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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.



21ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Jesus then said to the Twelve, "Do you also want to leave?" Simon Peter answered him, "Master, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. We have come to believe and are convinced that you are the Holy One of God." - Jn 6:67-69

Excerpt from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1970 CCD

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.

August 22, 2021

Holy Rosary Cluster

To the Members of Holy Rosary Cluster:

1. Two quick schedule items:

there will be no 8 a.m. Mass in Elma on Monday, August 23. I have a commitment in Cedar Rapids that morning and so I'll stay overnight there Sunday into Monday. I will be back in Elma by late Monday afternoon.

I have a wedding Mass in New Haven this Saturday, August 28, at 2 p.m.--and so I won't be able to get to Lourdes for 3 p.m. confessions as usual. I'll be there as soon as I can.

2. On August 12 Archbishop Jackels emailed us priests regarding the current Covid situation with the delta variant. He asked us to remind you of the recommendation of the CDC (Center for Disease Control) and the IDPH (Iowa Department of Public Health) to wear a mask at public indoor gatherings which would include worship services and other church events. Please note that this is a recommendation and not a mandate. Obviously the pandemic is still with us, and prudence and caution are certainly called for. Please continue to pray for an end to the pandemic and for the full recovery of all who are currently ill from the virus or from other diseases.

Along the same lines, we will continue for the time being our current practice in all our cluster churches to have every other pew taped or roped off in half of each church. Please do not remove that tape or rope on your own; there is plenty of room for everyone as it is. Thank you for your cooperation in this regard.

3. **SAVE THE DATE:** On **Sunday, September 26**, Sue Sweeney of St. Peter's in New Haven will give a presentation about her relative, Blessed Stanley Rother. This will take place after the 10:45 a.m. Mass in New Haven. Fr. Rother was a priest of the then-Diocese of Oklahoma City and Tulsa, ordained in 1963. He served as a missionary priest in Guatemala (Central America) where he served his poor parishioners with great love and compassion. The situation in Guatemala in the 1970's and early 1980's was dangerous; those who promoted the dignity of the poor and marginalized were seen as a threat to those in power. Fr. Rother was killed on July 28, 1981--40 years ago--and was beatified as a martyr for the faith a few years ago.

Blessed Stanley Rother's story is a remarkable and truly inspiring one, and to have one of his own relatives in Holy Rosary Cluster is a special blessing for us! You are cordially invited to hear Sue's presentation; again, it will take place in the New Haven church immediately after the 10:45 a.m. Mass on Sunday, Sept. 26. A light lunch will be served.

~Fr. Kopacek



Submission as Stewardship

I invite you to consider the cross — the most radical expression of submission, and of stewardship, that ever existed. If there was ever someone who deserved superiority, isn't it the God who let Himself be nailed to a tree, who gave so freely of His life, His body, His blood, His everything?



To look at him in his agony is to truly understand the beauty of submission — of laying down what you have for the good of the other. ~ Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

Pray For Those in Need

Jean Cerwinske, Michelle 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

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Cluster News

Live Streaming & Daily Reflections

Watch Mass or Daily Reflections live with Fr. Kopacek. Mass is Sunday mornings at 9:00 AM in Riceville. Reflections are posted after daily Mass. Find them on the cluster website under 'Parish Happenings' or on the cluster Facebook page.



Mass Intentions Week of August 23

Monday, August 23

St. Rose of Lima - 1 Thes 1:1-5, 8-10/Ps 149:1-6, 9/Mt 23:13-22

NO MASS - Please Pray for Vocations

Tuesday, August 24

St. Bartholomew - Rv 21:9b-14/Ps 145:10-13, 17-18/Jn 1:45-51

8:00 AM (Elma) + Stan Duffy

Wednesday, August 25

St. Louis & St. Joseph Calasanz - 1 Thes 2:9-13/Ps 139:7-12/Mt 23:27-32

8:00 AM (Elma) + Russ O'Donnell

Thursday, August 26

Weekday - 1 Thes 3:7-13/Ps 90:3-5, 12-14, 17/Mt 24:42-51

10:00 AM (Care Center) + Avis Roethler

Friday, August 27

St. Monica - 1 Thes 4:1-8/Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 10-12/Mt 25:1-13

8:00 AM (Elma) + Bob Voves

Saturday, August 28

Vigil of Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time - Dt 4:1-2, 6-8/Ps

15:2-5/Jas 1:17-18, 21-22, 27/Mk 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

4:00 PM (Lourdes) + William & Mae Nibaur

6:00 PM (Alta Vista) + Arlene Klobassa

Sunday, August 29

Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time - Dt 4:1-2, 6-8/Ps 15:2-5/

Jas 1:17-18, 21-22, 27/Mk 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

7:15 AM (Elma) + For the People

9:00 AM (Riceville-Live Streamed) + Michael & Delphine Mitchell

10:45 AM (New Haven) + **NO MASS**

MEETINGS

Parish Corporate Meeting

Thurs., Aug. 26, 6:30 PM - Elma

Meeting will be in I.C. Elma's church hall.

Early Bulletin Deadline

The September 12 bulletin will be sent in on Friday, September 3. Please have items for the September 12 bulletin to the church office by Wednesday, September 1st.



Religious Education News

Parents of new students or first graders need to call their respective DREs or call the cluster office to register their child for religious education this fall.

Chad Buckley (515-290-5867) - Elma, AV or OLL

Debbie Oulman (641-985-2791) - Riceville

Meg Schutjer (641-713-3366) - New Haven

+ St. Bernard +

Vocation Crucifix

August 21 - Ed & Irene Huegel

August 28 - Tony & Deann Meirick

Rosary Society News

St. Bernard Rosary Society will hold a meeting on Tuesday, September 7 at 7:00 PM in the church.

+ Immaculate Conception-Elma +

Rosary Society News

The Elma Rosary Society will meet Sunday, August 22 in the church basement following 7:15 AM Mass.

+ Immaculate Conception-Riceville +

Rosary Society News

St. Anne's Rosary Society will hold a meeting on Sunday, August 29 at 7:00 PM in the church basement.

Religious Education News

Riceville religious ed. is looking for teachers for the 2021-2022 school year. Needed are teachers for 5th grade and 6th grade. Please call Debbie Oulman at 641-985-2791 if you are interested.

+ St. Peter +

Religious Education News

New Haven religious ed. is looking for one catechist for the 2021-2022 school year. Please contact Meg Schutjer at 641-832-8033.

+ Combined Religious Education +

Combined Religious Ed. is in need of Catechists for 6th grade and High School. We are also in need of substitute teachers. Please contact Chad Buckley at dbq075ff@dbqarch.org or 515-290-5867.

+ St. Patrick of St. Cecilia +

St. Patrick of St. Cecilia will have an outdoor Mass on Monday, September 6 at 9:00 AM. Please bring a lawn chair.



Legacy Planning Workshop

On Tuesday, September 14 a panel of experts will answer your questions about estate planning, creating and updating a will, charitable gifts and more! Choose to attend the hour-long event at 10 AM or 6 PM. Workshop is located at the New Hampton Community Center, 112 East Spring St. Sponsored by The Catholic Foundation and MercyOne.

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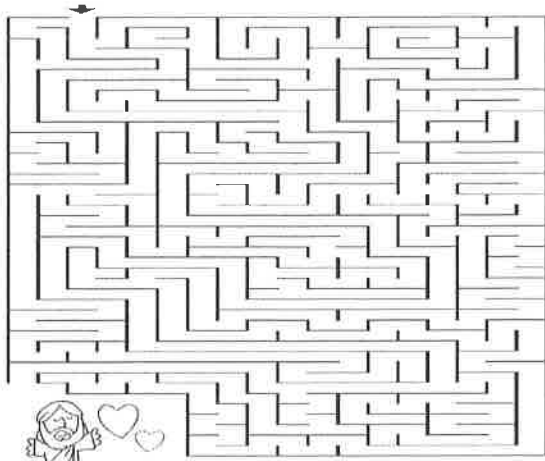
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21st Sunday in Ordinary Time • John 6:60-69

PUZZLE

Find your way through the maze to Jesus.



MISSION

Have you ever learned something about God that was hard to understand? Talk about it with your family, and together pray for each other. Ask the Holy Spirit to help you learn what God wants you to.



Calendar Events

Czech Days in Protivin

Holy Trinity Parish of Protivin welcomes all of you to their 43rd Annual Czech Days Celebration. Czech Days will be held August 20, 21, & 22. You will find a full listing of events online at '[Christ Our Hope Cluster.com](http://ChristOurHopeCluster.com)'.

Holy Land Tour

The Newman Catholic Student Center at The University of Iowa is sponsoring a 10-day tour of the Holy Land March 10-19, 2022. Tour hosts will be Fr. Jeff Belger and Newman Center rep. April Rouner. Cost is \$4,059 per person from Chicago. A charter bus will take travelers to/from O'Hare from Iowa City. Price includes round trip air, first class accommodations, most meals, professional tour director, sightseeing entrance fees, optional daily Mass and more. Contact April Rouner, april@newman-ic.org or 319-337-3106, ext. 119 for more information or a brochure.

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August 14/15

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St. Bernard - Alta Vista

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Immaculate Conception - Elma (NO MASS)

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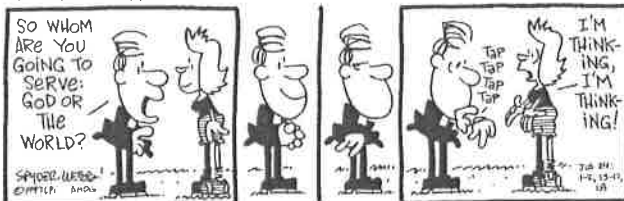
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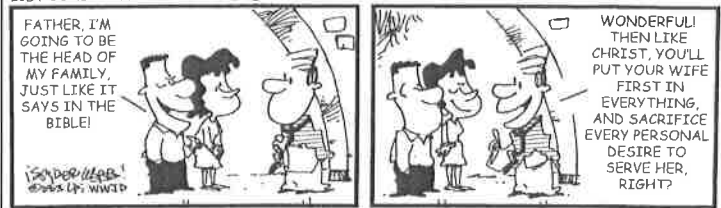
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