

HOLY SPIRIT/ST. EDWARD

October 12/13, 2019 Bulletin

28 th SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

My Dear People,

One of my seminary professors made a suggestion to all of his students. He told us that we, as priests, should keep up on our reading- we should finish a book every week. During my years in seminary, and my first few years of priesthood, I was able to follow his suggestion. Since being assigned to Creston, I've revived this tradition and have been wonderfully enriched by a habit that I had grown out of the last few years. Often I sit by the fire listening to the audiobooks I've collected. I spend time in the morning or when traveling tucked into a good book. Currently, I am finishing up a book on J.R.R. Tolkien and C.S. Lewis, one that I would highly recommend. These two authors survived not only the horrors of two world wars (both of them fighting in WWI) but also the creeping atheist sentiments of the day, the emergence of a godless form of medicine that pushed eugenics as a solution to mankind's ills, and a new form of oppression in the socialism that was becoming so popular. Their work was a direct response to much of what they saw was wrong with the world.



Their writings resonate with today's audience because we are facing many of the same challenges that led to the wars of the 20th century. We are faced with encroaching atheism and secular culture, we are faced with new political ideologies that threaten the fabric of our society, and we are having godless medical practices continually pushed onto us in the name of "progress". To these challenges these authors provide a firm foundation for rediscovering belief. Lewis works through his philosophy and his overtly Christian children's novels, and Tolkien through the subtlety of myth that engages the imagination by exploring Middle-earth, a world modeled after the Catholic view of human nature and the corruption of the devil. People reading The Lord of the Rings don't know, at first glance, that they are being invited to accept a Christian worldview.

I'd highly encourage everyone to take up reading these two authors. Their work is immanently accessible to readers of today. For young children, the Hobbit and the Chronicles of Narnia are good places to start. For slightly older children, I'd recommend C.S. Lewis' Space trilogy and The Lord of the Rings. Then the Screwtape letters (dedicated to Tolkien, no less!). Then "On Fairy Stories", The Silmarillion, or any of C.S. Lewis' philosophical works. These two write for all ages.

And a final shameless plug- I will put up links to these works on our Facebook page. If you click the links when buying them, our school will get a portion of the profits. No need to sign into any special pages, no need to agree to special terms and conditions, no need to do anything but simply click on the links provided on the facebook page. They will redirect to Amazon and give us some extra money for the school.

Happy reading! Blessings to you, Fr. Adam

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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

MASS SCHEDULE

Monday October 14	5:00 p.m., Adoration 6:00 p.m., Mass, Holy Spirit Phil Allen
Tuesday October 15	7:30 a.m., Adoration 8:30 a.m., Mass, St. Edward Anna Weis
Wednesday October 16	9:15 a.m., Mass, St. Malachy School Jeremy Seddon
Thursday October 17	No Mass
Friday October 18	7:00 a.m., Mass, St. Malachy Chapel Carol Moberg
Saturday October 19	4:00p.m., Mass, Holy Spirit Mert Link
Sunday October 20	8:15 a.m. Confession, Holy Spirit 9:00 a.m., Mass, Holy Spirit For the people 10:45 a.m., Mass, St. Edward Dennis and Theola Bradley



CD OF A

Sunday, October 20th is Catholic Daughters of the Americas Sunday and is Creston Court St. Joan of Arc #428 100th Anniversary. State Regent will here at 9 a.m. Mass to honor the Catholic Daughters. The Knights of Columbus will be hosting a breakfast after Mass for the parish and the Catholic Daughters

DIVORCED?

The Catholic's DIVORCE SURVIVAL Guide 12-week group begins November 4th at Holy Trinity Parish, 2926 Beaver Ave, Des Moines, IA 50310. Meetings are from 6-8 p.m. Cost of \$30 per person includes a "Personal Survival Guide" and all materials for 12 weeks. Find comfort and counsel consistent with Catholic teachings. Call Bill and Ann Moore for more information, or to register, at 515-480-3314 (Bill) 641-425-0109 (Ann) or email moorefamilysm@gmail.com. For more information visit www.catholicsdivorce.com

RCIA CHIRST LIFE

Do you want to learn more about the Catholic Church and grow in your faith? Please join us on Mondays at Holy Spirit Hall, on October 14 after 6:00 p.m. Mass. Classes will start at 6:30 p.m. Dinner is provided for the first 7 weeks.



SPAGHETTI SUPPER AND CARNIVAL

St. Malachy PTO Spaghetti Supper and Carnival will be October 19 at 5:00—7:00 p.m. at St. Malachy School. Ticket includes pasta, breadstick, veggie side, dessert and drink; for ages 5-7 the ticket costs \$5, for over 8 yrs. old, the ticket costs \$8. Civics Club Carnival tickets sold separately.



CREST AREA FOR LIFE

Crest Area for LIFE is a pro-life organization associated with thousand of Rights to Life groups across the country and the world. Their main purpose is to support Human Life. They educate about and advocate for the protection of life from birth and also throughout life especially for those who are elderly dealing with "end of life" issues. Their annual meeting will be held Tuesday, October 22 at 6:30 p.m. at Holy Spirit Hall. Annual reports of the secretary and treasurer will be presented and we will elect new officers. The program will be presented by representatives of Ruth Harbor which is a pro-life organization based in Des Moines with homes there and in Carlisle, IA.

WORLD MISSION SUNDAY

Every year, something special happens on the next-to last Sunday of October. World Mission Sunday joins all Catholics of the world into one community of faith. At Mass on Sunday, October 27, we recommit ourselves to our common vocation, through Baptism, to be missionaries, through prayer, particular in the Eucharist, and by giving generously to the collection for the Society for the Propagation of the Faith. Please find envelopes at the back of church to donate World Mission Sunday. Learn more at MISSIO.org.

529 PLAN

Did you know? You can start saving for your child's Catholic education today. In June 2018, new state legislation was passed that allows Iowa taxpayers to use 529 College Savings accounts for K-12 tuition costs at public, private, or religious schools. Contact the Parish office to learn more.

CROMWELL CHURCH BAZAAR & DINNER—OCTOBER 19

The Annual God's Portion day Bazaar starts at 2:00 p.m., Dinner starts at 4:00 p.m., and Auction starts at 7:00 p.m. Dinner includes ham balls, roast beef mashed potatoes and gravy, green beans, corn, rolls, salads, and pie.

CAREGIVERS & CENTENARIANS

Please join us to be honored at a complimentary day of comfort and relaxation on November 6th at 10:30 a.m., The gathering Barn, Orient, IA. To register call: 1-800-432-9209.

News from Holy Spirit Parish

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Monday	October 14	CCW and Rerun Meeting, 11:30 a.m., ReRun Store RCIA , 6:30 p.m., Holy Spirit Hall
Tuesday	October 15	HS PC meeting, 7:00 p.m., St. Malachy School
Wednesday	October 16	Regular RE classes for 1st-8th grade High School Youth classes, 6:46 p.m., St. Malachy School
Saturday	October 19	Mass, 4:00 p.m., Holy Spirit Church St. Malachy PTO Spaghetti Dinner, 5:00 p.m., St. Malachy School
Sunday	October 20	Knight of Columbus hosting breakfast after 9:00 a.m. Mass



MINISTRY SCHEDULE HOLY SPIRIT

October 19 & 20	4:00 p.m.	9:00 a.m.
Lectors	Pat Schlapia Dennis Nelson	Dottie Dunphy Joanne Bucklin
Eucharistic Ministers	Linda Hartsock Pat Miller Alice Reed	Jennifer Simmons R. & J. Huewe G. & J. Bucklin
Ushers	J. & M. Mansour Bob & Lisa Miller Family Elaine Haines	Jacque Eblen Family Joni Taylor
Servers	Carly Green Daniel Buls	Cade Simmons Keegan Bailey Kadley Bailey
Greeters	Ann Johnson	Virginia Aguilar Sue Bissell
Rosary	Bob Jansen	Kelsey Bailey
Musicians	Kyle Huck Dan Gibbons	Rachel Ramaeker Jolene Griffith
Money Counters	Karin Freml, Elanie Haines, June Huewe	

GIFTS TO GOD

Weekly tithes needed	\$ 7,233.00
October 6th tithes received	\$ 7,818.00



IMPORTANT DATES FOR RELIGIOUS EDUCATION FOR HOLY SPIRIT

- ♦ Regular RE classes for 1st-8th grade & High School Youth classes from 6:45 to 8:00 p.m. on October 16, St. Malachy School.
- ♦ Students attending NCYC will be helping with Hunter breakfast, October 26.
- ♦ 1st Reconciliation Parent/ Student session on Sunday, November 3 at 1:00 p.m., St. Malachy School
- ♦ 1st Reconciliation Potluck on Sunday, November 17 at noon, Holy Spirit Hall.
- ♦ Confirmation Sponsor Meeting, November 20, 7:00 p.m., St. Malachy School



COUNCIL OF CATHOLIC WOMEN (CCW) AND RERUN MEETING

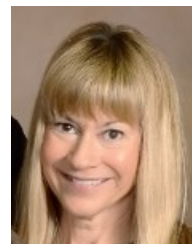
What does CCW do? They help with special events as needed during the year. They remember the sick and shut-ins. They provide food for funeral dinners. All their efforts of CCW will be directed towards the worthwhile spiritual devotion and social programs throughout the year. At the death of a CCW member, the CCW will have a Mass offered. Come join and be a part of CCW. There will be Holy Spirit CCW and Rerun meeting on October 14 at the ReRun Store at 11:30 a.m. A light lunch will be provided. CCW dues (\$10) are due in October. If anyone is interested in being an officer for CCW, please call Phyllis Allen at 515-493-9149.



HOLY SPIRIT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING: October 15 at 7:00 p.m., St. Malachy School

WELCOME RELIGIOUS EDUCATION TEACHERS AT HOLY SPIRIT FOR HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP

Please welcome and constantly pray for all the religious education teachers and students this year! The High School Youth team are Terri Hopkins, Missy Sickels, Charlene Dunphy, Linda Hartsock, Kay Kinsella, and Steve Heffern.



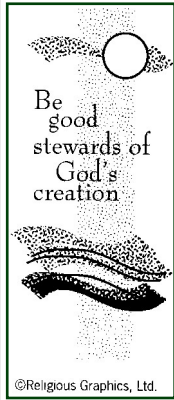
News from St. Edward

Monday	October 14	RCIA , 6:30 p.m., Holy Spirit Hall
Wednesday	October 16	St. Edward Religious Education Starts 6:15–7:30 p.m. for PK3-8th grade, St Edward Adoration / Confession, 6:00 p.m., St Edward Church

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

ST. EDWARD

10:45 a.m.	October 20
Lector	Jessica Rosener
Eucharistic Ministers	Darren Moore Olivia Moore Dan Rosener
Ushers/ Gifts	Monty & Diane Ide Family
Servers	Jensen Waigand Logan Findley
Money Counters	Jennifer Valencia Sharon Findley
Sacristan	Sheila Brown



GIFTS TO GOD

Weekly tithes needed	\$ 844.86
October 6th tithes received	\$ 463.00



COUNCILS OF CATHOLIC WOMEN



ST EDWARD - COUNCIL OF CATHOLIC WOMEN (CCW)

It is very important that all ladies be active members at St. Edward. Did you know that every adult catholic woman of the church is ipso facto (by the fact of) a member of the St. Edward Council of Catholic Women? CCW dues are due in October. They are \$5.00. Please give dues to Patty Bradley or put in an envelope in the collect basket marked "St. Edward CCW Dues".



GROW IN YOUR FAITH

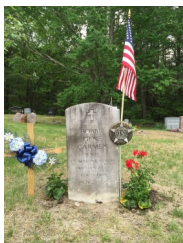
Do you want to grow in your Catholic Faith? Please join us for RCIA meetings on Mondays at Holy Spirit Hall, on October 14 after 6:00 p.m. Mass. Classes will start at 6:30 p.m. Dinner is provided for the first 7 weeks.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

The Knights of Columbus will be hosting a Hunters Breakfast on October 26 from 6:00-8:30 a.m. at the Afton Community Center. Please come join us to enjoy a hearty breakfast before rooster pheasant season starts.

ST EDWARD CEMETERY BOARD MEETING



Do you want to make a difference now and in the future? There will be a St Edward cemetery board meeting after Mass on October 27th. They will be electing officers. It is great way to preserve the past and prepare for the future.

ST. EDWARD MINISTRY SCHEDULE

The new ministry schedule has been made. They have been emailed to you and are also at the back of church. If you didn't get one please contact the Parish Office.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

South West Iowa Savior Servers (SWISS) will be coming to St. Edwards on October 27. After Mass, they will provide a short highlight of their summer mission trip to Milwaukee.

GOD LOVES US HERE AND NOW

"A few years ago, my aunt died. My cousin was very upset when he was told the news of her death was online even before he had the opportunity to call the people with the sad news. On social media, I often see condolences, birthday wishes, and many congratulations. Many of us are separated from loved ones by long distances, but I think most of us appreciated the personal care and attention of a phone call or a note via "snail mail."

In today readings, Naaman the Syrian and the ten lepers received God's personal attention. Naaman was so grateful that he was willing to offer a great gift in return for God's care. The leper shared the same attitude of thanksgiving as Naaman. Both were outsiders, not Jews; little was expected of them, but both did not take their gift for granted.

Do I realize that God cares for me, not on some computer screen via an impersonal program, but right here, right now? Do I stop to give thanks for God's personal attention in my life? Today, at Eucharist, itself a prayer of thanksgiving and praise, we have the perfect opportunity to say, "Thank you." As we go forth from this celebration, we can continue to express gratitude to God who loves us deeply and personally." By Anthony Chezzi

Reference: Chezzi, Anthony. "God Loves Us Here and Now". *Living with Christ*. October 2019. pg.115

ADORATION & CONFESSION



Please join us for adoration and confessions the third Wednesdays of every month starting at 6:00 p.m. at St. Edward Church.

The 1st Adoration and Confession will be Wednesday, October 16.