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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

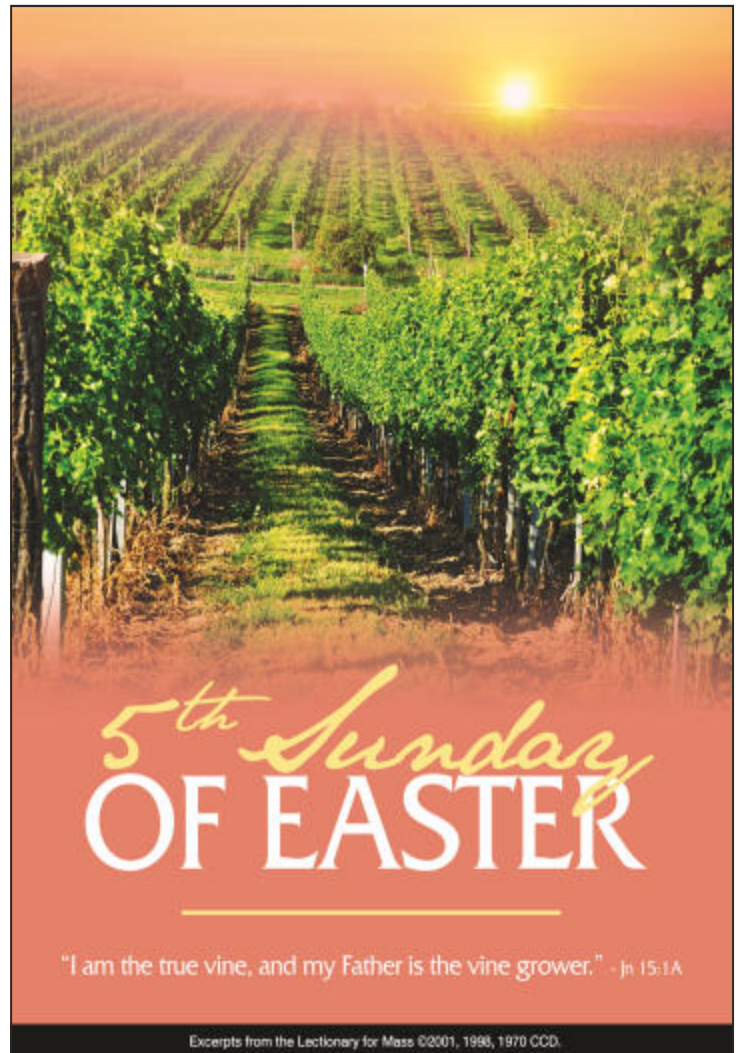
Alta Vista - Saturday, 5:00 - 5:45 PM; when Lourdes has 4 PM
Mass Alta Vista confessions will be 5:15 - 5:45 PM.

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

Baptism Class is required. Make baptism arrangements
by phoning the Cluster Office (393-2520) during office hours.

Holy Rosary Cluster

To the Members of Holy Rosary Cluster:

1. Just a reminder that this coming Thursday, May 6, I will resume having **10 a.m. Mass on Thursdays at the Elma and Riceville care facilities:** at Afton Oaks in Elma and at the nursing home in Riceville.

This means that there will no longer be an 8 a.m. Mass in Elma on Thursdays.

At this time, these Thursday Masses are not open to outside visitors or other parishioners. I very much hope that will change soon so that you can attend like you did before the pandemic. But I'm very grateful for the opportunity to be with and offer Mass for our folks who have been almost entirely isolated for over a year. Let's thank God for the progress that is being made and pray as well that progress will continue.

2. In our General Intercessions for last weekend's Masses we prayed for those who are preparing for ordination. This year Archbishop Jackels will ordain three young men to the priesthood on Saturday, May 29: Kyle Tietz, Jacob Donne, and Martin Coolidge. Kyle and Jacob are from Cedar Rapids, while Martin grew up in Ohio. All three of them did their undergraduate studies at Iowa State (that very fine institution of higher learning....) and took part there in the priesthood discernment discussion group conducted by Fr. Jon Seda when he was pastor of the Catholic Student Center at ISU. They then did two years of pre-theology studies at Loras College in Dubuque and lived at the Vianney House with the other college seminarians. After finishing up at Loras, they then did their four years of theology studies at Mundelein Seminary in Mundelein, IL (a north-Chicago suburb).

On Friday evening, May 28, the archbishop will ordain Ben Valentine as a deacon; God willing, Ben will then be ordained to the priesthood next year. Ben is also from the Cedar Rapids area. He did his four-years college degree at Loras College and also lived at the Vianney House.

It was my genuine joy and privilege to work with all four of these young men during my years as director of spiritual formation for the college seminary program at the Vianney House (2014-18). I was the individual spiritual director for Jacob and Martin for their two years at Loras, and for Ben for all four of his years there. All four of them--Kyle, Jacob, Martin and Ben--are extremely fine and faith-filled young men. They love Jesus and are on fire to serve him and his Church; they are firmly committed to the full truth of our Catholic faith and can't wait to share that faith with the good people of the Archdiocese of Dubuque.

Please pray for them daily, and especially between now and their ordination dates coming up later this month. And please continue to pray that more young men will follow in their footsteps of priestly discernment and formation. ~Fr. Kopacek

Everyday Stewardship Reflection

The Bible tells us that when we bear fruit as good everyday stewards, it is for the Father's glory. We are the branch on His magnificent tree. What we have is from Him, and what we do likewise points back to Him. We also tend to reflect how well the other branches around us are incorporating the nutrients coming their way. That's all fine and good in theory. In practice, it can be an arduous exercise in humility.

When I do something virtuous or charitable or kind, there is a part of me that wants to stand out for it. I think that's true for all of us. We've given of ourselves in some way or overcome some human temptation to accomplish a little bit of good in this world, and even though we know God sees us, we'd really love for everyone else to see it, too. It's a struggle, for sure. But we need to remember that our fruit belongs to the whole tree. -Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS



Pray For Those in Need

Jean Cerwinske, Michelle Cerwinske, Punk Cerwinske, Therese Collins, Ed Durnan, Donna Fitzgerald, Sara Folkers, Ken Gebel, Joann Heying, Rose Heying, Jimmy Holmen, Arlene Koblassa, Diane Kovarik, Arlene Kuennen, Joe Ludwig, Ann Foxen Maas, Lois McAvoy, Gladys McGrane, Fran Palmersheim, Ida Roe, Abbey Sculley, Rosemary Schwickerath, Pat Smith, William 'Bill' Smith, Linda Zeimetz

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Cluster News



Live Streaming

Watch Mass live with Fr. Kopacek on Sunday mornings at the 9:00 AM Mass in Riceville. Find it on the cluster website under 'Parish Happenings' or on the cluster Facebook page.



Daily Reflections

Fr. Kopacek's daily reflections can be found on Facebook and on the Holy Rosary Cluster website under 'Parish Happenings'.

Mass Intentions Week of May 3

Weekday Mass at 8:00 AM

Mon., May 3 (Elma) + Fr. Richard Gaul

Tues., May 4 (Elma) + Bernard & Helen Dunn

Wed., May 5 (Elma) + Merle Wacha

10:00 AM - Thurs., May 6 (Afton Oaks) + Elsie Ludwig

First Friday, May 7 (Elma) + Linus Lentz

Saturday, May 8

4:00 PM (Lourdes) + Beatrice Havlik & Beata Kubik

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

Sunday, May 9

7:15 AM (Elma) + John Burke

9:00 AM (Riceville) + NO MASS

10:45 AM (New Haven) + Mary Jane Foxen

Readings for the week of May 3, 2021

Monday: 1 Cor 15:1-8/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5/Jn 14:6-14

Tuesday: Acts 14:19-28/Ps 145:10-11, 12-13, 21/Jn 14:27-31

Wednesday: Acts 15:1-6/Ps 122:1-5/Jn 15:1-8

Thursday: Acts 15:7-21/Ps 96:1-3, 10/Jn 15:9-11

Friday: Acts 15:22-31/Ps 57:8-10, 12/Jn 15:12-17

Next Sunday: Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48/Ps 98:1, 2-4/1 Jn 4:7-10/Jn 15:9-17

Act of Kindness

Act of Kindness collections will be taken the weekend of May 8 & 9. Riceville's collection will be taken on May 16. Designated charity this month is: St. Bernard, I.C. Elma, Lourdes, St. Peter and I.C. Riceville - Newman Student Center at the University of Iowa.

Eucharistic Holy Hour

Tuesday, May 11 at Lourdes from 5:00 - 6:00 PM

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at 5:00 PM, Benediction at 6:00 PM. Fr. Kopacek will be available for confessions during the Holy Hour. Everyone is welcome to attend.



+ St. Bernard +

Vocation Crucifix

May 1 - Ed & Irene Huegel

May 8 - Tony & Deann Meirick

May Crowning

May Crowning on Saturday, May 1 at St. Bernard.

Thank You

Thank you to all who helped with the annual cleaning in church. Your help was greatly appreciated!

+ Immaculate Conception-Riceville +

Congratulations

We congratulate Isaac and Cassandra Ring on the occasion of the baptism of their son Aiden Joseph. Aiden was baptized on April 25. Please welcome and pray for Aiden Joseph as he begins his new life in the Church.

Congratulations

We congratulate Allen and Kacie Koenigs on the occasion of the baptism of their children Bentley Troy, Kinzlee Marie, Carver Allen and Hallie Caroline. The children were baptized on April 20. Please welcome and pray for Bentley Troy, Kinzlee Marie, Carver Allen and Hallie Caroline as they begin their new life in the Church.

Rosary Society News

St. Anne's Rosary Society will meet on May 3 at 7:00 PM in the church basement.

May Crowning

May Crowning will be Sunday, May 2 at Riceville.

First Friday Confessions

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

+ St. Peter +

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The Masses of Ordination

The Mass of Ordination to the Transitional Diaconate will take place on Friday, May 28, 2021 at 7:00 PM and the Mass of Ordination to the Priesthood will take place on Saturday, May 29, 2021 at 10:00 AM. Both will take place at the Cathedral of St. Raphael in Dubuque. Attendance is by invitation only. Both Masses will be live-streamed and available at www.DBQArch.org/Live-Broadcasts.

ACCW - Archdiocesan Council of Catholic Women

Women of the Archdiocese of Dubuque, we need your support. All women of the Archdiocese are encouraged to support the ACCW through a sustaining membership of \$10 a year. ACCW sponsors the 'Beauty in Christ women's conference, gives support to seminarians, newly ordained priests and other religious, an annual retreat day and many service projects. Go to dbqarch.org/council-of-catholic-women to fill in a form and pay the \$10 fee online or mail a check (made out to ACCW) for \$10 to Lisa Hemesath, ACCW Treasurer, 1116-240th St. State Center, IA 50247. Your membership includes a quarterly news-letter subscription to 'The Link'.

90 Faces of Hope Video Series

Join us in celebrating the 90th anniversary of Catholic Charities in 2021 with the *90 Faces of Hope* video series. This video series includes clients, staff, and volunteers sharing their experiences with Catholic Charities throughout the years. Our services have impacted tens of thousands of lives in the past 90 years and we are excited to share their stories! Go to YouTube and type in "90 Faces of Hope", several videos will be available with speakers presenting stories about Catholic Charities and all their good works.



PUZZLE

Unscramble words from today's Gospel:

vine	Father	honored
joined	pray	gardener
branch	fruit	clean

inev	<u>v i n e</u>	
Fareth	_____	
genarder	_____	
chanbr	_____	
fritu	_____	
lecan	_____	
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MISSION

Read Galatians 5:22-23 with your family. Write down the nine different kinds of fruit that will grow from your faith, when you stay connected to Jesus.



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5th SUNDAY OF EASTER



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April 24/25

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On-Line Giving 10.00

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On-Line Giving 49.00

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Offertory 61.00

On-Line Giving 75.00

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On-Line Giving 80.00

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5th Sunday of Easter • John 15:1-8

5th SUNDAY OF EASTER



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