

HOLY SPIRIT/ST. EDWARD

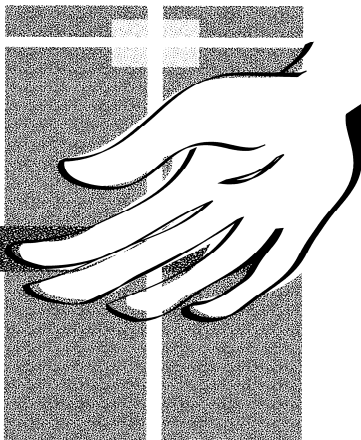
April 14/15, 2018 Bulletin

Third Sunday of Easter

JESUS

stood in their
midst and said
"Why are you
troubled?
And why do
questions arise
in your hearts?"

Look at
my hands and
my feet,
and see that
it is
I myself."



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FROM FR. KEN

I hope everyone is having a wonderful Easter Season. It is again time for spring projects! Within both parishes we have a number of them going on. At St. Edward, in the next couple of weeks we will be paving the gravel parking area in front of the church. Also, this summer we will be doing some work on the altar. Since we received it from Immaculate Conception Church in Malloy, nothing has been done to it, and the paint is chipped in a number of areas. So, we are going to take the opportunity to have it repainted to look the same, we will also have the statue stands and baptismal font painted to match. At Holy Spirit, the new parking lot is done, and in the next couple of weeks the ramp, steps, and sidewalks will be done. This should solve some of our water problems in the basement, as well as fix the broken cement around the church. We are planning a few grade changes to hopefully have better access to the church. Also, our current ramp does not meet the current code, so it will need to be lengthened and have a resting spot in the middle of it. At St. Malachy School, they have begun to dig and do some demo work. The next step will be to begin to pour footings for the new building. While we have run into some minor challenges, we are going relatively well, and are running a few days behind schedule, but that is to be expected in the beginning phase of this project. After the footings are poured, we should have very few surprises until we start to install the sprinkler system into the existing buildings.

With the construction and the installation of the sprinkler system in the school we have had to make a difficult choice to not have a vacation bible school this summer, and we are planning on doing one again next summer.

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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



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In the third of our video series on the need for strategic planning for our schools, Bishop Richard Pates answers the question: Why now?
www.youtube.com/watch?v=qJrORC80rp0

CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS

CD of A dues are payable in April. Dues are \$25 a year. You may give to Kay Kinsella or place in the collection basket in an envelope marked CD of A dues.

WISH LIST

One of the Catholic Daughters missions is to help with Crisis Intervention and the Advocacy Center. The center has a wish list of needs for their clients and the Catholic Daughters would like to share this list. A sample of some of their needs are: gifts cards for groceries, gas stations, or phone cards, diapers, toiletry items, used cellular phones and their chargers, car traveling kits for victims fleeing danger, school kits for children, financial donations for medical care. You can also adopt a family for Christmas, birthdays, and other special events; offer free services such as auto repairs, lock changes, repair work, deliver furniture and volunteering to answer a 24-hour crisis line (requires training). A complete list of needs is available in the back of church. To help or for more information contact Retta Ripperger, 515-782-0918, or go to www.supportingsurvivors.org.

DIOCESAN APPEAL REPORT

Report as of April 6th:

St. Edward: 50% of goal

Holy Spirit: 75% of goal

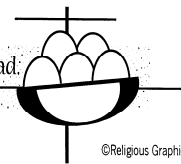


You may dropped your envelope in the collection basket or mail to the parish office. Pledge cards are in the back of church. Thank you to all who have made a donation. We hope to complete the Appeal in the next few weeks.

ASP LUNCHEON

Appalachia Service Project is hosting a salad/casserole/dessert luncheon at the Afton Community Center this Sunday, April 15th, from 11:00-12:30 p.m. Free will offering.

They knew him in the breaking of the bread.



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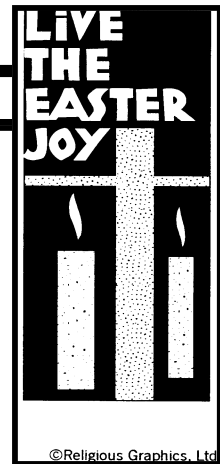
MASS SCHEDULE

Monday April 16	5:00 p.m. Adoration 6:00 p.m., Mass, Holy Spirit Joey Clear
Tuesday April 17	7:30 a.m. Adoration 8:30 a.m., Mass, St. Edward Frank Kenealy
Wednesday April 18	9:15 a.m., St. Malachy School Ed Pesik
Thursday April 19	7:00 a.m., St. Malachy Chapel Lorraine Victor
Friday April 20	7:00 a.m., St. Malachy Chapel Carol Moberg
Saturday April 21	5:15 p.m., Holy Spirit Mert Link
Sunday April 22	9:00 a.m., Holy Spirit Mary Biddle 10:45 a.m., St. Edward For the People

CHRIST OUR LIFE CHOIR

You are invited to participate in a historic, inspiration, and uplifting event September 29th/30th at Wells Fargo Arena in Des Moines. This conference includes internationally renowned speakers and two Masses with extraordinary homilies by Bishop Robert Barron and Thomas Cardinal Collins, and a diocesan wide choir. Singers will be provided with music, a rehearsal schedule and a website to access rehearsal aids prior to the massed rehearsals. We will meet for five rehearsals before the event. We need singers who are dedicated, faith filled, and willing to learn and be directed. To register for the choir visit www.christourlifeiowa.com, click VOLUNTEERS, and click CHOIR REGISTRATION. If you have any questions or concerns, please reach out to scott@scottrieker.com or stefanie-harper.flutist@yahoo.com.

News from Holy Spirit Parish



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sunday	April 15	Coffee and Rolls following Mass, Hall First Eucharist Parent/Student Session, Noon, St. Malachy School
Monday	April 16	ReRun Sorting, 9:00 a.m.
Tuesday	April 17	ReRun Shop, Noon-5:00 p.m. Parish Council Meeting, 7:00 p.m., St. Malachy School
Wednesday	April 18	ReRun Shop, Noon-5:00 p.m. Confirmation Class, 6:30 p.m., St. Malachy School Rel. Ed. Classes for Grades 1-8, 6:45 p.m., St. Malachy School
Friday	April 20	ReRun Shop, 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.
Saturday	April 21	ReRun Shop, 9:00 a.m.-Noon

GIFTS TO GOD

Weekly tithes needed	\$6,837.50
April 8th tithes received	\$9,798.00

COFFEE AND ROLLS

The Family Life Committee will serve coffee and rolls this Sunday after Mass.



FIRST EUCHARIST PARENTS

A reminder there will be a parent/student session this Sunday, April 15th, starting at 12:00 noon at St. Malachy School. Please call Barb Hudson, 202-2064, with questions or concerns.

MOTHER'S DAY BREAKFAST

The Knights of Columbus will serve a Mother's Day Breakfast after Mass on Sunday, May 6th. Mark your calendar!!! On the menu: French toast, egg and bacon casserole. The committee: Steve Heffern (chr), Dennis Hopkins, Jeff Kinsella, John Baker, Jon Moberg, Rick Benson, Jeff Mostek, Bill Mullin, Levi Evans, Bob McKee, Paul Boden, Scott Coen, Ben Adamson, Austin Berry, Roger Baker, Matt Ramaeker, Frank Ripperger and Francis Doyle.

SCRIP FOR ST. MALACHY SCHOOL

Gift cards are bought and redeemed at face value. Money is generated by the percentage/rebate each business donates to St. Malachy. A *huge thanks* to all the local merchants and national businesses who participate in this program. The annual return to the school budget has averaged between \$20,000 and \$25,000 for the past 8 years. Gifts cards may be purchased after the weekend Masses or through St. Malachy School.



Empowering people to save the starving.

Wednesday, April 18th at SWCC Gym

The Creston community is helping fight hunger in Central Iowa and around the world. Volunteers are needed to package meals in teams of 7-10 members for an hour or two. During this time the team will average 2,000 meals per hour. Teams are encouraged to seek donations to pay for the meals they will be packaging. The cost to package 2,000 meals is approximately \$425.00. (\$850 needed for two teams and to date we have collected \$825.00) To make a tax deductible contribution, please make checks to Southwestern Community College and in the memo write "Meals for the Heartland" or attach a note to the check. Donations may be sent or dropped off at the parish office or placed in the collection basket in an envelope marked "Meals for the Heartland". Holy Spirit would like to send two teams to prepare meals. We need 5 more volunteers to complete our second team. Our assigned time is noon. Meals are assembled in the SWCC gym. A sign-up sheet is in the back of church if you wish to help or contact Chris Mansour, 782-4382, with questions.

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.

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

April 21/22	5:15 p.m.	9:00 a.m.
Lectors	Larry Rayhons	Karen Fries
	Chris Mansour	Steve McCann
Eucharistic Ministers	Alice Reed	G. & J. Bucklin
	Steve Heffern	Mark O'Riley
	Phyllis Allen	Paul Baker
		Terri Koets
Ushers	B. & L. Miller	J. & R. Baker
	Family	Francis Doyle
	D. & B. Baker	Sue Bissell
		Mary S. McDonald
		Joni Taylor
Servers	Sydney Strunk	Megan Pellman
	Sasha Wurster	Olivia Pellman
		Ashlyn Baker
Greeters	Betty Baker	Mary S. McDonald
	Ben Brightwell	Sue Bissell
Rosary Musicians	Bob Jansen	Al Pokorny
	C. Fredrickson	Lynn Baker
	Dan Gibbons	Jolene Griffith
Money Counters	Syd Hudek, Mary McElroy, Bob McKee	

QUESTIONS OF THE WEEK

Theme: Being able to see the Risen Christ

Question for Children: Name some times when you know Jesus is with you.

Question for Youth: What are some ways that you know that God is with you? Who are the people, where are the places, and what are the occasions when you feel closest to God?

Question for Adults: When have you had an "Aha" moment, when you suddenly realized that God was with you?

SINCERE SYMPATHY

Please remember in your prayers the family and friends of Richard "Dick" Coach Skarda, husband of Sharon Skarda. Funeral: Monday, 11:00 a.m. at Holy Spirit

ST. THOMAS MORE CENTER

Registrations for Catholic Youth Camp (CYC) continues to run slightly ahead of last years numbers. Register now to ensure your campers have a spot. Go to <https://stmcenter.com/> to register online.

News from St. Edward

Sunday	April 15	Parish Council Meeting following Mass
Wednesday	April 16	Adoration/Confession, 6:00-7:00 p.m.
		RE Classes, 6:15 p.m.
		Confirmation Class, 6:30 p.m., Holy Spirit



PRAYER TREE

Please call Patty Bradley, 347-8812, if you know someone that needs to be added to our prayer tree. You may also call Patty if you wish to be notified of those added to the prayer tree.



MINISTRY SCHEDULE

April 22	10:45 a.m.
Lector	Sydney Weis
Eucharistic Minister	Kathy Simmerman
	Ellie Fry
	Karen Jones
Ushers	D. & C. Waigand Family
Servers	Ansley Waigand, Trevor Fry
Money Counters	Phil Bradley
	Carol Waigand

GIFTS TO GOD

Weekly tithes needed	\$844.86
April 8th tithes received	\$795.00

ADORATION AND CONFESSION

A reminder that the third Wednesday of each month we hold adoration and confession from 6:00-7:00 p.m. We invite you to join in this time of prayer.

CYC CAMP FEES

If your child is interested in attending CYC Camp, the parish will pay for 1/2 of their fee.

FAITH RESOURCES

Are you looking for faith resources as a source of motivation? Inspiration? Check out the St. Joseph Educational Center at sjeciowa.org. There are blogs, books, articles, videos and more at sjeciowa.org!