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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.



**32<sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**OFFERING**

Calling his disciples to himself,  
he said to them, "Amen, I say  
to you, this poor widow put  
in more than all the other  
contributors to the  
treasury." - Mk 12:43

Excerpts 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.

# Holy Rosary Cluster

To the Members of Holy Rosary Cluster:

1. This Tuesday, Nov. 9, we will have our monthly Holy Hour of Eucharistic Adoration at St. Bernard's in Alta Vista; exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will take place at 5 p.m. and Benediction at 6 p.m. As always, I will be available for confessions during that time.

2. The fifth of the "Seven Themes of Catholic Social teaching" from the U.S. Catholic Bishops is "The Dignity of Work and the Rights of Workers":

*"The economy must serve people, not the other way around. Work is more than a way to make a living; it is a form of continuing participation in God's creation. If the dignity of work is to be protected, then the basic rights of workers must be respected--the right to productive work, to decent and fair wages, to the organization and joining of unions, to private property, and to economic initiative."*

The Church affirms both the right to work (along with a just wage) and the responsibility or duty to work--"both because the Creator has commanded it and in order to respond to the need to maintain and develop his own humanity" (Compendium of the Social Doctrine of the Church, 2005).

3. "Don't Forget to Laugh!" *"The children were all lined up for their first confession when Johnny's turn came. The priest invited him to confess his sins, and he promptly replied: 'Father, I threw a rock at Jimmy'. 'That was a very misguided thing to do, my son', said the priest patiently. Johnny replied: 'But Father, it was not misguided--I hit him!'"*

During this month of November our second-grade CCD students are making their first confessions and celebrating the forgiveness of God that comes in a special way in this sacrament of reconciliation. Please pray for them--and for the rest of us!--that they and we will always approach this powerful sacrament in faith and confidence and without fear.

~Fr. Kopacek

## Early Bulletin Deadlines

- 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!**

## 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

## 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.



## Change in Office Hours

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



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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 November 8

### Monday, November 8

Weekday - Wis 1:1-7/Ps 139:1-10/Lk 17:1-6

### **NO 8 AM Mass**

**6:00 PM (Elma) - Deceased Members of the Knights of Columbus**

### Tuesday, November 9

Weekday - Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12/Ps 46:2-9/1Cor 3:9-11, 16-17/Jn 2:13-22

**8:00 AM (Elma) + Living & Deceased Members of the Henry & Marcella Gansen Hoffman Family**

### Wednesday, November 10

St. Leo the Great - Wis 6:1-11/Ps 82:3-4, 6-7/Lk 17:11-19

**8:00 AM (Elma) + Clem & Judy Smith**

### Thursday, November 11

St. Martin of Tours - Wis 7:22-8:1/Ps 119:89-91, 130, 135/Lk 17:20-25

Care Center - John Irvin

### Friday, November 12

St. Josaphat - Wis 13:1-9/Ps 19:2-5/Lk 17:26-37

**8:00 AM (Elma) + Vince & Millie Lentz**

### Saturday, November 13

Vigil of Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time - Dn 12:1-3/Ps 16:5, 8-11/Heb 10:11-14, 18/Mk 13:24-32

**4:00 PM (Lourdes) + Linda Smith**

**6:00 PM (Alta Vista) + NO MASS**

### Sunday, November 14

Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time - Dn 12:1-3/Ps 16:5, 8-11/Heb 10:11-14, 18/Mk 13:24-32

**7:15 AM (Elma) + Francis Stute**

**9:00 AM (Riceville-Live Streamed) + For the People**

**10:45 AM (New Haven) + Rita Paulus**

## Act of Kindness

Act of Kindness collections will be taken the weekend of November 13/14. St. Bernard's collection will be taken on November 20. Designated charity this month are: St. Bernard, I.C. Elma, Our Lady of Lourdes - The Giving Tree, Peoples Savings Bank, St. Peter - Mitchell County Food Bank and I.C. Riceville - The Elf Shop

## 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: November 17 (4-6 PM), Nov. 23 (6-7 PM). Men volunteers would be very helpful to carry boxes to vehicles. Please call Mary Thoma (641-420-4545) if you can help.



## **MEETINGS**

**Liturgy Comm.** - Mon., November 15 at 6:00 PM

**Social Justice** - Tues., November 16 at 6:30 PM

Both meetings will be held in the Elma I.C. church basement.

## 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.



## Ecumenical Thanksgiving Service

Zion Lutheran Church, Alta Vista will host the annual Ecumenical Thanksgiving Service on Tues., November 23 at 7:00 PM. Everyone is invited! A collection will be taken up and refreshments will be served after the service.

## Holy Rosary Cluster Thanksgiving Day Mass

Please join us at I.C., Elma on Thursday, November 25 at 9:00 AM **MASS** for the Holy Rosary Cluster Thanksgiving Day Mass. Take time to give thanks for all the blessings God has bestowed on us.



## **+ St. Bernard +**

### Vocation Crucifix

November 6 - LouAnn & John Huegel

November 13 - LeRoy Geerts

### Church Cleaners

Amy Laures, Dana Lentz, Diane Lentz are church cleaners the week of November 7.

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

### Raffle Winners from the Fall Festival

Quilt - Steve Gebel; \$100 - Sherryl Adams, Garry Wagner; \$50 - Teresa Gaffey, Alex Adams, Greg Drilling, Lucas Bauer; 10th Hole \$50 certificate - Jim Miller, Margaret Fox, Sharlene Milewsky and Sullivan Head.

### Rosary Society News

St. Anne's Rosary Society will have a meeting on Monday, November 8 at 7:00 PM in the church hall.

# National Vocation Awareness Week



### Gifts of Grain

IRS regulations require the farmer to:

- 1) inform the elevator that he/she is **gifting** the grain to their parish.
- 2) the farmer needs to sign a donation form to the elevator.
- 3) the elevator will complete the form and inform the parish office of the gift.
- 4) the parish will immediately tell the elevator to sell the grain and send proceeds to the parish.

At no time in this process can the farmer receive payment from the elevator for the grain; the grain must be gifted through the elevator to the parish. If you have any questions contact the cluster office.



### Sr. Judy Sinnwell Celebrates 60th Jubilee

Sister Judy (Mary Neil) Sinnwell, OSF, a member of the Sisters of St. Francis, of Dubuque, celebrated her Diamond Jubilee on Sunday, October 24, at Mount St. Francis Center in Dubuque. Sister Judy was born in Alta Vista, the oldest of four children of Urban and Adella (Recker) Sinnwell. Sister Judy entered Mount St. Francis in August 1960.



Her first mission was teaching junior high students in Melrose Park, Ill, followed by the same at St. Edward in Waterloo, where she also served as administrator. In 1984 she was appointed to serve as co-director of initial formation. Seven years later, she completed certification-licensure as a massage therapist, she opened a private practice, co-founded *Windsor Wellness Center*, and later *Integrating Wellness*, each in Dubuque.

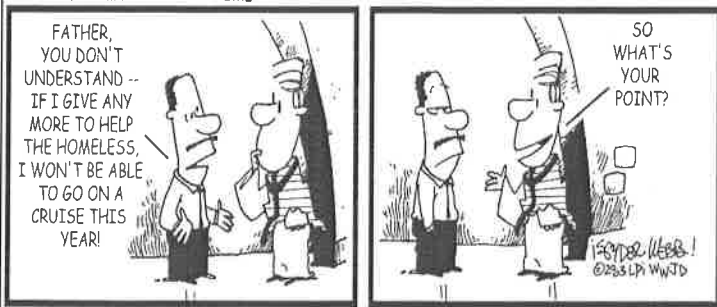
From 2007-2015, she was missioned to Mississippi and retired in 2015. She continues to seek volunteer opportunities. **Cards may be sent to Sister Judy at 3390 Windsor Ave., Dubuque, IA 52001.**

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## Calendar Events

### + Knights of Columbus +

#### Knights of Columbus Memorial Mass

A Memorial Mass for deceased members of the Knights of Columbus Marian Council #4144 will be offered on Monday, November 8 at 6:00 PM at Immaculate Conception in Elma. Deceased members from 2020 and 2021 will be honored. Light refreshments following Mass in the church basement.

#### Riceville & New Haven Tootsie Roll Drive

Riceville & New Haven KCs will hold their annual Tootsie Roll Drive on Sunday, November 14 following the Masses.

#### Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekends

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



#### St. Mary's, Waucoma-Fall Festival

##### Pork Cutlet Drive-Thru Meal

Sunday, November 21, 10:30 AM - 1:00 PM

##### Waucoma Event Center

**Serving:** Pork Cutlets, Home Grown Mashed Potatoes with Gravy, Country Fair Dressing, Vegetable, Sweet & Savory Salads, Pies and Desserts.

**Cost:** \$12 in advance (from any St. Mary parishioner) or \$13 at the door.



### Stewardship

"We make a living by what we get. We make a life by what we give." ~Winston S. Churchill

## Financial Stewardship

October 30/31

#### Our Lady of Lourdes

Budget Envelopes	\$1,060.00
Offertory	58.00
On-Line Giving	75.00

#### St. Bernard - Alta Vista

Budget Envelopes	490.00
Offertory	52.00
On-Line Giving	110.00

#### Immaculate Conception - Elma

Budget Envelopes	417.00
Offertory	60.00
On-Line Giving	192.00

#### Immaculate Conception - Riceville (NO MASS)

Budget Envelopes	110.00
On-Line Giving	105.00

#### St. Peter - New Haven

Budget	160.00
Offertory	123.50
On-Line Giving	190.00

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