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Mass Schedule ~ Times ~ Intentions

December 22, 2024

Sat., Dec. 21 st	5:00 PM 7:00 PM	OLL MASS SJ MASS: † Kenny Goc
Sun., Dec. 22 nd	8:00 AM 10:30 AM	SJ MASS: † Joann Piechota OLL MASS
Mon., Dec. 23 rd	11:00 AM	NO SJ MASS
Tues., Dec. 24 th - Christmas Eve-	4:00 PM 7:00 PM	SJ/OLL MASS: For the People SJ/OLL MASS: For the People
Wed., Dec. 25 th -Christmas Day -	10:30 AM	SJ MASS: For the People *No Mass at OLL Christmas Day*
Sat., Dec. 28 th	5:00 PM 7:00 PM	OLL MASS SJ MASS: † Johnnie Piontkowski, Jr.
Sun., Dec. 29 th	8:00 AM 10:30 AM	SJ MASS: † Agnes Einspahr OLL MASS



Fourth Sunday in Advent

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

“At this Christmas when Christ comes, will He find a warm heart? Mark the season of Advent by loving and serving the others with God’s own love and concern.” – Saint Teresa of Calcutta

Christmas Ministry Schedule

Christmas Eve Mass at 4 pm: Greeters: Tom & Sue Obermiller; Leader: Rich Peters; Lector: Cheryl Holcomb; Eucharistic Ministers: Sharon Osentowski, Loraine Panowicz, Mark & Sue Goc, Marion Schultz, and Mike Gappa; Servers: Kade Kowalski & Cyrus Oseka

Christmas Eve Mass at 7 pm: Greeters: Tim & Patty Piontkowski; Leader: Janelle Mostek; Lector: Jerry Kowalski; Eucharistic Ministers: Joyce Goc, Susan Day, Mitch Spotanski, Edith Kusek, Evan Tuma, and Matthew Tuma; Servers: Ashlyn Gappa & Wyatt Trompke

Christmas Day at 10:30 am: Greeters: Marcia Dammann & Lillian Kaslon; Leader: Krista Slobaszewski; Lector: Anthony McClary; Eucharistic Ministers: Rose Kowalski, Lorie Eurek, Doris Nesiba, Jerome Reimers, Tom Smedra, and Kelly Griffith; Servers: Gabe McClary & Will Krolkowski

Advent Reconciliation Times: Fr. Richard will hear Confessions on Sun., Dec. 22, in Loup City from 2-3 pm and Ravenna from 4-5 pm that day. Due to scheduled baptisms and weddings on the weekends of Advent, there will not be as many scheduled Confessions. You can always call Fr. Richard at any time to set up a Confession, or he can be in the Reconciliation Rooms in both parishes at specific times if you prefer. Be Blessed and Ready to Stand before the Lord by receiving this great Sacrament of Forgiveness!

Poinsettia Christmas Memorials will be printed in time for Christmas Masses but will also run again the weekend of the 28th/29th with the regular bulletin.

- My apologies as printer quality is not up to standard as of late—we are waiting on repair parts but it does not look while it will happen before Christmas.

KC Men’s Choir will sing Sunday, December 29, at 8 a.m. Mass. All KCs are welcome to join in and sit in the pews behind the pianist.

Registration for the 2025 youth diocesan summer events opens February 1st (Higher Ground, Higher Ground Extreme Faith, and Steubenville of the Rockies). These three events offer young people a time to reflect on their spiritual journey and helps them grow their love for God. We encourage you to talk with your kids about attending these events. Take advantage of the early bird rate being offered until February 9th. For details regarding these events, scan the QR code on the poster or visit the Grand Island Diocese website gidiocese.org/yva.

Ministry Schedules for 2025 are available on the table in the entrance of church.

2025 Donation Envelopes are here! Please stop at the back of church and pick yours up this weekend. If you can’t find yours, please give the office a call.

Dec. 14 and Dec. 15, 2024

	LOUP CITY	ASHTON	HAZARD
WEEKLY ENV.	\$ 1,816.00	\$ 345.00	\$ 310.00
PLATE	\$ 717.00	----	----
CHILDREN	\$ 8.00	----	----
Immaculate Conception	\$ 330.00	\$ 110.00	\$ 75.00
Retirement Rel. Fund	\$ 170.00	\$ 70.00	\$ 35.00
SJ No Work Bazaar	\$ 5,500.00	----	----
December Budget	\$ 3,791/week 15,164/month	\$ 1,067.44/week 4,269.75/month	\$ 512.34/week 2,049.34/month
Remaining Dec. Balance	\$ 5,956.40	\$ 1,074.75	\$ 949.34

Appeal Update of 2024/2025



St. Gabriel	\$1,560 / \$ 2,085 Goal	8/12 Household Goal
St. Francis	\$1,640 / \$ 2,487 Goal	10/16 Household Goal
St. Josaphat	\$6,583/ \$13,403 Goal	47/70 Household Goal