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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

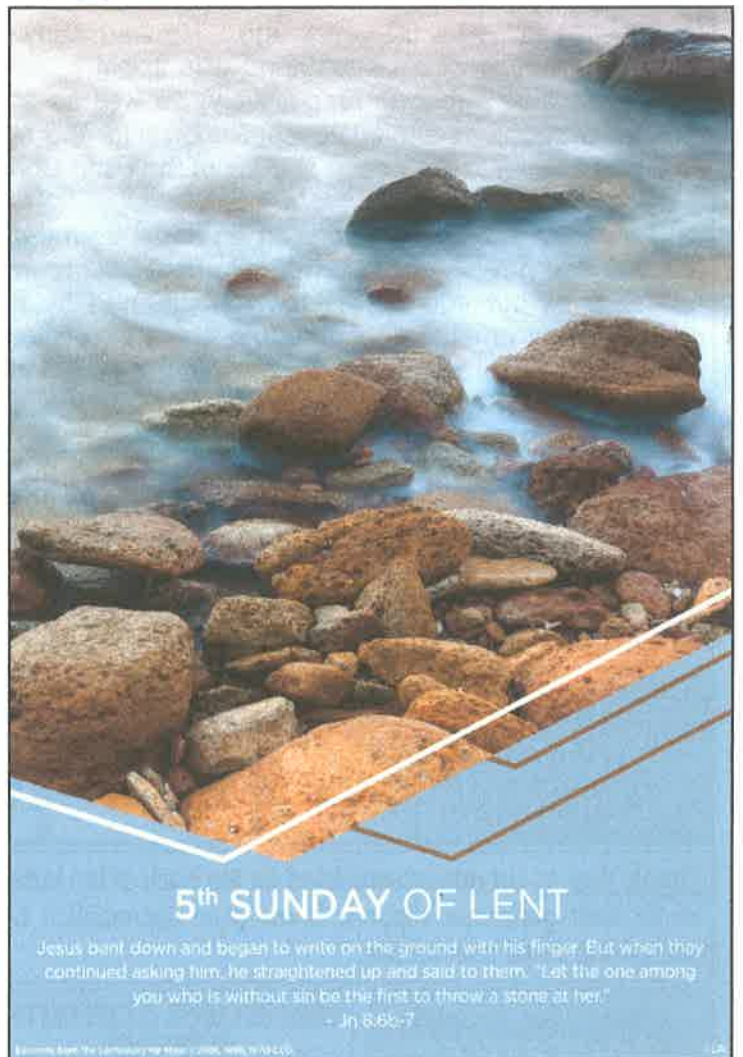
Alta Vista - Saturday, 5:00 - 5:45 PM; when Lourdes has 4 PM
Mass Alta Vista confessions will be 5:15 - 5:45 PM.

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 OF LENT

Jesus bent down and began to write on the ground with his finger. But when they continued asking him, he straightened up and said to them, "Let the one among you who is without sin be the first to throw a stone at her."
- Jn 8:6b-7

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.

April 3, 2022




Holy Rosary Cluster

To the Members of Holy Rosary Cluster:

1. Our young adult discussion group about "The Chosen" will meet **this Monday, April 4** (7 p.m. at the cluster office/rectory in Elma) to discuss the final two episodes of Season One (episodes 7 and 8)--please watch those two episodes before our meeting. You are more than welcome to join us even if you haven't done so before.
2. **Save the date!** On **Saturday May 7**, the religious education programs of our Holy Rosary Cluster will be hosting a fundraiser meal at the Lourdes parish hall from 4:30 - 6:30 pm (there is no 6 pm Mass at Alta Vista that day). Proceeds will go to Catholic Relief Services in their work to provide aid for the victims and refugees of the war in the Ukraine. Come and join us for soup and sandwiches, rolicky (one of those great Bohemian treats!), and bars. A free-will offering will be taken up. Also, please continue to pray daily for an end to this war and for the relief of those victimized by that war.
3. Please pray for the blessed repose of the soul of Fr. Loras Otting who died on March 23 in Dubuque at the age of 85. He was born in Cascade (near Dubuque) and was ordained to the priesthood on St. Patrick's Day (March 17) in 1962--60 years ago. He had early assignments as associate pastor in Waterloo and Cedar Rapids, but most of his priesthood was spent in education. He taught at Beckman and Wahlert High Schools (Dyersville and Dubuque respectively) as well as at Loras College in Dubuque. Fr. Otting also served as the director of Archives and Historical Records for the archdiocese, beginning in 1996 and retiring in 2011. May his soul rest forever in the peace and joy of the risen Christ.
4. I recently (March 25) received an email from Jeff Henderson who is overseeing our archdiocesan planning process. He gave some information about how many surveys were completed. A total of 15,977 surveys were returned, all but 400 of which were returned by the lay people of the archdiocese (those other 400 were completed by priests, deacons, and those in religious orders). Those sent in by the laity represent 21% of all households registered in a parish within our archdiocese--a very good return rate (especially given the length of the survey), and was far higher than expected.

On our local cluster level, the return rate for all five parishes was notably higher than that 21% figure for the whole archdiocese: the return rates ranged from 29% to 38%. My sincere thanks to all of you who took the time to fill out that survey! Jeff concluded: "We have begun the process of going through this mountain of data and survey responses. We will do our best to be timely to get parish results to you." I will continue to keep you informed about this whole process and its results. Please continue to pray for the Holy Spirit's guidance and direction of this important process for our archdiocese.

~ Fr. Kopacek

 <p>PRAYER FASTING ALMSGIVING</p>	<p><i>The Season of Lent</i></p> 	 <p>PRAY FAST GIVE</p>
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The Chosen - DVD Series on the Life of Jesus
 The next showing of **The Chosen** will be on **Sunday, April 10 at 1:00 PM** in the Elma church basement. Light refreshments will be served.
NOTE: Time change for April 10th.

Young Adults - your session for **The Chosen** is Monday, April 4 at 7:00 PM at the rectory in Elma.



Pray For Those in Need

Jean Cerwinske, Michelle Cerwinske, 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, Abbey Sculley, Rosemary Schwickerath, Pat Smith, William 'Bill' Smith

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 April 4

Monday, April 4

St. Isidore - Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62/Ps 23:1-6/Jn 8:12-20
8:00 AM (Elma) + Marie King

Tuesday, April 5

St. Vincent Ferrer - Nm 21:4-9/Ps 102:2-3, 16-21/Jn 8:21-30
8:00 AM (Elma) + Arlene Keane

Wednesday, April 6

Lenten Weekday - Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95/Dn 3:52-56/Jn 8:31-42
8:00 AM (Elma) + Paul Geerts

Thursday, April 7

St. John Baptist de la Salle - Gn 17:3-9/Ps 105:4-9/Jn 8:51-59
Care Center + Elsie Ludwig

Friday, April 8

Lenten Weekday - Jer 20:10-13/Ps 18:2-6, 7/Jn 10:31-42
8:00 AM (Elma) + Harold Thiele

Saturday, April 9

Vigil of Palm Sunday - Lk 19:28-40/Is 50:4-7/Ps 22:8-9, 17-20, 23-24/
Phil 2:6-11/Lk 22:14-23:56

4:00 PM (OLL) + **NO MASS**

6:00 PM (AV) + For the People

Sunday, April 10

Palm Sunday - Lk 19:28-40/Is 50:4-7/Ps 22:8-9, 17-20, 23-24/Phil 2:6
-11/Lk 22:14-23:56

7:15 AM (Elma) + Ed & Anna O'Brien

9:00 AM (Riceville-Live Streamed) + Donald & Doris Adams

10:45 AM (New Haven) + Joe & Theresa Wemhoff

Act of Kindness

Act of Kindness collections will be taken the weekend of April 9/10. Lourdes' collection will be taken on April 17. Designated charity this month is: St. Bernard - Project Flo, Our Lady of Lourdes & Elma, I.C. - Howard Co. Hospice, Riceville & St. Peter-Wapsi Great Western Line

Palms - Palm Sunday, April 10

Palms are blessed and should be displayed at home. Old palms may be buried or burned, separate from regular trash. Never throw them away in the regular trash.



Fridays-Stations of the Cross

Fri., April 8 -- New Haven

We will begin with exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at 5:30 p.m., followed by Stations. After that, Fr. Kopacek will be available for confessions till 6:30 p.m. at which time we will have Benediction. Please join us.



Early Bulletin Deadlines:

April 4th - Items for April 10th bulletin are due

April 8th - items for April 17th bulletin are due



Eucharistic Holy Hour

Change in Date for Holy Hour

Mon., April 11 at Alta Vista 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.



MEETINGS

Thurs., April 21 - Parish Life @ 6:00 PM

Tues., April 26 - Faith Formation @ 6:30 PM

Thurs., May 12 - Social Justice @ 6:30 PM

Tues., June 7 - Liturgy @ 6:00 PM

Meetings in the I.C., Elma Church basement.

Donations for Ukraine

A trustworthy organization to donate to for Ukraine is Catholic Relief Services. Google "Catholic Relief Services and Ukraine" and follow the directions there to make an online donation **OR** send your donation by regular mail to: Catholic Relief Services, P.O. Box 17090, Baltimore, MD 21297-0303.

Ukraine Aid Fundraiser

The religious education programs for Holy Rosary Cluster are sponsoring a fundraiser to help aid Ukraine.

Date: Saturday, May 7

Time: 4:30-6:30 PM

Location: Lourdes Church Hall

**Serving: soup, sandwiches, rilly and bars
Free Will Offering**

Proceeds will go to Catholic Relief Services in their work to provide aid for the victims and refugees of the war in Ukraine. Come join us and please continue to pray daily for an end to this war and for the relief of those victimized by that war.



+ Lourdes +

Steeple Day Meeting

A Steeple Day meeting will be held on Monday, April 4 at 5:30 PM in the Lourdes Church Hall. Please plan to attend, everyone is welcome!

Rosary Society Meeting

Our Lady of Lourdes Rosary Society will hold a meeting on Wednesday, April 6 at 5:30 PM in the church hall.

+ St. Bernard +

Vocation Crucifix

April 2 - Irene & Ed Huegel
 April 9 - Deann & Tony Meirick

Sympathy

We extend our deepest sympathy to the Peter Hubka family. Peter's Memorial Service was held on Friday, March 25. May he rest in peace.

Rosary Society Meeting

St. Bernard Rosary Society will have a meeting on Tuesday, April 5 at 6:00 PM at Alta Vista Library.

+ Knights of Columbus +

KC Blessing

Fr. Kopacek will do a special blessing for Knights of Columbus members, their wives and Knights of Columbus widows at all Masses the weekend of April 2 and April 3.

Totus Tuus Missionaries Needed

We are looking for Catholic, college-age men and women disciples to serve on teams during the summer of 2022 for Totus Tuus. Paid position, training and most expenses provided for during the summer. Application at www.dbqarch.org/TotusTuus or Contact Joanne Pohland at j.pohland@dbqarch.org.

Grief Support Group

Howard County Community Hospice (HCCH) is offering a Grief Support Group beginning in April. The group will be facilitated by our social work team and is designed to be a supportive, educational setting for adults seeking support and understanding during their grief journey. The group will meet from 6:00-7:45 PM for eight consecutive weeks, from Monday, April 4 through Monday, May 23 at HCCH building in Cresco. Pre-registration is required by Wednesday, March 30. To register or for more information, please contact Brecka Putnam at 563-547-2989.



Calendar Events

Notre Dame, Cresco - Swiss Steak Dinner

Thursday, April 7 from 4:30 - 7:00 PM
Where: Notre Dame Church Hall
Cost: \$12
Serving: Swiss Steak, Potatoes, Gravy, Corn, Cole Slaw, Roll, Homemade Pie or Dessert, Coffee & Milk
For Carry Outs-Use elevator lobby entrance

I.C., North Washington's Swiss Steak Drive Thru Dinner

Sunday, April 10 from 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM
Cost: \$15 Adults / \$8 kids 10 and under
Serving: Swiss Steak, All the Fixings and Pie Quilt & Cash Raffle-10(\$100 bills) \$10 each/3 for \$20

Calendar Events

Triduum and Easter Mass Schedule

Paschal Triduum

Holy Thursday - Mass of the Lord's Supper

April 14 - 6:30 PM - I.C. Riceville

Good Friday - Celebration of the Lord's Passion

April 15 - Noon - Stations of the Cross - Elma

April 15 - 6:30PM - St. Bernard, Alta Vista

Easter Vigil Mass

Holy Saturday - April 16 - 8:30 PM - I.C., Elma

Easter Mass Schedule - Sunday, April 17

7:15 AM - I.C., Riceville

9:00 AM - St. Peter, New Haven

10:45 AM - Our Lady of Lourdes



+ Knights of Columbus +

KC Easter Egg Hunt

Knights of Columbus Council #4144, along with the Elma Boy Scouts will be hosting their annual Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, April 16 in the Elma Park at 10:00 AM. Everyone is welcome.

Shrines of France Pilgrimage

11 Days: October 17-27, 2022

Hosted by Fr. Mark Murphy and St. Jude Catholic Church. Cost is \$3,999 per person from Chicago. For more information, please contact Michelle Tressel (319-390-3520) or email: m.tressel@dbqarch.org

Financial Stewardship

March 26/27

Our Lady of Lourdes

Budget Envelopes	\$1,975.00
Offertory	96.00
On-Line Giving	75.00

St. Bernard - Alta Vista

Budget Envelopes	200.00
Offertory	31.00
On-Line Giving	160.00

Immaculate Conception - Elma

Budget Envelopes	2,382.00
Act of Kindness	62.00
On-Line Giving	50.00

Immaculate Conception - Riceville

Budget Envelopes	650.00
Offertory	162.01
On-Line Giving	.00

St. Peter - New Haven (NO MASS)

Budget	50.00
On-Line Giving	605.00

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