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Office Hours

The office this week: Closed - Monday, Wednesday, Thursday

Staffed: Tuesday - 9:00 a.m. - Noon

Friday - 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM

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!



17th Sunday

IN ORDINARY TIME

"And I tell you, ask and you will receive; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you." - Lk 11:9

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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.

July 24, 2022

Holy Rosary Cluster

To the Members of Holy Rosary Cluster:

1. First of all, a big "Thank You" to all of you for all the birthday greetings, cards, gifts, etc.--your kindness and thoughtfulness are always such special blessings for me, and are hugely appreciated! Every one of my 67 years, every day, every moment is a gift from God for which I thank him daily. I do the same for all the people he has put into my life, which means I thank God daily for the gift of every single one of you. May the Lord bless all of you and all your loved ones--and know that you are always in my daily prayers as well.

2. I will be out of town this week from Thursday July 28 through Sunday July 31 in order to attend the annual Courage conference in Mundelein IL. Fr. Dan Knipper, one of our retired priests who lives in Decorah, will cover the weekend Masses July 30-31 here in Holy Rosary Cluster. Please note: there will be no nursing home Mass on Thursday, July 28, and no 8 a.m. Mass on Friday the 29th in Elma.

"Courage" is a ministry established to help and support Catholics who experience same-sex attraction (homosexuality) to live chaste lives in accord with the teachings of the Catholic Church. "EnCourage" is the related support group for family members (e.g. parents and siblings) and friends of those with same-sex attraction. In more recent years the issue of gender confusion has become more prominent--for example, men who identify as women and vice versa. "EnCourage" has thus begun to include loved ones of those who experience that confusion.

I've been involved with these ministries for several years, and it has been a true blessing and privilege to work with these people who experience these issues either in themselves or whose loved ones do so and who fully embrace and want to live out their Catholic faith. If any of you or someone you know might be interested or curious about what this is all about, don't hesitate to contact me either by phone or email.

3. Nancy Theis, our business and office manager, will also be gone part of this week--she will be riding on RAGBRAI this Tuesday (the 26th) through Thursday (the 28th), so she will obviously not be in the office those days but will return on Friday the 29th. I will be leaving for that conference on Thursday morning--so there will be no one in the office that day.

4. One more consequence of the unusual office schedule this coming week: I will **not** be recording daily videos for July 25-29. While I record the videos, Nancy is the one who places those recordings on our cluster media--with both of our schedules more than a little unusual this week, we are going to put a 'pause' on those reflections this week. They will resume on Monday, August 1. ~Fr. Kopacek

Be Ready for God to "Stop By"

In my experience, most people can be divided into two groups: those who are old enough to remember when you kept food on hand for company, and those who aren't.

For those of you in the latter group, let me explain. Before text messaging and social media made us all unconditionally, mercilessly reachable, people would do this thing called "stopping by." They would be passing by a friend's house, maybe on the way home from work or shopping, and they would just ... stop. With no warning. No notice whatsoever. "I was just in the neighborhood," they would say. I remember my mother and I would do this on many a Saturday. It wasn't an everyday occurrence, but it was common enough that you had to be ready.

"Crazy," you might exclaim. "People just appeared on your doorstep? How did you cope with the uncertainty?" Well, most of us had moms who kept a little something on hand to eat or drink that was extra nice, just in case anyone stopped by. That way, we were always ready.

Prayer, hope, redemptive suffering, they're about what it means to *be* a Christian, and not just what it means to do Christian things. Most of all, though, they're about readiness. If God showed up at your door, would you be ready for Him? Would you be ready for what He gives you, or what He takes away? Would you be ready for Him to interrupt the plans you have for yourself? To disrupt the idea you carry in your mind of what a servant or a steward is supposed to be?

Read your Bible. Say your rosary. Go to Mass. Get to Confession. Talk to God — every day, not just when you think you need Him. That way, you are always ready. — Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS



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Cluster News

Mass Intentions Week of July 25

Monday, July 25

St. James - 2 Cor 4:7-15/Ps 126:1-6/Mt 20:20-28

8:00 AM (Elma) + Fr. Don Bakewell

Tuesday, July 26

St. Joachim & St. Anne - Jer 14:17-22/Ps 79:8-9, 11, 13/Mt 13:36-43

8:00 AM (Elma) + Arlene Klobassa

Wednesday, July 27

Weekday - Jer 15:10, 16-21/Ps 59:2-4, 10-11, 17-18/Mt 13:44-46

8:00 AM (Elma) + Angie 'Gansen' Mayer

Thursday, July 28

Weekday - Jer 18:1-6/Ps 146:1-6/Mt 13:47-53

NO MASS + Please Pray for Vocations

Friday, July 29

St. Martha, St. Mary & St. Lazarus - Jer 26:1-9/Ps 69:5, 8-10, 14/Jn 11:19-27

NO MASS + Please Pray for Vocations

Saturday, July 30

Vigil of Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time - Eccl 1:2; 2:21-23/Ps

90:3-6, 12-14, 17/Col 3:1-5, 9-11/Lk 12:13-21

4:00 PM (Lourdes) + Mary Ann Odle

6:00 PM (Alta Vista) + Ed Kobliska

Sunday, July 31

Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time - Eccl 1:2; 2:21-23/Ps 90:3-6, 12-14, 17/Col 3:1-5, 9-11/Lk 12:13-21

7:15 AM (Elma) + **NO MASS**

9:00 AM (Riceville-Live Streamed)+Robert Marr Jr. & Robert Marr Sr.

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

Eucharistic Holy Hour - Tues., August 9 at

Lourdes 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.

The Chosen - DVD Series on

the Life of Jesus - Change in Date: Next showing of *The Chosen* will be in the Elma church basement. (Date and Time to be determined)



Young Adult Discussion Group - August 14th

Cluster Mass & Social - Save The Date

The Parish Cluster Picnic sponsored by the Parish Life Committee will be held on Sunday, August 28 in Riceville at Lake Hendricks shelter house. Please plan to attend for good food and fellowship.

Mass Schedule on August 28

7:15 AM - Elma

9:00 AM - New Haven

10:45 AM - Riceville



Office Adjustment the Week of July 25-28

Nancy Theis will be out of the office the week of July 25-July 28. Fr. Kopacek will also be out of the office part of the week.

Office Hours will Be:

CLOSED: Monday, Wednesday, Thursday

STAFFED: Tuesday 9 AM - Noon

Friday 9 AM - 3 PM

Please don't hesitate to leave a message on the answering machine and Fr. Kopacek or Nancy will get back to you as soon as possible. Thank you for your patience and understanding.

MEETINGS

Tues., August 2 - Faith Formation at 6:30 PM

Wed., August 3 - Parish Life at 6:00 PM

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

Lourdes Steeple Day

Saturday, July 30, 2022



10 AM Tractor Pull

11 AM Kid's Pedal Pull

11 AM Garden Tractor Pull

4:00 PM Mass

Food available on the grounds provided by 'Big Foot BBQ'. Cash Raffle tickets available for \$20 each with 10 winners



+ St. Bernard +

Vocation Crucifix

July 23 - Irene & Ed Huegel

July 30 - Deann & Tony Meirick

+ Immaculate Conception-Elma +

Save the Date: Belgian Waffle Breakfast - Sunday, September 18 - Elma Church Hall.

+ Immaculate Conception-Riceville +

Religious Education News

IC Riceville will need catechists for the upcoming 2022-2023 CCD year in the following grades: 7, 8, 9/10(combined Confirmation). Please contact the Director of Religious Education, Debbie Oulman at 641-985-2791.

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, Gladys McGrane, LaVern McGrane, Roger Nibaur, Laurie Mohrfeld Nock, Fran Palmersheim, Abbey Sculley, Rosemary Schwickerath, Pat Smith, William 'Bill' Smith

World Day for Grandparents & the Elderly

Pope Francis established the celebration of the World Day for Grandparents and Elderly on the fourth Sunday of July, near the liturgical memorial of Saints Joachim and Anne, the grandparents of Jesus. The next World Day for Grandparents and Elderly is July 24, 2022. The theme this year is "In Old Age They Will Still Bear Fruit" (Ps. 92:15). The theme emphasizes how grandparents are a gift to society and the Church.



Supportive Services for Pregnant Mothers

Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Dubuque wants to remind pregnant women and their families that supportive services are available through Catholic Charities and other social service agencies. Catholic Charities has always provided free and confidential counseling to expectant mothers, as well as Case Management services to help connect women to supportive services and financial assistance in their area. We can also help to connect women to adoption agencies if this is their desire. Pregnancy counseling services are available via phone, telehealth, or in person. We also provide free counseling for individuals struggling with the after-effects of abortion through our Project Rachel Ministry. Please call [800-772-2758](tel:800-772-2758) for pregnancy counseling, Case Management services, and Project Rachel counseling or visit CatholicCharitiesDubuque.org

Join a nationwide effort to establish a "Walking with Moms" outreach ministry at your parish. To learn more <https://www.walkingwithmoms.com/about>.

Calendar Events

Marriage Encounter

Upcoming dates are, September 9-11 in Dubuque
For more information or to register, contact Greg and Denise at (563)920-9419 or email at drubner9419@gmail.com.

Save the Date - Catholic Conference

Christ Our Life Catholic Conference, September 24-25, 2022, Wells Fargo Arena, Des Moines with eight renowned speakers. One of the featured speakers is Patricia Sandoval, after 3 abortions, drug use and hitting rock bottom, Patricia shares the great healing and renewal by God. You may buy tickets on-line or order Live Streaming.
Contact Jeanne Watts at 641-985-2031.

Financial Stewardship

July 16/17

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Immaculate Conception - Riceville	
Budget Envelopes	5,038.32
Offertory	69.00
On-Line Giving	105.00
St. Peter - New Haven	
Budget	575.00
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On-Line Giving	95.00

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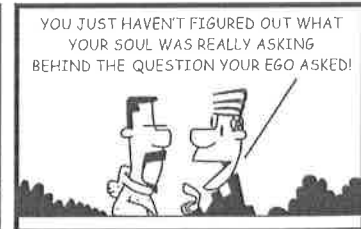
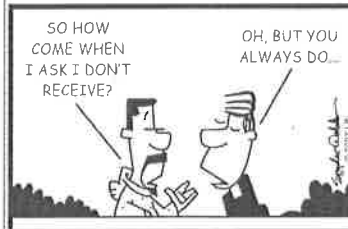


17th Sunday in Ordinary Time • Luke 11:1-13

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