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Lourdes, IA



Saint Bernard  
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New Haven, IA

# Holy Rosary Cluster

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**The office this week:**

**CLOSED - Monday & Wednesday**

**Staffed: Tuesday, Thursday & Friday 9:00a.m.3:00p.m.**

## Reconciliation

Any time by appointment

**Weekday Confession Schedule Change:** Reconciliation is now Only Scheduled on Fridays 15 minutes before the 8:00 AM Mass in Elma. No scheduled confession time Tues.-Thurs. before weekday Mass.

\*\*This Does Not affect the Weekend Confession Schedule.

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 parish that doesn't have weekend Mass.**

## Regular Bulletin Deadline - Please have bulletin

items to the office by the Monday the week

before you would like the item in the bulletin. Thank You!



## 6<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY OF EASTER

[Jesus said to his disciples:] "The Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything and remind you of all that I told you. Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you." - Jn 14:26-27a

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## 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

May 25, 2025 6<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter John 14:23-29

Jonathan Haidt's 2024 book entitled "The Anxious Generation" argues that today's kids are marked by significant increases in anxiety, as the title suggests. Smartphones, social media, economic uncertainty, the chaos of a global pandemic, fear regarding climate change, and the so-called "meaning crisis" all contribute to strikingly high levels of anxiety in young people today. I'm a bit older than this generation, but I feel it, too. The world can be too much to handle.

The Gospel this week offers a stunning solution for troubled souls. To his overwhelmed and anxious disciples, the risen Jesus says, "**Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you**" (John 14:27). His peace is that of the one who was overwhelmed on the cross and then conquered death by the power of his divinity, his bond of love with the Father. He offers us this unshakeable peace.

Of course, mental illness does not magically disappear because of the risen Jesus. But he does walk with us and offer us his peace in the midst of our suffering. The peace the world gives is not like his because it is weak, uncertain, and self-generated. Jesus' peace is strong, sure, and given as a gift from God. He gives it to us amid our anxiety. Will you receive it as a gift? I hope so. He wants to fill the hearts of this generation with his peace.

— Father John Muir ©LPI



## OFFICE CLOSED

The Cluster Office will be closed on Wednesday, May 28 due to a meeting.

## MEMORIAL DAY

HEAVENLY FATHER, INSCRIBE THEIR SACRIFICES INTO OUR HEARTS SO WE MAY NEVER FORGET THE LOSS OF THESE HEROES.

O God, Father of all, we give thanks for the lives of those who have served and died for our freedom. We remember their sacrifices and pray that their souls may find eternal peace. Comfort the families who mourn their loss, and help us to live in a way that honors their memory and their courage. Grant peace to our nation and to all the world. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen

## Disciple Maker Index (DMI) Survey

### To The Members Of Holy Rosary Cluster:

I have continued to review our DMI results and will be releasing information around the Four Facts of a Thriving Parish.

### These Four Factors Include:

- Leadership Indicators
- Sunday Experience
- Spiritual Practices
- Missionary Impulse

This week's review expands on results from our Leadership Indicators. Our strength within this category of parishioners would recommend their parish, its pastor and staff to others. Recommendations from you are a key contributor to a thriving parish and I encourage you to continue to invite others to join our community.

Surveys show that there are opportunities to serve in the parish and provide opportunities to those in need. Our results also showed financial transparency about finances of individual parishes. Thank you once again for your participation in the DMI. It gives great insights into what we do well and how we can better serve our community. Please continue to pray for our parish/cluster and the archdiocese as we seek the Holy Spirit's guidance during the discernment of the DMI results.

Faithfully, Fr. Telesphore DUSABE

## Ministry to the Sick, Hospitalized & Homebound

Please call the Cluster Office (641-393-2520) if you would like a visit or call from Father Telesphore, whether it's for anointing of the sick, visiting you at home or the hospital, Father Telesphore is more than happy to see you and talk to you.

## Eucharistic Holy Hour in June 2025

Eucharistic Holy Hour will be in Elma June 10, 5-6 PM. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament-5:00 PM closing with Benediction-6:00 PM. Father George Midangu will be available for confessions.

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# Cluster News

## Live Streaming

Watch Mass live on Sunday mornings at 9:00 AM in Riceville. Mass will be posted on the cluster website under 'Parish Happenings' or Facebook page.



## Mass Intentions Week of May 26

### Monday, May 26

St. Philip Neri - Acts 16:11-15/Ps 149:1-6, 9/Jn 15:26-16:4

**NO MASS** - Please Pray for Vocations

### Tuesday, May 27

St. Augustine - Acts 16:22-34/Ps 138:1-3, 7-8/Jn 16:5-11

**8:00 AM (Elma)** - Diane Kinnaman

### Wednesday, May 28

**Easter Weekday** - Acts 17:15/Ps 148:1-2, 11-14/Jn 16:12-15

**8:00 AM (Elma)** - Bernard & Helen Dunn

### Thursday, May 29

**Easter Weekday** - Acts 18:1-8/Ps 98:1-4/Jn 16:16-20

**8:00 AM (Elma)** - Gladys McGrane

**10:00 AM (Col. Man.)** - Keith & Avis Roethler

### Friday, May 30

**Easter Weekday** - Acts 18:9-18/Ps 47:2-7/Jn 16:20-23

**8:00 AM - (Elma)** - Ray Maravetz

### Saturday, May 31

**Vigil of The Ascension of the Lord** - Acts 1:1-11/Ps 47:2-3, 6-9/Eph 1:17-23/Lk 24:46-53

**4:00 PM (OLL)** + Marcella & Ed Haskovec

**6:00 PM (AV)** + **NO MASS**

### Sunday, June 1

**The Ascension of the Lord** - Acts 1:1-11/Ps 47:2-3, 6-9/Eph 1:17-23/Lk 24:46-53

**7:15 AM (Elma)** + Ben & Agnes Dunn

**9:00 AM (Riceville)** + For the People

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

## Change in Daily Confession Schedule

Confessions will be scheduled only on Fridays 15 minutes before daily Mass. No scheduled daily confession time Tues.-Thurs. Confessions available any time by appointment. Weekend schedules remain the same.

## Our Call to Share

Please be on the lookout for the Spring Collection envelope for Our Call to Share. This 4-in-1 collection that supports four important regional and national ministries. By giving to ministries beyond our local parish, we respond to Christ's call to be as one body - united in faith and mission - through our support of the broader Catholic Church. We pray that you will consider supporting these worthy ministries generously. Thank you in advance for your support of the mission of the Church!

### Ministries are:

- The Catholic Campaign for Human Development
- The Retirement Fund for Religious
- The Hispanic Ministry Collection
- The Catholic Communications Campaign

## MEETINGS

**Tues., July 8** - Faith Formation at 6:30 PM

**Thurs., July 10** - Parish Life at 6:00 PM

Meetings in the Elma IC church basement.

## Act of Kindness

Act of Kindness collections will be taken the weekend of June 7/8. Lourdes' collection will be taken on June 14. Designated charities this month are: St. Bernard - One Vision, I.C. Elma - One Vision, Our Lady of Lourdes - One Vision, St. Peter - One Vision and I.C. Riceville - Wapsi Great Western Line

## Cemetery News and Decorations

Wreaths and flowers are allowed on individual graves starting the Friday before Memorial Day (May 23) and ending on the Sunday after Memorial Day (June 1). At other times flowers in containers are allowed if they are placed at the ends of the monuments on the concrete foundation and do not interfere with the mowing. Wreaths and flowers are allowed provided they are attached to the monument or if they are mounted on a rod, placed on either end of the monument on the concrete base. If the flowers are placed anywhere else, they may be removed.



## Congratulations to Our High School Seniors

Congratulations to the Cluster's 2025 High School Seniors: Alta Vista - Jackie Pickar; Lourdes - Will Ludwig; Elma - Kaden Smith & Samantha Wilberding; Riceville - Jack Adams, Johnny Adams, Trevor Carolan, Kylie Dvorak, Carver Hale & John O'Donnell; New Haven - Mattea Meirick, Jackson Joens & Beau Taylor



## Seminarian Visit

### Thank You From Father Mark Murphy

"The formation of future priests...is considered by the Church one of the most demanding and important tasks" (*I Will Give You Shepherds*, #2, by Pope St. John Paul II).

Thank you for hosting the first year seminarians of the Archdiocese of Dubuque on the weekend of May 3/4, and participating in this most demanding and important task of the Church. I am grateful for the good people they met and the brief experiences they had. Please pray for these men - Sean Hamilton, Matt Mitchell, and Cory Rude (One of them may one day be your pastor!) - and please pray for vocations."

~Father Mark Murphy  
Archdiocese of Dubuque Vocation Director

## Save the Date - Elma I.C. Chicken Dinner



Sunday, June 8, 2025

11:00 - 1:30 PM

Elma Memorial Hall

**Menu:** Mike Reick's Chicken, Mashed Potatoes/Gravy, Corn, Coleslaw, Dinner Roll, Bars & Beverage. **Cost:** \$15 a meal, Eat In or Carry Outs available. **Delivery in Elma Only - Call Colleen Heying by Saturday, June 7th for In-Town Delivery (641-330-8288).**

## + St. Bernard +

### Vocation Crucifix

May 24 - Irene & Ed Huegel

May 31 - Deann & Tony Meirick

### Thank You

Thank you to Joe & Donna Zweibohmer for the flag they donated to Mt. Calvary Cemetery in Alta Vista.

## + Lourdes +

### 150th Celebration Souvenirs Available



Lourdes' 150th souvenirs are available. Coffee mugs, key chains, crocks, t-shirts and caps. If interested in purchasing something please call Pat Sir 641-393-2193.

## + Immaculate Conception-Elma +

### Turning in Chicken Dinner Tickets

Please turn in money for your chicken dinner tickets you received in the mail on Sunday, June 8th. (The day of the dinner.) OR you may also turn in your money ahead of time to Renee at the Elma Library.



### Thank You from the Sisters of Mercy

As we Sisters of Mercy celebrate 150 years, we lovingly remember the places we've been and the people who touched our lives. Though we are no longer present in person, please know that we remember you and continue to hold Immaculate Conception and its people dear to our hearts. We are grateful for any vocations you have nurtured. Sisters of Mercy. 1125 Prairie Drive NE. Cedar Rapids, Iowa 52402  
Thank you, Sister Marge Friedhoff

### Totus Tuus Missionaries Needed for 2025

If you know any college-age men and women from your parishes who would be great role models for younger Catholics, suggest they apply to serve as a Totus Tuus Missionary for Summer 2025! This is a paid position with training and most expenses provided for during the summer. Application information can be found at [www.dbqarch.org/Totus-Tuus](http://www.dbqarch.org/Totus-Tuus). Please contact Joanne Pohland ([j.pohland@dbqarch.org](mailto:j.pohland@dbqarch.org)) with any questions.



### Thank You to KC Council #11592

Tri-County Citizens for Life wishes to thank the Knights of Columbus council 11592, Riceville and New Haven, for the generous donation to help sponsor the fair booth at the Howard Co. Fair.

### Calendar Events

#### National Eucharistic Pilgrimage – Dubuque to Ames Fri., May 23 – Tues., May 27, 2025

The Archdiocese of Dubuque is honored to host a leg of the National Eucharistic Pilgrimage, which makes its way from Indianapolis to Los Angeles from mid-May to the Feast of Corpus Christi. Eight Perpetual Pilgrims, four young men and four young women, will accompany the Blessed Sacrament on this nearly cross-country journey and will be our guests from May 23-27, 2025. Friday evening, May 23rd, the Blessed Sacrament will arrive at the Port of Dubuque Marina.

The faithful are encouraged to accompany Jesus to the far western edge of our Archdiocese when He and the Perpetual Pilgrims **depart Tuesday morning, May 27th**, from Ames to the Diocese of Des Moines.

### Financial Stewardship

May 17/18, 2025

#### Our Lady of Lourdes

Budget Envelopes	\$425.00
Offertory	138.00
On-Line Giving	60.00

#### St. Bernard - Alta Vista

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Offertory	58.00
On-Line Giving	120.00

#### Immaculate Conception - Elma

Budget Envelopes	618.00
Act of Kindness	93.00
On-Line Giving	98.00

#### Immaculate Conception - Riceville (NO MASS)

Budget Envelopes	260.00
On-Line Giving	.00

#### St. Peter - New Haven

Budget Envelopes	390.00
Offertory	77.00
On-Line Giving	100.00

#### 6TH SUNDAY OF EASTER





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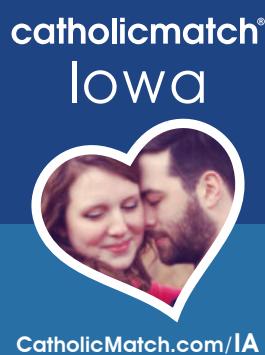
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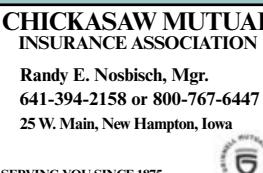


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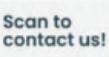
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