

The Catholic Communities of

ST. JOSAPHAT

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

Sat. Dec. 10 th	5:00 PM 7:00 PM	RAVENNA MASS LC MASS: For the People
Sun., Dec. 11 th	8:00 AM 10:30 AM	LC MASS: + JoAnn Piechota RAVENNA MASS
Mon., Dec. 12 th	11:00 AM	LC MASS: + Henry Krolikowski
Wed., Dec. 14 th	11:00 AM	LC MASS: + Anton & Evelyn Roschynialski
Sat., Dec. 17 th	5:00 PM 7:00 PM	RAVENNA MASS LC MASS: + Margaret Sorensen
Sun., Dec. 18 th	8:00 AM 10:30 AM	LC MASS: + John Janulewicz RAVENNA MASS



Stewardship Reflection – The Third Sunday of Advent

“You too must be patient. Make your hearts firm because the coming of the Lord is at hand!” James 5:8

Patience is another one of those things many of us struggle with. We want things to go according to our plan and our schedule; we like things to be convenient. Any change brings anxiety and fear. Through daily prayer, God reveals to us what He wants us to do with the gifts He has given us. We are able to better align ourselves with God’s will and His plan, which is far better than anything we can come up with on our own.

<p>SATURDAY, Dec. 17th, 7:00 p.m.: <u>Greeters:</u> Karl & Louise Kulwicki <u>Leader:</u> Susan Day <u>Lector:</u> Tom Obermiller <u>Eucharistic Ministers:</u> Ervan & Marge Dzingle <u>Servers:</u> Conner Slobaszewski</p> <p>SUNDAY, Dec. 18th, 8:00 a.m.: <u>Greeters:</u> --- <u>Leader:</u> Dayle Klein <u>Lector:</u> Paula Johnson <u>Eucharistic Ministers:</u> Mike & Whitney Kaminski <u>Servers:</u> Will Krolikowski & Treven Setlik</p>
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Advent Reconciliation Times: Loup City: Saturdays, Dec. 10th and 17th, 12 – 2 pm.

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

Fr. Scott Harter from Ord will be at St. Josaphat’s in Loup City **this Tuesday, Dec. 13**, for individual reconciliations from 6 to 8 p.m. This is your chance to go to confession to a priest MUCH kinder than your pastor!

2023 Church Envelopes are here!! Check the tables at the back of church. If you don't happen to find one with your name on it, please let the office know. These will *not* be mailed out, so if you see a box that you are certain you can get to its owner, please do so.

PARISH Registration: I am working on updating our parish database and could use your help! You can find registration forms on the tables. PLEASE take one, fill it out, and bring it back (one form per family is all that is necessary). By doing so, I can either confirm the information we may already have in the system or update as needed. (If you have registered in the last 1-2 years, registration may not be necessary.) It will help to streamline things when it comes to parish contact lists or mailings, ordering of envelopes, religious education registration and/or sacraments, and will also help our CCWs update things on their end as well. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated!

- Are you new to our parish and just haven't had the chance to officially register? Now would be the time to do so!!

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 wrapped 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.

2023 Ministry Schedule: 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: josphatsaint@yahoo.com

Christmas Memorial Envelopes The suggested donation for poinsettias this year is \$20. Only one more week to get these back to the office! (Sunday, December 18th)

Handicap Lighting: We are trying to get MUCH better lighting on the west side of Church for the handicap access. It is bad now, but this is a priority and we are working on it. – Fr. Richard

Keeping the Lord's Day Holy: Join Bishop Hanefeldt for a live-streamed teaching presentation of *Dies Domini* this Monday evening, December 12, at 7:30 PM. Previous weekly teachings are available on the Catholic Diocese of Grand Island Facebook page and You Tube channel. Links can be found on the diocesan website at: www.gidiocese.org.

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

December 3 and 4, 2022

	LOUP CITY	ASHTON	HAZARD
WEEKLY ENV.	\$ 2,114.00	\$ 975.00	\$ 410.00
PLATE	\$ 307.00	---	---
CHILDREN'S	\$ 10.00	---	---
Budget for December	\$ 13,306.17	\$ 3,053.88	\$ 1,933.66
Received to Date	\$ - 2,441.00	\$ - 975.00	\$ 410.00
Balance Due	\$ 10,865.17	\$ 2,078.88	\$ 1,523.66