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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

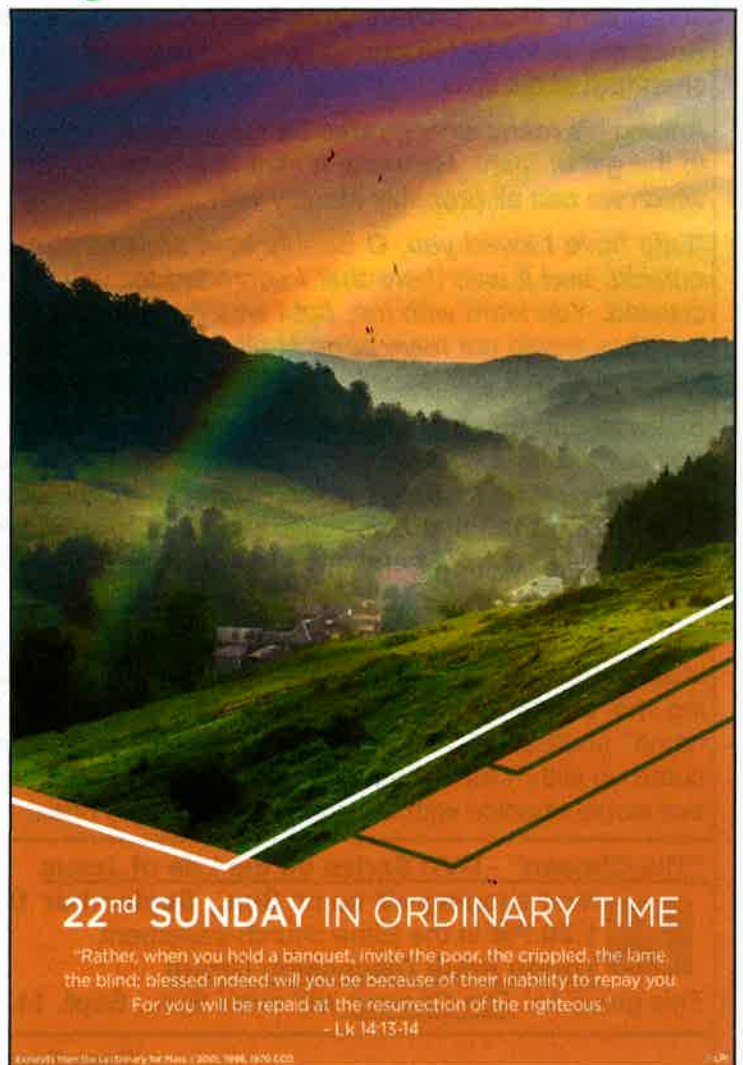
Alta Vista - Saturday, 5:00 - 5:45 PM; when Lourdes has 4 PM
Mass Alta Vista confessions will be 5:15 - 5:45 PM.

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!



22nd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"Rather, when you hold a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame,
the blind; blessed indeed will you be because of their inability to repay you.
For you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous."

- Lk 14:13-14

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.

August 28, 2022

Holy Rosary Cluster

To the Members of Holy Rosary Cluster:

1. Last reminder about our cluster picnic on Sunday, August 28. Remember also the change in the Sunday Mass schedule:

9 a.m. Mass at St. Peter's, New Haven

10:45 a.m. Mass at Immaculate Conception, Riceville

The picnic will be held at Lake Hendricks in Riceville after the 10:45 a.m. Mass. That Mass, by the way, will be celebrated in the Riceville church, not at the picnic site. I apologize for the lack of clarity about the Mass location in last weekend's bulletin. I have a baptism immediately after that Mass and then look forward to joining you at the picnic. Don't be afraid to offer a prayer or two for favorable weather!

2. The feast day of St. Augustine is August 28; since that date falls on Sunday this year, we observe the 22nd Sunday of Ordinary Time instead. Even so, St. Augustine is worthy of note—he is one of the most important and influential saints in the 2000-year history of the Church. He was born in 354 to a Christian mother in northern Africa; as he grew into adulthood, he searched for the truth and for meaning in life while also struggling with his own sin and weakness. His mother, St. Monica (whose feast day is August 27), prayed many years for his conversion; those prayers were finally answered when he embraced the Catholic faith and was baptized by St. Ambrose in Milan (modern-day Italy). Augustine later became a bishop and was an outstanding teacher and shepherd of his flock.

Among his many writings was his Confessions--his spiritual autobiography in which he described his long journey to the gift of faith. He wrote it as if in a 'letter to God', and it includes this magnificent passage--at least parts of which we can all probably identify with:

"Late have I loved you, O Beauty ever ancient, ever new, late have I loved you! You were within me, but I was outside, and it was there that I searched for you. In my unloveliness I plunged into the lovely things which you created. You were with me, but I was not with you. Created things kept me from you; yet if they had not been in you they would not have been at all. You called, you shouted, and you broke through my deafness. You flashed, you shone, and you dispelled my blindness... You touched me, and I burned for your peace.

Elsewhere in his Confessions (at the very beginning) Augustine wrote: "You have made us for yourself, O God, and our hearts are restless until they rest in you." Outside of Sacred Scripture itself, that is one of the best lines I have ever read. It speaks of the rock-solid truth that we find our deepest peace and strongest sense of meaning of life in the truth that God made us out of love and for love--his love for us and his desire that we share in his love and joy in this life and into eternity as well. St. Augustine, pray for us that we all will know, live and rejoice in that truth!

3. "Don't Forget to Laugh!" Now that another school year has begun, the youngsters are back in the classroom, including the religious education classroom. A new Sunday school teacher had her work cut out for her in teaching the Lord's Prayer to her young students. One child had to be corrected after repeating "Howard be thy name" (instead of 'hallowed be...'). Another prayed "and lead us not into Penn Station...", while a third student came up with "Our Father, who art in heaven, how'd you know my name?" I'd like to think that even the Lord himself would chuckle with delight at his dear little ones! ~Fr. Kopacek

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



Next showing will be on **Sun., September 18 at 1:30 PM** in the Elma church basement.

Young Adult Discussion Group

This group for The Chosen will meet **Sun., Sept. 11.**

Eucharistic Holy Hour-Tues., September 13 at

Alta Vista from 5 - 6 PM. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament is at 5:00 PM, closing with 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, Gladys McGrane, LaVern McGrane, Roger Nibaur, Laurie Mohrfeld Nock, Fran Palmersheim, Abbey Sculley, Rosemary Schwickerath, Pat Smith, William 'Bill' Smith

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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 August 29

Monday, August 29

The Passion of St. John the Baptist -1Cor 2:1-5/Ps119:97-102/Mk 6:17-29

8:00 AM (Elma) + Fr. Jack Paisley

Tuesday, August 30

Weekday - 1 Cor 2:10-16/Ps 145:8-14/Lk 4:31-37

8:00 AM (Elma) + Ray Maravetz

Wednesday, August 31

Weekday - 1 Cor 3:1-9/Ps 33:12-15, 20-21/Lk 4:38-44

8:00 AM (Elma) + Ray Ptacek

Thursday, September 1

Weekday - 1 Cor 3:18-23/Ps 24:1-6/Lk 5:1-11

Care Center + John Irvin

Friday, September 2

First Friday - 1 Cor 4:1-5/Ps 37:3-6, 27-28, 39-40/Lk 5:33-39

8:00 AM (Elma) + Lois McAvoy

Saturday, September 3

Vigil of Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time - Wis 9:13-18/Ps 90:3-6, 12-17/Phlm 9-10, 12-17/Lk 14:25-33

4:00 PM (Lourdes) + Donald Praska

6:00 PM (Alta Vista) + For the People

Sunday, September 4

Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time - Wis 9:13-18/Ps 90:3-6, 12-17/Phlm 9-10, 12-17/Lk 14:25-33

7:15 AM (Elma) + NO MASS

9:00 AM (Riceville) Live Streamed + Charles, Daryl, Kim & Ted McPhail

10:45 AM (New Haven) + Mark, Helen & Anne Sullivan

Early Bulletin Deadline

The September 11th bulletin will be submitted on Friday, September 2nd. Please have items for this bulletin to the cluster office by Thurs., Sept. 1st.



MEETINGS

Tues., September 13 - Liturgy Meeting at 6:30 PM

Thurs., October 6 - Parish Life Meeting at 6:00 PM

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

Religious Education Resumes: Religious Education

Religious Education classes will resume for the 2022-2023 school year beginning in September.



Combined Religious Ed. at Lourdes for Alta Vista, Elma and Lourdes begins Wed., September 14.

Riceville begins - Wed., September 14 .

New Haven begins - Sun., September 11

+ St. Bernard +

Vocation Crucifix

August 27 - Jean Cerwinske

September 3 - Monica Marvin

Rosary Society News

St. Bernard's Rosary Society meeting will be on Tuesday, September 6 at 6:00 PM at the Alta Vista Library.

Lost & Found

A pair of eyeglasses were found after the 125th Celebration. The glasses are on the table in the back of church if you are missing a pair from July 23 in Alta Vista.

+ Immaculate Conception-Elma +

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

+ Immaculate Conception-Riceville +

Congratulations

We congratulate Noah Sady & Jenna O'Donnell on the baptism of their son Keenan Michael. Keenan was baptized on August 20. Please welcome and pray for Keenan Michael as he begins his new life in the Church.

Rosary Society News

St Anne's Rosary Society will be meeting on Monday, August 29 at 7 pm. All ladies are welcome and Fall Festival will be discussed!

First Friday Confessions

Confessions will be heard on First Friday, September 2 from 4:00 - 4:40 PM at Immaculate Conception in Riceville.

Religious Education News

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

2. Parents may pick up 2022-2023 Religious Ed. Handbooks in the main entryway of the church.

Save The Date

I.C. Fall Festival is Sunday, October 2, 2022 serving Ham & Roast Beef dinner with all the fixings!

+ St. Peter +

First Friday Confessions

Confessions will be heard on First Friday, September 2 from 3:00 – 3:40 PM at St. Peter in New Haven.

New 9-8-8 Mental Health Crisis Hotline

1. Now Available Nationwide-People experiencing a mental health crisis **can simply call or text 9-8-8**. A nationwide crisis hotline offers 24/7 access to trained crisis counselors who can help people experiencing mental health-related distress. That could include thoughts of suicide, mental health or substance use crisis, or any other kind of emotional distress.

2. Catholic Charities has expanded their counseling staff with licensed mental health counselors. Available in-person or via telehealth for adults, children, couples, and families. Call **800.772.2758** for more information on Counseling Services at Catholic Charities or call for an appointment at **563-588-0588**.

GROWING WITH THE Gospel

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Read the Gospel of the week and color the image

22ND Sunday in Ordinary Time • Luke 14:1, 7-14

22ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SOMETIMES I'M AFRAID TO COME BEFORE THE THRONE OF ALMIGHTY GOD

TRUE, BUT WHEN YOU GET PAST THAT, YOU GET TO PARTY WITH THE KING'S SON!

22ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

THOSE WHO ARE TRULY GREAT ARE ALWAYS HUMBLE!

AW SHUCKS, I JUST TRY TO LIVE UP TO MY STANDARDS.

Calendar Events

+ Knights of Columbus +

KC Pancake Breakfast at Lake Hendricks

Knights of Columbus Council #11952

Will be serving a pancake breakfast:

Sunday, September 4 from 8 AM - Noon

At Lake Hendricks, Riceville

Proceeds to Benefit Riceville and New Haven Communities

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.

One of the featured speakers will be Tim Jameson.

Having been encouraged

by our Lord, Tim helps others discern the Father's

voice and engage the Faith everyday.

Tickets may be purchased on-line at christourlifeiowa.com.

Or order tickets for Live Streaming in your own home.

Contact Jeanne Watts at 641-985-2031 for more information.



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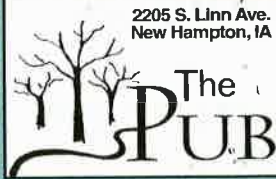
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