

January 27 & 28, 2018

THE 4TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

BE An Angel! Please send

love and prayers to these dear souls who are ill or in need: Anita Rothmeier, Rosemary Wondra, David Clark, Robert Kluntz, Larry Treanor, Bob Beckel, Rick Schoeb, Don Foscoe, Beverly Sohm, Connie Baker, Gene Thelemann, Jared Mogere Family, Tim Petersen, Kent Pearce, John Kluntz, Evalyn Cusick, Mary Androli, Bernice Pezak, David Krenik, Terry Sadowski, James Connor, Mary Lou Ballman, Natalie Bruender, Helen Voit, Robert Ani, Beth Flick, Rose Anne Schoeb, Dottie Cerven, Mackenzie Wol, Mitchell Petsinger, Mary Fiebel Schwartz, Carol Leighton, Marian Meyer, Larry Johnson, Mark Johnson, Lois McCabe, Mya Walechka, Dave Rusch, Lana Dahl, Alec Heuer, Jim Meagher, Mike Davis, Betty Kinney, Lisa Skarin, Julie Bauer, Ann Dauk. (To add or remove a name to the Prayers for the sick, please contact the parish office at 507-243-3166 or contact: office@maryschurches.com.)



NATIVITY	LECTORS		USHERS/ COLLECTIONS		EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS of the EUCHARIST		GIFT BEARERS	
	SATURDAY PM	SUNDAY AM	SATURDAY PM	SUNDAY AM	SATURDAY PM	SUNDAY AM	SATURDAY PM	SUNDAY AM
January 27 & 28	Mary Klaseus	Barbara Harris	Nick Klaseus Rose Hendley	Janet Walechka Robbie Kopet	Kathy Dauk, Nick Klaseus Mike Keogh	Ray & Barb Truzinski Danny Holmes		
February 3 & 4	Andy Queen	Kelly McCabe	Mary Klaseus (Volunteer Needed)	Barb Truzinski Mary Haase	Rita Martinson Lynn Kluntz, Mary Klaseus	Rita Kluntz, Andy Queen Jaci Kopet		
February 10 & 11	Kathy Dauk	Glen O'Connor	Dick Davis (Volunteer Needed)	Janet Walechka Robbie Kopet	Rita Martinson Lynn Kluntz, Mary Klaseus	Rita Kluntz, Andy Queen Jaci Kopet		
MARYSBURG	LECTORS		USHERS/ COLLECTIONS		EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS of the EUCHARIST		GIFT BEARERS	
	SATURDAY PM	SUNDAY AM	SATURDAY PM	SUNDAY AM	SATURDAY PM	SUNDAY AM	SATURDAY PM	SUNDAY AM
January 27 & 28	Don Foscoe	Sue Leiferman	Steve Baker Mark Meyer	Rich McCabe Steve Pohlring	Phil Rothmeier Rita Romy, Annie Davis	Rich McCabe, Barb Folden Mike Lyons	Steve and Teresa Baker	
February 3 & 4	Mary Kay Naegle	Marcia Stapleton	Larry Davis Albert Weinandt	Pat Baker Larry Treanor	Mary Kammerdiener Chris & Ann Biehn	Colleen McCabe Jim Folden, Pat Baker	Joe & Becky Meyer (Or Substitute)	
February 10 & 11	Chris Biehn	Marilyn Kluntz	John Page Steve Blais	Becky Kaderlik Becky Kortuem	Larry Davis Phil Rothmeier, Rita Romy	Sue Leiferman Rich McCabe, Barb Folden	Mary Wolff and Sheila Wolff	

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<b>28</b> 4TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME <b>8:30 AM NATIVITY &amp; 10:30 AM MARYSBURG</b>  † FUSSELL & EILEEN KRENK ALL PARISHIONERS	<b>29</b> Mass 8 am at Marysburg	<b>30</b> Mass 8 am at Nativity	<b>31</b> No Mass  Religious Ed: Classes 6:30	<b>1</b> No Mass (There is NOT a Mass in LeCenter)	<b>2</b> Mass 8 am at Nativity  Fr. Shofner returns	<b>3</b> VIGIL OF 5TH SUNDAY IN OT NAT PENANCE: 3:15-3:45 MASS: 4 PM MB, PENANCE: 5:30-5:45 MASS: 6 PM  † FENE KRENK SOFEM FAMILY
<b>4</b> 5TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME <b>8:30 AM NATIVITY &amp; 10:30 AM MARYSBURG</b> Confirmation Pancake Breakfast at Nativity † BERNICE FORTIER ALL PARISHIONERS	<b>5</b> Mass 8 am at Marysburg  Marysburg CCW 7 p.m.	<b>6</b> Mass 8 am at Nativity	<b>7</b> Mass 8 am at Marysburg  Religious Ed: Classes 6:30 NET RETREAT Gr. 9 & 10 3:15 - 9 p.m. ANGE HESSE	<b>8</b> No Mass	<b>9</b> Mass 8 am at Nativity  † GORDON MCCABE	<b>10</b> VIGIL OF 6TH SUNDAY IN OT NAT PENANCE: 3:15-3:45 MASS: 4 PM MB, PENANCE: 5:30-5:45 MASS: 6 PM  † BUD MCCABE
<b>11</b> 6TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME <b>8:30 AM NATIVITY &amp; 10:30 AM MARYSBURG</b> Marysburg POTLUCK - Noon DEAD THEOLOGIANS SOCIETY 6-9 PM CHURCH OF NATIVITY, Cleveland † TODD BROWN	<b>12</b> Mass 8 am at Marysburg	<b>13</b> Mass 8 am at Nativity  MARYSBURG FINANCE COUNCIL, 6PM MARYSBURG PARISH COUNCIL, 7PM	<b>14</b> Marysburg: Mass 8 am Nativity: Mass 6:30 pm ASH WEDNESDAY (Day of Abstinence)	<b>15</b> No Mass  NATIVITY PARISH COUN. 7PM	<b>16</b> Mass 8 am at Nativity  † STEVEN HENDLEY	<b>17</b> VIGIL OF 7TH SUNDAY IN OT NAT PENANCE: 3:15-3:45 MASS: 4 PM MB, PENANCE: 5:30-5:45 MASS: 6 PM  † MIKE & ANDY STIFLUK ALL PARISHIONERS
<b>18</b> 1ST SUNDAY OF LENT <b>8:30 AM NATIVITY &amp; 10:30 AM MARYSBURG</b>  † BUD MCCABE † DARLENE TREANOR	<b>19</b> Mass 8 am at Marysburg	<b>20</b> Mass 8 am at Nativity  † BOB MCGINN	<b>21</b> Mass 8 am at Marysburg  Religious Ed: Classes 6:30	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b> Mass 8 am at Nativity  † NED BIEHN	<b>24</b> VIGIL OF 1ST SUNDAY OF LENT NAT PENANCE: 3:15-3:45 MASS: 4 PM MB, PENANCE: 5:30-5:45 MASS: 6 PM

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**WEEKEND MASSES:**

Saturday, 4:00 pm - Nativity  
Saturday, 6:00 pm - IC of Marysburg  
Sunday, 8:30 am - Nativity  
Sunday, 10:30 am - IC of Marysburg

**RECONCILIATION TIMES:**

Sat. 3:15-3:45 pm - Nativity  
Sat. 5:30-5:45 pm - IC of Marysburg

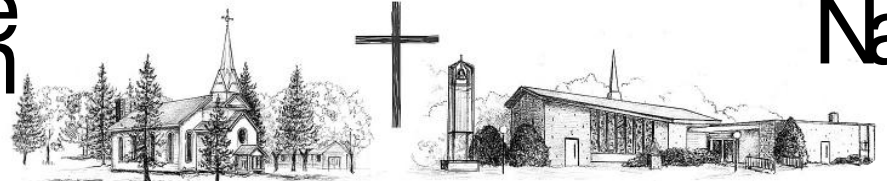
**WEEKDAY MASSES:**

Monday, 8 am: Marysburg  
Tuesday, 8 am: Nativity  
Wed, 8 am: Marysburg  
Thursday, NO Mass  
Friday, 8 am: Nativity



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Cleveland Jesus Christ



January 27 & 28, 2018

200 Main Street, Cleveland MN 56017

Nativity

**CONFIRMATION BREAKFAST**  
Church of the Nativity, Cleveland, MN  
**Sunday February 4,**  
Serving from 9:30AM until 12:00 PM



\$ 7 Adults  
\$ 3 K-6th gr.  
\$20 Family  
Maximum  
Pancakes, Sausages, eggs,  
Beverages

All proceeds will go to  
**ST. MARY'S MISSION**  
**RED LAKE, MN**

**EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES**

HOUSEKEEPING:

The Church of Nativity is looking for someone who would be interested in cleaning the church and hall on a weekly basis. If you are interested or have questions please call the Parish office at 507-243-3316 or Mary Haase at 507-931-1415.

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT:

The Churches of Nativity in Cleveland and Immaculate Conception of Marysburg are searching for an individual or individuals to accomplish the tasks of a full-time Administrative Assistant, which include both bookkeeping and administrative duties. Depending on the skill sets of qualified applicants, this position may be split into two part-time positions. Salary commensurate with knowledge and experience.

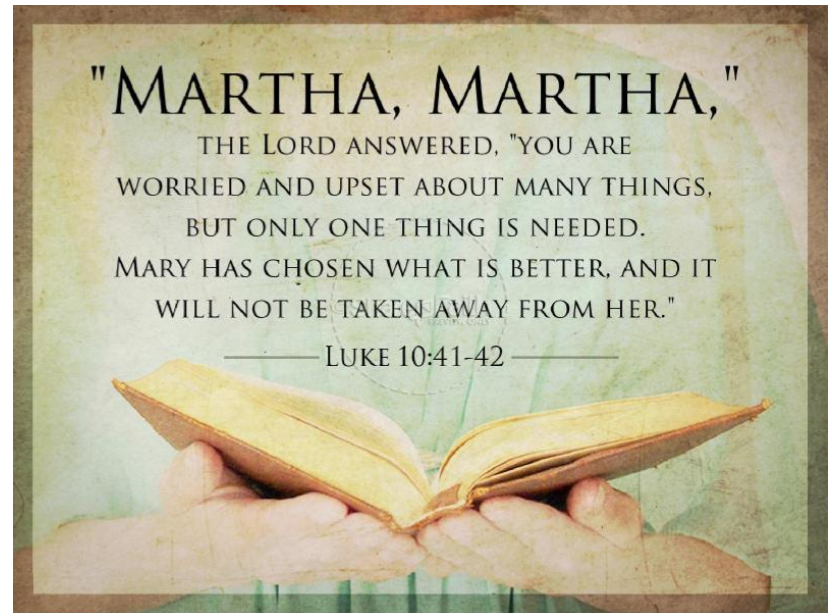
Administrative responsibilities include, but are not limited to: Parish communications (weekly bulletin, regular mailings and newsletters, emails, phone calls, etc.), parish record-keeping (sacramental records, cemetery records, hall rentals, etc.), support for the Faith Formation program, coordination of the parish's Safe Environment program, and responding to the requests of parishioners. Knowledge of spreadsheet software and desktop publishing is a must.

Bookkeeping responsibilities include: Accounts payable, receivables, maintaining accurate financial and payroll records (including all parishioner contributions), preparing regular financial reports for the parish, and

attendance at all meetings of the Parish Finance Councils.

Successful applicants will show the ability and willingness to learn, to work independently, and to communicate well in both speech and writing. All parish employees must pass a background check and be VIRTUStrained. Interested candidates are invited to submit a resume and cover letter, which should include 3 references and an indication of preference for part-time or full-time employment or both, to the Parish Office, 27528 Patrick Street, Madison Lake, Minnesota 56063 in care of the pastor, Fr. Christopher Shofner. Deadline is February 16, 2018. For more details, please contact Fr. Shofner at 507-243-3166 or fr.chris@hotmail.com.

**4TH SUNDAY**  
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**Website: Repaired :D**

Up to date bulletins and stewardship schedules are once again posted on our web site, www.maryschurches.com. Simply use the menu that spans the top of the page. For stewardship schedules, click on the church name, then scroll down to the lower right and click on the word Stewardship.

Meanwhile, stewardship schedules are available in the entrances and in the sacristy. They are always in the bulletin and individual copies have been emailed to all the stewards in both churches. Please call the Parish Office if you would like another.

**Marysburg CCW News**

There will be a meeting, Monday, February 5 at 7:00 pm at the hall. As a reminder, the CCW dues of \$5 are due. Thank you to everyone who has already paid.

**MARYSBURG POTLUCK**

The Festival Committee is celebrating with a Potluck. Join us after Mass on Sunday, February 11. It doesn't matter if you were part of the Festival, or just want to come and visit. Put it on your calendar! Bring a dish to pass. Coffee, lemonade and water will be available. Feel free to bring a beverage of choice. Note, this is not a meeting!! Hope to see you there!



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Please note that Fr. Shofner will be out of town through Thursday, February 1st. Please check the bulletin for changes in the daily Mass schedule.

## Find Peace This Lenten Season

Pope Francis says, "God is always waiting for you." If you or someone you know is grieving the loss of a child or children to abortion, come and experience the healing mercy of Jesus Christ on our weekend retreat. Rachel's Vineyard Twin Cities' retreats are open to anyone impacted by abortion – women, men, grandparents, siblings and health care professionals. The next retreat is March 2-4, 2018 in the Twin Cities area. For more information, contact Nancy at [rachel@vineyardmn.org](mailto:rachel@vineyardmn.org), call 763-250-9313, or visit [www.rvineyardmn.org](http://www.rvineyardmn.org).

## Marriage in Christ Seminars

Friendship with God, Friendship with Our Spouse, In the Holy Spirit. Throughout 2018, several parishes will be hosting Marriage in Christ seminars. The five-week seminar is for all married couples. Good habits and the power of the Holy Spirit transform all marriages! Find more details and the list of host parishes at [www.archspm.org/marriageinchrist](http://www.archspm.org/marriageinchrist).

## Super Bingo

Come on SUNDAY, JANUARY 28, 2018, 12:30 PM. to All Saints Catholic All Saints Church, Madison Lake. For Tickets Call 507-243-3319 or Mail Check to All Saints Super Bingo 2017, Box 158, Madison Lake, MN 56063. In case of inclement weather, Super Bingo will be held on February 11, 2018.

## Thank You for Your Contributions

Weekend of January 20 and 21, 2018

Marysburg: \$1,267

Nativity: \$1,070

**B**rothers and Sisters in Christ, This weekend St. Paul describes one of his greatest desires for us – that we "be free of anxieties" (1 Corinthians 7:32). Sometimes our circumstances can lead us to worry unnecessarily about worldly things. It's a universal problem, is it not? We worry about a lot of things. Some days it can seem a bit overwhelming. But God does not want us to be overwhelmed by anxiety – He wants us to find peace and rest in Him: "Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened, and I will give you rest" (Matthew 11:28).

Anxiety disorders are the most common mental illness in the United States, affecting 18% of the population every year – that's over 40 million adults! While many seek out medications and therapy to combat their condition (which are not bad in and of themselves), we often neglect the spiritual solutions such as prayer and trust in the Lord. Jesus confronted this affliction of anxiety several times in the Gospels. He encourages His disciples not to worry about worldly things because God will provide everything that we need for today. In Matthew's Gospel, Jesus explains that worrying about food or clothing or any other worldly thing is a futile endeavor: "Do not worry about your life... Can any of you by worrying add a single moment to your life-span?... Learn from the way the wildflowers grow... If God so clothes the grass of the field, will He not much more provide for you?... Do not worry about tomorrow; tomorrow will take care of itself" (see Matthew 6:25-34).

You may recall how He lovingly corrects Martha when she complains that her sister Mary is not



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helping her with the household responsibilities. Jesus looks at her and says, "Martha, Martha, you are anxious and worried about many things. There is need of only one thing. Mary has chosen the better part and it will not be taken from her" (Luke 10:41-42).

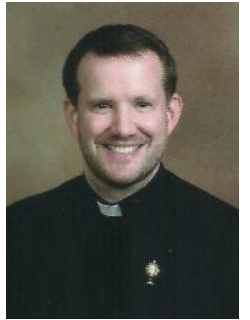


He is referring to our need to find peace and rest in the contemplation of heavenly things, by listening to Jesus and learning from Him. Prayer is fundamental for overcoming anxiety. It produces calm in the soul, not simply due to the physiological effects that prayer and meditation produce, but due as well to the very real grace of God working in our soul.

St. Frances Xavier Cabrini was the founder of the religious order known as the Missionary Sisters of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus, which was founded to minister to Italian immigrants in the

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United States in the late 19th century (today they are found in 15 countries on 6 continents). She wrote a beautiful prayer for those who suffer anxiety in their daily life:

"Fortify me with the grace of your Holy Spirit and give your peace to my soul that I may be free from all needless anxiety, solicitude and worry. Help me to desire always that which is pleasing and acceptable to you so that your Will may be my will. Grant that I may rid myself of all unholy desires and that, for your love, I may remain obscure and unknown in this world, to be known only to you. Do not permit me to attribute to myself the good that you perform in me and through me, but rather, referring all honor to your Majesty, may I glory only in my infirmities, so that renouncing sincerely all vain glory which comes from the world, I may aspire to that true and lasting glory which comes from you. Amen."

Jesus was very aware of the affliction of anxiety, and His disciples learned from Him the best way to fight against it. St. Peter encourages us perhaps in the most fundamental way: "Cast all your worries upon Him because He cares for you" (1 Peter 5:7). May we have the grace to do so each day, that in surrendering our worries to Him, we may find the peace of Jesus Christ.

God bless,

Fr. Chris Shofner

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