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# Holy Rosary Cluster

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## Office Hours

The office this week: Closed - Monday

Staffed: Tuesday - Friday 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

## Reconciliation

Any time by appointment

15 minutes before weekday Mass in Elma

First Friday 3:00 - 3:40 p.m. at St. Peter, New Haven

First Friday 4:00 - 4:40 p.m. at Immaculate Conception, Riceville

**Lourdes** - Saturday, 3:00 - 3:45 PM

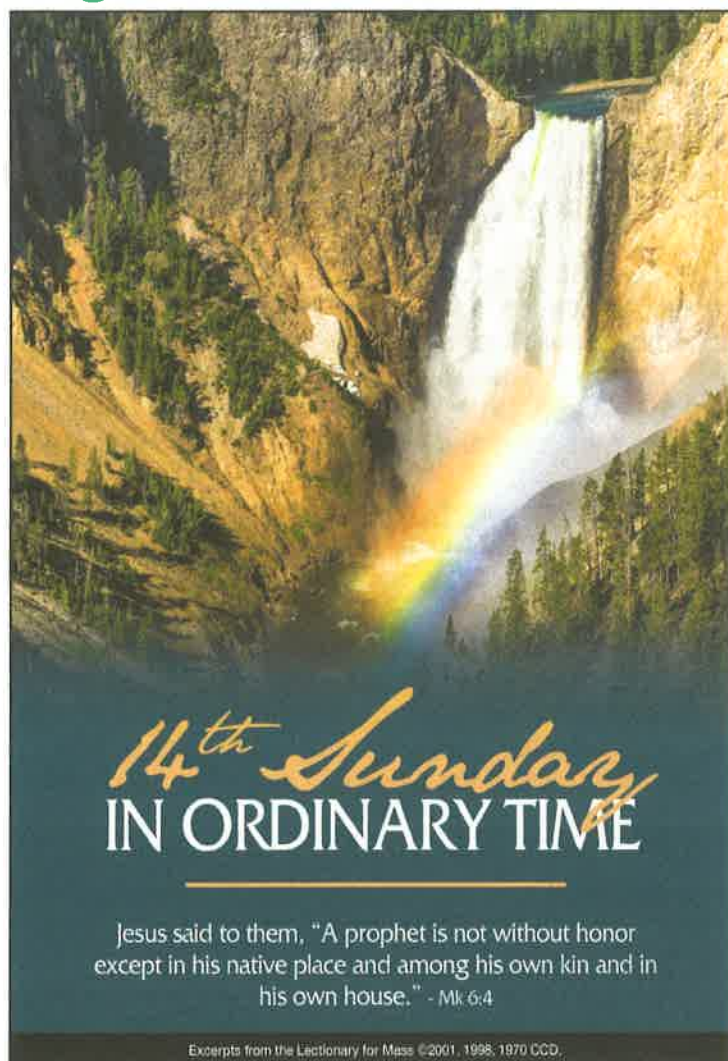
**Alta Vista** - Saturday, 5:00 - 5:45 PM; when Lourdes has 4 PM  
Mass Alta Vista confessions will be 5:15 - 5:45 PM.

**Elma** - Sunday, 6:30 - 7:00 AM

**Riceville** - Sunday, 8:15 - 8:45 AM; when there is no 7:15 AM  
Mass at Elma.

**No confession time at the parish that does not  
have weekend Mass.**

**Regular Bulletin Deadline** - Please have bulletin items  
to the office Friday before Noon the week before you  
would like the item in the bulletin. Thank you.



## Marriage

Please contact the priest at least six months in advance.

## Baptism

Make baptism arrangements by phoning the Cluster Office  
(393-2520) during office hours.

# Holy Rosary Cluster

To the Members of Holy Rosary Cluster:

1. First of all, a correction: the funeral for Linette (Atwood) Tally, sister of Fr. Ray Atwood (former cluster pastor) will be Tuesday, July 6, at 10:30 a.m. in St. Edward Church (Waterloo; visitation in the church 9-10:15 a.m. before the funeral). Because that funeral will be on Tuesday instead of Monday the 5th as indicated in last weekend's bulletin, **there will be 8 a.m. Mass in Elma on Monday, July 5.** I found out about the change in funeral date after having prepared last weekend's bulletin column.

2. In last weekend's homily I mentioned a quote from Pope Francis on faith. It comes from his first encyclical: "The Light of Faith" (*Lumen Fidei*) issued in 2013, and it's one of the best descriptions of faith that I've seen. He wrote:

"Faith is not a light which scatters all our darkness, but a lamp which guides our steps in the night and suffices for the journey. To those who suffer, God does not provide arguments which explain everything; rather, his response is that of an accompanying presence, a history of goodness which touches every story of suffering and opens up a ray of light" (n. 57).

So often when we face suffering or difficulty of any kind we try to 'figure it out' or seek some 'explanation'. But the Holy Father reminds us that Jesus does not explain suffering or promise we can avoid it--instead, he assures us that Jesus is present to us and accompanies us in our way of the cross since he himself endured that 'way' for us. We are never alone; rather, we are blessed by that consoling and strengthening 'accompanying presence.'

3. Our annual mission appeal for Holy Rosary Cluster will take place the weekend of July 17-18. We will hear from the Community of St. Paul, an international missionary group serving various missions in Bolivia, the Dominican Republic, Mexico, Colombia and Ethiopia. The Community is a Public Association of the Faith, consisting of priests and lay men and women from various countries. They are also present in the Archdiocese of Milwaukee. In addition to serving in various parishes, they are also involved in education, health care, skills training, housing and agricultural development, and other works to promote human dignity as children of God.

Please note: **all five cluster parishes will have Mass the weekend of July 17-18 at their usual times** because of this mission appeal. Please pray for the Community of St. Paul and for all who are involved in the missionary work of the Church; may the Holy Spirit prompt us all to generously support that work.

4. Finally, I ask for your prayers for thirteen men who will be ordained as permanent deacons for the Archdiocese of Dubuque this Saturday, July 10, at St. Gabriel Church in Reinbeck. As a member of the permanent deacon formation board for the last few years, I have come to know these candidates and their wives. They are good, faith-filled people who love the Lord and his Church and who have answered God's call to this important form of service in the Church.

~Fr. Kopacek

## **A Prayer for Independence Day**

God, source of all freedom, this day is bright with the memory of those that declared that life and liberty are your gift to every human being. Help us to continue a good work begun long ago. Make our vision clear and our will strong; that only in human solidarity will we find liberty, and justice only in the honor that belongs to every life on earth. Turn our hearts towards the family of nations: to understand the ways of others, to offer friendship, and to find safety in the common good for all. We ask this through Christ our Lord, Amen.



## **Pray For Those in Need**

Jean Cerwinske, Michelle Cerwinske, Punk Cerwinske, Ed Durnan, Sara Folkers, Ken Gebel, Joann Heying, Rose Heying, Jimmy Holmen, Diane Kovarik, Arlene Kuennen, Joe Ludwig, Ann Foxen Maas, Lois McAvoy, Gladys McGrane, LaVern McGrane, Fran Palmersheim, Ida Roe, Abbey Sculley, Rosemary Schwickerath, Pat Smith, William 'Bill' Smith, Linda Zeimetz

# Cluster News

## Live Streaming

Watch Mass live with Fr. Kopacek on Sunday mornings at the 9:00 AM Mass in Riceville. Find it on the cluster website under 'Parish Happenings' or on the cluster Facebook page.



## Daily Reflections

Fr. Kopacek's daily reflections can be found on Facebook and on the Holy Rosary Cluster website under 'Parish Happenings'.

## Mass Intentions Week of July 5

### Monday, July 5

St. Anthony Zaccaria - Gn 28:10-22a/Ps 91:1-4, 14-15/Mt 9:18-26  
8:00 AM (Elma) + Fr. Tom Braak

### Tuesday, July 6

St. Maria Goretti - Gn 32:23-33/Ps 17:1b, 2-3, 6-8, 15/Mt 9:32-38  
8:00 AM (Elma) + Leo Huffman & Mary Lee Geerts

### Wednesday, July 7

Weekday - Gn 41:55-57; 42:5-7, 17-24/Ps 33:2-3, 10, 18/Mt 10:1-7  
8:00 AM (Elma) + Tom Zeimet

### Thursday, July 8

Weekday - Gn 44:18-21, 23; 45:1-5/Ps 105:16-19, 20-21/Mt 10:7-15  
10:00 AM (Care Center) + Donald & Doris Adams

### Friday, July 9

St. Augustine Zhao Rong - Gn 46:1-7, 28-30/Ps 37:3-4, 18-19, 27-28, 39-40/Mt 10:16-23  
8:00 AM (Elma) + Charles & Gert Lentz

### Saturday, July 10

Vigil of Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time - Am 7:12-15/Ps 85:9-14/  
Eph 1:3-14/Mk 6:7-13

4:00 PM (Lourdes) + For the People

6:00 PM (Alta Vista) + Louis & Donna Kolbet

### Sunday, July 11

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time - Am 7:12-15/Ps 85:9-14/Eph 1:3-14/Mk 6:7-13

7:15 AM (Elma) + NO MASS

9:00 AM (Riceville-Live Streamed) + Living & Deceased Members of the Debbie Oulman Family

10:45 AM (New Haven) + Deceased Members of the Bushbaum & Powers Family

## Update Your Address, Phone, and Email

PLEASE call the Cluster Office if you have changed address, phone number or email. This helps us to contact you and keep our records current. Thank you.

## Act of Kindness

Act of Kindness collections will be taken the weekend of July 10 & 11. Elma's collection will be taken on July 18. Designated charities this month are: St. Bernard - AV Public Library, I.C. Elma - Northeast Iowa Food Bank, Lourdes - AV Public Library, St. Peter - Wapsi-Great Western Line and I.C. Riceville - Totus Tuus Office of Youth Ministry

## Eucharistic Holy Hour

**Tuesday, July 13 at Riceville from 5:00 - 6:00 PM**

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament is at 5:00 PM, Benediction at 6:00 PM. Fr. Kopacek will be available for confessions during the Holy Hour. Everyone is welcome to attend.



## Missionary Co-op Appeal

The weekend of July 17/18 Holy Rosary Cluster will have a missionary speaking at all five Masses. The missionary comes from the Community of St. Paul, an international missionary group and a Public Association of the Faithful, headquartered in the Archdiocese of Milwaukee. Above all, the group hopes to follow St. Paul's example, always faithful to his spirit of universality. If writing a check please write it out to your parish and put in the memo "Mission Appeal".

## **+ St. Bernard +**

### Vocation Crucifix

July 3 - Gary & Pat Halvorson

July 10 - Tom & Irene Frantzen

### Church Cleaners

Jess Dietrich, Janis Durnan, Kate Felder are church cleaners the week of July 4.

## **+ Lourdes +**

### Save the Date

Steeple Day will be Saturday, July 31. A regular Mass will be held at 6:00 PM that evening at Our Lady of Lourdes Church. Hope to see you all there!

## **+ Immaculate Conception-Riceville +**

### Rosary Society News

St. Anne's Rosary Society will hold a meeting Mon., July 12 at 7:00 PM in the church basement. We will be discussing the Fall Festival. All are welcome to attend.

## **+ St. Peter +**

### Sympathy

We extend our deepest sympathy to the Carolyn Mork family. Carolyn's Funeral Service was held on Friday, June 25 at St. Peter Church, New Haven. May she rest in peace.

### Nourish for Caregivers

The *Nourish for Caregivers* website has a lot of information and resources which may help those caring for their loved ones. Go to <https://nourishforcaregivers.com/>.

## Natural Family Planning Virtual Summit

In celebration of Natural Family Planning Awareness Week, which is July 25-31, the Archdiocese of Dubuque will host a NFP Virtual Summit on July 25 for anyone who would like to learn about what NFP is and why it is beneficial. The event includes a keynote talk by Archbishop Jackels, breakout session talks by local experts and married couples, opportunities to network and ask questions, and more. Fr. Kopacek will be giving one of the breakout sessions: a brief summary of what the Church teaches about marital love and sexuality, and why. Please register for this FREE virtual event at [nfp.dbqarch.org/nfp-virtual-summit](http://nfp.dbqarch.org/nfp-virtual-summit).

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## Calendar Events

### + Knights of Columbus +

#### KC Meeting

A Knights of Columbus meeting will be held on Thursday, July 8 at 7:30 PM in the Elma Church basement. Please plan to attend.

#### Online Giving

When you give online, your gift is transferred conveniently and securely from your bank account or credit card directly to the church. Sign up for Online Giving is easy as...

1. Visit the Holy Rosary Cluster website at <http://holyroarycluster.org>
2. Click on your Parish Giving link
3. Create your account
4. Schedule recurring or one-time donations
5. Call the office 641-393-2520 if you need help.

## Financial Stewardship

June 26/27

#### Our Lady of Lourdes

Budget Envelopes	\$ .00
Offertory	86.00
On-Line Giving	65.00

#### St. Bernard - Alta Vista (NO MASS)

Budget Envelopes	355.00
On-Line Giving	10.00

#### Immaculate Conception - Elma

Budget Envelopes	548.00
Offertory	51.00
On-Line Giving	49.00

#### Immaculate Conception - Riceville

Budget Envelopes	1,315.00
Offertory	47.00
On-Line Giving	.00

#### St. Peter - New Haven

Budget Envelopes	600.00
Offertory	95.00
On-Line Giving	190.00

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