# **Assumption Catholic Church**

**December 5, 2021** 

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Fr. David's Homilies—frazeesacredheart.org.Homilies

Here is a thought from last week's homily: Don't drink the green one.

There were a few days this last week that were above freezing. Monday was one of them. I worked outside a bit, picking up broken pieces of plastic left in the lawn from a previous project. For a while I had my gloves off, picking up the smallest pieces. My hands got a bit cold, but the rest of me was warm. The sun was shining, and I was thrilled to be outside. It felt like an bonus day for autumn.

*Bonus* is a word that seems to have a positive connotation, no matter how it is used. It is an unexpected amount of money, an extra free throw. A bonus is something welcome and often unexpected that accompanies and enhances something that is itself good.

My friend Fr. Adam has been seriously sick for a month now. A couple of weeks ago I was grieving his immanent death. Today it seems recovery is more and more likely every day. The day he walks out of the hospital will feel like a bonus for him and for everyone who loves him and have been praying for him.

When I was thinking about the prospect of his dying, I wondered how I could live my life better in his honor. This is what I might be thinking about Jesus every day. Not only did Jesus die, he died for me! How can I live my life better in his honor? Truly, I want to receive every day as a bonus day not for autumn, bur for the Kingdom of Heaven.

Please pray for Fr. Adam Hamness. Please pray for our new bishop, Bishop Cozzens. In faith, we believe that he is the Holy Spirit's gift to us. Let us live the faith so well that his call is easy.

*Christmas Flowers Memorial Donations:* Please return by Dec. 19<sup>th</sup>.

Help make our church special during this Christmas Season. Donate a \$10.00 memorial to help purchase Christmas flowers to decorate our church.

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#### **Mass Times**

Thursday 7:00 pm Sunday 10:30 am

#### **CONFESSIONS:**

Thursday @ 6:15 pm Sunday after Mass

#### **ADORATION:**

Thursdays: 5:00-7:00 pm



#### **Announcements**

A special Thank You to Cleo Starkey for taking the pictures of our refurbished stained-glass windows and having the window books made. The books are available in the vestibule; please take one per family.

The St Theresa Circle will have a meeting after mass on Sunday December 12<sup>th</sup>.

Wednesday, December 8, is the Feast of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary, a Holy Day of Obligation. Our Mass for this Feast will be at 8:00 pm. There will be no Mass on Thursday this week.

#### 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 Sherry Steffl, Ernie Clark, Martha Donley, Connie Olgaard, Deb Clark, Rick Flottemesch, Brent Pearson, Peter Pearson, Jeanine Kivi, Peg Braaten, Connie Collman Bergren, Brian Hazelton, Hali Thomas, Chris Fairbanks, Jim Foltz, Pat Hilber (Coleen Tietz's brother-in-law), Ken & Rita Pearson, Judy Dwinell, Marlene Scherping. Jerome Jirava, Jr., Josh Janousek, Cleo Baker, Don Tietz, Violet Fairbanks, Irene Hazelton, Scott Pulse (son-in-law of Rick and Virginia McDougall), Betty Matter, Rachel Secrist (granddaughter of Roger & Sharon Winter), and Nick Steffl.

"And this is my prayer: that your love may increase ever more and more in knowledge and every kind of perception, to discern what is of value..." (Philippians 1:9-10)

During the Christmas shopping season, it is easy to get caught up in the frenzy of buying gifts. But is that "gift" truly an expression of your love for the other person. Or are you just fulfilling your "obligation" to give them something? To grow in friendship with someone, you need to spend time with them, learn what is of value to them. Maybe this year, buy less "stuff" and spend more time with those you love.

Sunday, November 21 --\$1009 SMMA--\$481 Thanksgiving--\$484 Campaign for Human Development--\$494

## **Upcoming**

Sun., Jan. 30: Confirmation @ 10:30 am Mass Wed., Dec.15: Church Cleaning at 11:00 am followed by a potluck meal

## **Mass Intentions**

Wed., Dec 8, 8:00 pm: +Mark Stalberger Sun., Dec 12, 10:30 am: +Susie Spry

# Ministry Schedule for December 12, 2021

#### **Altar Servers**

Nathan Loreth

#### **Eucharistic Ministers**

Virginia McDougall

#### Lector

Al Foltz

#### **Presentation of the Gifts**

Kyle Schmit Family

#### Ushers

Danny Steffl and Don Tietz.

At this time, we will NOT be receiving the Precious Blood at Communion. If you are the 1<sup>st</sup> person on the liturgical ministry schedule, then you will be distributing the Body of Christ. Since this is a fluid situation, please keep checking cack.