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Mass Schedule ~ Times ~ Intentions

Sat., Dec. 23 rd	5:00 PM	SJ MASS: 🕆 Kenny Goc
	7:00 PM	OLL MASS
Sun., Dec. 24 th	8:00 AM	OLL MASS
	10:30 AM	SJ MASS: 🕆 Marge Sorenson
Christmas Eve	4:00 PM	SJ/OLL MASS: For the People
	7:00 PM	SJ/OLL MASS: For the People
Mon., Dec. 25 th	9:00 AM	SJ MASS: For the People
Wed., Dec. 27 th	11:00 AM	NO SJ MASS
Sat., Dec. 30 th	5:00 PM	SJ MASS: 🕆 Linda Shaw Oseka
	7:00 PM	OLL MASS
Sun., Dec. 31 st	8:00 AM	LC MASS: ⊕ Helen Stanczyk
	10:30 AM	RAVENNA MASS
Mon., Jan. 1 st	12:00 PM	NO ASHTON MASS
New Year's Day		

December 24, 2023



<u>Christmas at Paplin</u>: On Monday, December 25th, at 11 a.m., Fr. Richard Piontkowski will be celebrating Mass to commemorate the 140th birthday of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Church at Paplin. Everyone is welcome to attend!

<u>Christmas at St. Anthony's in Farwell:</u> Christmas Eve Mass at 9 pm in Farwell (NO traditional midnight Christmas Eve Mass this year). All are invited!

Saturday, Dec. 30 th 5:00 p.m.		Sunday, Dec. 31 st , 10:30 a.m.		
Greeters:	Connie Palu & Marion Palu	Mark & Sue Goc		
<u>Leader:</u>	Janelle Mostek	Paula Johnson		
Lector:	Cheryl Holcomb	Heidi Krolikowski		
Eucharist	Min.: Jerry Kowalski & Barb Dorsey	Jerome Reimers & Loraine Panowicz		
<u>Servers</u> :	Kade Kowalski & Brendan Carkoski	Will Krolikowski & Lena Kaminski		

<u>Christmas Flower Memorials/Decorations:</u> Thank you to everyone who donated in memory of loved ones this year. They add so much color and joy to the season here at St. Josaphat's. Also, a very special thank you to Krista Slobaszewski for decorating our church... each year brings something new. It is always a beautiful sight to see!

Pro-Life Gala: The Knights of Columbus and NE Pregnancy Care Alliance is sponsoring a pro-life gala on January 5-6, 2024, at Embassy Suites in Lincoln. This event is to raise funds for Nebraska's 27 Pro-Life Pregnancy Help Organization locations. Registration information for this two-day event can be found on the bulletin boards in St. Josaphat. *Deadline to Register is Dec. 29th*.

<u>Feast of the Holy Innocents Healing Mass</u>, Dec. 28th (Thurs.), at 5:15 p.m. at St. Mary's Cathedral in GI. Many families have experienced miscarriage, stillbirth, infant death, or even abortion. This Mass of healing and hope is offered for families to celebrate the brief lives of children, and to seek God's mercy and hope in their suffering. All are invited to this Mass, especially those families who have suffered the loss of a baby. If you want your baby or loved one remembered during the Mass, please call the Cathedral office at 308-384-2523.

<u>WMEE:</u> Don't give each other things this Christmas; give each other the gift of great communication, a deep love and a marriage filled with God by participating in a <u>W</u>orldwide <u>M</u>arriage <u>E</u>ncounter <u>E</u>xperience on Feb. 9-11, 2024, in Lincoln. For questions, or to find out more about a Virtual Encounter Weekend, contact Brenda & Gary Granger – 720-213-8833. *Space is limited*, so reserve your weekend early! Visit <u>www.wwme.org.</u>

<u>Grief Group:</u> Facilitated by Jodi Sell-Grove, PLMHP, NCC, a Grief Group will begin meeting on January 16, 2024, from 6-7:30 pm at the Forged in Faith Oak Ministries Building (145 N Hastings St) in Arcadia. The objective will be to learn about the stages of grief, exploring feelings/emotions that come with this and how to process through those various stages. See flyers on the bulletin boards. Cost \$5. For more info, email <u>glowcounseling23@gmail.com</u> or call 308.789.6510.

Dec. 16 and 17, 2023

	LOUP CITY	ASHTON	HAZARD
WEEKLY ENV.	\$ 2,504.00	\$ 373.00	\$ 670.00
PLATE	\$ 1,035.00		
CHILDREN'S	\$ 18.50		
Retirement Fund for Religious Collection	\$ 72.00	\$ 85.00	\$ 110.00
Immaculate Conception	\$ 28.00	\$ 58.00	\$ 65.00
Budget Set for Dec.	\$ 13,613.00 or 3,403.25/week	\$ 4,269.75 or 1,067.44/week	\$ 2,049.34 or 512.34/week
Left to Collect for Dec.	\$ 2,656.48	\$ + 241.25	\$ 804.34

2023-2024 Weekly Appeal Update

Parish	\$ Goal	\$ Received	% \$ Goal	Household	Household	% HH Goal
				Goal	Total	
St. Francis	\$ 2,847	\$ 660	23%	16	4	25%
St. GABRIEL	\$ 2,085	\$2,315	111%	12	9	75%
St. Josaphat	\$13,403	\$7,712	58%	70	51	73%