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# Assumption Catholic Church

Father David's homilies--[frazeesacredheart.org](http://frazeesacredheart.org)>Homilies.

206 Dakota Street, PO Box 67, Callaway, MN

December 6, 2020

**In Chapter 1, Isaiah instructs us, "A voice cries out: In the desert prepare the way of the Lord!/Make straight in the wasteland a highway for our God!...Go up onto a high mountain...cry out and say to the cities of Judah: Here is your God."**



**Zachariah said to the infant John the Baptist, "You my child, shall be called the prophet of the Most High; For you shall go before the Lord to prepare his way,/To give his people knowledge of salvation/By the forgiveness of their sins."**

*Question of the week: What concrete action can I take this week to prepare myself for Jesus' coming?*

Lectors: Your 2021 Lector Workbooks are available in the sacristy. Please take yours.

### PRAYER REQUESTS:

A PRAYER TO PRAY FOR THE PEOPLE BELOW: Lord, we pray for your loving support for the people listed below and their families as they deal with their illnesses. Guide the doctors who are seeking answers and making decisions about care/ treatments. We pray that their illness is at a stage favorable for effective treatment. Enable their bodies to respond well to care/treatment and their soul to experience comfort and peace in you. Make this an experience that draws them and their loved ones closer to you as well as to one another. We commit them to your mercy. Amen

Mark Stalberger, Sherry Steffl, Ernie Clark, Martha Donley, Connie Olgaard, Deb Clark, Rick Flottesmesch, Brent Pearson, Peter Pearson, Jeanine Kivi, Peg Braaten, Connie Collman Bergren, Darrell Beck, Brian Hazelton, Hali Thomas, Chris Fairbanks, Jim Foltz, Pat Hilber (Coleen Tietz's brother-in-law), Ken & Rita Pearson, Ethan Estabrooks, Easton Lammers (grandson of Roger and Sharon Winter), Judy Dwinell, Marlene Scherping, Jerome Jirava, Jr., Josh Janousek and Cleo Baker.

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### Mass Times

Thursday 7:00 pm  
Saturday 7:00 pm  
Sunday 10:00 am

### CONFESSIONS:

Thursday @ 6:15 pm  
Sunday after Mass

### ADORATION:

Thursdays: 5:00-7:00 pm

Here is a thought from last week's bulletin: "To gaze at a loved one through a window or to wave at a graduate from a passing car is not a remedy to isolation. It is a reminder of it. Jesus did not seek isolation. He sought solitude."

I put up my Christmas tree yesterday. It has lights built into the branches. As I assembled the tree, my only thought was, "Please work, please work, please work!" I plugged it in and it worked! Now the debate begins...

Should I decorate it? I have the same struggle decorating a tree as I have spicing a steak for the grill: I don't ever put enough on. Decorating is like a battle that I know going into it I will lose. So why try?

I am reminded of Serenity Prayer, where we ask God to help us accept the things we cannot change, the courage to change the things we can, and the wisdom to know the difference.

It seems so simple: If I under spice food, put more on! If I under decorate a tree, put more on!

I have talked myself into it. I am going to decorate it! There are plenty of things I cannot do and ought not do. We all need to accept the things we cannot change. When we may make a difference, we can jump in with both feet. It takes a little courage to risk failure, to chance looking like a fool. If I don't trust myself with something utterly unimportant, like decorating a tree that is just for me, how will I gather the courage to speak up and help out when it really matters?

Do what you are not good at. If not for you, for the people you may help if you have just a little more courage.

*"Prepare the way of the Lord..."*

*(Mark 1:3)*

We are all called to live a holy life. We are all called to invite others to live holy lives. Living a stewardship lifestyle, being grateful and generous with our gifts, puts us on the path to holiness and is an example for others to be holy, too. We are responsible not only for our own lives, but for the lives of others as well.

**Sunday, November 29, 2020--\$339**  
**Thanksgiving Collection--\$475**  
**St. Mary's Mission Appeal--\$85**

### Mass Intentions

**Tues., December 8: Bill & June Steffl Anniversary**  
**Thurs., Dec 10: +Jerry Flottesmesch**  
**Sat., Dec 12: For the People of Assumption & Sacred Heart Parishes**  
**Sun., Dec 13: Sherry Steffl**

### Ministry Schedule for December 6, 2020

Saturday	Lector	Sunday
Karen Klarer		Al Foltz
Damian Zurn		Danny Steffl
	Usher	