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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

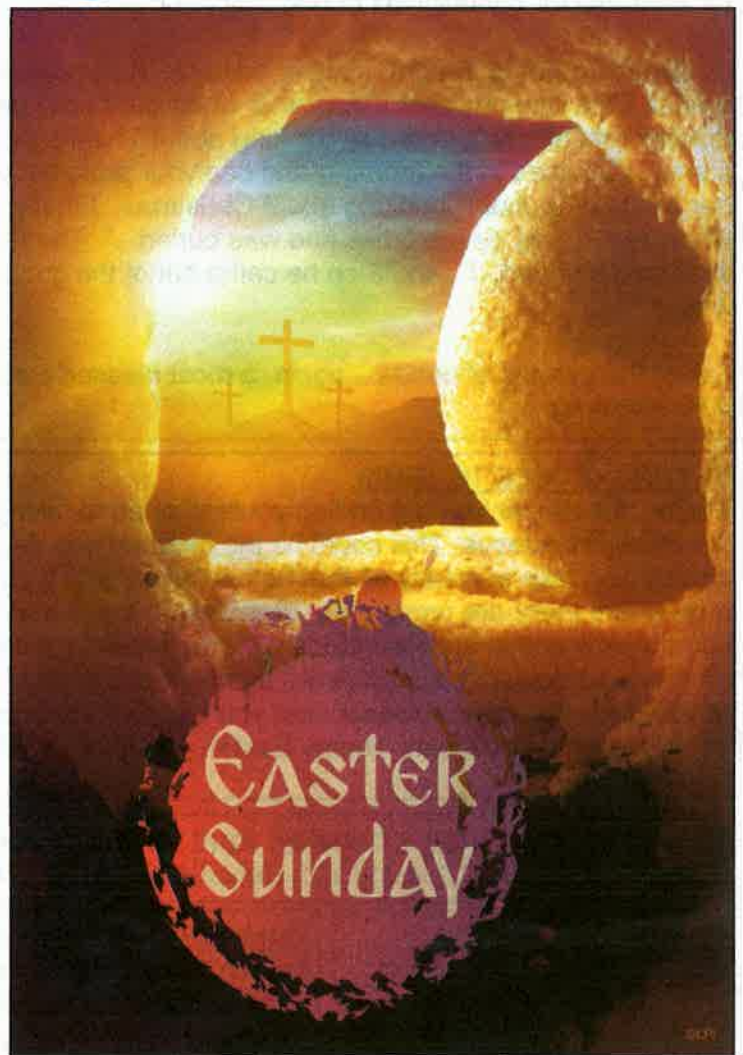
Alta Vista - Saturday, 5:00 - 5:45 PM; when Lourdes has 4 PM
Mass Alta Vista confessions will be 5:15 - 5:45 PM.

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!



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.

April 9, 2023

Holy Rosary Cluster

To the Members of Holy Rosary Cluster:

1. "Then the angel said to [Mary Magdalene and the other Mary] in reply, 'Do not be afraid! I know that you are seeking Jesus the crucified. He is not here, for he has been raised just as he said. Come and see the place where he lay.'"

This passage from the gospel from the Easter Vigil on Holy Saturday night proclaims the great good news that the Church has been proclaiming for nearly 2000 years: Jesus Christ is risen from the dead! The lasting power of sin and death has been destroyed once and forever by our Savior's resurrection, which means that we are now able to share in his eternal glory. May the joy and victory of Easter be with you and all your loved ones now and always.

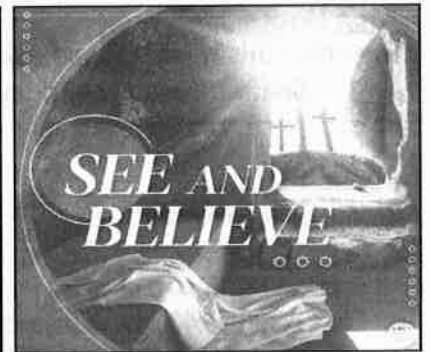
2. Just a reminder that our second-Tuesday-of-the-month Eucharistic Holy Hour will be held this Tuesday, April 11, in New Haven. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will take place at 5 p.m. and Benediction at 6 p.m. I'll be available for confessions during that hour.

3. "Don't Forget to Laugh!" (Easter edition): A Sunday school teacher asked her class what they knew about Easter. One little guy said: "Easter is when our family gets together and we eat turkey and watch football." The teacher told him he's probably thinking about Thanksgiving instead. Next a little girl said "Easter is when you come downstairs in the morning and see your presents under the tree." The teacher was discouraged and told her she was probably thinking about Christmas. Finally, another youngster raised his hand and said: "Easter is when Jesus died on the cross and was buried..." The teacher thought: "Finally--someone gets it right!", until the student continued: "...and then he came out of the grave, and if he sees his shadow we have six more weeks of winter."

Out of the mouths of babes....again, a most blessed Easter to you and all those you love.
~ Fr. Kopacek

GETTING CLOSER TO JESUS

Maybe this Easter you are finding yourself open to taking a next step in your relationship with Jesus. This could be the moment you decide to follow Him more closely and take seriously all that he has given you. If so, welcome to the journey, where there are many other disciples on that same path who can help show you the way and share their stories. If not, hopefully it doesn't take a whole year for this possibility to be considered again. Jesus is alive and waiting to get closer to you. May this Easter season find you and Our Lord getting to know one another in a whole new way. Happy Easter! - Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS



Eucharistic Holy Hour - Tuesday, April 11 at New Haven 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 10

Monday, April 10

Easter Weekday - Acts 2:14, 22-33/Ps 16:1-2, 5, 7-10, 11/Mt 28:8-15
NO MASS - Please Pray for Vocations

Tuesday, April 11

Easter Weekday - Acts 2:36-41/Ps 33:4-5, 18-20, 22/Jn 20:11-18
8:00 AM (Elma) - Jerome Heying

Wednesday, April 12

Easter Weekday - Acts 3:1-10/Ps 105:1-4, 6-9/Lk 24:13-35
8:00 AM (Elma) - Brian Friedhoff

Thursday, April 13

Easter Weekday - Acts 3:11-26/Ps 8:2, 5-9/Lk 24:35-48
Care Center - Ida Marie Rowe

Friday, April 14

Easter Weekday - Acts 4:1-12/Ps 118:1-2, 4, 22-27/Jn 21:1-14
8:00 AM (Elma) - Harold Thiele

Saturday, April 15

Vigil of Second Sunday of Easter - Acts 2:42-47/Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24/1 Pt 1:3-9/Jn 20:19-31

4:00 PM (Lourdes) + Bob Voves

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

Sunday, April 16

Second Sunday of Easter - Acts 2:42-47/Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24/1 Pt 1:3-9/Jn 20:19-31

7:15 AM (Elma) + Kenny Chihak

9:00 AM (Riceville) Live Streamed + Carl Blake

10:45 AM (New Haven) + NO MASS



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 Easter Masses through April 30th OR donate directly online at crsricebowl.org/give.



+ Lourdes +

Sympathy

We extend our deepest sympathy to the Richard Lenehan family. Richard's Funeral was held on Friday, March 31. May he rest in peace.

Rosary Society Meeting

Our Lady of Lourdes Rosary Society will hold a meeting on Wednesday, April 12 at 5:30 PM in the church hall. Please come and help plan our year.

+ St. Bernard +

Vocation Crucifix

April 8 - Jean Cerwinske

April 15 - Irene & Ed Huegel

+ Immaculate Conception-Elma +

Liturgy Schedules Available

April liturgy schedules are available in the entrance of the church.

+ Immaculate Conception-Riceville +

First Holy Communion

Please pray for our First Holy Communion students who will make their First Communion on Sunday, April 16 at the 9:00 AM Mass. Coffee and rolls will be served following Mass.



+ St. Peter +

Liturgy Schedules Available

The May and June liturgy schedules are available in the back of the church.

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

MEETINGS

Thurs., April 13 - Parish Life at 6:00 PM

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

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 11--New Haven (at New Haven)
- 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.

Grief Support Group

Grief Support group for men will have its first meeting on Wednesday, April 12 at the KC Hall in Osage. It will start at 6:30 PM and go till 8:00 PM. If interested or for more details contact Tim Niess at 515-250-2269.



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Totus Tuus Missionaries Needed

Totus Tuus missionaries serve parishes across the Archdiocese throughout the summer leading songs, teaching, performing skits, and sharing witness talks with the children/youth of the Archdiocese. This is a paid position with training and most expenses provided for. Application information can be found at www.dbqarch.org/Totus-Tuus. Please contact Joanne Pohland (j.pohland@dbqarch.org) with any questions.



Calendar Events

World Wide Marriage Encounter Weekend

Married Couples. Would you like to relive the excitement, romance and passion from your honeymoon? Rekindle that spark on a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend Experience. For more information call 563-920-9419 or you can sign up at wwme.org. Upcoming dates are April 22-23 in Epworth, IA and September 22-24 in Dubuque, IA.

Online Giving

When you give online, your gift is transferred conveniently and securely from your bank account or credit card directly to the church. Visit Holy Rosary Cluster website at <http://holyrosarycluster.org>.

1. Click on your Parish Giving link
2. Create your account
3. Schedule recurring or one-time donations
4. Call the office 641-393-2520 if you need help.

Weekly Collection

Due to an early bulletin deadline the bulletin was submitted on March 31. The financial stewardship for April 1 & 2 will be in the next bulletin.

Financial Stewardship

March 25/26

Our Lady of Lourdes (NO MASS)

Budget Envelopes \$155.00
On-Line Giving 75.00

St. Bernard - Alta Vista

Budget Envelopes 1,670.00
Offertory 53.75
On-Line Giving 60.00

Immaculate Conception - Elma

Budget Envelopes 775.00
Offertory 49.00
On-Line Giving 60.00

Immaculate Conception - Riceville

Budget Envelopes 500.00
Offertory 176.30
On-Line Giving 150.00

St. Peter - New Haven

Budget Envelopes 610.00
Offertory 179.00
On-Line Giving 105.00

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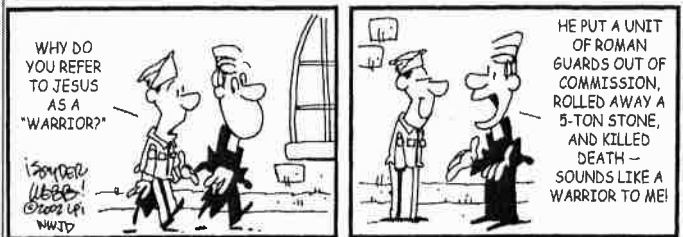
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Easter Sunday • John 20:1-9

EASTER





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