

Dear Padre,

I went to confession, and then, months later, my priest was removed for alcoholism and theft. Is my confession still worthy?

Your confession is not dependent on the worthiness or the unworthiness of the priest. Your confession is made to Jesus; the priest is a witness who pronounces the words of absolution that Jesus intended in the sacrament. “From the moment that a sacrament is celebrated in accordance with the intention of the Church, the power of Christ and his Spirit acts in and through it, independently of the personal holiness of the minister” (*Catechism of the Catholic Church*, 1128).

The question of the efficacy of the sacrament and the unworthiness of the minister who performs the sacrament in the name of the Church is not new. During the time of persecution, in the early centuries of the Church, some people, including priests and bishops, avoided martyrdom by offering the required oblation to Caesar. Later, they repented and returned to the Christian community, a community that included the surviving family and friends of the men and women who were martyred. The question was asked, and with some animated energy, “How could these ministers who sinned to save their own lives now represent the Church?” The answer, arrived at with patience and discernment, is that the minister is only the representative of the sacrament, not the source of the sacrament. Jesus is faithful, even when his ministers have been unfaithful. ●

Fr. Thomas M. Santa, CSsR / DearPadre.org



GERARD

Our Parish COMMUNITY

December 21, 2025
Fourth Sunday of Advent (A)
Isaiah 7:10–14 / Romans 1:1–7 / Matthew 1:18–24



Close Enough!

MIGUEL DULICK

It is the fourth Sunday of Advent. When Christmas is this close, one takes that final leap. Isaiah is centuries from Christmas, but he cannot wait! He sees the “sign” as clear as day: “the young woman, pregnant and about to bear a son” (Isaiah 7:14). And how about that Son! None other than “Emmanuel” himself—God-With-Us! Paul, too, is bursting at the seams! Inspired by what he calls “the obedience of faith” (Romans 5), he is excited to see the gospel thriving even among the Gentiles. For him, the “Spirit of holiness” is a gift offered to all—Christmas every day, you might say.

Speaking of “obedience of faith,” Joseph is the perfect example. The word “obey” comes from the same root as “to hear,” and Joseph has almost supernatural ears! Matthew, the former tax collector, tells “how the birth of Jesus Christ came about” in today’s gospel reading like a bookkeeper—the Holy Spirit in Column A, Joseph in Column B, with Mary in the middle. But when an angel whispers to Joseph at night, his dream comes true: “he took his wife into his home.” Everything is set for Emmanuel!

So, the Bible is brimming with Christmas, that is, “God-With-Us,” from end to end. And when a virgin can conceive, are any of us exempt from “birthing” Jesus in our midst? Even when a “happy holiday” seems impossible in the midst of war or violence or poverty, when our ears hear only silence, let’s sing Christmas carols every day! ●



SCAN TO LEARN ABOUT AUTHOR MIGUEL DULICK

Reflect

How am I at listening? Can I find new insights in old stories that I think I know so well?



The angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream and said, “Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary your wife into your home. For it is through the Holy Spirit that this child has been conceived in her. She will bear a son, and you are to name him Jesus.”

MATTHEW 1:20–21

A WORD FROM POPE LEO XIV



I think it is important for all of us to learn how to listen more, to enter into dialogue. First and foremost, with the Lord: always listen to the word of God. Then also listen

to others, to know how to build bridges, to know how to listen without judging, not closing the doors [and] thinking that we have all the truth and no one else can tell us anything.

HOMILY, ROME, MAY 11, 2025

Monday December 22 <i>Advent Weekday</i> 1 Sm 1:24–28 Lk 1:46–56	Thursday December 25 <i>The Nativity of the Lord (Christmas)</i> Is 52:7–10 Heb 1:1–6 Jn 1:1–18 or 1:1–5, 9–14	Saturday December 27 <i>St. John, Apostle and Evangelist</i> 1 Jn 1:1–4 Jn 20:1a, 2–8
Tuesday December 23 <i>Advent Weekday</i> Mal 3:1–4, 23–24 Lk 1:57–66	Friday December 26 <i>St. Stephen, the First Martyr</i> Acts 6:8–10; 7:54–59 Mt 10:17–22	Sunday December 28 <i>The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph</i> Sir 3:2–6, 12–14 Col 3:12–21 or 3:12–17 Mt 2:13–15, 19–23
Wednesday December 24 <i>Advent Weekday</i> 2 Sm 7:1–5, 8b–12, 14a, 16 Lk 1:67–79		

Do you have a question for the Padre?

Go to [DearPadre.org](#) to send your question and to learn more about *Dear Padre*.



Catholic. Pastoral. Trusted. © 2025 Liguori Publications. Imprimi Potest: Fr. Kevin Zubele, CSsR, Provincial, Denver Province, the Redemptorists. Liguori Publications, a nonprofit corporation, is an apostolate of the Redemptorists. To learn more about the Redemptorists, visit [Redemptorists.com](#). No part of this work may be used in any form without the prior written permission of Liguori Publications. Scripture texts in this work are taken from *The New American Bible, Revised Edition* © 2010, 1991, 1986, 1970 Confraternity of Christian Doctrine, Inc., Washington, DC. All Rights Reserved. Printed in USA. Visit [Liguori.org](#) or call 800-325-9521.

"We at St. Mary & Joseph Parishes strive for a deeper encounter with Jesus Christ through Scripture and Sacraments, form missionary disciples, and send them forth to transform the world."



Our Three-Parish Cluster Sts. Mary and Joseph Catholic Churches Lone Tree, Nichols and Hills

Fourth Sunday of Advent

December 21, 2025

Church of St. Mary, 201 Short Street, Box B, Nichols, Iowa, 52766 319-330-5324
St. Mary Church, 216 West Jayne Street, Box 416, Lone Tree, Iowa, 52755 319-629-4225
St. Joseph Church, 209 Brady Street, PO Box 187, Hills, Iowa, 52235 319-679-2271

Sts. Mary and Joseph Cluster Parish Office
209 Brady Street, P.O. Box 187 Hills, Iowa 52235-0187

Father David Paintsil, Pastor; 319-679-2271; email: paintsild@diodav.org
Mrs. Carol Kaalberg, Pastoral Associate; 319-330-5324; email: kaalbergc@diodav.org
Lora Sieverding, Administrative Assistant & Bookkeeper; hillsstjosephfin@diodav.org
Nancy Waldschmidt, Director of Faith Formation; 319-331-2077; email: nwaldschmidt@gwaea.org
Cluster Website: stsmarijoseph.com Cluster Facebook: www.facebook.com/stsmarijoseph
Rev. Lou Leonhardt (retired priest); PO Box 454, Lone Tree, IA 52755 319-629-4339
Bulletin deadline: 10am Tuesday. Contact Carol Kaalberg, 319-330-5324 or Lora Sieverding, 319-530-5560
Hills Church entry: Lora Sieverding, 319-530-5560 or Judy Stebral, 319-331-8727

Music Ministry: St. Joseph, Hills: Lily Westemeyer, Robynn Anderson.
Church of St. Mary, Nichols: Jean Mengel and Rhonda Meredith
St. Mary, Lone Tree: Steve Moore.
St. Joseph Prayer Line: Lucille Duwa 679-2404; Joan Gringer 679-2406
Church of St. Mary, Nichols Prayer Line: Carol Kaalberg, 319-330-5324
St. Mary, Lone Tree Prayer Line: Nancy Ford, 319-430-0882

Cluster Mass Intentions December 20 to December 28, 2025

Saturday	December 20	4:00 PM	Lone Tree	Russell Hotz
Sunday	December 21	8:00 AM 10:00 AM	Nichols Hills	Gayle Kaalberg Dean & Alice Cole
Monday	December 22	8:00 AM	Lone Tree R	Thomas & Elma Cooney
Tuesday	December 23	8:00 AM 8:30 AM 10:00 AM	Lone Tree R Atrium PP CC	Rosella Attig Mary Ann Kline Cluster Parishioners
Wednesday	December 24	All Masses		Requested Intentions
Thursday	December 25	All Masses		Requested Intentions
Friday	December 26	8:30 AM	Atrium	Liv/Dec of Draker family
Saturday	December 27	4:00 PM	Lone Tree	Requested Intentions
Sunday	December 28	8:00 AM 10:00 AM	Nichols Hills	Requested Intentions Marvin Simon

Atrium , Atrium Village Chapel,
Atrium Village, Hills.

PP CC, Pioneer Park Care Center
located at Pioneer Park Villa,
Lone Tree.

Lone Tree R, St. Mary Rectory in
Lone Tree.

Confession Schedule

*Father David is available to
hear confessions before
Mass at these times:*

St. Mary, Lone Tree
Saturday 3:30 to 3:50 pm
Church of St. Mary Nichols
Sunday 7:30 to 7:50 am
St. Joseph, Hills
Sunday 9:30 to 9:50 am

*Let us come to reconcile to God
and others!*

Comments from Father David Paintsil:

SPEND THIS ADVENT WITH MARY

Some Practical Ways to Spend This Advent with Mary

Advent is a privileged time of prayer, interior stillness, and spiritual renewal. Spending this season with Mary means allowing her to guide us into deeper faith and more attentive waiting. Here are several practical ways to do so:

1. Pray the Rosary Daily

The Rosary is one of the most powerful ways to walk with Mary. During Advent, the Joyful Mysteries—centered on the Annunciation, Visitation, and Nativity—become especially meaningful. You may consider praying the Rosary with me daily on Facebook or YouTube, or praying together with your family at home. Families who pray together discover, like Mary and Joseph, that God dwells in their midst.

2. Read a Marian Book

Choose a Marian book for spiritual reading this Advent. Options include *True Devotion to Mary* by St. Louis de Montfort, *Hail, Holy Queen* by Scott Hahn, or *Mary in the Mystery of the Covenant* by Ignace de la Potterie. Mary speaks powerfully through such writings, helping us understand her role in salvation history and in our lives.

3. Practice the Joy of Giving

Mary responded to the Annunciation not by isolating herself, but by **setting out in haste** to help Elizabeth. Advent with Mary means going out of ourselves in charity. Consider supporting a Catholic charity, adopting a family in need, bringing gifts to the poor, or performing simple acts of kindness. Sharing Christ with others is one of the deepest ways to imitate Mary.

4. Make Time for Silence

Mary teaches us how to ponder, reflect, and listen. The world becomes noisy in December, but Advent calls us to interior quiet. Set aside a few moments each day for silent prayer. Ask Mary to help you hear God's voice and recognize His presence in your life.

5. Reconciliation and Forgiveness

No Advent journey is complete without reconciliation. Mary lived a life free from sin, yet she understands her children's struggles. This season invites us to forgive those who have wronged us and to seek forgiveness ourselves. The Sacrament of Reconciliation is a profound way to prepare our hearts for Christ's coming.

6. Conclusion

To watch and wait with Mary is to prepare for Christmas in the most beautiful and transformative way. She teaches us how to hope, trust, persevere, and welcome Christ with a pure and joyful heart. As we spend this Advent with Mary, may the Lord grant us abundant graces, deepen our love for His Mother, and lead us safely into the New Year.



Bible Study

Bible Study will meet December 9 & December 23 at **Atrium Village**, 2nd floor study/lounge at 6:30 PM. Contact Melody Hobert-Mellecker—319-936-3287, call or text — if you are interested, or just come!



The 25-26 Annual Diocesan Appeal

Parish Goals:

- Hills = \$11,405.00 ... Pledged to date, \$11,995 (105% of goal).
- Lone Tree = \$11,065 ... Pledged to date, \$10,865 (104% of goal).
- Nichols= \$8,114.00 ... Pledged to date, \$8,727 (108% of goal).



THANK YOU TO ALL WHO CONTRIBUTED TO HELPED MEET OUR GOALS!

If you haven't given to the ADA yet, please do, any funds beyond our goal go back to the parish.

ST. MARY LONE TREE



From Thanksgiving through Advent, we will be collecting baby items for Birthright of Johnson County. This year, Birthright especially needs larger diapers (sizes 3 & 4), wipes, and baby shampoo and lotion. Sleepers and hooded towels are also in low supply. All items donated will be given to support expecting and new mothers.

Please pick up your yearly envelopes and 2026 calendar at our church entrances.

Sts. Mary & Joseph Cluster Parishes:

Your thoughtfulness in supporting me during my trip to Indianapolis for the National Catholic Youth Conference was truly overwhelming and so very appreciated! It was an experience I will never forget. I look forward to thanking you again and sharing my experience with all of you this weekend.



Alyssa Lenz

Liturgical Ministers—Lone Tree St. Mary Saturday 4:00 pm Cycle A Reading

	12/20/2025 Fr. Lou	12/24/2025 Fr. Lou	12/25/2025 Fr. Lou	12/27/25 Fr. David	Lone Tree	Parish Support	12/31/25 Fr. Lou
Greeter	Nancy Ford	Virginia Schlop Kohl		Barb Dunsmore	Envelopes	\$95.00	Volunteer
Lector	Jerry Ford	Sherry Nicola	Trudi Westfall	Jill Welter	Offertory	\$22.00	Carol Kaalberg
Cross Bearer	Nancy Ford	Jerry Ford		Lynn Bland	ACH	\$215.00	Volunteer
Servers	Jerry Ford	Sherry Nicola	Trudi Westfall	Jill Welter			Carol Kaalberg
Eucharist	JerryFord	Sherry Nicola	Trudi Westfall	Sherry Nicola			Carol Kaalberg
Eucharist	Nancy Ford	Judy Grothe		Judy Grothe			Sherry Nicola
Collection	Joan Davis	Jerry Ford	Volunteer	Joan Davis			Volunteer
	Lynn Bland	Nancy Ford	Volunteer	Lynn Bland			Volunteer
Gifts	Joan Davis, Lynn Bland	Jerry & Nancy Ford	Volunteer	Joan, Lynn			Volunteer
Commentator	Jerry Ford	Sherry Nicola	Trudi Westfall	Jill Welter			Carol Kaalberg

Liturgical Ministers—Nichols Church of St. Mary Sunday 8:00 am Cycle A Reading

	12/21/2025 Fr. David	12/24/2025 Fr. David	12/28/2025 Fr. David	01/01/2026 Fr. David	Nichols	Parish Support
Greeter	Joe Harper	Joe Harper	Joe Harper	Wayne Mengel	Envelopes	\$655.00
Lector	Missy Lenz	Carol Kaalberg	Renetta Burlage	Carol Kaalberg	Offertory	\$45.00
Cross Bearer	Michael Burlage	David Ollendick	Michael Burlage	Adam Gauger	ACH	\$250.00
Server	Carol Kaalberg	Carol Kaalberg	Carol Kaalberg	Carol Kaalberg		
Eucharist	Missy Lenz	Adam Gauger	Carol Kaalberg	Carol Kaalberg		
Eucharist	Carol Kaalberg	Carol Kaalberg	Missy Lenz	Adam Gauger		
Collection	Dennis Truesdale	Kory Kaalberg	Joe Harper	Volunteer		
	Adam Gauger	David Ollendick	Dennis Truesdale	Volunteer		
Gifts	Julia Elder	David Ollendick	Brent & Meaghan Peters	Volunteer		
Commentator	Carol Kaalberg	Carol Kaalberg	Carol Kaalberg	Carol Kaalberg		

Liturgical Ministers—Hills St. Joseph Sunday 10:00 am Cycle A Reading

	12/21/2025 Fr. David	12/24/2025 Fr. David	12/25/2025 Fr. David	12/28/2025 Fr. David	Hills	Parish Support	12/31/25 Fr. David
Music Ministry	Lily Westemyer	Lily Westemyer	Robynn & Jerry Anderson	Choir	Envelopes	\$758.00	01/01/26 Fr. David
Greeter	Gus & Lenore Manrique	Kathryn Campion	Marcia Mellecker	Liz & Rich Lockhart	Offertory	\$354.00	VOLUNTEERS
Lector	Wendy Berry	Mike Waldschmidt	Bob Jenn	Wendy Berry	ACH	\$535.00	PLEASE
Server	Mike Sieverding/ Messi Akodegnon	Mike Sieverding	Emy Rivera	Mike Sieverding	Ret.Rel.	\$50.00	SIGN UP
Eucharist - host	Kristee Malmberg	Mike Sieverding	Jolene VanEschen	Carol Kirkpatrick	Military	\$2.00	
Eucharist - cup	Emi Rivera	VOLUNTEER	Bob Jenn	Kristee Malmberg	CCHD	\$1.00	
Eucharist - cup	Carol Kirkpatrick	VOLUNTEER	Kay Evans	Deanne Eden	Im.Conc	\$1.00	
Collection	Jim Frantz	Mike Waldschmidt	Marcia Mellecker	Marcia Mellecker	All St.	\$2.00	
	Hope Frantz	Nancy Waldschmidt	VOLUNTEER	Barbara Mahanna			
Gifts	Family of Dean & Alice Cole	VanBuskirk family	Marcia Mellecker	Family of Marvin Simon			
Commentator	Carol Kirkpatrick	Lora Sieverding	Joyce Gauger	Lora Sieverding			

If you are unavailable for the above ministry assignment, please find your own replacement. Thank you.

Father Bill Kneemiller's Land's End Rugs

To support our local food pantries!

JoAnn Montgomery has made 100 rugs, from scrap materials. Your goodwill donation to purchase rug(s) will go towards our local food pantries. Rugs can be found in parish hall.

Please put your donation for rug(s) in an envelope marked RUG DONATION, and put in collection basket at Mass. Make checks payable to St. Joseph Church or St. Mary Church. Funds will be dispersed to appropriate food pantry.

Cluster Parish Announcements

Bulletin deadline Tuesday at 10:00 am. Contact Lora Sieverding at 319-530-5560, hillsstjosephfin@diodav.org or Carol Kaalberg at 319-330-5324 or kaalbergc@diodav.org.

St. Joseph Church, Hills.

St. Joseph Food Pantry is open each Wednesday morning from 10 am to noon. Mike and Lucy Parker direct our food pantry and can be reached at 319-679-2420.

Hills Parish Council: Next meeting: January 19, 6:30 PM.

Parishioners are welcome to attend council meetings. Please see a council member if you have agenda items. Members include: Rick Cole, Kay Evans, Karen Karr, Thom Kirkpatrick, Kristee Malmberg, Shelagh McDonald, Brian Moran, and Jim Schneider (President). Minutes are at church entry.

Thank you to Kristee Malmberg and Jean Burr for leading the decorating charge on Friday of this week. We appreciate you and all your helpers who lifted our church to the Christmas spirit with decorations.



The Social Justice Committee has a Giving Tree at the church entrance. There are tags on the tree to various organizations. Please take a tag to an organization you would like to donate to, place the tag and your donation in an envelope and place in our collection basket.

Christmas Eve, Wednesday, Dec. 24

4:00 pm Mass at Nichols Church with music at 3:30 pm, Fr. David
4:00 pm Mass at Lone Tree Church with music at 3:30 pm, Fr. Lou
6:00 pm Mass at Hills Church with music at 5:30 pm, Fr. David

Christmas Day, Thursday, Dec. 25

9:00 am Mass at Lone Tree Church, Fr. Lou
10:00 am Mass at Hills Church, Fr. David

Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God
New Year's Eve Mass, Wednesday, Dec. 31

4:00 pm at Lone Tree Church, Fr. Lou
6:00 pm at Hills Church, Fr. David

New Year's Day Mass, Thursday, Jan. 1

8:00 an at Nichols Church, Fr. David
10:00 am at Hills Church, Fr. David



There will be no First Saturday of the Month Mass of Healing on January 3.

St. Mary Church, Lone Tree and Nichols

Lone Tree Food Pantry is open each Wednesday afternoon from 3:30-5:00 PM. For more information, please call 319-629-4900.

Nichols Parish Council & Finance Council: Next meeting will be Sunday, January 25, following Mass at the church.

Lone Tree Parish Council: Next meeting will be Monday, January 26 at 6:00 PM, NOTE: this is a new date and time.



For your convenience Parish Council Minutes are now being posted on the bulletin board at the church entry.

LONE TREE & NICHOLS FOOD PANTRY

During November & The Season of Advent, we will be collecting food items and non-perishables for our local food pantry. The need is increasing so we are asking for your help. Baskets are at both church entrances for your donations.



Rest in Peace: Our parish sympathy is extended to the family of Dale Johnson, who passed away last week. Dale was a resident of Pioneer Park. Eternal rest grant unto him O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him. May his soul and all the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.



Following Mass this Saturday, December 20, we will be decorating our LT church. We are need of lots of helping hands. It shouldn't take more than an hour. Thank you in advance for your help.

SECRET SANTA

During Advent, St. Mary Lone Tree will be collecting for our SECRET SANTA project.

This is our final week to donate. Please be generous!



We will have limited office hours the next two weeks, with bulletins being printed much earlier than typical. If an announcement misses the bulletin we will have it in the announcements at Mass. Additionally, every effort will be made to update the electronic versions of the weekly bulletin. Thank you for your patience during this holiday season.



2025 Christmas Memorial Flowers and Mass Intentions

Your requested intentions will be offered at Masses on December 24, 25, 31 and January 1.

St. Mary Lone Tree

Cheryl Ann Anderson
John Bachhuber
Eugene & Rose Barnett
Carol Bekker
Doralyn Benson
Katie Birtcher
W.S & Evanageline Bouquot
Wilma & James Buline
Donna Crawford
Dean & Alice Cole
Ron Cole
Leonard & Dorothy Cooney
Thomas & Elma Cooney
Kathy Dalton
Donna Davis
Kathy Davis
Mark Davis
Denny DeGroote
George & Becky Elster
Gerald Forbes
Sammy Grant
Harold & Genny Griffith
Cindy Hartley
Linda Hartley
Luther & Norma Hartley
Richard Haval
Milly Hora
Donald Hotz
Russell & Doris Hotz
Rita Jansen
Gary Klebe
Linda Klebe
Marvin Klebe
Mildred & Laurence Klebe
Donald M. Kout
Oswald & Victoria Kout
Robert S. Kout
Benjamin S. & Ruth Lawson
Diana Sue & Kay Lawson
Jim Lively
Francis Loan
Hazen & Irene Loan
Scott Lorack
George & Elizabeth McGuire
Michael McGuire, Jr.

Michael McGuire, Sr.
Jim & Donabell Moore
Max Mudd
Bonnie Mullinnix
Charles & Kevin Mullinnix
LeRoy Mullinnix
Harold Mullinnix
Pat & Shirely Mullinnix
Clayton & Colton Novak
Frank O'Meara
Mary Piernicky
Lynn Rockafellow
Doris Ruth
Jerry Schindler
John & Albia Shradel
Mary Rita Shradel
Rudolph, Bert & Jerry Simon
Kathleen Slycord
Earl & Viola Tessmer
Joanne Tessmer
Jolene Vance
James E. Walker
Marjorie & Marvin Walker
Bob & Jean Welter
Kevin Welter
Rufus & Dorothy Welter
Tom & Bill Welter
Paul Yedlik

Living & Deceased of the following:

Anderson family
Droll & Schalpkohl families
Buline & Poeltler families
Forbes & Westfall families
Grant family
Kelly & Viner families
Krueger family
Lively & Fitzgerald families
James Mullinnix family
Mullinnix & Cooney families
Lydia & Arthur Schreiber family
Welter family
Velma Wiese family
Yakish families

2025 Christmas Memorial Flowers and Mass Intentions

Your requested intentions will be offered at Masses on December 24, 31 and January 1, 4.

Church of St. Mary Nichols

Robert Cooper
Donna Crawford
Aaron Daufeldt
Clarence & Frances Daufeldt
Gary Daufeldt
Katie Dlouhy
Fr. Marty Goetz
Mr. & Mrs. William Gordon
Dr. John Grostic
Don Hanks
Gayle Kaalberg
Sean Krueger
Tim Leggins
Henry Logee
Louis & Amy Matt
James McGee
Michael McGee
Robert Mengel
Sonny, Karleen & Tom O'Toole
Keith Peters
Jack & Helene Salemink
Jennifer Salemink
Lawrence & Geneva Salemink
Joe & Anita Schmelzer
John Schneider
Fr. Guillermo Trevino
Robert Varney
Ann Wieskamp
Special Intentions of Healing
Peace in the World

Living & Deceased of the following:

Church of St. Mary Nichols
Balland & Green families
Bowron & Martin families
Burlage & Salemink families
Forbes & Westfall families
Joe & Rose Harper family
Kaalberg & Milder families
Massey & Lampe families
Charles Ollendick family
Poeltler & Lisenby families
Eugene Salemink family
Sieren & Beinhart families
Truesdale family
Varney & Gordon families
Wilson & Beauseigneur families
Paul Yedlik family



2025 Christmas Memorial Flowers and Mass Intentions

Your requested intentions will be offered at Masses on December 24, 25, 31 and January 1.

St. Joseph Hills

- Clarence and Mary Amelon

Earl and Mary Ball

Ivan Ball

Judy Ball

Richard Ball

Hazen and Lavilla Barker

Paul & Shirley Beltz

Vincent & Lucinda Beltz

Virginia Brass

Art Campbell

Kevin Campbell

Don, Shirley and John Clausen

Kohen James Cole

Dick and Rosie Cress

Bud and Florance Curran

LeRoy Duwa Families

Adolph and Rita Dvorsky

Willard Dvorsky

Charles and Hilma Eden

William “Bill” Eden

Eldon and Vera Frantz

Danny Fulton

Ralph and Doris Gerot

Fr. Marty Goetz

Robert and Gertrude Greazel

Bob and Bernice Grimm

Keith Grothe

Leo and Nettie Grothe

Charles and Stella Hall

Margaret Heitzman

Nancy Heitzman

Paul Heitzman

Thomas Heitzman

Virginia Heitzman

Wesley & Mary Ann Hotka

Joe & Rita Jenn Family

Theda Johnson

Djuana Kirkpatrick

Joanne Kleese

Louis and Marion Klein

Reno and Vivian Knebel

Glenn and Gerry Lackender
- Howard Lewis

Olin & Floraine Lloyd

Maxine Lockhart

Pat Mass

Don Mahanna

Kevin Mahanna

Carl and Mary Malmberg

Albert Mellecker

Bob Mellecker

Carol Mellecker

Leo and Lois Mellecker

Betty, Jerry & Renee Metz

Mike Mills

Charles & Winefred Mulvehill

Charles Ollendick family

Virgil and Hazelle Parker

Bernie Prybil

George and Frances Rayner

Bob and Gladys Richardson

Bob & Renita Rummelhart

Leonard and Mary Evelyn Rummelhart

John Schneider

Steve Schneider

Bud & Mary Sieverding

Francis Simon

Linda Simon

Marvin Simon

Frank and Zelda Skala

Rick Soukup

Keith Stevens

Louis and Adelaide Stevens, & Beverly

Kenneth Swenka

Henry & Dolores VanEschen

Ruby Gwen VanHorn

Russell L. VanHorn

William B. VanHorn

Rev. Donald Waldschmidt

Harold and Helen Waldschmidt

Rev. Donald Waldschmidt

Harold and Helen Waldschmidt

Lawrence Yeries

2025 Christmas Memorial Flowers and Mass Intentions

Your requested intentions will be offered at Masses on December 24, 25, 31 and January 1.

St. Joseph Hills

- Living & Deceased of the following:
- Bowman family

Bratt family

Eugene Cambridge family

Daufeldt family

Albert Duwa family

Laurence Duwa family

Frantz family

Gauger family

Kirkpatrick family

Knebel family

Jerry Mellecker family

Pogge family

Popham family

Schott family

Sladek family

Stebral family

Eugene Tolander family

