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Confessions are heard one half-hour prior to each Mass.

Sat. Dec. 3rd	5:00 PM 7:00 PM	RAVENNA MASS LC MASS: + Franny Stobbe
Sunday, Dec. 4th	8:00 AM 10:30 AM	LC MASS: For the People RAVENNA MASS
Mon., Dec. 5th	12:00 PM	NO ASHTON MASS
Wed., Dec. 7th	11:00 AM	NO LC MASS
Thurs., Dec. 8th (HOLY DAY)	5:30 PM 7:00 PM	LC MASS: For the People RAVENNA MASS
Sat., Dec. 10th	5:00 PM 7:00 PM	RAVENNA MASS LC MASS: For the People
Sun., Dec. 11th	8:00 AM 10:30 AM	LC MASS: + Joann Piechota RAVENNA MASS



Stewardship Reflection – The Second Sunday of Advent

“Therefore, every tree that does not bear good fruit will be cut down and throw into the fire.” Matthew 3:10

Do you bear good fruit for Jesus? Do you spend time in prayer, or do you waste it with mindless activity? Do you use your talent to help others or are you too busy? Do you use your treasure to support the Church, or do you buy more things that go unused? Our time, talent, and treasure are gifts from God. What we do with these gifts is our gift back to Him. What gifts are you planning to give to the Lord during this upcoming Christmas season?

<p>THURSDAY, Dec. 8th, 5:30 p.m.: <u>Greeters:</u> Jerome & Jeanette Siwinski <u>Leader:</u> Rose Ann Kowalski <u>Lector:</u> Rich Peters <u>Eucharistic Ministers:</u> Edith Kusek & Bonnie Davidson <u>Servers:</u> Kade Kowalski</p> <p>SATURDAY, Dec. 10th, 7:00 p.m.: <u>Greeters:</u> Jeremy & Anne Wilke <u>Leader:</u> Jerry Kowalski <u>Lector:</u> Krista Slobaszewski <u>Eucharistic Ministers:</u> Evan Tuma & Kaylee Tuma <u>Servers:</u> Ashlyn Gappa</p> <p>SUNDAY, Dec. 11th, 8:00 a.m.: <u>Greeters:</u> Paul & Elaine Kusek <u>Leader:</u> Gary Eurek <u>Lector:</u> Heidi Krolikowski <u>Eucharistic Ministers:</u> Linda Kohlscheen & Ron Mroczek <u>Servers:</u> Sam Krolikowski & Conrad Kaminski</p>
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Giving Tree: Are you or your family looking for a special way to give back this Advent season? There is a Giving Tree at the back of church-- a Christmas tree with ornaments on which is listed an anonymous little boy or girl (ages 0-12) from our very own community who could use a little extra cheer this holiday season. You simply select an ornament, purchase a Christmas gift for that particular child, and bring the gift back to the Giving Tree at St. Josaphat's. A representative from CNCAP in Loup City will then see to it that the gifts are taken to where they need to go! The gifting deadline is December 22nd at 12 pm. For further questions, don't hesitate to contact Kaitlyn via email at keskibinski@centralnebraskacap.com or phone 308-745-0780, ext. 163.

Advent Reconciliation Times: Loup City: Saturdays, Dec. 10th and 17th, 12 – 2 pm.

Ravenna: Sundays, Dec. 11th and 18th, 11:30 – 1:30 pm.

2023 Ministry Schedule: I will be working on the ministry schedule this week. Please let me know if there are any changes you wish to make- if you would like to be added or perhaps taken off for the time being. This includes Greeters, Leaders, Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers, and Altar Servers.
Email: josaphatsaint@yahoo.com

Christmas Memorial Envelopes are available at the back of church for those wishing to honor their deceased loved ones this Christmas season. The suggested donation for poinsettias this year is \$20. A memorial listing will appear in our Christmas bulletin. These may be returned in the collection basket during any of our weekend Masses (no later than *December 18th*).

Hazard Altar Society will set up for Advent Mass on Tuesday, December 6th, at 2 p.m. with a meeting following. St. Gabriel's Advent Mass is scheduled for Wednesday evening, December 14th, at 7 p.m. with the Christmas party to follow.

Keeping the Lord's Day Holy: Join Bishop Hanefeldt for a live-streamed teaching presentation of *Dies Domini* on Monday evenings: December 5, 12, beginning at 7:30 PM CST. These weekly teachings will be available on the Catholic Diocese of Grand Island Facebook page and You Tube channel. Last week's episode was postponed due to illness. Links can be found on the diocesan website at: www.gidiocese.org.

Catechism in a Year (with Fr. Mike Schmitz): If you have ever wanted to understand what it means to be Catholic- this podcast is for you! Understand your Catholic faith with Fr. Mike (Ascension Press): Read the entire *Catechism of the Catholic Church* in 365 days. Sign up to get a FREE reading plan Fr. Mike will be following for the podcast: www.ascensionpress.com/ciy. This series begins on January 1, 2023, but can also be followed at your own pace... no need to "keep up" if time simply does not allow for you to.

- Not savvy with the internet? Don't worry. If you have an email, once subscribed, you will receive daily emails with links to his podcasts in them.
- Ascension Press does promote their own version of the *Catechism of the Catholic Church* which is available for purchase on their website, but one you may already have at home will also work as well.

BINGO: Only one Bingo date this month! Tues., December 13th, 7 p.m., at the Parish Hall.

	November 26 and 27, 2022		
	LOUP CITY	ASHTON	HAZARD
WEEKLY ENV.	\$ 2,973.42	\$ 468.00	\$ 345.00
PLATE	\$ 1,106.26	---	---
CHILDREN'S	\$ 21.16	---	---
Mental Health	\$ 199.00	15.00	55.00
Budget for Nov.	\$ 13,306.17	\$ 3,053.88	\$ 1,933.66
Received to Date	\$ - 9,862.67	\$ - 2,063.00	\$ 1,625.00
Balance Unmet	\$ 3,443.50	\$ 990.88	\$ 308.66

