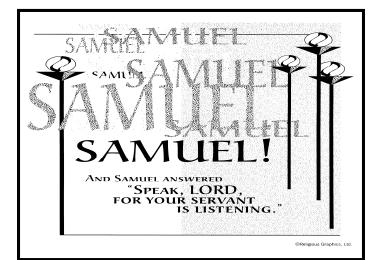
HOLY SPIRIT/ST. EDWARD

January 13/14, 2018 Bulletin

Second 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

So, have you broken your New Year's resolution yet? I know it has only been a week, but most resolutions are broken in the first few days because they are difficult. Studies say that it takes six weeks to break an old or build a new habit, it is interesting because the season of Lent is just over six weeks long and Lent is only about five weeks away! We have the slogan of "a new year, a new me." It is a good saying, but we need to have the desire or a reason to change. Alcoholics have what they call a moment of clarity, or they say they have to hit "rock bottom" to desire a change. In our spiritual lives we often think that everything is going just fine, until we run into a challenge to the way things are going. One of the biggest things that can negatively affect our lives is holding on to grudges. We hold onto them like an addict holds onto the substance they are addicted to. We say that we are going to get even with that person or we relish when something bad happens to that person. One of the things that I would recommend in this "new me" is to make a conscious decision to let go of anger or a grudge we are holding on to. It could be someone that we are still close to, it could be someone that we are not, or it could be someone we have not talked to in years. As St. Augustine states, holding on to grudges is like drinking poison expecting your enemy to die. Forgiveness is something that Jesus doesn't recommend it, He requires it! Remember "forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us." Take the time in this new year to leave a heavy burden behind you and forgive. New Year, New Me.

Parish Office, 406 W. Clark Street, Creston St. Edward Church, 104 W. Union Street, Afton

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A NEW YEAR'S BLESSING

Lord of all time and eternity, we consecrate this New Year to Your Name, Your Glory and Your Kingdom! Shower us, our families, friends, neighbors and acquaintances, with an abundance of Your blessings: health, peace, joy, and prosperity, enough to share with those in need of a helping hand. May we welcome all the new life You send us throughout the year even as we commend to Your infinite mercy all You will call to Yourself. To You be all glory and honor today and forever. Amen.

-Fr. Joseph Veneroso, M.M.

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK

Catholic Schools in the Diocese of Des Moines offer a Christ-centered, safe, nurturing environment "Where Christ is the Principle." Students learn about our Catholic faith, live out their faith by serving others in need and receive top academic training. Iowa Assessments and ACT scores are consistently higher than the state and national averages. Catholic Schools Week will be January 28th—February 2nd.

CATHOLIC TUITION ORGANIZATION

CTO is accepting pledges for 2018 for those interested in receiving the 65% Iowa tax credits. Last year, the supply of tax credits were all allocated by mid-October. If interested in pledging, go online to CTOIowa.org or call Jeanne at 515-237-5010.

WORLD MEETING OF FAMILIES

The Diocese of Des Moines and Bishop Pates, with Iowa Catholic Radio, invite you on a pilgrimage to Ireland and to the World Meeting of Families. Our pilgrimage includes eight days of touring Ireland, as well as the opportunity to celebrate family life with Pope Francis in Dublin. Get information by contacting Adam Storey at astorey@dmdiocese.org or calling 515-237-5056.

SINCERE SYMPATHY

Please keep in your prayers the family and friends of Todd Fief, brother of Terri (Dennis) Hopkins. May he, and all who sleep in Christ, rest in peace.

BAPTISM

Congratulations to Curtis and Megan Friday on the baptism of their daughter, Hannah Lorelei Friday, who was baptized January 7th at St. Edward Church.



MASS SCHEDULE

Monday 5:00-6:00 p.m., Adoration January 15 6:00 p.m., Holy Spirit

Albert and Eleanor Walsh

Tuesday 7:30-8:30 a.m., Adoration January 16 8:30 a.m., St. Edward

Duane Brown

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

January 17 Joey Clear

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

January 18 Florence Allen

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

January 19 Jessica Moeller

Saturday 5:15 p.m., Holy Spirit

January 20 For the People

Sunday 9:00 a.m., Holy Spirit

January 21 Carroll Boden

10:45 a.m., St. Edward

Bruce Weaver

WEEK BY WEEK DEVELOPMENT OF THE UNBORN CHILD

Week 39: I weigh about seven pounds and I am about 21 inches long. Mom is getting ready for me to be born soon and so am I. When I am ready, my body will release hormones to start my mom's labor. Both of us can't wait for me to be born.

SEMINARY VISITS PLANNED

If you've been thinking about whether you're called to be a priest, take the time to visit a seminary and talk with our seminarians. Father Ross Parker is taking men ages 16-24 to visit St. Pius X Seminary in Dubuque February 2nd-4th, St. John Vianney Seminary in Minnesota February 8th-10th and Conception Seminary in Missouri April 14th-16th. Contact Fr. Ross at vocations@dmdiocese.org or 515-237-5050 and tell him you'd like to come along!

News from Holy Spirit Parish

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sunday	January 14	CRHP Reunion, 1:00-4:00 p.m., Hall
Monday	January 15	Finance Council Meeting, 7:00 p.m., Parish Office
Tuesday	January 16	ReRun Shop, Noon-5:00 p.m.
		Parish Council Meeting, 7:00 p.m., St. Malachy School
Wednesday	January 17	ReRun Shop, Noon-5:00 p.m.
		Rel. Education for Grades 1-8 + Confession, 6:45 p.m., St. Malachy School
Thursday	January 18	RCIA, 7:00 p.m., Hall
Friday	January 19	ReRun Shop, 9:00 a.m5:00 p.m.
Saturday	January 20	ReRun Shop, 9:00 a.mNoon

GIFTS TO GOD

Weekly tithes needed \$6,837.50 January 7th tithes received \$5,685.00

KC FREE THROW CONTEST

The annual Knights of Columbus Free-Throw Contest will be held Wednesday evening, February 17th for RE students and Thursday, February 18th for St. Malachy School students. Winners will move on to regional competition. Good luck to all participants!!

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.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

The Annual St. Malachy Foundation Gala has been set for Saturday, March 3rd, at the SuperTel in Creston.

RERUN HOURS

Monday Sorting: 9:00 a.m. Tuesday: Noon-5:00 p.m. Wednesday: Noon-5:00 p.m.

Thursday: Closed

Friday: 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. Saturday: 9:00 a.m.-Noon Phone: 641-202-4488



Volunteers are always needed. If you have an hour or two to spare stop over and we will find an area you can assist in. It's a great place to make new friends and help the community too!

AVAILABLE SERVICES

Crisis Intervention: Supporting victims and survivors of domestic abuse. 24 hours crisis line: 1
-800-400-4884. Services are free, voluntary and confidential.

Open

hearts

Word of the LORD

- Struggling with how to handle personal challenges? Contact Catholic Charities receptionist, Cheryl Maes at 515-237-5045 for more information or to set up a professional counseling appointment. Most major insurances are accepted, and a sliding fee scale is available for those without insurance.
- ◆ The Creston Area Food Pantry is located at 417 Wyoming Ave. (lower floor). The pantry provides food to families who are hungry. The pantry is open every Sunday from 12 noon—2:00 p.m. For emergency needs or for more information contact: Kathy Goodrich, pantry coordinator, 641-202-4513 (day) or 641-202-6726 (night).
- ◆ Alzheimer's Caregiver Support Goup for family caregivers of those living with Alzheimer's meets the second Tuesday of each month, 2:00 p.m., at Homestead of Creston Assisted Living and Memory Care, 1709 W. Prairie St. For more information, please call 641-202-6089.
- ◆ Interpretation for the deaf is available at the 10:30 a.m. Sunday Mass at St. Catherine of Siena, 1150 28th Street, Des Moines. If you know of someone who might benefit, please share this message with them.
- ◆ The diocese has produced a number of videos over the last year: vocation stories of seminarians, Bishop Pates on mercy and living our faith, and more. While you are surfing the internet, stop by YouTube.com/dmdiocese and see what we have to offer.

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

January 20/21 5:15 p.m. 9:00 a.m. Lectors Steve Heffern Karen Fries

Phyllis Allen Mary S. McDonald

Eucharistic L. Hartsock Steve McCann Ministers Pat Miller Kelsey Bailey J. Simmons T. & L. Root

Francis Doyle

Ushers Paul Johnson Virginia Aguilar

Butch Miller Jamie Hayes B. & L. Miller D. & B. Baker Family L. & P. Blakesley

Servers H. Simmons Mallory Tallmon

C. Simmons Abby Tallmon Madalyn Kinsella

Virginia Aguilar Greeters Butch Miller

Betty Baker Ann Johnson

Rosarv Bob Jansen Kelsey Bailey Lynn Baker Musicians No Music Mike Peters

Money Counters Scott Coen, Ryan Mohr, Paul Varner Ministers: Please find a substitute if you cannot fulfill your assignment.

QUESTIONS OF THE WEEK

Theme: God calls us to follow Christ.

Question for Children: What can you do this week

to show you are a follower of Jesus? Question for Youth: Andrew seemed to know im-

mediately that he should follow Jesus. Do you have that same sense of confidence in your faith in Jesus? What helps? What makes it hard?

Ouestion for Adults: In what ways do you experience being called by Jesus? What does he want you to do?

THANK YOU

I would like to thank everyone who extended a lending hand to me during my recent illness. The cards and prayers were greatly appreciated. A special thanks to the CCW, CD of A, and Steve and Phyllis for covering for me at Mass.

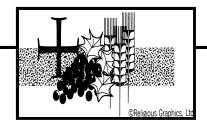
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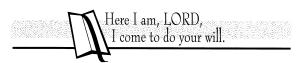
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RE, 6:15 p.m.

RCIA Class, 7:00 p.m., Holy Spirit Hall Thursday January 18 Sunday January 21 Parish Council Meeting, 7:00 p.m.





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MINISTRY SCHEDULE

10:45 a.m. January 21 Lector Randy Pettit Eucharistic Dan Rosener

Minister Deb Weaver-Ripperger

Sydney Weis

Terry and Lisa Smith Family Ushers

Servers Steven Fry

Money

Paul McNeill Eric Ripperger

Counter Nancy Ford

GIFTS TO GOD

Weekly tithes needed \$ 844.86 January 7th tithes received \$1,165,00

ADORATION AND CONFESSION

Wednesday, January 17th, 6:00-7:00 p.m., at St. Edward Church. Come join in this time of prayer.

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.

WHAT WILL BECOME OF YOUR PROPERTY AT DEATH?

If it is not needed by heirs, consider leaving it to St. Edward Parish.