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Sat., Dec. 31 st	5:00 PM 7:00 PM	RAVENNA MASS LC MASS: + Helen Stanczyk
Sun., Jan. 1 st	8:00 AM 10:30 AM	LC MASS: For the People RAVENNA MASS
Mon., Jan. 2 nd	12:00 PM	NO ASHTON MASS
Wed., Jan. 4 th	11:00 AM	LC MASS: + Louie & Helen Kaslon
Sat., Jan. 7 th	5:00 PM 7:00 PM	RAVENNA MASS LC MASS: For the People
Sun., Jan. 8 th	8:00 AM 10:30 AM	LC MASS: + Darlene Spotanski RAVENNA MASS

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

January 1, 2023



**The Holy Mother
of God**

Saturday, Jan. 7th, 7:00 p.m.: **Greeters:** Carol Jarzynka & Joyce Goc
Leader: Rose Kowalski **Lector:** Rich Peters **Eucharistic Ministers:** Mike Gappa and Marcia Dammann **Servers:** Parker Slobaszewski & Kade Kowalski

Sunday, Jan. 8th, 8:00 a.m.: **Greeters:** Alice Woitalewicz & Lillian Kaslon
Leader: Mary Skibinski **Lector:** Loraine Panowicz **Eucharistic Ministers:** Conagher Jonak & Melanie Jonak **Servers:** Libby Ference & Lena Kaminski

Note from Fr. Mark: January 1st through January 22nd: I will be filling in for Father Antony in Spalding, Greeley, & Ericson until January 22nd, so you will not be seeing me for a while. – Fr. Mark

The Eucharistic Prayer: The Eucharistic Prayer is the heart of the Liturgy of the Eucharist. In this prayer, the celebrant acts in the person of Christ as head of his body, the Church. He gathers not only the bread and the wine, but the substance of our lives and joins them to Christ's perfect sacrifice, offering them to the Father.

The introductory dialogue establishes that this prayer is the prayer of the baptized and ordained, is offered in the presence of God, and has thanksgiving as its central focus. Following this dialogue, the celebrant begins the Preface, which consists of four different Eucharistic Prayers. After these prayers, communion is then given. Gidiocese.org/eucharistic-revival or eucharisticrevival.org

A Note of Thanks: Thank you for all of the Christmas wishes, food, and gifts! I am humbled by your generosity. – Fr. Mark

2023 Ministry Schedules are ready for you to pick up on the entry table as you come into church.

Cluster Parish CCW Christmas Party: All ladies are invited to the annual CCW Christmas Party which will be held on Monday, January 9th, at the Parish Hall. There will be a 5:30 p.m. social with meal starting at 6 p.m. If wishing to join in a gift exchange, please bring a \$10 gift with you to join in the fun. Your RSVP would be appreciated for the caterer. Call Jane at 308-202-0166, or simply write your name down on the sign-up sheet at the back of church.

Catholics Encounter Christ: Join us for a three-day weekend where you will experience how God’s grace works within you and how you can share this grace with others. Talks presented by clergy and laity, fellowship with others, and prayer through song and word, will inspire, educate, and motivate. Held at *Comeca Camp & Retreat Center* in Cozad, this Friday evening through Sunday evening experience is sure to be a memorable one full of insight, growth, and perhaps a few laughs along the way! Register now at www.gdiocese.org today! **Women’s Weekend:** March 3-5, 2023; **Men’s Weekend:** March 24-26, 2023.

Youth Summer Events: Parents, mark your calendars for February 1, 2023, as this is the first day of registration for summer events for our youth: *Higher Ground* (high school), *HG: Extreme Faith* (grades 6-8), and *Steubenville of the Rockies* (high school) in Denver, CO. These events fill up fast, so if your children are interested, now is the time to begin the conversation! Early registration also takes advantage of an “early bird rate” which expires Feb. 15th. For more information: gdiocese.org/youth-events.

U.S. Catholic Sisters Against Human Trafficking: Chocolate is a favorite of choice for many however we consume it- in candy or drinks. Do you know that children as young as 9 and 10 work long hours every day on chocolate farms to satisfy the demand for chocolate? **US Catholic Sisters Against Human Trafficking, 7575 Grand River Rd., Suite 109, Brighton, MI 48114.**

Bingo Dates for January: Tuesdays, Jan. 10 and 31st, at 7 p.m. in the Parish Hall.

Upcoming Collection: January 21/22, 2023- Collection for the Church in Latin America (4th Sunday in January). This collection supports pastoral projects in Latin American and the Caribbean, including disaster relief to rebuild hurricane-damaged chapels in Nicaragua, youth ministry in Haiti, diocesan missionary efforts in Cuba, and seminary studies in Paraguay. To learn more, visit www.usccb.org/latin-america/collection.

December 24 and 25, 2022

	LOUP CITY	ASHTON	HAZARD
WEEKLY ENV.	\$ 1,974.00	\$ 845.00	\$ 420.00*
PLATE	\$ 2,369.00	---	---
CHILDREN’S	\$ 26.50	---	---
Christmas Envelopes	\$ 4,935.00	\$ 805.00	*more to come next wk
Budget for December	\$ 13,306.17	\$ 3,053.88	\$ 1,933.66
Received to Date	\$ -21,379.50	\$ 7,402.00	\$ 1,400.00
Balance Remaining for December	\$ +8,073.33	\$+ 4,348.12	\$ 533.60