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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

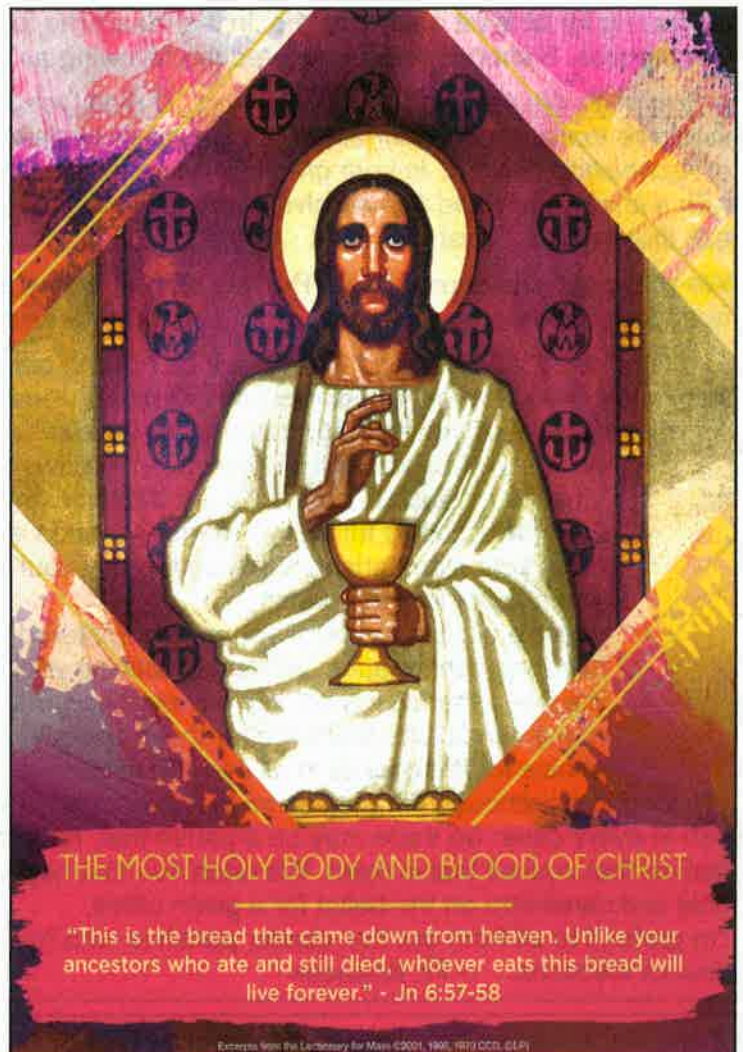
**Alta Vista** - Saturday, 5:00 - 5:45 PM; when Lourdes has 4 PM Mass Alta Vista confessions will be 5:15 - 5:45 PM.

**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.

June 11, 2023

# Holy Rosary Cluster

## To the Members of Holy Rosary Cluster:

1. Just a quick reminder about our monthly Eucharistic Holy Hour: this Tuesday, June 13, at Lourdes. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will take place at 5 p.m. and we will close with Benediction at 6 p.m.; I'll be available for confessions during that hour.
2. In a recent communication from Bishop Pates (the apostolic administrator for our archdiocese while we await the appointment of our new archbishop), he told of the connections he has been making around the Archdiocese of Dubuque--celebrating the sacrament of confirmation in several parishes, ordaining our two new priests and one new deacon over Memorial Day weekend, and meeting with a variety of parish, school, and archdiocesan groups. He begins this letter as follows: "My first comment is one of heartfelt gratitude for the welcome that has been extended to me on all fronts. Secondly, every evidence is that this faith community has deep roots and on that basis is making Jesus Christ known and loved in our time and place."

Bishop Pates also wrote of the anticipation we all feel about the naming of our new archbishop. We do not know when that announcement will be made; given the likelihood of there being many dioceses and archdioceses around the world that are also waiting for new bishops/archbishops to be named, I wouldn't be surprised if we will be waiting for at least a few months. In the meantime, please continue to pray for the Holy Spirit's guidance in this process. Bishop Pates has offered the following as a prayer we can all offer:

A Prayer as We Await a New Archbishop: *O God, you send your Son, our Lord Jesus, as priest, prophet, and king. We thank you for your abundant blessings bestowed upon our Archdiocese, and thank you for the ministry of Archbishop Jackels. In your grace, send us a bishop like Jesus; a priest of deep and true prayer, a teacher with a loving heart and firm resolve, and a shepherd of joy and peace, who desires above all to do Your will. We ask this through Christ, our Lord. Amen."*

We will use this to conclude our Prayers of the Faithful at the weekend Masses, and you are strongly encouraged to offer this prayer yourself or with your family on a regular basis.

3. I mentioned last weekend that we will be holding our parish pastoral council elections during the next two weekends: **New Haven will do so next Sunday, June 18; the other four parishes of our cluster will do so on the weekend of June 24/25.** Some other details:

- ballots and pencils will be placed in the pews for each parish; again, New Haven on June 18, and the other four parishes on the June 24/25 weekend Masses;
- I will have ballots for all five cluster parishes available at all five churches; so if you know that you won't be at your own parish church on the day your parish will have its election, let me know and I will give you a ballot for your parish;
- you are eligible to vote if you are a registered member of your parish, received the sacraments of baptism and confirmation, and are practicing your Catholic faith;
- the five parishes will differ in terms of how many spots are open on each pastoral council, and of how many candidates there are for those spots. Also, there will be an opportunity to write in your own choice for the council in all five parishes.

We tried to get enough candidates so that every parish would have a slate to choose from, but that did not happen in every case. So there may be a parish that, for example, has only one candidate running for the one position on that council that is open. We often see that happen in the public elections, especially for local offices--only one candidate on the ballot for a given office.

I'm grateful to all from our five cluster parishes who have expressed their willingness to be on the ballot for these council elections. ~ 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. Find them on the cluster website under 'Parish Happenings' or on the cluster Facebook page.



## Mass Intentions Week of June 12

### Monday, June 12

Weekday - 2 Cor 1:1-7/Ps 34:2-9/Mt 5:1-12

8:00 AM (Elma) - Mark Brakman

### Tuesday, June 13

St. Anthony of Padua - 2Cor1:18-22/Ps119:129-133,135/Mt 5:13-16

8:00 AM (Elma) - Fr. John Herzog

### Wednesday, June 14

Weekday - 2 Cor 3:4-11/Ps 99:5-9/Mt 5:17-19

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

### Thursday, June 15

Weekday - 2 Cor 3:15-4:1, 3-6/Ps 85:9-14/Mt 5:20-26

Care Center - Elsie Ludwig

### Friday, June 16

The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus - Dt 7:6-11/Ps 103:1-8, 10/1 Jn 4:7-16/Mt 11:25-30

8:00 AM (Elma) - Special Intention

### Saturday, June 17

Vigil of The Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time - Ex 19:2-6/Ps

100:1-3, 5/Rom 5:6-11/Mt 9:36-10:8

4:00 PM (Lourdes) + David Kappes

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

### Sunday, June 18

Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time - Ex 19:2-6/Ps 100:1-3, 5/Rom

5:6-11/Mt 9:36-10:8

7:15 AM (Elma) + Deceased Members of the Quinten & Lucille Fangman Family

9:00 AM (Riceville) Live Streamed + NO MASS

10:45 AM (New Haven) + John Sullivan & Maddie Kruse

## Meetings

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

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

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

## Parish Council Elections

Parish Council Elections will be held at Mass on the following dates: **Sunday, June 18** - St. Peter

**Saturday, June 24** - St. Bernard

**Saturday, June 24** - Our Lady of Lourdes

**Sunday, June 25** - Immaculate Conception (Elma)

**Sunday, June 25** - Immaculate Conception (Riceville)



## Eucharistic Holy Hour

**Tuesday, June 13 at Lourdes from 5 - 6 PM.**

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



## Early Bulletin Deadline

If you have items for the July 9 bulletin, please have them to the church office by June 27. Thank You!



## 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.

## **+ Combined Religious Education +**



Congratulations to the students who made their First Holy Communion on May 27 at Our Lady of Lourdes Church. They were Leo Kraft, Lela Brophy, Hazel Ruggeberg, Karli Speer and Gage Ludwig from Our Lady of Lourdes and Adalyn O'Brien from Immaculate Conception, Elma.

## **+ St. Bernard +**

### Vocation Crucifix

June 10 - Suezen & Keith Glaser

June 17 - Julie & Gary Swehla

## **+ Immaculate Conception-Elma +**

### Rosary Society News

Rosary Society dues for 2023 are \$20.00. Please mail your dues to Barb Smith, 14595 - 185th St., Elma, IA 50628.

### Sympathy

We extend our deepest sympathy to the Debra Ries family. Deb's Funeral was held on Monday, June 5. May she rest in peace.

## **+ Immaculate Conception-Riceville +**

### Coffee & Rolls

Everyone is welcome to join us for Coffee & Rolls following Mass on Sunday, June 11.

## **+ St. Peter +**

### 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.

### Liturgy Schedules Available

July and August liturgy schedules are available in the entrance of the church.

**+ Knights of Columbus +**

**Thank You**

Thank you to everyone who attended the KC Council #11592 Pancake Breakfast at Lake Hendricks. It was very much appreciated!

**Religious Freedom Week June 22-29**

The USCCB invites Catholics to pray, reflect, and act during Religious Freedom Week, June 22-29. This week draws attention to how the practice of our faith is threatened in our country and abroad. It begins on the Feast Day of St. Thomas More and John Fisher, who was convicted of treason and executed for opposing King Henry VIII's divorce. For more resources on how to participate, visit [usccb.org/religiousfreedomweek](http://usccb.org/religiousfreedomweek)



**Iowa March for Life- June 24**

Please consider participating in the Iowa March for Life Sat. June 24th at the state capital. Recognizing the first anniversary of the overturning of Roe v Wade, the event includes a rally at 1 pm on the west steps of the capital, followed by a March at 1:45pm to the Iowa Judicial Building. This family-friendly event, sponsored by the Iowa Coalition of Pro-Life Leaders, is a great way to proclaim the value of human life.



For more info, visit [dbqarch.org/respect-life-1](http://dbqarch.org/respect-life-1)

**Update Your Information or Join a Parish**

It's always helpful to update your information at the church office. If you have discontinued your landline and only have a cell phone number or need to update your address it helps the office to have your most current information. Give the church office a call if any of your information has changed. Thank You! **OR** young adults looking for a church, please register at one of the Holy Rosary Cluster parishes.

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**Calendar Events**

**Tri-County Citizens for Life Meeting**

Tri-County Citizens for Life will hold a meeting on Tuesday, June 13 at 7:00 PM in the Elma I.C. Church basement. Everyone is welcome to join us.

**Kim Grimm Blood Drive**

The Kim Grimm Blood Drive will be on Thursday, June 22, at the RAC(Riceville Activity Room at the School) from 12-6:00 -- Call Judy Grimm for an appointment at 641-220-0233. Give the gift of Life!!!!



**Financial Stewardship**

May 27/28

**Our Lady of Lourdes**

Budget Envelopes	\$1,765.00
Offertory	213.00
On-Line Giving	75.00

**St. Bernard - Alta Vista (NO MASS)**

Budget Envelopes	50.00
On-Line Giving	110.00

**Immaculate Conception - Elma**

Budget Envelopes	587.00
Offertory	46.00
On-Line Giving	60.00

**Immaculate Conception - Riceville**

Budget Envelopes	850.00
Offertory	173.00
On-Line Giving	.00

**St. Peter - New Haven**

Budget Envelopes	360.00
Offertory	96.25
On-Line Giving	105.00

June 3/4

**Our Lady of Lourdes (NO MASS)**

Budget Envelopes	\$220.00
On-Line Giving	75.00

**St. Bernard - Alta Vista**

Budget Envelopes	470.00
Offertory	78.00
On-Line Giving	160.00

**Immaculate Conception - Elma**

Budget Envelopes	562.00
Offertory	64.00
On-Line Giving	202.00

**Immaculate Conception - Riceville**

Budget Envelopes	1,203.00
Offertory	99.00
On-Line Giving	175.00

**St. Peter - New Haven**

Budget Envelopes	710.00
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On-Line Giving	95.00

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