



Our Lady of Lourdes  
Lourdes, IA



Saint Bernard  
Alta Vista, IA



Immaculate Conception  
Elma, IA



Immaculate Conception  
Riceville, IA



Saint Peter  
New Haven, IA

# Holy Rosary Cluster

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### Office Hours

The office this week: **Closed - Monday & Tuesday**

**Staffed: Wednesday - 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

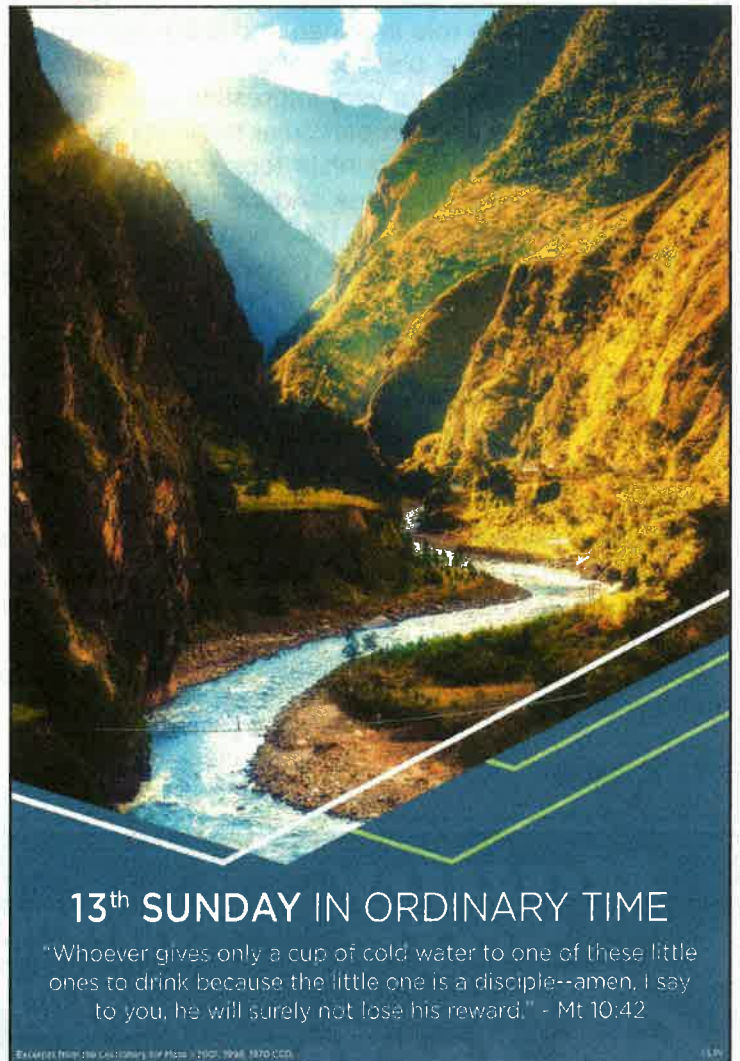
**Alta Vista** - Saturday, 5:00 - 5:45 PM; when Lourdes has 4 PM Mass Alta Vista confessions will be 5:15 - 5:45 PM.

**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!



## 13<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"Whoever gives only a cup of cold water to one of these little ones to drink because the little one is a disciple--amen. I say to you, he will surely not lose his reward." - Mt 10:42

### 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. This coming Wed., July 5, I'll be going to Dubuque after the 8 a.m. Mass in Elma to be with my sister Bonnie and her family for the delayed celebration of her 80th birthday (which was Feb. 28). Her seven children and their families will all be there, literally from coast to coast--they live in Oregon, Arizona, and North Carolina as well as here in the upper midwest. I look forward to being with them; I'll return to Elma that evening.

2. Our heartiest congratulations go to the nine men who were ordained to the permanent diaconate on June 24 at St. Raphael's Cathedral in Dubuque and to their wives and families. Two of these new deacons hail from the northern part of our archdiocese: Terri Wenthold (wife Lynette) from Ossian and Jim Wolf (wife Kris) from Mason City. You may remember that Greg Lambert was ordained a deacon last month--he is a transitional deacon which means he will be ordained to the priesthood next year. Those ordained on June 24, on the other hand, are permanent deacons--they are not on the path to priesthood.

I have been on the archdiocesan permanent diaconate formation board for a number of years, and it has given me the opportunity to know these nine men and their wives. They are all very fine people with a deep faith and who are committed to serve the people of God in their parishes and in our archdiocese. Please pray for them as they begin their new role in parish and public ministry.

3. Please pray for the blessed repose of the soul of Fr. Louis Zee (age 90), one of our retired priests who died on June 18. His story is a very interesting one: he was born in China in 1933 to a Catholic family. Christianity in general and Catholicism in particular have not had a strong presence in China, and that became even more of a challenge when the Communists took control of China in 1949. Fr. Zee was in the seminary at that time; he ended up in the United States and came to Loras College and St. Bernard Seminary in Dubuque. Fr. Zee was ordained to the priesthood in 1959 and served in a number of parishes around our archdiocese until 2000 when he received permission to go to Houston TX to serve as pastor to a Chinese Catholic parish there until his retirement from active ministry in July of 2021.

Unfortunately, I didn't get to know Fr. Zee very well when he was here in Iowa--our assignments were not close to each other. But I do remember his warm smile and friendly manner, and I know that he was deeply loved by the people and parishes he served. May he rest in the eternal peace of the risen Christ.

4. Bishop Pates recently shared with us priests a note he received from Archbishop Jackels. Our retired shepherd gives us a brief update: *"It's nice, and right for me to be in California, closer to my family; for the past almost 50 years I've lived long distances from them....But, is this heaven? No, it's not Iowa, where I experienced a wonderful, engaged laity; so many witness-rich Religious; my first experience with Permanent Deacons; and the finest of all the presbyterates [priests in a particular diocese or archdiocese] I've been associated with. I'm not doing much else besides reconnecting with family, caring for my mom, addressing health issues, and offering to supply for priests where it's hard to find help....Let us pray for each other."*

Please continue to pray for Archbishop Jackels, and for the Holy Spirit's guidance in the process of choosing our new archbishop.

~ Fr. Kopacek



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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 on the cluster website under 'Parish Happenings' or the cluster Facebook page.



## Mass Intentions Week of July 3

### Monday, July 3

St. Thomas - Eph 2:19-22/Ps 117:1-2/Jn 20:24-29

8:00 AM (Elma) - Tom & Glenda Kuhn Intention

### Tuesday, July 4

Weekday - Gn 19:15-29/Ps 26:2-3, 9-12/Mt 8:23-27

8:00 AM (Elma) - Angie Mayer

### Wednesday, July 5

St. Anthony Zaccaria - Gn 21:5, 8-20/Ps 34:7-8, 10-13/Mt 8:28-34

8:00 AM (Elma) - Clem & Mabel Smith Family

### Thursday, July 6

St. Maria Goretti - Gn 22:1-19/Ps 115:1-6, 8-9/Mt 9:1-8

Care Center - Merlyn Gunsallus

### Friday, July 7

First Friday - Gn 23:1-4, 19; 24:1-8, 62-67/Ps 106:1-5/Mt 9:9-13

8:00 AM (Elma) - Ben & Agnes Dunn

### Saturday, July 8

Vigil of The Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time - Zec 9:9-10/Ps

145:1-2, 8-11, 13-14/Rom 8:9, 11-13/Mt 11:25-30

4:00 PM (Lourdes) + NO MASS

6:00 PM (Alta Vista) + Helen Geerts

### Sunday, July 9

Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time - Zec 9:9-10/Ps 145:1-2, 8-

11, 13-14/Rom 8:9, 11-13/Mt 11:25-30

7:15 AM (Elma) + Francis Dietrich

9:00 AM (Riceville) Live Streamed + Darell Duryee

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

## Eucharistic Holy Hour

Tuesday, July 11 at Alta Vista from 5 - 6 PM.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament is at 5:00 PM, closing with Benediction at 6:00PM. Fr. Kopacek will be available for confessions.



## MEETINGS

Thurs., July 13 - Parish Life at 6:30 PM

Thurs., Aug. 10 - Social Justice at 6:30 PM

Meetings will be held in the I.C. Elma church basement.

## Low Gluten Hosts

Low Gluten hosts are available for those that are in need, please contact the Cluster Office. These low gluten hosts meet the stipulations set forth by the Roman Catholic Church and they have low enough gluten to be approved by the Celiac Support Association.

## Cluster Mass & Social - Save the Date

The Parish Cluster Picnic sponsored by the Parish Life Committee will be held at St. Bernards in Alta Vista on Sunday, August 27 with Mass at 10:45 AM. Picnic to follow. Watch the bulletin for more details.



## Totus Tuus - July 16 to July 21

1. Totus Tuus will be at I.C., Riceville the week of July 16. Totus Tuus is a week-long parish mission to promote Catholic faith while still having fun.
2. Families with children entering 1st - 12th grade this fall should have received information in the mail. If you didn't receive a letter, contact the cluster office.
3. Adult volunteers are needed for classroom aide's that week to assist team members. Three volunteers are needed each day. You will not be asked to teach or assist in teaching. If you are able to help one or all three days, contact the cluster office (641-393-2520) or Janet Pridgen at (850-529-5285) for more details.
4. Completed forms need to be returned no later than July 9. Mail to: Holy Rosary Cluster, 203 7th St, Elma



## Act of Kindness

Act of Kindness collections will be taken the weekend of July 8/9. Lourdes' collection will be taken on July 15. Designated charity this month is: St. Bernard - Red Lake Mission, I.C. Elma - Red Lake Mission, Our Lady of Lourdes - Red Lake Mission, St. Peter - Red Lake Mission, and I.C. Riceville - Red Lake Mission.

## + St. Bernard +

### Vocation Crucifix

July 1 - Deann & Tony Meirick

July 8 - Mildred Brus

## + Immaculate Conception-Elma +

### Sympathy

We extend our deepest sympathy to the Laurie Mohrfeld Nock family. Laurie's Funeral was held on Saturday, June 24. May she rest in peace.

### Thank You

Thank you to Elma Scout Troop 64 for planting a tree next to the church in memory of Keith Roethler.

## + Immaculate Conception-Riceville +

### First Friday Confessions

Confessions will be heard on First Friday, July 7 from 4:00 - 4:40 PM at Immaculate Conception in Riceville.

**+ St. Peter +**

**First Friday Confessions**

Confessions will be heard on First Friday, July 7 from 3:00 – 3:40 PM at St. Peter in New Haven.

**Sympathy**

We extend our deepest sympathy to the Thomas Johanns family. Tom's Funeral was held on Friday, June 23. May he rest in peace.

**Needed – Director of Religious Education**

We are looking for someone to fill the position of DRE for the St. Peter Religious Education program. The position opens on July 1, 2023. Anyone interested in this part-time position is asked to contact the cluster office for more details.

**Church Cleaner Needed**

We are in need of someone to clean St. Peter Church once a month and do some additional cleaning during the year. If you are interested contact the Holy Rosary Cluster Office (641-393-2520) for more details.

**+ Knights of Columbus +**

**Knights of Columbus 4th Degree Meeting**

The Elma Knights of Columbus Marian Council #4144 will be offering a breakfast Sunday, July 9th from 8:00 AM - 11:00 AM at the Elma Memorial Hall.



**ArchdioceseOne Update**

As we continue through 2023, ArchdioceseOne continues to move towards its end at the end of this year. To date, we've raised **\$15,805,765** for the four beneficiaries of this special appeal. We continue to have conversations with new donors daily, and if you or any of your parishioners have still not donated, and would like to, there is still time. Please contact Jeff Schneider at [jeff.schneider@dbqarch.org](mailto:jeff.schneider@dbqarch.org) or at 563-556-2580 x219 or Cassie Bird at 563-556-2580 x211 or [c.bird@dbqarch.org](mailto:c.bird@dbqarch.org) for information on how to give or any other questions you might have. Thank you for your support!

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**Calendar Events**

**Eucharistic Miracles of the World (Schedule Change)**

**June 27 - July 2 at Notre Dame Parish, Cresco  
M-Thur:8AM-8PM; Fri-8AM-5:30PM  
Sat-2-7PM; Sun-9AM-Noon (Last Day)**

This exhibit was designed and created by Blessed Carlo Acutis. Carlo died of leukemia in 2006 when he was only 15. Carlo created a website to document his travels to see the Eucharistic miracles of the world. Carlo wanted to share Jesus in the Eucharist with the world. This exhibit is sponsored by Iowa Catholic Radio.

**Support Group for Those Who Have Lost Someone to Suicide**

**Everybody Hurts**, a non-profit group for suicide prevention and mental health awareness, has a support group for those who have lost someone to suicide. The meetings will be held the 4th Sunday of each month from 1:30-3:00 PM at St. John's School of Religion, 823 W. Main St., New Hampton, across the street from the New Hampton High School. If you would like more information or have questions, please contact Audrey Drewelow at 319-610-5873 or Dawn Heying at 641-330-4687. The next meeting will be July 23, 2023.

**Financial Stewardship**

June 24/25

**Our Lady of Lourdes**

Budget Envelopes	\$1,800.00
Offertory	103.00
On-Line Giving	75.00

**St. Bernard - Alta Vista**

Budget Envelopes	360.00
Offertory	54.00
On-Line Giving	110.00

**Immaculate Conception - Elma**

Budget Envelopes	437.00
Offertory	50.00
On-Line Giving	560.00

**Immaculate Conception - Riceville**

Budget Envelopes	1,290.00
Offertory	98.00
On-Line Giving	250.00

**St. Peter - New Haven (NO MASS)**

Budget Envelopes	350.00
On-Line Giving	95.00



