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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!



20TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"There is a baptism with which I must be baptized, and how great is my anguish until it is accomplished! Do you think that I have come to establish peace on the earth? No, I tell you, but rather division. From now on a household of five will be divided, three against two and two against three." - Lk 12:50-52

Excerpt from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1970 CCC

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.

Holy Rosary Cluster

To the Members of Holy Rosary Cluster:

1. A quick reminder to our young adult discussion group regarding "The Chosen": our next get-together will be this Sunday, August 14, at 7 p.m. at the cluster office in Elma. We will discuss episode 4 of Season 2; you are welcome to join us even if you don't get a chance to watch this episode ahead of time.

2. This Monday, August 15, is the feast of Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, body and soul, into heaven. Normally, this is a holy day of obligation, but because it falls on Monday this year the obligation does not attach. This is based on the decision of the U.S. bishops to that effect made several years ago. Of course, you are more than welcome to join us that day in honoring Mary and celebrating that feast at the 8 a.m. Mass in Elma.

3. In last weekend's homily about the importance of having a personal relationship with Jesus, I mentioned how our three most recent popes strongly made that same point:

Pope Francis: *"Being a Christian means having a living relationship with the person of Jesus; it means putting on Christ, being conformed to him."*

Pope Benedict XVI: *"Christian faith is not only a matter of believing that certain things are true, but above all a personal relationship with Jesus Christ."*

Pope St. John Paul II: *"It is necessary to awaken again in believers a full relationship with Christ, mankind's only savior."*

This doesn't mean, of course, that our faith is based only or entirely on our one-on-one relationship with Jesus--after all, Jesus himself established the Church to be the means by which the gospel would be made known throughout the world and throughout history. But we need that personal connection with Christ as well...and he certainly desires that as well!


4. Another one of our retired priests died recently: Fr. Jack Paisley, age 86, died on July 31 in Dubuque. He was born in Dubuque in 1935 and was ordained to the priesthood for the Archdiocese of Dubuque on June 2, 1962--he thus celebrated his 60th anniversary of ordination two months ago. Fr. Paisley served in many different assignments, including locally as:

- associate pastor at St. Joseph's in New Hampton (1976-80)
- St. John's School of Religion (New Hampton) faculty member (1976-80) and director (1980-84)
- pastor of Immaculate Conception in North Washington (1980-84)
- pastor of St. Bernard's Church in Alta Vista (1982-84)

He retired in 2005 but continued to help out throughout the archdiocese.

Eternal rest grant unto his soul, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him. May his soul and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen. ~Fr. Kopacek

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.



Eucharistic Holy Hour - Tues., September 13 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

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



Next showing of *The Chosen* will be on Sun., August 21 at 1:30 PM in the Elma church basement.

Young Adult Discussion Group
- August 14th, Elma Rectory, 7 PM



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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 15

Monday, August 15

Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary - Rv 11:19;12:1-6,10/Ps 45:10-12,16/1 Cor 15:20-27/Lk 1:39-56

8:00 AM (Elma) + Elsie Ludwig

Tuesday, August 16

St. Stephen - Ez 28:1-10/Dt 32:26-28, 30, 35-36/Mt 19:23-30

8:00 AM (Elma) + Helen Geerts

Wednesday, August 17

Weekday - Ez 34:1-11/Ps 23:1-6/Mt 20:1-16

8:00 AM (Elma) + Maria Woods

Thursday, August 18

Weekday - Ez 36:23-28/Ps 51:12-15, 18-19/Mt 22:1-14

Care Center + Calvin & Marcella Linkenmeyer

Friday, August 19

St. John Eudes - Ez 37:1-14/Ps 107:2-9/Mt 22:34-40

8:00 AM (Elma) + Clem & Judy Smith

Saturday, August 20

Vigil of Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time - Is 66:18-21/Ps 117:1-2/Heb 12:5-7, 11-13/Lk 13:22-30

4:00 PM (Lourdes) + Roger Lepa

6:00 PM (Alta Vista) + NO MASS

Sunday, August 21

Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time - Is 66:18-21/Ps 117:1-2/Heb 12:5-7, 11-13/Lk 13:22-30

7:15 AM (Elma) + Linda Zeimet

9:00 AM (Riceville-Live Streamed) + For the People

10:45 AM (New Haven) + Jerry & Madonna Fox

+ St. Bernard +

Vocation Crucifix

August 13 - Mary McAvoy

August 20 - Fran & Jerome Boehmer

Display Honoring St. Bernard's 125th

-The Carnegie Cultural Center in New Hampton has a display honoring the St. Bernard 125th Celebration now until August 21. Check the Carnegie website for hours.

-The display includes a variety of history scrapbooks and film clips of church events from the 50s-60s. Check it out if you are in New Hampton.

Lost & Found

A pair of eyeglasses was 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.

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Thank You

Thank you to the Lois McAvoy family for the donation given to the I.C. Elma Church in memory of Lois.

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

+ Immaculate Conception-Riceville +

Congratulations

We congratulate Drake Bishop and Melanie Fox on the occasion of the baptism of their son Atlas Tyr. Atlas was baptized on August 7. Please welcome and pray for Atlas Tyr as he begins his new life in the Church.

Religious Education News

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.

Rosary Society News

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

Save The Date

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

Thank You

Thank You to the Kenny Marr family for donating the sweet corn to the church for the Fall Festival.

Thank You

Thank You to all the people who came to help get the sweet corn done! Many hands made the job get done quickly!

MEETINGS

Thurs., August 18 - Social Justice Meeting at 6:30 PM

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

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

Cluster Mass & Social - Save The Date

The Parish Cluster Picnic sponsored by the Parish Life Committee will be on Sun., 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



2022-2023 Cluster Religious Education News



Parents of new students or first graders need to call their respective DREs or call the cluster office to register their child for religious education this fall. Please call as soon as possible.

Chad Buckley (515-290-5867) - Elma, AV or OLL
Debbie Oulman (641-985-2791) - Riceville
Meg Schutjer (641-713-3366) - New Haven

+ St. Patrick of St. Cecelia +

Thank You

Thank you for the donations given by John & Rose Vosicky for St. Patrick's Cemetery and from Raymond & Marlys Kobliska to St. Patrick's Cemetery in memory of Bille Kobliska.

GROWING WITH THE Gospel CYCLE

COLOR

Read the Gospel of the week and color the image.



20th Sunday in Ordinary Time • Luke 12:49-53

Calendar Events

Assumption Parish, Little Turkey Annual Dinner

August 15th

3:00 PM - Mass

Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

4:00 - 8:00 PM - 3 piece Chicken Dinner, Real

Mashed Potatoes/Gravy, Homemade Dressing, Corn, Coleslaw, Kolache and Cookie

Cost: \$15.00 per meal

Outdoor Dining, Carry-Outs or Drive-Thru

Other activities: Live Music, Games, Bingo, Kolache Sales, Raffle and Facebook Auction.

Calendar Events

44th Annual Czech Days in Protivin

August 19, 20 & 21

Saturday, Aug. 20 - 6:00 PM - Czech Mass with Czech Choir

Sunday, Aug. 21 - 10:30 AM - Polka Mass with "Jim Busta Band & Molly B"

Softball, Volleyball & Bean Bag Tournaments, Music throughout the weekend, kid's inflatables, tractor pedal pull, Parish Quilt Raffle, Auction & more

Homemade Chicken Noodle Soup, Kolaches, Rolicky, Creamed Chicken and much, much more!

Tri-County Citizens for Life Meeting

Tri-County Citizens for Life would like to invite you to a potluck supper and meeting on Tuesday, August 16 at 6:30 PM in St. Peter Lutheran church hall in Elma. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Save the Date - Catholic Conference

Christ Our Life Catholic Conference, September 24-25, 2022, Wells Fargo Arena, Des Moines. One featured speaker will be Keith Nester. He is a former Protestant preacher who became a devout Catholic in 2017. He tells of his amazing transformation. You may buy tickets on-line or order Live Streaming. Contact Jeanne Watts at 641-985-2031.

Financial Stewardship

August 6/7

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Budget Envelopes	\$1,125.00
Offertory	71.00
On-Line Giving	75.00

St. Bernard - Alta Vista

Budget Envelopes	395.00
Offertory	18.00
On-Line Giving	60.00

Immaculate Conception - Elma

Budget Envelopes	2,860.00
Offertory	59.00
On-Line Giving	50.00

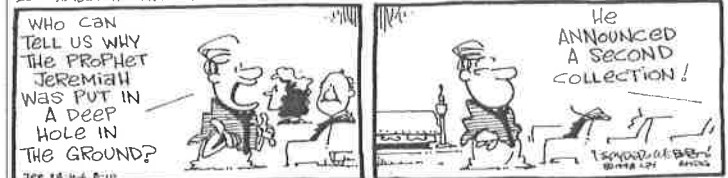
Immaculate Conception - Riceville (NO MASS)

Budget Envelopes	55.00
On-Line Giving	75.00

St. Peter - New Haven

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Offertory	60.00
On-Line Giving	95.00

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