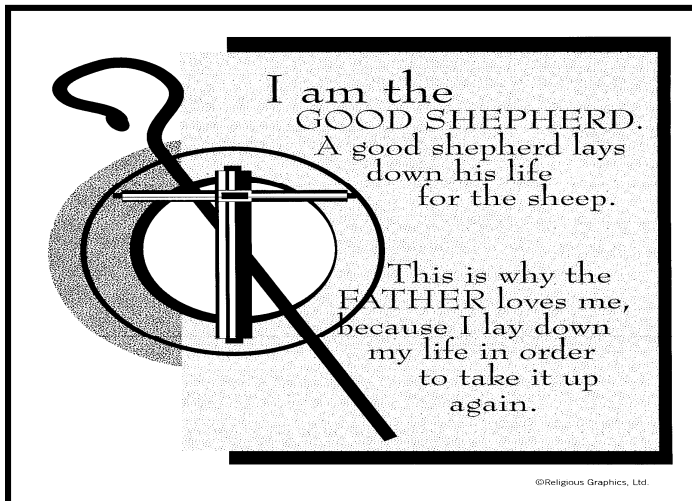


HOLY SPIRIT/ST. EDWARD

April 21/22, 2018 Bulletin

Fourth Sunday of Easter



FROM FR. KEN

Have you ever gone through your email junk mail folder and looked at some of the titles of emails that are being sent? Sometimes they are humorous, sometimes disgusting, sometimes you just wonder who would fall for some of these scams. I personally have received hundreds of offers to help someone process millions of dollars from dying or deceased relatives in Africa. A majority of computer viruses come from following the links in emails, even if they seem like they come from people we know. The fact is that we still receive hundreds of them a week, because it is easy to send them, it costs the sender very little, and sometimes people fall for them. The whole reason that they work is because they appeal to our pride and desire. The senders of the emails attack our pride and desire from different ways, some from the material aspect, "all you have to do is to respond to this email and I will deposit a portion of the \$25 million that my husband left me into your bank account." Some of these emails tug at our body image, "you can lose weight or enhance your body if you follow this link." Some work at our emotions, they ask if you are lonely and need a friend or an adult "friend", just respond and the most beautiful person in the world will come running after you. All of us want to be happy and successful in different ways and these emails go after those wants and desires. We have a natural desire to be happy and getting something off the internet is not going to make us to be happy. We can be truly happy by following our faith in Jesus Christ and by fostering those good relationships on earth that can draw us closer to God, that is something that no junk email can give us.

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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



A Vision for Excellence in
Catholic Education
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How do we get from where we are to where we want to be with our Catholic schools? Consultant Alan Meitler shares the process for our diocesan-wide strategic planning process in this short video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=409mvtWPbyg>.

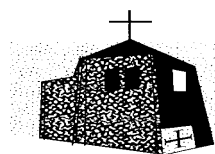
2018 WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

Today the Church throughout the world prays for vocations. Will you make a special effort to ask the Lord for more vocations to the priesthood and religious life?

- ◆ Pray for the priests who have ministered to you throughout your life, both living and dead.
- ◆ Keep our parish priests in your prayers throughout the week.
- ◆ Encourage your children, grandchildren, or other young people to consider a vocation as a priest or religious brother or sister.
- ◆ Pray a rosary for more young men and women in our diocese to respond to God's call.

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.



The stone rejected
 has become
 the cornerstone

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ALMOST THERE

Annual Diocesan Appeal Report as of April 13th:

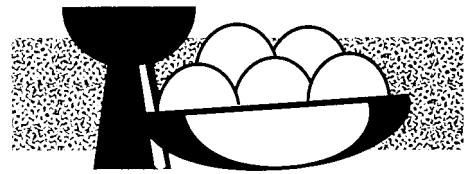
St. Edward: 92% of goal

Holy Spirit: 85% of goal

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

CREST AREA FOR LIFE MEETING

Monthly meeting: Tuesday, April 24th, 7:00 p.m., Holy Spirit Hall. Meeting are open to the public.



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MASS SCHEDULE

Monday April 23	5:00 p.m. Adoration 6:00 p.m., Mass, Holy Spirit Don and Nellie Weisshaar
Tuesday April 24	7:30 a.m. Adoration 8:30 a.m., Mass, St. Edward Dick Kuhl
Wednesday April 25	9:15 a.m., St. Malachy School Rev. Mark Reasoner 6:45 p.m., Holy Spirit For All Religious Ed. Students
Thursday April 26	7:00 a.m., St. Malachy Chapel Eddie, Dorothy & Jimmy Peak
Friday April 27	7:00 a.m., St. Malachy Chapel Albert and Eleanor Walsh
Saturday April 28	5:15 p.m., Holy Spirit Jessica Moeller
Sunday April 29	9:00 a.m., Holy Spirit For the People 10:45 a.m., St. Edward Patricia Auffert

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. Some of their needs are: gifts cards for groceries, gas stations or phone cards, diapers, toiletry items, used cellular phones and 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, and repair work. A complete list 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.

News from Holy Spirit Parish



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Monday	April 23	ReRun Sorting, 9:00 a.m.
Tuesday	April 24	ReRun Shop, Noon-5:00 p.m. Crest Area for Life Meeting, 7:00 p.m., Hall
Wednesday	April 25	ReRun Shop, Noon-5:00 p.m. Rel. Ed. Last Class/Mass, 6:45 p.m., Church KC Officers Meeting, 7:00 p.m., Hall
Friday	April 26	ReRun Shop, 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.
Saturday	April 27	ReRun Shop, 9:00 a.m.-Noon

GIFTS TO GOD

Weekly tithes needed	\$6,837.50
April 15th tithes received	\$6,239.00

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 casserole and 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.

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

MATURA FOOD PANTRY

The MATURA Food Pantry located at 209 N. Elm in Creston needs your help and donations. They are really low on toiletries. They could use: toilet paper, shampoo, conditioner, bath soap, toothpaste, paper towels and Kleenex. You may drop off your donations Monday-Friday 8:30-4:00 p.m.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT MASS

Wednesday, April 25th, will be our final RE session for the school year. We will end the year with Mass at 6:45 p.m. at the church. Everyone is invited to come celebrate with us. Mark your calendar: First Communion, May 5th, at the 5:15 p.m. Mass; Confirmation, May 12th, at the 5:15 p.m. Mass

PARISH COUNCIL RECAP

A summary of the April 17th Meeting: Welcome to Ronda Katzer who is completing Karen Walter's term. *CCW Report:* 75 members have paid their dues; they furnished soup for the Ecumenical Good Friday Service; next meeting will be in September. *Unfinished Business:* Retaining wall is up, ramp has been demolished, west side of church will be worked on and then the front steps. School addition is coming along and still on schedule. Rock has been hauled in; footing to be poured soon. Catholic History: Continuing to think of ideas for our fall celebration in conjunction with the Food Fair. Lisa Miller will take the safe certified kitchen help class in Des Moines in the near future. Bob/Lisa Miller are unlocking the church in the mornings and Craig Taylor is locking in the evening. A huge thanks to them! Cleaning duties for our custodians for the church/school have been specified. *New Business:* Virginia Aguilar and Lisa Miller's term on the Council will end June 30th. Virginia on her second term and not available to serve again. Lisa on her first term and is eligible to serve again. *Committee reports:* Building/Grounds/Safety: Talked about major projects earlier. Rectory needs some work done on the front steps; there will be renovations made to the bathrooms in the school (original building). Family Life: The visit to newcomers Jason and Stephanie Lane has been completed. Packets to new members Cassy Holcomb and Amber Brown were distributed. Coffee and rolls served April 15th. Social Concerns: The parish will collect colored pencils for the annual backpack ministry; The O'Riley Center will be serving sack lunches from July 16th-August 17th and could use help. The parish will be responsible for the summer lunches served at the Methodist Church August 6th-10th. Liturgy: The committee was busy decorating during Holy Week. Finance: Investments doing well; since our 4 year old preschool numbers were low this year the reimbursement for them will not be enough to cover our expenses this coming year at the school. Faith Formation: RE Classes almost over. May 5th is First Communion/12th Confirmation. No Bible School this year. We will have 10 graduating from St. Malachy 8th grade. June 1st the last day of school.

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

April 28/29	5:15 p.m.	9:00 a.m.
Lectors	Steve Heffern Phyllis Allen	Dottie Dunphy Bob Miller
Eucharistic Ministers	Marsha Mohr Dennis Nelson Lois Nelson	Theresa Pudenz Dean Schulte Karen Fries Bob & Lisa Miller
Ushers	Paul Johnson T. & L. Root J. & C. Mansour Butch Miller	Paul Baker M. Sickels Family Barb Hudson
Servers	Carly Green Daniel Buls	Rendon Mohr Aubrie Mohr Jersey Foote
Greeters	Ann Johnson Butch Miller	Ryan & Amanda Mohr
Rosary Musicians	Marsha Mohr No Music	Kelsey Bailey Linda Taylor Larry Rayhons
Money Counters	Todd Dunphy, Tom Dunphy, Luke Baker	

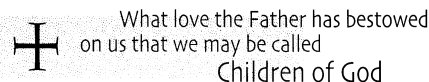
QUESTIONS OF THE WEEK

Theme: Jesus is the Good Shepherd.

Question for Children: Jesus tells us he is the Good Shepherd but how do you experience God guiding and protecting you?

Question for Youth: How do you feel about Jesus' being your shepherd? What does it mean to you that he lays down his life for you?

Question for Adults: What qualities of God does the image of the Good Shepherd suggest? How do you experience God in this way?



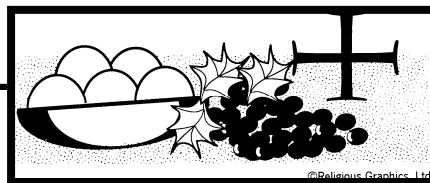
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VICTIM ASSISTANCE

The diocese's Victim Assistance Advocate is a staff member at Polk County Victim Services. She helps victims of sexual abuse of minors by clergy through a complaint process and in seeking support and counseling services. She can be reached at 515-286-2024 or advocate@dmdioocese.org.

News from St. Edward

Sunday	April 22	Sacramental Meditation, 11:45-1:00 p.m.
Wednesday	April 25	RE Classes, 6:15 p.m., Afton City Park Devotions, 6:30 p.m.



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MINISTRY SCHEDULE

April 29	10:45 a.m.
Lector	Wayne Wuebker
Eucharistic Minister	Darren Moore Jan Pettit Sharon Findley
Ushers	Fritz & Lois Weis Family
Servers	Steven Fry & Logan Findley
Money Counters	Phil Bradley Carol Waigand

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

- ◆ There is a Sacramental Meditation this Sunday from 11:45-1:00 p.m. for the students making their First Communion this spring.
- ◆ April 25th is the final RE session of the year. We will meet at the Afton City Park covered shelter at our regular time. In the event of inclement weather we will meet in the church basement.

GIFTS TO GOD

Weekly tithes needed	\$844.86
April 15th tithes received	\$660.00

CATHOLI YOUTH CAMP

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

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.

