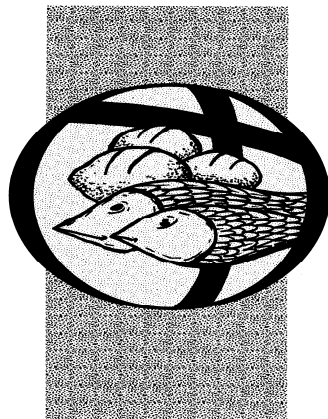


HOLY SPIRIT/ST. EDWARD

May 4/5, 2019 Bulletin

Third Sunday of Easter



Jesus came over and took the bread and gave it to his disciples, and in like manner the fish. This now was the third time that the LORD JESUS was revealed to his disciples after being raised from the dead.

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FROM FR. KEN

This weekend we have the wonderful occasion to celebrate First Communion for our students at both parishes. This is a beautiful time for these children, they get to receive the Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity of our Lord and Savior. While this is such a special time for these children, it is no less special than it will be next Sunday, or every other Sunday that we go to Mass and receive Him. A priest in seminary one time told us a quote that went something like this "what we do daily, we can do dully if we cease to understand or refresh it." What this means, is that sometimes we can forget how special it is to be able to receive the Body of Christ each and every Sunday. A few weeks ago, we had the tragic account of the killing of those going to Mass on Easter in Sri Lanka, and then the canceling of Masses on Divine Mercy Sunday. This reminds me of how lucky we were in the United States to have access to be able to go to Mass relatively easy. Many people in the world risk death going to receive our Lord and Savior in the Mass and they go anyway. Yes, the first time these kids receive Holy Eucharist is a wonderful event we cannot forget that the reason Jesus gave us this great gift is so that we can have the life-giving bread that comes down from Heaven. I invite each and every one of you to remember your own First Communion (I received mine from Fr. Pat Bacon). Remember how special that day was and what it meant to you. Is receiving Jesus today, Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity less special today since it is not the first time? Take some time to remember what receiving the Eucharist is all about, taking the Savior of the World into ourselves to give us strength for our journey of life.



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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.

HOLYDAYS: Check bulletin for the time

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

The National Catholic Youth Conference will be held November 21-24, 2019 in Indianapolis, Indiana. It is for any student in high school this next fall. If your child would like to attend, please call Barb Hudson, 641-202-2064 for more information. We have started fundraising to help defray the costs.



SAINT PIO RELICS

The relics of Saint Pio, also known as Padre Pio, will be available for viewing at St. Ambrose Cathedral on Wednesday, May 8th, from 8:30-4:30 p.m. A Mass in honor of Saint Pio will be celebrated at 5:00 p.m. by Bishop Richard Pates. Please note: the relics will not be available for veneration after the Mass. The relics include: Saint Pio's glove, crusts of his wounds, cotton-gauze with his blood stains, a lock of his hair, his mantle, and his handkerchief soaked with his sweat hours before he died. For more information contact Nancy at 515-288-7411 ext. 201.



Please help us reach our Annual Diocesan Appeal goal. No gift is too large or small. Cards are available in the back of church if you need one.

As of April 18th:	Goal	Pledged
St. Edward	\$ 9,253	\$ 5,600
Holy Spirit	\$32,125	\$27,750

ON THE ROAD.....

- ♦ There will be no Adoration or Mass on Monday, May 6th, or Tuesday, May 7th. Father will be out of the office on a quick road trip.
- ♦ No Mass on Friday, May 10th. Father will be visiting his new parish and celebrating Mass with the students at St. Luke's.

ASP LUNCHEON

Appalachia Service Project is hosting a casserole/salad/dessert luncheon on Sunday, May 5th, at the First Christian Church in Creston at 11:00 a.m. Free-will offering.

OPEN TABLE

You are invited to join in a FREE meal every Tuesday from 5:00-6:00 p.m. at the UCC Congregational Church, 501 W. Montgomery, Creston. Each week Open Table is served by various church groups and civic organizations.

MASS SCHEDULE



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Monday May 6	No Adoration or Mass
Tuesday May 7	No Adoration or Mass
Wednesday May 8	9:15 a.m. Mass, St. Malachy School Helen Harvey
Thursday May 9	7:00 a.m. Mass, St. Malachy Chapel Joe Aguilar
Friday May 10	No Mass
Saturday May 11	5:15 p.m. Mass, Holy Spirit For the People
Sunday May 12	9:00 a.m. Mass, Holy Spirit Dennis & Theola Bradley 10:45 a.m. Mass, St. Edward Jo Steele

DID YOU KNOW?

No matter which parish you are a member of, you may drop your tithe envelope in the collection basket of the church you are attending. We will make sure your donation is given to the correct parish.



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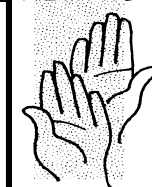
Supporting victims and survivors of domestic abuse
24 Hour Crisis Line: 1-800-400-4884. Our services are free, voluntary and confidential. Certified advocates answer a 24-hour crisis line for victims of domestic abuse, dating violence, and intimate partner sexual violence. Support information and referral to other needed services, such as safe housing are provided.

News from Holy Spirit Parish

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Saturday	May 4	First Communion at 5:15 p.m. Mass, Reception following in Hall
Sunday	May 5	Breakfast after Mass, Hall
		Help at Food Pantry, 11:45 a.m.
Monday	May 6	ReRun Sorting, 9:00 a.m.
Tuesday	May 7	ReRun Shop, Noon-5:00 p.m.
Wednesday	May 8	ReRun Shop, Noon-5:00 p.m.
Friday	May 10	ReRun Shop, 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.
Saturday	May 11	ReRun Shop, 9:00 a.m.-Noon

LORD
I WILL
GIVE YOU
THANKS
ALWAYS



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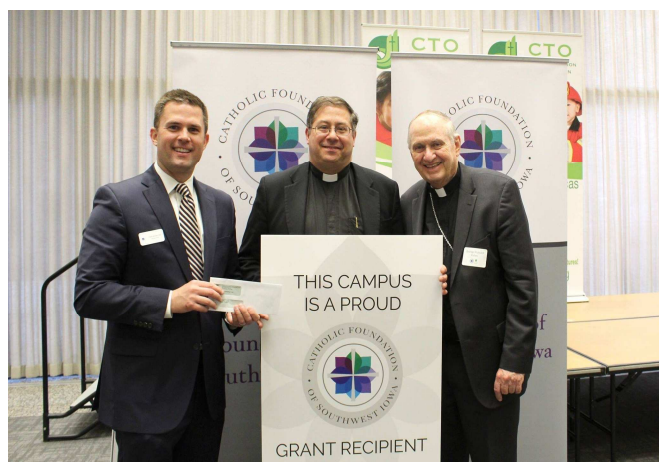
GIFTS TO GOD

Weekly tithes needed \$7,233.00
April 28th tithes received \$4,934.00



Breakfast

The Knights of Columbus will be serving breakfast after Mass this Sunday, May 5th, in honor of Mother's Day. On the menu: biscuits and gravy, hash browns, and fresh fruit. Come downstairs and join us!



We are thankful to the Catholic Foundation of Southwest Iowa for the \$2,400 grant awarded to assist in purchasing new computers for St. Malachy teachers. As a result of their generous support we will be able to build upon our long term technology improvement plan at St. Malachy School. We are blessed to have the support of this wonderful community partner.



This weekend the second graders of our parish are receiving Holy Communion for the first time. Our congratulations to: Ryder Baird, Parker Brown, Gabe Kaufman, Harrison Krantz, Hadley Purdum, Kynzlee Seddon, and Mason Wilson. A reception will follow in the parish hall. Everyone is invited to join them as they celebrate this special occasion.

START SAVING

Holy Spirit will be collecting the 2-pocket file folders this year for the Ecumenical Backpack Ministry. We need 800 folders by July 1st. Please be watching for good buys or if you prefer we will accept monetary donations to purchase them. Just place your donation in an envelope marked "File Folders" and place in the collection basket. A bag is in the back of church for you to place your folders in.



RERUN STORE HOURS

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

Sorting on Mondays beginning at 9:00 a.m.
Volunteers are always welcome and needed.



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Support our School!

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

May 11/12	5:15 p.m.	9:00 a.m.
Lectors	Terri Koets Jean Miller	Steve McCann Joanne Bucklin
Eucharistic Ministers	Linda Hartsock Pat Miller Alice Reed	Paul Baker Karen Fries Missy Sickels Levi Evans Kelsey Bailey
Ushers	J. & T. Latus T. & C. Sevier T. & K. Fremel	Virginia Aguilar Jamie Hayes Sue Bissell Elaine Haines Francis Doyle Mary S. McDonald
Servers	Carly Green Keely Coen	Jersey Foote Braylee Pokorny Ayden Evans
Greeters	T. & C. Sevier	Virginia Aguilar Jamie Hayes
Rosary Musicians	Ted Willets Kyle Huck Dan Gibbons	Mary S. McDonald Janet Schulte Jolene Griffith
Money Counters	Scott Coen, Ryan Mohr, Paul Varner	

QUESTIONS OF THE WEEK

Theme: *Jesus feeds us so that we can feed and serve others.*

Question for Children: Jesus asks Peter three times if Peter loves Jesus. What one thing can you do this week to show Jesus your love?

Question for Youth: Jesus asked Peter three times to "feed my sheep." Who are you being called to help in your life right now?

Question for Adults: Christ continues to feed us as his disciples, even after his death and resurrection. How does the Eucharist feed your faith?

Feed my sheep 

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PRAYER TREE

If you would like to be part of the prayer tree, or 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. (Holy Spirit)
- ♦ Patty Bradley, 347-8812, or philpattybradley@gmail.com. (St. Edward)

News from St. Edward

Sunday	May 5	First Communion + Honor High School Graduates, Reception following
Wednesday	May 8	Devotions, 6:30 p.m.

Let's Celebrate!

This Sunday we will honor David Friday and Isabella Lopez who will be making their First Holy Communion and Taylor Purdy, Bradley Toppin, and Dillon Weis who are graduating from high school. Join us after Mass for a reception to congratulate them.



CYC provides a fun, faith filled and safe opportunity for young people to enjoy a week long camp. It is for students entering 3rd grade thru their senior year. Contact STMCCENTER.com for more information.

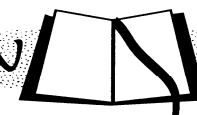
GIFTS TO GOD

Weekly tithes needed	\$844.86
April 28th tithes received	\$645.00



MINISTRY SCHEDULE

10:45 a.m.	May 12
Lector	Randy Pettit
Eucharistic Ministers	Deb Weaver-Ripperger Kathy Simmerman Ellie Fry
Ushers	Jeff and Marge Welch Family
Servers	Paul McNeill Josh Lopez
MoneyS Counters	Dennis Smith Emily McNeill

AMEN  *to the Word of the Lord*

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