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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. - 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

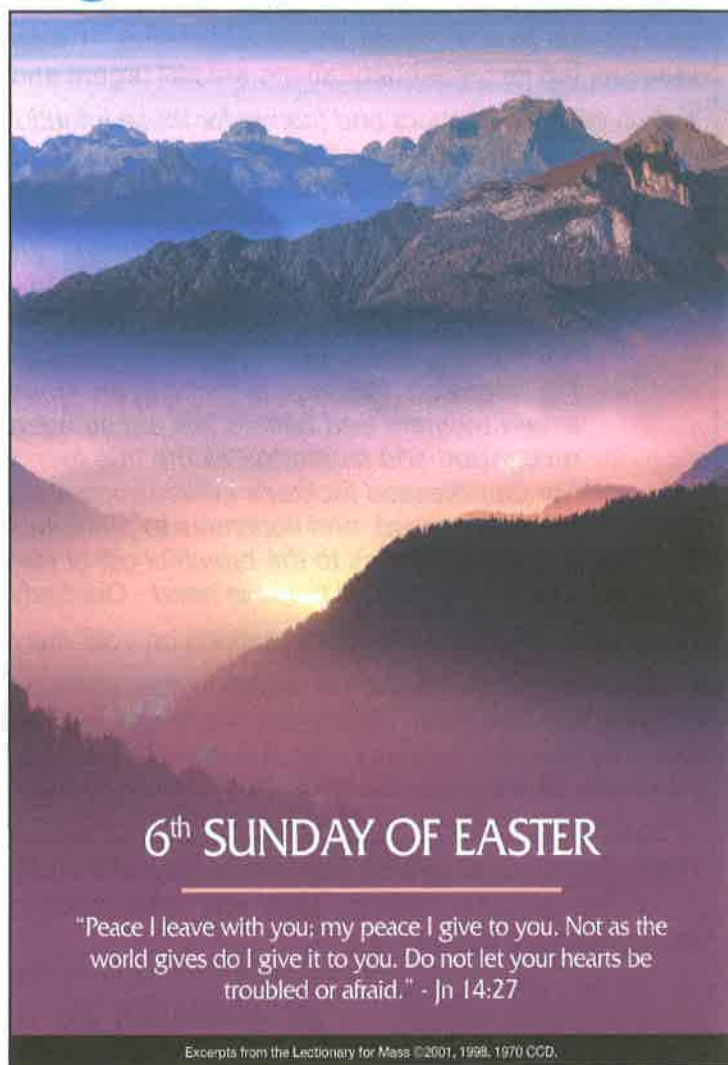
**Alta Vista** - Saturday, 5:00 - 5:45 PM; when Lourdes has 4 PM  
Mass Alta Vista confessions will be 5:15 - 5:45 PM.

**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!



## 6<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY OF EASTER

"Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. Not as the  
world gives do I give it to you. Do not let your hearts be  
troubled or afraid." - Jn 14:27

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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.

May 22, 2022

# Holy Rosary Cluster

To the Members of Holy Rosary Cluster:

1. I look forward to concelebrating at the ordination Masses this coming weekend in Dubuque: Casey Flack and Jeff Frieden will be ordained as deacons on Friday, May 27, at 7 p.m., and Ben Valentine will be ordained to the priesthood the next day, May 28, at 10 a.m. (God willing, Casey and Jeff will be ordained as priests next year.) I will be staying overnight in Dubuque that night and will be back in time for the Saturday confession/Mass schedule here. Please pray for these three young men--I worked with them when I was with the college seminarians in Dubuque, and they are filled with faith, joy, and a desire to serve Jesus and his Church with great dedication. And please continue to pray for an increase in those seminarian numbers for our archdiocese.

2. Archbishop Jackels recently did a livestream presentation to explain more fully what the ArchdioceseOne Special Appeal is all about and why it is needed. You can see the video of that presentation at the archdiocesan website [dbqarch.org](http://dbqarch.org); on the homepage click on "ArchdioceseOne Special Appeal".

3. Last week Archbishop Gomez of Los Angeles (president of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops--USCCB) and Archbishop Lori of Baltimore (chairman of the USCCB Committee on Pro-Life Activities) issued the following statement about the leaked draft of a Supreme Court opinion indicating that the Court may be willing to overrule the Roe v. Wade abortion decision. I didn't receive that statement until after last weekend's bulletin deadline, but its recommendations are still urgent and to the point:

"Let us offer our prayers and fasting for these intentions:

- For our nation, for the integrity of our judicial system, and that all branches of government be dedicated to seeking the common good and protecting the dignity and rights of the human person, from conception to natural death;
- For the overturning of Roe v. Wade and Planned Parenthood v. Casey [a 1992 decision that affirmed Roe] in the Supreme Court's final decision in Dobbs v. Jackson [the Mississippi case currently before the Court];
- For the conversion of the hearts and minds of those who advocate for abortion;
- For a new commitment to building an America where children are welcomed, cherished, and cared for; where mothers and fathers are encouraged and strengthened; and where marriage and the family are recognized and supported as the true foundations of a healthy and flourishing society;
- For Our Blessed Mother's intercession and guidance as the Church continues to walk with mothers and families in need, and continues to promote alternatives to abortion, and seeks to create a culture of life;

As Catholics, let us witness to the beautiful gift of life with civility and love, and with our peaceful prayers and our passionate service to all those in need. Our Lady of Fatima, pray for us."

Please keep these needs and intentions on your daily prayer list!

4. "Don't Forget to Laugh!" A couple invited some people to dinner. At the table, the wife turned to their six-year-old daughter and said, 'Would you like to say the blessing?' 'I wouldn't know what to say', the girl replied. 'Just say what you hear Mommy say', the wife replied. So the daughter bowed her head and said, 'Lord, why on earth did I invite all these people to dinner?' And you think the kids don't listen to you..... ~Fr. Kopacek

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

The next showing of The Chosen will be **Sun., June 19 at 2:00 PM** in the Elma church basement. Light refreshments will be served.



**Young Adult Discussion:** Sun., June 5 at 7 PM

**Eucharistic Holy Hour - Tues., June 14 at New Haven 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.

## 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 May 23

### Monday, May 23

Easter Weekday - Acts 16:11-15/Ps 149:1-6, 9/Jn 15:26-16:4  
8:00 AM (Elma) + Arlene Keane

### Tuesday, May 24

Easter Weekday - Acts 16:22-34/Ps 138:1-3, 7-8/Jn 16:5-11  
8:00 AM (Elma) + Mary Ann Odle

### Wednesday, May 25

St. Bede - Acts 17:15, 22-18:1/Ps 148:1-2, 11-14/Jn 16:12-15  
8:00 AM (Elma) + Bille Kobliska

### Thursday, May 26

St. Philip Neri - Acts 18:1-8/Ps 98:1-4/ Jn 16:16-20  
10:00 AM (Care Center) + Arlene Thompson

### Friday, May 27

St. Augustine - Acts 18:9-18/ Ps 47:2-7/Jn 16:20-23  
8:00 AM (Elma) + Kenny Chihak

### Saturday, May 28

Vigil of The Ascension of the Lord - Acts 1:1-11/ Ps 47:2-3, 6-9/Eph 1:17-23/Lk 24:46-53

4:00 PM (Lourdes) + Joe, Rosalia, Jim & Mike Ptacek

6:00 PM (Alta Vista) + Veronica Roethler

### Sunday, May 29

The Ascension of the Lord - Acts 1:1-11/ Ps 47:2-3, 6-9/Eph 1:17-23/  
Lk 24:46-53

7:15 AM (Elma) + For the People

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

10:45 AM (New Haven) + John Sullivan & Maddie Kruse

## MEETINGS

Tues., May 31 - Parish Life @ 6:00 PM

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

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

## Save the Date for Totus Tuus



1) Holy Rosary Cluster will host Totus Tuus at Immaculate Conception in Riceville the week of July 17. Totus Tuus is for youth entering grades 1st-12th. Totus Tuus is a week-long parish mission to promote Catholic faith while still having fun. More information will be mailed to families with school age children.

2) Adult volunteers are needed for classroom aide's the week of Totus Tuus to assist team members. Three volunteers are needed each day. You will not be asked to teach or assist in teaching. If you can help one or all days, contact the cluster office for more details.



## ArchdioceseOne – What it's all about

The financial beneficiaries of ArchdioceseOne were identified by Archbishop Jackels as the areas of greatest need in our Archdiocese. They were identified after many hours spent consulting clergy and lay church leaders, councils, and other groups across the Archdiocese over the course of several years. Those beneficiaries include:

- Priest Retirement (\$15 million goal)
- Seminary Education (\$15 million goal)
- Repairs and Upgrades to the Cathedral of St. Raphael (\$11 million goal)
- Immigration Legal Services through Catholic Charities (\$7 million goal)

Please visit our website to learn more about these financial beneficiaries by visiting this link, <https://www.archdioceseone.org/beneficiaries>, or by scanning this QR code with your QR enabled mobile device. **God, come to our assistance. Lord, make haste to help us. Amen.**



## Cemetery News and Decorations

Wreaths and flowers are allowed on individual graves starting the Friday before Memorial Day and ending on the Sunday after Memorial Day. At other times flowers in containers are allowed if they are placed at the ends of the monuments on the cement foundation and do not interfere with the mowing. Wreaths and flowers are allowed provided they are attached to the monument or if they are mounted on a rod, placed on either end of the monument, not in front or back. If the flowers are placed anywhere else, they may be removed.

## + Combined Religious Education +

### Congratulations

Congratulations to our students, Emery O'Brien (I.C. Elma), Trevor Lentz (St. Bernard) and Ruby Wickman (Our Lady Of Lourdes), who made their First Holy Communion Saturday, May 14 at St. Bernard, Alta Vista.



## + Knights of Columbus +



### Knights of Columbus News

Congratulations to the Knights of Columbus Council #11592 and especially Stan & Sharlene Milewsky and Gary Watts for their excellent job on the information used in the bulletin flyer which was also used on the church placemats that were a featured presentation at the State KC's convention in Coralville, Iowa. Job well done!

### Thank You

Thank you to everyone who helped with, supported and made donations to the Ukraine Fundraiser. The deadline for donations is May 29. Please make checks out to **Catholic Relief Services**. Put your donation in the offertory basket and write "Ukraine" on the envelope, mail to the church office or mail directly to P.O. Box 17090, Baltimore, MD 21297-0303, or go on-line to "**Catholic Relief Services and Ukraine**".

### Rice Bowls

Thank you to all the families that participated in the CRS Rice Bowl program. Total collected from Holy Rosary Cluster was \$500.15.

### **+ Lourdes +**

#### Congratulations

We congratulate Paul & Toni Wickman on the occasion of the baptism of their daughter Makayla Jo. Makayla was baptized on Saturday, May 14. Please welcome and pray for Makayla Jo as she begins her new life in the Church.

#### Rosary Society News

The Rosary Society needs volunteers to step forward and serve as officers and hostess/co-hostesses. Veteran members are willing to assist.

### **+ St. Bernard +**

#### Vocation Crucifix

May 21 - Bev & Dick White

May 28 - Donna & Joe Zweibohmer

#### Sympathy

We extend our deepest sympathy to the Patricia Recker family. Patricia's Memorial Service was held on Saturday, May 14. May she rest in peace.

#### St. Bernard's 125th Celebration

The Municipal Hall will be opened at 2 PM for memorabilia viewing prior to the 4 PM Mass. The celebration at church is scheduled for Saturday, July 23. A meal/reception will follow at the hall.

### **+ Immaculate Conception-Elma +**

#### Rosary Society News

Ladies of I.C. Elma Rosary Society, dues this year are \$20. Please mail your dues to treasurer, Teresa Klobassa at P.O. Box 235, Elma, IA 50628.

### Helping Services - Office | 563-387-1720

Youth Mentoring at Helping Services for Youth & Families needs your assistance. We serve area youth in your community ages 6-16 by providing them with an adult role model to be their mentor. We currently have 19 youth waiting for their mentor. All you have to do is decide what you will do to help fill this great need. For more information **Call 563-387-1720** or **email mentoring@helpingservices.org.**

## Calendar Events

### Movie - Father Stu

This movie is based on a true story. When an injury ends his amateur boxing career, Stuart Long moves to Los Angeles to find money and fame. While scrapping by as a supermarket clerk, he meets Carmen, a Sunday school teacher who seems immune to his bad-boy charm. Determined to win her over, the longtime agnostic starts going to church to impress her. However, a motorcycle accident leaves him wondering if he can use his second chance to help others, leading to the surprising realization that he's meant to be a Catholic priest. **Rated R**

If you get a chance, this is a movie worth seeing.

#### Local Showings:

**Charles City Theater - 7 PM; May 22 & 26**

### **+ Knights of Columbus +**

#### KC Pancake Breakfast - Lake Hendricks

Sunday, May 29, 8:00 AM-Noon. Sponsored by Council #11592. Cost for 11 years old and up/\$10, Children 5-10/\$5, 5 and under/Free. Proceeds to benefit the Riceville and New Haven Communities. Take Outs Available

## Financial Stewardship

May 14/15

#### Our Lady of Lourdes (NO MASS)

Budget Envelopes \$35.00  
On-Line Giving 75.00

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On-Line Giving 60.00

#### Immaculate Conception - Elma

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Offertory 80.00  
On-Line Giving 75.00

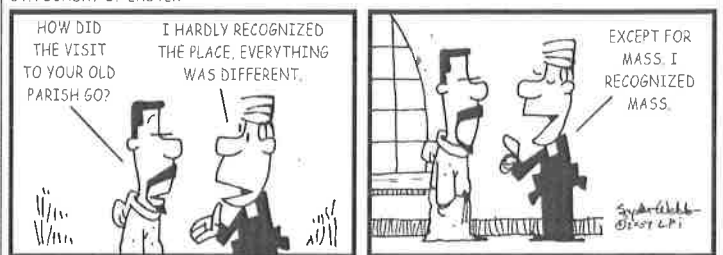
#### Immaculate Conception - Riceville

Budget Envelopes 890.00  
Offertory 91.00  
On-Line Giving 90.00

#### St. Peter - New Haven

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Offertory 25.00  
On-Line Giving 95.00

6TH SUNDAY OF EASTER





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