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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.



5TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Jesus said to Simon, "Do not be afraid; from now on you will
be catching men." When they brought their boats to the
shore, they left everything and followed him. - Lk 5:10-11

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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.

February 6, 2022

Holy Rosary Cluster

To the Members of Holy Rosary Cluster:

1. Two quick reminders:

I will be available for the blessing of throats immediately after all Masses this weekend (Feb. 5-6); our monthly Holy Hour of Eucharistic Adoration takes place this Tues., Feb. 8, in Elma; exposition of the Blessed Sacrament is at 5 pm and Benediction at 6 pm. I will be available for confessions during that time.

2. I know that in the past the young adults of Holy Rosary Cluster met for faith/Bible discussions. I'm very glad to announce the resumption of these gatherings. On **Monday, Feb. 14 at 7 p.m. at the Elma rectory**, we will begin a series of discussions on Season One of "The Chosen"--the series about the gospel accounts of Jesus and those he chose to follow him. Please watch episodes 1 and 2 of Season One before our Feb. 14 gathering. You can watch these and all the "Chosen" episodes for free on "The Chosen" app--go to www.thechosen.tv/app to download. We also have DVD copies of the series available at the cluster office--you are more than welcome to borrow them for home viewing. The other gathering dates will be Feb. 28 (episodes 3 & 4), March 14 (episodes 5 & 6), and March 28 (episodes 7 & 8). All will begin at 7 p.m.; the locations of those last three gatherings will be determined.

So...just who are the "young adults" among us; is there an 'age limit'?? I'm tempted to say 'anyone younger than me'...but as old as I'm getting, that would be a whole lot of people! Seriously, we won't be checking IDs or 'carding' anyone; but maybe we could say it is for those having school-age or younger children or in that general age range. Feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

3. In case you have not yet seen the video message from Archbishop Jackels about the restart of the ArchdioceseOne appeal, here is what he said:

"In-house, we're referring to this message as a *splash* because we want to get your attention, to let you know that we're now poised to restart our special appeal, ArchdioceseOne, after a two-year, pandemic-inspired pause. In the spirit of a *splash*, I offered to wear a wig, water wings, and a wetsuit while filming this. I figured it would help get your attention, but because it might also get the attention of Pope Francis, I was voted down. [to which your pastor responds: "thanks be to God!"]

But I'd do it if it would inspire your prayers and financial gifts to repair our Cathedral, or to hire more immigration lawyers, or to care for our retired priests, or to educate our seminarians. Then again, maybe I don't need to do a *splash* routine, seeing how generous priests, parishioners, and businesses have already been, after hearing about the appeal. Their generosity has enabled us to hire an additional immigration lawyer, and to make some of the repairs to the Cathedral. But there are still more needs in those two areas, as well as for retired priests and seminarians.

Building on that, and now that so many have been vaccinated, we think it's time to give a booster shot to the public phase of our special appeal, and invite everyone to pray for and give to ArchdioceseOne; hence, this *splash*. Our special appeal's name is spelled Archdiocese O-N-E, to express hope that it'll strengthen unity in our Archdiocese, heal the Church with the medicine of charity, and promote stewardship; those are our spiritual goals. Speaking of stewardship, the Bible teaches that God will supply us with an abundance of what we're willing to share with others. If nothing, we'll receive nothing, abundantly. But if we share generously, cheerfully, even if we can only afford a widow's mite, God will make sure our cup runs over.

The Bible also teaches to keep what we share secret, between you and God. Which is why I'm big-time shy to say that I've given two-years-worth of my salary to ArchdioceseOne; I don't say that to toot my horn, or to win applause, but to signal how great our needs are. With your financial gift and your prayers, when our special appeal is ended, we will change the spelling of its name to Archdiocese W-O-N, to celebrate its success! And why not, here's a challenge: If we meet, or exceed our spiritual and material goals, I'll wear a wig, water wings, and a wetsuit while jumping for joy into a swimming pool, you know, to make a splash. And it'll be a big splash, not only because of how big I am, but on account of how huge your prayers and gifts will be, I am sure of it.

We can't hope for the spiritual and material success of ArchdioceseOne unless this holy work is begun by God's inspiration and carried out with God's help. Towards that end, join me in praying our official ArchdioceseOne prayer: God, come to our assistance. Lord, make haste to help us. Amen." ~Fr. Kopacek

Pray For Those in Need

Jean Cerwinske, Michelle Cerwinske, Kenny Chihak, Roger Dunn, 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, Roger Nibaur, Laurie Mohrfeld Nock, Fran Palmersheim, Ida Roe, Abbey Sculley, Rosemary Schwickerath, Pat Smith, William 'Bill' Smith, Linda Zeimet

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 February 7

Monday, February 7

Weekday - 1 Kgs 8:1-7, 9-13/Ps 132:6-10/Mk 6:53-56
8:00 AM (Elma) + Special Intention

Tuesday, February 8

St. Jerome Emiliani - 1 Kgs 8:22-23, 27-30/Ps 84:3-5, 10-11/Mk 7:1-13
8:00 AM (Elma) + Mary Ann Odle

Wednesday, February 9

Weekday - 1 Kgs 10:1-10/Ps 37:5-6, 30-31, 39-40/Mk 7:14-23
8:00 AM (Elma) + Bob Voves

Thursday, February 10

St. Scholastica - 1 Kgs 11:4-13/Ps 106:3-4, 35-37, 40/Mk 7:24-30
Care Center + Elsie Ludwig

Friday, February 11

Our Lady of Lourdes - 1 Kgs 11:29-32; 12:19/Ps 81:10-15/Mk 7:31-37
8:00 AM (Elma) + Frank Goodale

Saturday, February 12

Vigil of Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time - Jer 17:5-8/Ps 1:1-4, 6/1 Cor 15:12, 16-20/Lk 6:17, 20-26

4:00 PM (OLL) + Nancy Johnson

6:00 PM (AV) + Donna Kolbet

Sunday, February 13

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time - Jer 17:5-8/Ps 1:1-4, 6/1 Cor 15:12, 16-20/Lk 6:17, 20-26

7:15 AM (Elma) + Bernard & Helen Dunn

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

10:45 AM (New Haven) + For the People

Eucharistic Holy Hour - Tues., February 8 at Elma from 5 - 6 PM. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament is at 5:00 PM, close with Benediction at 6:00 PM. Fr. Kopacek will be available for confessions during this time. All are welcome.



The Chosen - DVD Series on the Life of Jesus

The next showing of **The Chosen** will be on **Sunday, February 20 at 2:00 PM** in the Elma church basement. Each episode runs 40-50 minutes. Light refreshments will be served.



+ St. Bernard +

Vocation Crucifix

February 5 - Donna & Joe Zweibohmer

February 12 - Pat & Gary Halvorson

Pork Chop Dinner

Sunday, March 13 - Drive-Thru only from 3-6 PM.
(Snow Date is March 20)

+ Immaculate Conception-Elma +

Rosary Society News

Rosary Society dues are \$20.00 and can be mailed to Teresa Klobassa at P.O. Box 235, Elma. Make checks payable to Elma Rosary Society.

+ St. Peter +

Sympathy

We extend our deepest sympathy to the Clement Loecher family. Clement's Funeral Mass was held on Friday, January 28 at St. Peter Church. May he rest in peace.

Mary Blonigen Website

Mary Blonigen was born in New Haven in 1895 and died in 1925. Mary attended school at Saint Mary's Academy in New Haven and graduated in 1912. It was customary for students to maintain a diary of their school days. Mary was given a book specifically for this purpose her senior year. In very great detail she wrote about her time at St. Mary's Academy, friends and things they did as young girls. The address to read the book can be found at: Maryblonigen.homesteadcloud.com.

Act of Kindness

Act of Kindness collections will be taken the weekend of February 12/13. Riceville's collection will be taken on February 20. Designated charity this month is: St. Bernard, Our Lady of Lourdes, I.C., Elma, I.C. Riceville & St. Peter - Tri-County Citizens for Life

+ Combined Religious Education +

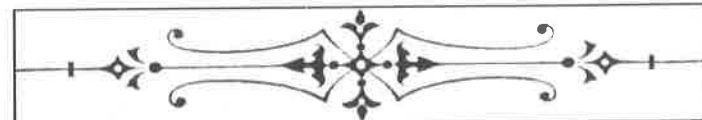
We are in much need of substitute catechists for our Religious Education Program. You are welcome to sit in on some classes to get a feel for the position. **Please contact DRE, Chad Buckley at (515-290-5867) if you can be a substitute or have any questions.**



+ Knights of Columbus +

KC Free Membership

The online promotion to join the KCs for free has been extended to June 30, 2022. Please Visit www.kofc.org/joinus using **promo code MCGIVNEY 2020**. Local KC councils to join are Riceville and New Haven Council #11592 and Alta Vista, Lourdes and Elma Council #4144.



ArchdioceseOne Appeal

On September 29, 2019, in response to real needs, and after broad consultation, Archbishop Jackels announced the start of a special appeal, called **ArchdioceseOne**, to help the poor and to support the mission of the Church. In March of 2020, the Covid-19 pandemic forced us to pause active fundraising for ArchdioceseOne. In mid-February, we'll be restarting our fundraising efforts for this special appeal. You likely received a letter in the mail recently regarding this subject, but if not, **Archbishop has made a video for you about this important effort he'd like you to see. It will only take about 5 minutes of your time to watch.**



Simply scan this QR code with your smart phone camera. Then click the link that pops up on your phone's screen. This will take you to his video. ****If you don't have a QR enabled smart phone, type the following link into your internet browser: <https://archdioceseone.org/splash>** Thank you!

Complete the Synod Survey on Parish Viability

This is your chance to have your voice heard on parish planning in the Archdiocese of Dubuque. The Archdiocese has created a survey about parish vitality and viability that will provide input from all about this important information. You are encouraged to access the survey in English, Spanish or French at www.dbqarch.org/survey or by scanning this QR code with your smart phone camera and click on the link that pops up on your phone. Or complete the survey you received at home and mail it to: Survey Archdiocese of Dubuque, 1229 Mt. Loretta Ave, Dubuque, IA 52003.



Totus Tuus Missionaries Needed

We are looking for Catholic, college-age men and women disciples to serve on teams with other men and women like them during the summer of 2022 for Totus Tuus leading songs, teaching, performing skits, and sharing witness talks with the children and youth of the Archdiocese. These are paid positions with training and most expenses provided for during the summer. Please encourage college age men and women to apply! The application information can be found at www.dbqarch.org/TotusTuus. Any questions Contact Joanne Pohland at j.pohland@dbqarch.org.



Calendar Events

Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekends

Consider attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter experience. This is a Catholic faith based marriage enrichment program and has been providing couples with better communication skills and tools for over 50 years. Upcoming dates are February 11-13, Ankeny and April 23-24, Epworth. Register at lowa-wwme.org or call Jeff & Janet Francois at 563-608-3305.

Archdiocesan Men's Conference

Saturday, March 19, 2022

Xavier High School, Cedar Rapids

(In Person or Live-Streamed)

26th Annual Men's Conference! Held on the Feast of St. Joseph, this conference will highlight the example of St. Joseph as a model for all men. Keynote speaker will be Mark Hartfiel. Lunch session will be presented by Devin Schadt, founder of the Fathers of St. Joseph men's ministry. Mass celebrate by Archbishop Jackels. For more information go to: www.archmensconference.org.

Poland & Eastern Europe Pilgrimage

Pilgrimage June 6-17, 2022, stops include the home of St. John Paul II, Shrine of Divine Mercy, Auschwitz Concentration Camp and more. Daily Mass in great Churches and Cathedrals. Cost is \$4,199, departure from Omaha. For a brochure and more information, contact Fr. Dan Guenther, St. Mary's Parish, 307-4th St. North, Humboldt, Iowa 50548 or call 712-899-6870

Financial Stewardship

January 29/30, 2022

Our Lady of Lourdes (NO MASS)

Budget Envelopes \$170.00
On-Line Giving 75.00

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Budget Envelopes 325.00
Offertory 70.00

On-Line Giving 160.00

Immaculate Conception - Elma

Budget Envelopes 537.00
Offertory 50.00

On-Line Giving 660.00

Immaculate Conception - Riceville

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On-Line Giving 100.00

St. Peter - New Haven

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On-Line Giving 105.00



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