel

September 11 Gene and Naomi Dunphy

Saturday 5:15 p.m., Holy Spirit

September 12 Florence Allen

Sunday 9:00 a.m., Holy Spirit
Santamber 13 Mark and Dolores McCann

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For the People

BULLETIN ONLINE

Our bulletin website has been purchased by PLI. The same addresses are used: www.holyspiritcreston.parishesonline.com or www.stedwardafton.parishesonline.com but it will have a new look.

WHEN IS THE BEST TIME TO WRITE YOUR WILL?

Now.....and remember, a bequest to

- ◆ St. Edward Church
- St. Edward Cemetery
- Holy Spirit Church
- Calvary Cemetery
- St. Malachy School
- ◆ St. Malachy Foundation goes on helping for years to come.

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News from Holy Spirit Parish

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Saturday/Sunday September 5/6 Food Pantry Collection

Tuesday September 8 ReRun Shop, Noon-5:00 p.m.

Catholic Daughters Mass, 6:00 p.m./Dinner Meeting following in Hall

Wednesday September 9 ReRun Shop, Noon-5:00 p.m.

Thursday September 10 Liturgy Committee Meeting, 6:00 p.m., Hall

Friday September 11 ReRun Shop, 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. Saturday September 12 ReRun Shop, 9:00 a.m.-Noon

Catholic Daughter's Regional Meeting, All Day, Hall

Sunday September 13 Food Fair, 4:00-7:00 p.m., St. Malachy School Grounds

GIFTS TO GOD:

Weekly tithes needed \$8,154.00 August 30th tithes received \$4,931.00

FOOD FAIR NEXT WEEKEND

- Holy Spirit's Annual Food Fair will be held Sunday, September 13th, from 4:00-7:00 p.m. at St. Malachy School grounds. Food booths will be German, Bohemian, Italian, Mexican, Midwestern, Middle Eastern, American, Greek, Oriental, Moldova, Chocolate, Bread Basket, and more! Besides food there will be games for the kids. The \$8.00 ticket gives you 6 choices of food. Donations are needed in these booths:
- If you can make noodles or cook a chicken in broth, please give Kelsey Bailey a call: 515-460-0496.
- Peach, apple and cherry pies will be needed.
 Contact Shelley Bakerink at 202-0911 if you can bake a pie or two!
- Needing chocolate items for the chocolate booth. Contact Chris Wintermute, 641-347-3207.
- Homemade bread items are needed. Contact Lisa Miller, 202-2385.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

- ◆ Classes for students in grades 1-8 who do not attend St. Malachy School will begin Wednesday, September 16th. Classes will begin at 7:00 p.m. with registration preceding class.
- High School Youth Kick Off will be Wednesday, September 30th., at St. Malachy School. 6:30 p.m. social; 7:00 p.m. lesson.

If you would like to teach or be a helper, contact Barb Hudson, Director of Religious Education, 348-2343 or 202-2064.



MINISTRY SCHEDULE

It's time for a new schedule. Please contact the parish office if changes are needed. New ministers always welcome!

PRAYER TREE

Our parish has a prayer tree whose members pray for families/friends who are in need of our prayers. If you would like to be a member of the prayer tree or know someone in need of prayer, call Mary Wichhart, 782-2289, or Pat Pokorny, 782-4291. Email: Mary at dmwichhart@iowatelcom.net or Pat at ppokorny@windstream.net.

LITURGY COMMITTEE MEETING

The committee will meet Thursday, September 10th, 6:00 p.m., in the parish hall. Anyone who would like to know more about the Liturgy Committee is welcome to attend.

CROP WALK: OCTOBER 4TH

If anyone wishes to walk in the Annual Crop Walk or make a donation to Crop Walk, please contact the parish office.

SCRIP

Local Scrip cards are available after the weekend Masses or you can place your order at St. Malachy School before 9:00 a.m. on Monday and pick up your cards Thursday afternoon. There are hundreds of national cards that can be purchased: check out the website www.glscrip.com. *Thanks* to our local businesses who participate in the program. We greatly appreciate your support of St. Malachy School. *Thanks* to all the parishioners who participate in this program! Questions, call Tom or Charlene Dunphy, 782-6036.

QUESTION OF THE WEEK

Theme: Opening up to the power of Jesus.

Question for Children: How do you shun others

whom you don't like?

Questions for Youth: Who are the people in our world today who sometimes go unnoticed? What could you to do to help them?

Question for Adults: In what ways do you discriminate in your heart against those whom you judge less than fully worthy?

CAN YOU LEND A HAND?

The rains have kept the grass growing and volunteer help to weed eat around the grave stones at Calvary Cemetery would be greatly appreciated. Feel free to go anytime that is convenient for you. Thank you!

FRANK SIPPLE

Frank was buried in Calvary Cemetery in 1890. If anyone has any information on his family, please contact Eldon Gammell, 782-2748.

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Sept.12/13 5:15 p.m. 9:00 a.m.

Lectors Alice Reed Karen Fries
Dennis Nelson Terri Koets

E. Minister T. & L. Root G. & J. Bucklin
Linda Hartsock Missy Sickels

Betty Baker Dean Schulte

Ushers T. & C. Sevier D. & K. Kinsella

T. & K. Freml R. & M. Baker Fam.

Joni Taylor Family

Servers Andy Weis Maura Kinsella

Laura Weis Kara Kinsella Danika Schulte Madalyn Kinsella

Greeters T. & C. Sevier D. & K. Kinsella
Rosary Ted Willets Mary S. McDonald

Musicians Linda Taylor Lynn Baker

Katie Brennan Mike Peters

Money Counters Elaine Haines, Karen Freml

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

News from St. Edward Parish



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Tuesday September 8 Catholic Daughters Mass, 6:00 p.m./Dinner Meeting following, Holy Spirit

GIFTS TO GOD

August 30th tithes received \$616.00

CONGRATULATIONS TO.....

Scott Valencia has been appointed District Warden in our Knights of Columbus District. When you see Scott, congratulate him and thank him for his service to our district.

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

September 13 10:45 a.m.
Lector Dan Rosener

Eucharistic Jessica Rosener, Deb Weaver-Ripperger

MinistersKathy SimmermanUsher/GreetJeff Welch Family

Servers Steven Fry, Draven Moore

Money Counters Parish Council

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

- Registration packets are available in the back of church if you have a new student who will be attending RE this year. If you have a child already in the program, please pick up your envelope and update any information that needs to be changed.
- Interested in helping? Contact Jennifer Valencia, DRE, 641-344-5511.
- Classes will begin Wednesday, September 16th.
- High school classes will begin Wednesday, September 30th, at St. Malachy School. 6:30 p.m. social; 7:00 p.m. lesson.

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It is getting time to prepare a new schedule. Please contact Sheila Brown, 344-4718, if there are any changes. New ministers are always welcome!