

July 14th & 15th, 2018 - 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

THANK YOU...	LECTORS		COLLECTION OFFICERS		EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS		GIFT BEARERS	
	Saturday	Sunday	Saturday	Sunday	Saturday	Sunday	Saturday	Sunday
July 14 & 15	Dave Cink	Barb Harris	Mary Pope Sharon Cink	Barb Truzinski Mark Lawrence	Mike Lundon, Mary Klaseus Lynn Kluntz	Rita Kluntz Ray & Barb Truzinski		
July 21 & 22	Mary Pope	Agnes Morgan	Bill Pope Jim Cink	Mary Haase Carol Lawrence	Mike Lundon, Nick Klaseus Lynn Kluntz	Rita Kluntz Ray & Barb Truzinski		
July 28 & 29	Mary Klaseus	Kelly McCabe	Rose Hendley Mary Klaseus	Janet Walechka Barb Truzinski	Kathy Dauk, Mary Klaseus Rita Martinson	Andy Queen, Jaci Kopet Ann Rohlfing		

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July 14 & 15	Joe Meyer	Jim Folden	Albert Weinandt Larry Davis	Don Adams Jim Kluntz	Annie Davis Chris & Ann Biehn	Rich & Colleen McCabe Pat Baker	Annie & Larry Davis	
July 21 & 22	Chris Biehn	Sue Leiferman	Steve Baker Mark Meyer	Greg Germscheid Mike Germscheid	Rita Ramy Phil Rothmeier, A. Davis	Sue Leiferman Mike Lyons, (Volunteer)	Steve & Teresa Baker	
July 28 & 29	Becky Meyer	Marcia Stapleton	John Page Steve Blais	Pat Corrow Bill McCabe	Mary Kammerdiener Larry & Annie Davis	Colleen & Rich McCabe Pat Baker	Mary Wolff and Shiela Wolff	

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To add or remove a name on this list, please email: office@marychurches.com or call 507-243-3166.



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
15 THE 15TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 8:30 AM NATIVITY & 10:30AM MARYSBURG Missionary Visit - Fr. Joseph J. Arackal AA MTG. MB Hall, 6 PM †TODD BROWN †JOLENE & HOLDEN ZELL	16 No Mass	17 Mass 8 am at Nativity †STEVEN HENDLEY	18 Mass 8 am at Marysburg PARISH OFFICE CLOSED ARCHSPM SEMINAR	19 No Mass	20 Mass 8 am at Nativity	21 VIGIL OF THE 16TH SUNDAY IN OT NAT PENANCE: 3:15-3:45 MASS: 4 PM MB PENANCE: 5:30-5:45, MASS 6 PM †RAYMOND (BUZ) & MARYLOU HOFFMANN
22 THE 16TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 8:30 AM NATIVITY & 10:30AM MARYSBURG AA MTG. MB Hall, 6 PM †MIKE & ANDY STRUCK †DARLENE TREANER	23 Mass 8 am at Marysburg	24 Mass 8 am at Nativity	25 Mass 8 am at Marysburg	26 No Mass	27 No Mass	28 VIGIL OF THE 17TH SUNDAY IN OT NAT PENANCE: 3:15-3:45 MASS: 4 PM MB PENANCE: 5:30-5:45, MASS 6 PM †BUD MCCABE
29 THE 17TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 8:30 AM NATIVITY & 10:30AM MARYSBURG AA MTG. MB Hall, 6 PM †MARY ANNE STOFFEL	30 Mass 8 am at Marysburg	31 No Mass	1 Mass 8 am at Marysburg †ANGIE HESSE	2 No Mass PARISH OFFICE CLOSED PERSONAL DAY	3 Mass 8 am at Nativity	4 VIGIL OF THE 18TH SUNDAY IN OT NAT PENANCE: 3:15-3:45 MASS: 4 PM MB PENANCE: 5:30-5:45, MASS 6 PM †IRENE KRENIK
5 THE 18TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 8:30 AM NATIVITY POLKA MASS & 10:30AM MARYSBURG NATIVITY FESTIVAL - CAR SHOW & CHICKEN DINNER! †DORIS MCGINN 	6 Mass 8 am at Marysburg	7 Mass 8 am at Nativity	8 Mass 8 am at Marysburg	9 No Mass	10 Mass 8 am at Nativity	11 VIGIL OF THE 19TH SUNDAY IN OT NAT PENANCE: 3:15-3:45 MASS: 4 PM MB PENANCE: 5:30-5:45, MASS 6 PM †BUD MCCABE

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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
 Wednesday, 8 am: Marysburg
 Thursday, NO Mass
 Friday, 8 am: Nativity

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Nativity



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The Parishioners of
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 Churches

~ LOCAL EVENTS! ~

<<< PLEASE NOTE - MASS CANCELLATIONS >>>

There will be NO MASS at MB or NAT on the following dates...
 July 16th, 27th and 31st.

<<< FREE ICE CREAM SOCIAL >>>

Sunday, July 15th, 2- 4 pm, St. Nicholas Catholic Church, Elko New Market

<<< ROCKIN ON THE HILL LOYOLA MUSIC FESTIVAL >>>

Saturday, July 21st, Gates at 5 PM, enjoy LIVE music, pull tabs, food trucks, spirits, traveling boutiques & more!
 Tickets \$10 advanced/415 at the gate, on sale now at HyVee.

<<< ST. PATRICK CHURCH (JORDAN, MN) PARISH FESTIVAL >>>

Sunday, July 22nd, 10 AM Mass (to 2:30 PM)
 Grilled Chicken Dinner, Prizes, Games, Live Music, Baseball!

<<< LITOMYSL SUMMER FESTIVAL >>>

Sunday, July 29th, at 10 AM Polka Mass
 @ Holy Trinity Catholic Church in Owatonna
 Live Music, Prizes, Shops, Silent Auction & much more!

<<< UNITED WAY WOMEN W/HEART LUNCHEON >>>

Wednesday, August 1st, 11:30 am, Verizon Center, Mankato, \$25 per ticket.
 www.MankatoUnitedWay.org/women-heart

<<< 14TH ANNUAL NATIVITY CLASSIC CAR SHOW / CHKN DINNER >>>

08-05-18! Interested in making a Silent Auction basket or donation??? Call Shirley 507-934-5943 or Mary 507-931-1415.
 Other event questions, call Larry 507-995-4347.

<<< 2018 MARYSBURG FALL FESTIVAL >>>

*NEW DATE - Sunday, September 16th, 2018

SPREAD THE WORD! SAVE THE DATE!
 PLAN TO JOIN US ON SUNDAY, AUGUST 5TH
 FOR THE 14TH ANNUAL
 CHURCH OF THE NATIVITY FESTIVAL -
 CLASSIC CAR SHOW & MEN'S CHICKEN DINNER!
 POLKA MASS & REGISTRATION AT 8:30 AM,
 LIVE MUSIC & GREAT FOOD!
 GOOD TIMES AND FUN FOR ALL AGES -
 EVERYONE IS WELCOME! BRING YOUR FRIENDS!

08.05.2018

200 MAIN STREET, CLEVELAND, MN.



**MEN'S CHICKEN DINNER
 AND PARISH FESTIVAL**

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS!

Weekend of June 30 & July 1, 2018

Marysburg: \$1,058.00 | Nativity: \$2,226.00

*** PETER'S PENCE TOTAL: \$613.00 ***

Weekend of July 7 & 8, 2018

Marysburg: \$1,258.67 | Nativity: \$1,843.00

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VISITING MISSIONARY - THIS WEEKEND:

A special THANK YOU to Fr. Thomas Cheruvil V.C., a Vincentian Missionary Priest from India, for being with our parishes this weekend! He is here to participate in our Annual Missionary Cooperation Plan. We are thankful to have him here with us to preach at all the Masses on Saturday & Sunday, and appreciate the appeal he has made on behalf of the Vincentian Missions.

The Vincentian Congregation (V.C.), a missionary sending Religious Congregation, was founded in Kerala, India in 1904, modeled after the Congregation of the Mission founded by St. Vincent de Paul. Members of this flourishing Religious Congregation, all natives of India, are engaged in Mission Work in all parts of India and in several countries in Africa.

The special mission collection this weekend is to help the Vincentian Missionaries. We urge you to be very generous in your mission offering since these Missionaries need our help. Please keep Fr. Thomas and all the Vincentian Missionaries and seminarians in your prayers. Thank you!



Fr. Thomas Cheruvil >
 www.syromalabarchurch.in

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PLEASE PRAY for the youth of our parishes who are attending the Steubenville Youth Conference in Rochester, Minnesota this weekend. Twelve youth and four chaperones have joined Fr. Shofner and hundreds of other Catholic youth from the upper Midwest to celebrate the Catholic faith through talks, music, prayer, daily Mass, the Sacrament of Reconciliation, and fellowship. The theme of this year's conference is REVEALED, understanding the love of God revealed to us in Christ: "In this way the love of God was revealed to us: God sent His only Son into the world so that we might have life through him" (1 John 4:9). Please pray for Fr. Shofner, and for our youth, that their hearts may be open to a deeper relationship with Jesus during this powerful weekend!



Church of the NATIVITY

Pastoral Council Update

THANK YOU to the three nominees who have agreed to be placed on the ballot for the Church of the Nativity Parish Council:

Nick Klaseus
Mike McCabe
Bob Lamont

Please Note: We will be voting on the 1 (one) open spot next weekend during mass. Thank you!

Staying in Touch...

Immaculate Conception of Marysburg

Parish Trustees:

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Marysburg Cemetery Manager: Rich McCabe 931-3611

Church of the Nativity, Cleveland

Parish Trustees:

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Kathy Dauk, Sec. 931-5928
Gary Miller 934-5635 Bill Stangler 931-1219
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Nativity Finance Council:

Tom Hankins, Pres. 595-3768
Mary Haase 931-1415 Sandy O'Connor 327-3090
David Sexe 931-0052 Janet Walechka 357-4293

Nativity Cemetery Manager: Mike Keogh 931-5547



From the Desk of Father Christopher Shofner

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Fr. Christopher Shofner

Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

One of the great questions that humanity has struggled with since the dawn of creation is the question of human suffering. Why do we suffer? Why do bad things happen to good people? Why doesn't God intervene to stop natural disasters, illness and death from touching our lives? We have been trying to understand the problem of evil and suffering since the beginning. Some have decided to resign themselves to simply being victims of suffering, with little or nothing that we can do about it. Others have opted to rage against the circumstances of suffering, often to the point of desperation when they find themselves powerless to prevent it. But still others have discovered a better way—by running to Jesus in a prayer that is filled with confident faith and hope, and by fostering within ourselves an active silence in the face of evil, we resist the powers of evil that threaten to overwhelm our heart and spirit.

Robert Cardinal Sarah is a West African cardinal that currently serves as the head of the Congregation for Divine Worship at the Vatican. He is a well-respected voice in the Church when it comes to matters of the faith. I have recently been reading Cardinal Sarah's book *The Power of Silence*, in which he lays out a beautiful argument in favor of reclaiming silence in our lives, not just as an intentional part of our daily lives, but as an essential part of the liturgy and even in the face of evil and suffering.

His starting point for confronting the question of suffering is to recognize that trying to understand evil is trying to understand something that is incomprehensible. The very nature of evil is that it's completely irrational and makes no sense. For those evils that we can rightly prevent or escape, we must. But what of those evils that we can't control or prevent? What do we do then? We look to God as the source of our strength and courage to stand strong in the face of suffering. Cardinal Sarah upholds the Blessed Virgin Mary as an example of one who, in facing immense suffering, turned to her firm faith in God.

"How did Christ confront evil? How did Mary respond to evil? How did the Mother of God react when she saw the disfigured face of her Son on the Cross? The Virgin has no strength left in the face of such an outburst of hatred and violence. She is exhausted, overwhelmed, broken. Nevertheless, Mary possesses a great interior strength, and she remains standing and silent. She takes refuge in prayer, self-offering, and serene acceptance of God's mysterious will, in communion with her Son. The Mother of God loves a God who makes no noise and burns up human violence in the fire of his merciful love. At that moment she hears her Son beg God: 'Father, forgive them; for they know not what they do' (Luke 23:34). The union of her silence with the prayers of heaven enables her to remain standing at the foot of the Cross. Mary does not rebel, she does not shout. She accepts suffering thanks to her prayer. Did not Jesus himself prepare to endure his Passion by a night of prayer in the garden of Gethsemane and by many other nights, alone on the mountain or away in a deserted place? Christ alone can give man the strength to confront evil and come to terms with it. He offers himself as the only power capable of helping mankind to conquer suffering. 'Apart from me you can do nothing' (John 15:5). By the strength of his Cross, he has the power to save mankind." (*The Power of Silence*, 149).

In our own moments of suffering, we can take a cue from the Blessed Virgin Mary and from the encouragement of Holy Scripture. With a firm faith in Jesus Christ, holding tightly to His Cross, we can find ourselves immersed in the love of God, who will walk us through the darkest of times.

God bless, Fr. Chris Shofner