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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

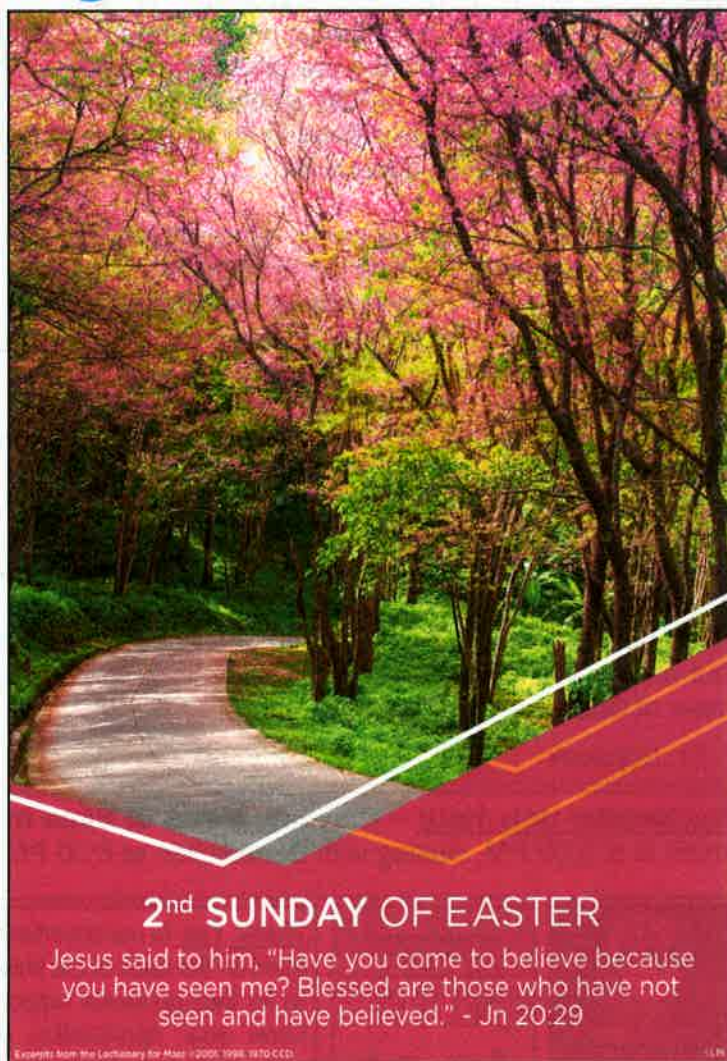
Alta Vista - Saturday, 5:00 - 5:45 PM; when Lourdes has 4 PM
Mass Alta Vista confessions will be 5:15 - 5:45 PM.

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!



2nd SUNDAY OF EASTER

Jesus said to him, "Have you come to believe because
you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not
seen and have believed." - Jn 20:29

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. First of all, a huge 'thank you' to all of you for all the Easter cards, gifts, greetings, and best wishes; once again, your kindness and generosity are hugely appreciated! My deepest thanks also to all who were involved in any way with planning and/or carrying out all the Holy Week and Easter liturgies--musicians and all other liturgical ministers, all who helped with church flowers and decorations and in every other way. It was a beautiful week of remembering all that Jesus suffered for us and how the glory and power of his resurrection gives us the solid hope of sharing in his eternal glory. I'm so grateful to all of you; may the joy of the risen Christ continue to be with you throughout this new Easter season and always.

2. If you would like to send a note or card to newly-retired Archbishop Jackels, you can send it in his name to: Archdiocesan Pastoral Center; 1229 Mt. Loretta Ave., Dubuque IA 52003.

3. I want to inform you of the death of another of our retired priests: Msgr. Cletus Hawes, age 96, died on April 1; his funeral was on April 5 in his home parish of Immaculate Conception, Wexford (rural Lansing--in the north-east corner of the archdiocese and state). He was ordained to the priesthood in 1952 and so he celebrated his 70th anniversary as a priest about a year ago. He served in as priest, pastor and administrator in many parishes and Catholic schools around the archdiocese--including assignments in Ossian and Stacyville. In addition, he was connected with the ACCW (Archdiocesan Council of Catholic Women) and the Knights of Columbus. He retired from the active priesthood in 2016 at the age of 89; for the life of me, I can't figure out why he thought he needed to start slowing down a bit.....

Msgr. Hawes loved playing cards, especially 500. Having learned that game in my family, I got in on some good 500 sessions with Msgr. and his brother, Fr. Don Hawes (also an avid card player). Even in his mid-90's, Msgr. was very sharp and knew precisely what he was doing both in bidding and playing. He was a good man and a very faithful priest who served Jesus Christ and his Church with great energy and true dedication. May his soul rest in the eternal peace of the risen Christ.

4. One of Archbishop Jackels' last official acts was to release the list of new priest assignments that will go into effect on July 11. I'm grateful to tell you that my name was not on that list--thank you, Archbishop, for allowing me to stay here in Holy Rosary Cluster! There are relatively few new assignments this time around, and none in our local New Hampton Deanery. Two priests will be retiring in July: Fr. David Kucera (Holy Family parish in Reinbeck) who has reached the permitted retirement age of 70, and Fr. Dave Ambrosy (St. Joseph parish and others in the Bellevue area) for reasons of health. Two retirements, and two men to be ordained to the priesthood next month--Casey Flack and Jeff Frieden. At least our number of active priests won't decrease this year, but neither will it increase. Please--continue to pray daily for an increase in priestly vocations for the Archdiocese of Dubuque.

~ Fr. Kopacek

Eucharistic Holy Hour - Tuesday, May 9 at Elma 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.



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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 April 17

Monday, April 17

Easter Weekday - Acts 4:23-31/Ps 2:1-9/Jn 3:1-8

8:00 AM (Elma) - Fr. Mark McGovern

Tuesday, April 18

Easter Weekday - Acts 4:32-37/Ps 93:1-2, 5/Jn 3:7b-15

8:00 AM (Elma) - Living & Deceased Members of the Ptacek Family

Wednesday, April 19

Easter Weekday - Acts 5:17-26/Ps 34:2-9/Jn 3:16-21

8:00 AM (Elma) - Tom Zeimetz

Thursday, April 20

Easter Weekday - Acts 5:27-33/Ps 34:2, 9, 17-20/Jn 3:31-36

Care Center - Stan Duffy

Friday, April 21

St. Anselm - Acts 5:34-42/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14/Jn 6:1-15

8:00 AM (Elma) - Steve Murphy

Saturday, April 22

Vigil of Third Sunday of Easter - Acts 2:14, 22-33/Ps 16:1-2, 5, 7-11/1 Pt 1:17-21/Lk 24:13-35

4:00 PM (Lourdes) + William & Mae Nibaur

6:00 PM (Alta Vista) + NO MASS

Sunday, April 23

Third Sunday of Easter - Acts 2:14, 22-33/Ps 16:1-2, 5, 7-11/1 Pt 1:17-21/Lk 24:13-35

7:15 AM (Elma) + For the People

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

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

MEETINGS

Pastoral and Finance Meetings

Meetings for each of our cluster parishes has been set; all these meetings will be held at 6 p.m.:

- Tues., April 18--Alta Vista (meeting held in Elma church hall)
- Tues., April 25--Riceville (at Riceville)

We will review the usual financial statements, but the main task will be to begin the goal-setting process for each parish in accord with the archdiocesan pastoral planning process.

CRS Rice Bowls

Thank you for participating in the Catholic Relief Services Rice Bowl collection. You may put the rice bowls in specially marked offering baskets in the churches at the Masses through April 30th OR donate directly online at crsricebowl.org/give.



Cemetery Clean Up

Holy Rosary Cluster is thinking Spring! ALL flowers and decorations that are not attached to a monument or cement base should be removed from all the cluster cemeteries to get ready for the mowing season. We appreciate your cooperation.



+ Lourdes +

Sympathy

We extend our deepest sympathy to the Betty Zobeck family. Betty's Funeral was held on Saturday, April 1. May she rest in peace.

+ St. Bernard +

Vocation Crucifix

April 15 - Irene & Ed Huegel

April 22 - Bev & Dick White

+ Immaculate Conception-Riceville +

First Holy Communion

Please keep our First Holy Communion students in your prayers. They will make their First Communion today, Sunday, April 16. Join us for Coffee and Rolls following Mass.



Church Cleaning

Spring church cleaning will take place April 17-22. Please help clean your areas. Thank You!

+ St. Peter +

First Holy Communion

Please pray for our First Holy Communion students who will make their First Communion on Sunday, April 23 at the 10:45 AM Mass. Everyone is invited to join us for donuts, juice and coffee in the church hall following Mass.



Digital Liturgy Schedules

St. Peter liturgy schedules are now available in a digital form. If you would like the digital liturgy schedule emailed to you call the cluster office at (641-393-2520) or email Nancy at dbq075sec@dbqarch.org.



The organization, Northeast Iowa Pro-Lifers would like to thank the Riceville and New Haven Knights of Columbus



Council #11952 for their donation of money and food for the Nurturing Life Seminar held March 25 in Decorah where Mary Ann Kuharski spoke.

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2nd Sunday of Easter • John 20:19-31

Calendar Events

Notre Dame, Cresco Spring Dinner

Thursday, April 20, 2023

Serving 4:30 - 7:00 PM

Notre Dame Church Hall, 223 2nd Ave. E., Cresco, IA
Menu: Swiss Steak, Mashed Potatoes/Gravy, Corn, Cole Slaw, Rolls, Homemade Pie or Dessert, Coffee & Milk
Adults: \$15/ Ages 6-12: \$10 Carry Outs Available

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Financial Stewardship

April 1/2

Our Lady of Lourdes	
Budget Envelopes	\$580.00
Easter	275.00
Offertory	146.00
On-Line Giving	75.00
St. Bernard - Alta Vista	
Budget Envelopes	587.00
Easter	410.00
Offertory	52.00
On-Line Giving	460.00
Immaculate Conception - Elma (NO MASS)	
Budget Envelopes	3,684.04
On-Line Giving	302.00
Immaculate Conception - Riceville	
Budget Envelopes	1,410.00
Easter	150.00
Offertory	221.00
On-Line Giving	100.00
St. Peter - New Haven	
Budget Envelopes	1,215.00
Easter	70.00
Offertory	125.77
On-Line Giving	95.00

April 8/9

Our Lady of Lourdes	
Budget Envelopes	\$2,830.00
Easter	2,765.00
Act of Kindness	86.00
On-Line Giving	75.00
St. Bernard - Alta Vista	
Budget Envelopes	370.00
Easter	1,320.00
Act of Kindness	166.00
On-Line Giving	60.00
Immaculate Conception - Elma	
Budget Envelopes	3,517.00
Easter	1,225.00
Act of Kindness	30.00
On-Line Giving	50.00
Immaculate Conception - Riceville	
Budget Envelopes	425.00
Easter	1,910.00
Act of Kindness	431.50
On-Line Giving	225.00
St. Peter - New Haven (NO MASS)	
Budget Envelopes	250.00
Easter	275.00
On-Line Giving	645.00

2ND SUNDAY OF EASTER





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