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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. - Noon

## 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

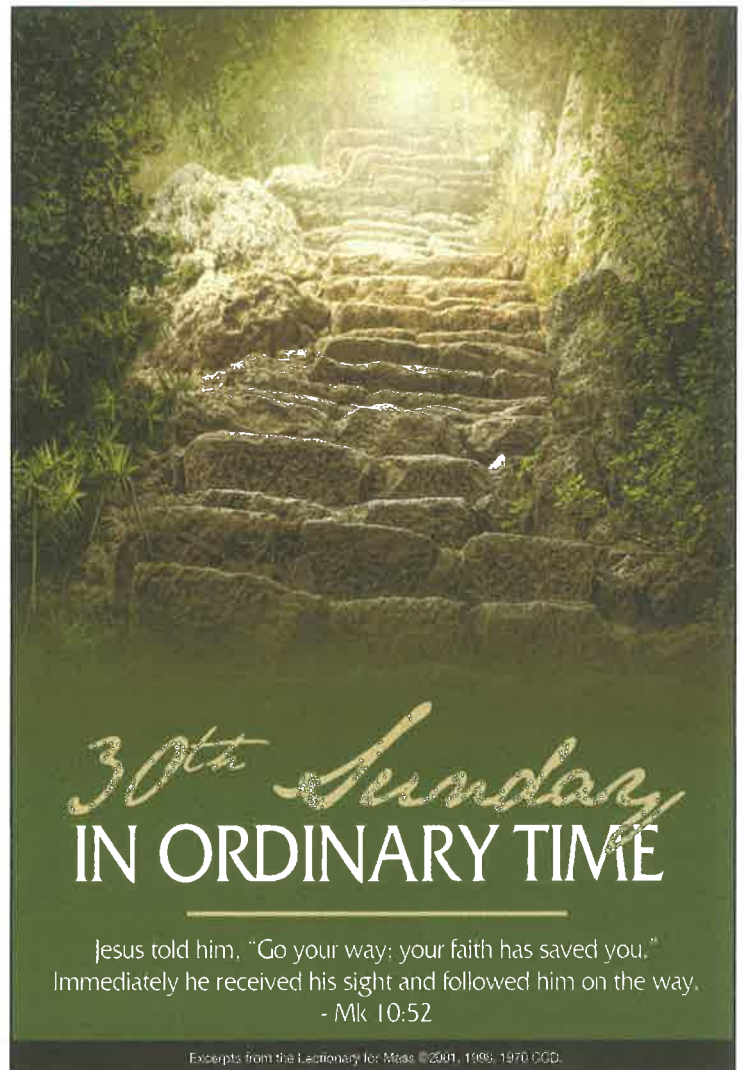
**Alta Vista** - Saturday, 5:00 - 5:45 PM; when Lourdes has 4 PM  
Mass Alta Vista confessions will be 5:15 - 5:45 PM.

**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.



30<sup>th</sup> Sunday  
IN ORDINARY TIME

Jesus told him, "Go your way; your faith has saved you."  
Immediately he received his sight and followed him on the way.  
- Mk 10:52

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## 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. As you know, Msgr. John Hemann died recently; his funeral was at Sacred Heart Church in Osage on October 15. Many of you knew him well; of course, he was pastor of the Alta Vista, Elma and Lourdes parishes. And being from Stacyville, he knew many folks in the New Haven and Riceville areas as well. We were in the same priest support group for many years, and a few years ago he told me that he wanted me to give the homily at his funeral. I was deeply honored by his request, and it was my privilege to do so. A few of you have asked for a copy of that funeral homily, and so I will make paper copies and put them in all five cluster churches along with copies of the funeral folder as well. It is also available on our cluster website under "Homilies".

2. Returning to the "Seven Themes of Catholic Social Teaching" from the U.S. Catholic Bishops--you may remember in recent bulletins I highlighted Theme #1: "Life and Dignity of the Human Person", and Theme #2: "Call to Family, Community and Participation." The third of those Seven Themes is "Rights and Responsibilities":

*"The Catholic Tradition teaches that human dignity can be protected and a healthy community can be achieved only if human rights are protected and responsibilities are met. Therefore, every person has a fundamental right to life and a right to those things required for human decency. Corresponding to these rights are duties and responsibilities--to one another, to our families, and to the larger society."*

3. "Don't Forget to Laugh!" I think we've all learned that as the years fly by, so does the memory fly by...and away! I've certainly been experiencing that more and more... Anyway, this story reminds us that we are not the only ones:

*"Two senior citizens were playing cards one day when one looked at the other and said 'Please don't get mad at me; I know we have been friends for a long time, but I'm sorry to say that I can't think of your name right now. I've tried and tried, but I just can't remember it--please remind me!' Her friend just glared and stared at her. That went on for a few moments until she finally said: 'Well....., how soon do you need to know??'"*

~Fr. Kopacek



## **World Mission Sunday**

World Mission Sunday is October 24. Envelopes are available in the entryway of your church. You may pick one up and mail your donation to:

**Archdiocese of Dubuque, 1229 Mt. Loretta Ave,  
Dubuque, IA 52003**

Make checks payable to:

**"Society for the Propagation of the Faith".**

Donations given for World Mission Sunday help support priests, religious Sisters and Brothers, and lay catechists who provide loving service to those most in need around the world. Thank You!

## **Eucharistic Holy Hour**

**Tues., November 9 at Alta Vista from 5 - 6 PM**

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament is at 5:00 PM, Benediction at 6:00 PM. Fr. Kopacek will be available for confessions during this time. All are welcome.



## **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, Laurie Mohrfeld Nock, Fran Palmersheim, Ida Roe, Abbey Sculley, Rosemary Schwickerath, Pat Smith, William 'Bill' Smith, Linda Zeimetz

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# Cluster News



## Change in Office Hours

The office hours will be from 9:00 AM - 12:00 (Noon) until further notice.

## 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 October 25

### Monday, October 25

Weekday - Rom 8:12-17/Ps 68:2, 4, 6-7, 20-21/Lk 13:10-17  
8:00 AM (Elma) - Msgr. Joe Slepicka

### Tuesday, October 26

Weekday - Rom 8:18-25/Ps 126:1-5, 6/Lk 13:18-21  
8:00 AM (Elma) + Merle McGrane

### Wednesday, October 27

Weekday - Rom 8:26-30/Ps 13:4-6/Lk 13:22-30  
8:00 AM (Elma) + Avis Roethler

### Thursday, October 28

St. Simon & St. Jude - Eph 2:19-22/Ps 19:2-5/Lk 6:12-16  
Care Center - Jim Marr

### Friday, October 29

Weekday - Rom 9:1-5/Ps 147:12-15, 19-20/Lk 14:1-6  
8:00 AM (Elma) + Jim Gansen

### Saturday, October 30

Vigil of Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time-Dt 6:2-6/Ps 18:2-4, 47, 51/  
Heb 7:23-28/Mk 12:28-34

4:00 PM (Lourdes) + Mary Ann Odle  
6:00 PM (Alta Vista) + For the People

### Sunday, October 31

Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time-Dt 6:2-6/ Ps 18:2-4, 47, 51/ Heb  
7:23-28/ Mk 12:28-34

7:15 AM (Elma) - Living & Deceased Members of the Quinten &  
Lucille (Vaske) Fangman Family

9:00 AM (Riceville-Live Streamed) + **NO MASS**

10:45 AM (New Haven) + Elizabeth Fox

## Congratulations to Our Newly Confirmed

**St. Bernard, Alta Vista:** Emily Geerts, Megan Pickar and Ethan Swehla

**Our Lady of Lourdes:** Miranda Buckley and Will Ludwig  
**I.C. Elma:** Brooklyn Burke, Chloe Burke,  
Kimberly Jordan and Brady Wilberding

**I.C. Riceville:** Brooke Dvorak, Spencer  
Dvorak, Taylor Hemann, Madison Mauer,



Taylor McElroy, Andrew Pridgen and Tyler Sprung

**St. Peter, New Haven:** Darren Adams, Eleanor Alonzo,  
Landon Christensen, Nicholas Fox, Brady Hovde, Bryce  
Hovde, Olivia Huisman and Jake Miller

Thank you to everyone who was involved or helped with this celebration, especially the liturgical ministers, music, host parish, DREs and Catechists.

## All Saints Day Mass

(Not a Holy Day of Obligation)

**Monday, November 1 - 5:30 PM, I.C. Riceville**

This Mass will include remembering the deceased of our Cluster from this past year. Everyone is welcome to join us at this special Mass.



## The Chosen - DVD Series on the Life of Jesus

The DVD series, ***The Chosen*** will be shown in the Elma Church Basement on the following **Sundays at 2:00 PM: November 21 and December 12.**

Each episode runs 40-50 minutes. The best portrayal by far of the story of Jesus that Fr. Kopacek has ever seen. Everyone is welcome! Light refreshments will be served.



## Volunteers Needed for Riceville Food Pantry

ALL Members of the Holy Rosary Cluster are invited to help work at the Riceville Food Pantry. Dates volunteers are needed are on Oct. 26 (6-7 PM) November 3 & 17 (4-6 PM), Nov. 23 (6-7 PM). Men volunteers would be very helpful to carry boxes to vehicles. Please call Mary Thoma at 641-420-4545 if you can help.



## Those Interested in the Word of God

The Workbook for Lectors, available for purchase through the Cluster for \$13.00. If interested call the cluster office by October 29. **Please make your check payable to your parish.**

## **+ St. Bernard +**

### Vocation Crucifix

October 23 - Pat & Gary Halvorson

October 30 - Irene & Tom Frantzen

### Church Cleaners

Marilyn Klobassa, Linda Kobliska, Val Kolbet are church cleaners the week of October 24.

**Funeral Dinners**-We are looking for men who would be willing to help at funeral dinners if needed. Call Lynn R. (364-5201) if you would consider this ministry.

Also, if any women have had a change in your work schedule and you would be willing to be on the extra help list please let Lynn know.

**Rosary Society Officers**-We will need to fill the president position for next year; if you would like to volunteer to be president please let Lynn know.

Treasurer is continuing and we have a volunteer for vice president and secretary. If there is no volunteer for president we will hold an election.

**+ Immaculate Conception-Elma +**

**Thank You**

Thank you to all the Rosary Society officers and workers for lining up and helping with our church supper on October 16. Thank you to all the people who supported the meal. Your support is greatly appreciated!

**+ Immaculate Conception-Riceville +**

**Thank You** - A HUGE Thank You to all the people who helped in any way to make our Fall Festival a great success! We appreciated everyone's help and support!

**Early Bulletin Deadlines**

November 2 - items due for Nov. 9 bulletin  
 November 9 - items due for Nov. 21 bulletin  
 November 12 - items due for Nov. 28 bulletin  
 November 18 - items due for December 5 bulletin  
 November 30 - items due for Dec. 12 bulletin  
 December 6 - items due for Dec. 19 bulletin  
 December 10 - items due for Dec. 26 bulletin  
 December 16 - items due for January 2 bulletin  
 December 22 - items due for January 9 bulletin  
 Please know the earlier you get items to the church office for the bulletin over the next two months the better the chances the items will get in the bulletin on time. Thanks for your help and understanding!



**Calendar Events**



**Sacred Heart Oratory, Meyer, Iowa  
 Drive-Thru Turkey & Pork Supper**



Sunday, October 24, Serving 3:30-6:30 PM  
 Menu: Turkey, Pork, Dressing, Mashed Potatoes/Gravy, Corn, Sauerkraut and Cookies.  
 Free Will Offering.

**Zion Lutheran Church, Alta Vista  
 Drive-Thru Turkey Dinner**

Saturday, November 6, Serving 4:00-7:00 PM  
 Menu: Turkey, Dressing, Mashed Potatoes/Gravy, Green Beans, Roll and Desserts.  
 Cost: Adults (8+)/\$13, 7 & Under/\$7  
 Pay at Drive-Thru  
 200 S. White Ave



**Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekends**

Consider attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter experience. Upcoming dates are November 19-21 in Holstein, IA. Register at [lowa-wwme.org](http://lowa-wwme.org) or call Jeff & Janet Francois at 563-608-3305 with any questions.

**Financial Stewardship**

October 16/17

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 On-Line Giving 75.00

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 On-Line Giving 110.00

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 On-Line Giving 74.00

**Immaculate Conception - Riceville**

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 On-Line Giving 105.00

**St. Peter - New Haven**

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 Offertory 87.00  
 On-Line Giving 80.00

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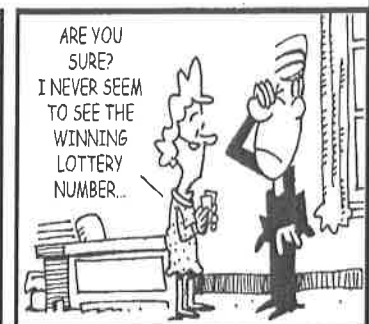
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30th Sunday in Ordinary Time • Mark 10:46-52

30TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



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