## The Catholic Communities of

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Mass Schedule ~ Times ~ Intentions

| Sat., Jan. $\mathbf{6}^{\text {th }}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 5:00 PM } \\ & \text { 7:00 PM } \end{aligned}$ | SJ MASS: 孔Pat Pokorski OLL MASS |
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| Sun., Jan. ${ }^{\text {th }}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { 8:00 AM } \\ \text { 10:30 AM } \end{gathered}$ | OLL MASS <br> SJ MASS: For the People |
| Mon., Jan. $8^{\text {th }}$ | 12:00 PM | HAZARD MASS: ¡ Harry Spotanski |
| Wed., Jan. 10 ${ }^{\text {th }}$ | 11:00 AM | LC MASS: ¡ Alvin Kwiatkowski |
| Sat., Jan. ${ }^{\text {th }}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 5:00 PM } \\ & \text { 7:00 PM } \end{aligned}$ | SJ MASS: ¡ James \& Ann Sobon OLL MASS |
| Sun., Jan. 14 ${ }^{\text {th }}$ | $\begin{array}{r} \text { 8:00 AM } \\ \text { 10:30 AM } \end{array}$ | OLL MASS <br> SJ MASS: For the People |

January 7, 2024

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

| Saturday, Jan. 13 ${ }^{\text {th }}$ 5:00 p.m. | Sunday, Jan. 14 ${ }^{\text {th }}$, 10:30 a.m. |
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| Greeters: $\quad$ Tim \& Patty Piontkowski | Ron \& Peg Mroczek |
| Leader: Krista Slobaszewski | Gary Eurek |
| Lector: Mike Gappa | Jerome Reimers |
| Eucharist Min.: Matthew Tuma \& Susan Day | Conagher Jonak \& Melanie Jonak |
| Servers: Ashlyn Gappa \& Wyatt Trompke | Wyatt Stieb \& Dylan Rademacher |
| ** Ministry Schedule copies are available on the entry table of church. ** |  |

St. Gabriel of Hazard: On Monday, January $15^{\text {th }}$, there will be a parish meeting of St. Gabriel in Hazard beginning at 7 pm . This is an annual meeting to bring everyone up to date on the finances and condition of the church and property. All are welcome!

St. Francis of Ashton: On Monday, January $\mathbf{2 2}^{\text {nd }}$, there will be a parish meeting of St. Francis in Ashton beginning at 7 pm . This is an annual meeting to discuss the condition of the church, hall, and school, and also the needed replacement of the school roof and insurance coverage. All are welcome!

A large thank you for all the prayers and gifts I received over Christmas. I don't know if I'll be able to thank all of you personally, but know that I'm grateful for all my parishioners and you are always in my prayers!

- Fr. Richard

Adult Catechism Classes: This coming week we will begin in Loup City and Ravenna Adult Catechism classes for those who wish to deepen and know more about their faith and those who wish to join the Church. These will be on Tuesdays at 7 pm in Loup City and Thursdays at 7 pm in Ravenna. We will be meeting in the parish halls. Except for the first week of February, we will be meeting on a regular basis until Holy Week which is the last week in March. There may be exceptions for funeral vigils and emergencies. Please come and bring a friend!

- Fr. Richard

Cluster Parish CCW Christmas Party: All ladies are invited to the annual CCW Christmas Party which will be held on Monday, January $8^{\text {th }}$, at the Parish Hall. Social with wine and cheese at $5: 30 \mathrm{pm}$ and a catered dinner to follow at 6 pm . Please bring a gift of not more than $\$ 10$ for our gift exchange. This dinner is to thank the ladies for all they do for the parish during the year! Call or text Jane at 308-2020166 for an RSVP, or simply write your name down on the sign-up sheet at the back of church.

KC Free Throw Contest: Sunday, Jan. $14^{\text {th }}$, at 1:30 pm, Loup City High School. Open to kids ages 9-14. Registration takes place the day of the contest.

WMEE: "They prostrated themselves and did him homage." As we celebrate Epiphany of the Lord, let us give homage to the presence of God in our marriages by participating in an upcoming Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience 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 www.wwme.org.

Shrines of Francis Pilgrimage: Come along Nov 4-14, 2024, to some of the most beautiful sites in all of France. We'll visit the holy Shrine of Lourdes, the home of St. Martin in Tours, the grand Chartres Cathedral, the monastery of Mont St. Michel, Normandy Beach along with both an American cemetery and a German cemetery, the home of St. Therese the Little Flower in Lisieux, and the wonderful city of Paris! Mass each day in great churches and cathedrals along the way. Cost is $\$ 4,299$ with departure from Omaha. For a brochure and more information, contact Fr. Dan Guenther, $307-4^{\text {th }}$ St. N., Humboldt, IA, 50548, or call 712-899-6870 or email frdanguenther@gmail.com. Fr. Guenther has been leading pilgrimages for over 25 years!

Bingo in January: Tuesdays, Jan. 23rd, at 7 p.m. in the Parish Hall.
December 30 and 31, 2023

|  | LOUP CITY |  | ASHTON | HAZARD |
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| WEEKLY ENV. | \$ | 1,269.00 | \$ 975.00 | \$ 215.00 |
| PLATE | \$ | 461.50 | ---- | ---- |
| CHILDREN'S | \$ | 14.00 | ---- | ---- |
| Christmas Collection Solemnity of Mary Env. | \$ | $\begin{aligned} & 275.00 \\ & 100.00 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | \$ 1,205.00 | \$ 10.00 |
| Replacement Fund | \$ | 100.00 | ---- | ---- |
| Budget Set for Dec. | \$ | $\begin{aligned} & 13,613.00 \text { or } \\ & 3,403.25 / \text { week } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { \$ 4,269.75 or } \\ & \text { 1,067.44/week } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { \$ 2,049.34 or } \\ & \text { 512.34/week } \end{aligned}$ |
| Total Balance Collected |  | +10,195.00 | \$+2,421.25 | \$+1,210.66 |

