

Holy Family Parish Dec 19 Fourth Sunday of Advent

Week day Mass Schedule and Intentions

Tues, Dec 21: Richard Haiar

Wed, Dec 22: Allen Babel

Volunteers Needed

Lectors, EMHC's, and servers are needed for the Christmas and New Year's Masses. Please sign up in the back of church.

Plant Project

Teams 3 and 4 are assigned this week at the Plant Project. We will be working Monday through Wednesday this week morning and afternoon. Please call or text Rick (402-920-0607) before you come to make sure all the parts are available. Please consider giving of your time.

Additional Confession Opportunities

Monday, Dec 20-5:30-7pm

Tuesday, Dec 21- 5:30-7pm

Wednesday, Dec 22- 12pm-1pm

Other times at Cluster parishes are listed in bulletin

Collection Report Dec 12

Sunday Giving	2260.00
School Support	11250.00
Thanksgiving	60.00
Flower Donation	30.00
Immaculate Conception	633.00
Fuel/Heat	40.00
Retirement	180.00
<u>Loose</u>	<u>319.00</u>
Total	14772.00

Baby Jesus Shower

Let's shower Baby Jesus with gifts this season of his birth. Let your children learn the true gift of giving by bringing a gift for Jesus to the crib in the back of church. Items such as diapers, baby clothes, wipes, baby blankets and very gently used children's clothing are appreciated.

We will take them to Bethlehem House in Omaha which is a live-in facility for pregnant moms needing support and help.

This will end on January 2, 2022.

Gift Giver Calendars

Please turn in your ticket purchases by January 1st.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

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Tuesdays from 8am – midnight

Are you longing for a little more peace and calm in your life? Do you have a desire to know the Lord in a more personal way? If so, there is a quiet spot waiting for you every Tuesday in Holy Family Church.

The question below was asked of a few parishioners who participate in Adoration. As you read them, consider whether you too, are being called to spend time with Blessed Sacrament.

How has attending Eucharistic Adoration impacted your life?

I once read a story of a Christian man who was asked what he had gained by going to church? The man's response was....."Nothing", instead he began to list all of the things he'd lost by attending mass, such as: worry, loneliness, sorrow, restlessness, anxiety, shame, and hopelessness. This describes **exactly** how I feel Eucharistic Adoration has impacted my life. In the stillness of that hour God has transformed my life. I used to be motivated by obligation to spend time with Jesus. However, through time spent in adoration I've come to desire that time. In Jn. 19:28 Jesus cries out from the cross "I thirst!" That thirst is for you and for me to draw nearer to him. I've experienced a closeness to Jesus like no other, than when I am before him in adoration. It has been amazing the things I have heard him say in that quiet hour....."surrender your trials to me, I will take care of them"....."I love your children more than you do, you can trust me with their futures"....."don't give up hope, I am not done writing your story" and so many more messages of hope and love. I once heard a wise friend advise, "we would do better to be tuning in, than to be broadcasting". Oh how this statement rings true in this fast paced, noisy world we live in. I have found this hour of "tuning in" to be the most precious time of my week, sitting in the quiet of the night, listening for his voice with all my heart. Is sitting still for an hour hard? Yes, sometimes. Do I get sleepy? Yep! But, Jesus knows my human frailty and he desires my presence anyway. Is getting up for work Wednesday morning difficult? Very!! But, I wouldn't give up my hour of adoration for the extra hour of sleep for nothing! I am so very grateful our parish offers this gift. Often when I leave my hour I just want to walk outside and shout from the mountain tops "this is AMAZING!" But, don't take my word for it, experience it for yourself. Jesus is waiting for you.

