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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

**MASS CANCELLATION INFO:**  
Facebook, KatolInfo.com  
& MarysChurches.com

# Immaculate Conception

Centered around  
Jesus Christ

# Nativity



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200 Main Street, Cleveland MN 56017  
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## 2019-2020 Faith Formation Registration

You will find Faith Formation Registration Forms for the 2019-2020 School Year at both parishes in the entrance ways. If you have any questions, please see Lynn Kluntz, our Director of Religious Education (D.R.E.), Fr. Stiles, or reach out to the Parish Office. Return registrations forms to the Parish Office.

Forms also online at [www.MarysChurches.com/Forms](http://www.MarysChurches.com/Forms)

### Attn: Faith Formation Teachers

Teacher's Meeting Wed. Aug. 28th 6:30 pm Nativity - Cleveland  
\* All current or new Faith Formation volunteer teachers, assistants, or teacher helpers are required to complete "Essential 3 Training" (Background Check, Code of Conduct + Live VIRTUS Training) prior to the school year starting. Please see Fr. Stiles, Lynn Kluntz or Parish Office with any questions.

# Congratulations

Christi Rohlfig + Cody Baker  
united in marriage by Fr. Shofner  
Church of the Immaculate Conception  
of Marysburg, Madison Lake, Minnesota  
Saturday, August 24th, 2019



THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS!

Aug 15th, 2019 - Assumption Mass

Marysburg: \$162.00

Aug 17th & 18th, 2019

Marysburg: \$1,400.00 | Nativity: \$1,055.00

## ~ local things ~

### << REQUIRED FF TEACHERS MEETING 8-28-19 >>

All Faith Formation Teachers Meeting, Wednesday, August 28th at 6:30 pm at Nativity in Cleveland. See Lynn Kluntz, DRE.

### << ST. CANICE CHURCH OF KILKENNY FALL FESTIVAL >>

Sunday, Sept. 8th - Mass at 10 am, dinner (chicken & ham), live music, country store, jar bar, crafts, refreshments, games for all ages, ending with a raffle!  
Activities from 11 am - 3 pm. Come early - enjoy the day!

### << MONTHLY ROSARY RALLY - LE CENTER >>

On the 13th of each month, now through October @ 12 noon Le Center's South Park (Hwy 99 & Park Ave.) under gazebo. Join us in praying for our nation. For more info, contact Sheila McCabe Swan 507-357-6941 mccabeswan@yahoo.com  
The next Rosary Rally will be held on FRIDAY, Sept 13th.

### << SAVE THE DATE 09-15-19 @ MARYSBURG! >>

Please save the date of Sunday, September 15th, 2019 to join us at Marysburg in Madison Lake for the annual Outdoor Mass and Fall Festival!  
Live Music! Kids Games! Good Food! Bake Sale! Silent Auction! Wine Wall! Mini snap photo sessions for just \$10! And more!  
Complete details & info found on flyers & online!  
\*Everyone is welcome to join us!

### << ATTN: MARYSBURG VOLUNTEERS 9.21.19 >>

A Church Ministries Refresher for all Marysburg volunteers will take place after the 6pm mass on Saturday, September 21st. Led by Father Stiles and current Parish Council members, ministry volunteers will have a chance to refresh themselves on various duties performed within our church. This is for all present and new volunteers. Ministries include, Eucharistic Ministers, Lectors, Gift Bearers, Altar Servers, Rosary Leaders, and Ushers.  
Thank you for your gift of time, talent, and treasure.

### << WORLD MISSION SUNDAY, OCT. 19TH & 20TH >>

Our next National and Diocesan Collection will be held during masses held the weekend of October 19th & 20th. Visit our website for a message of His Holiness Francis for this World Mission Day 2019 and to learn more.  
[www.MarysChurches.com/news](http://www.MarysChurches.com/news)

## 21ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

AUGUST 24TH AND 25TH, 2019

ROJAS DESIGN  
PHOTO SESSIONS  
AT THE  
MARYSBURG  
FALL FESTIVAL

Sunday, Sept. 15, 2019,  
from 11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

PLAN NOW!  
GET A PROFESSIONAL HIGH  
QUALITY PHOTO FOR ONLY  
\$10.00!

\*\$5.00 for the professional photography service, and \$5.00 for the church.

For more details on this event, visit:  
[Facebook.com/marysburg/](https://www.facebook.com/marysburg/)

### HAVE SOMETHING TO SHARE IN THE BULLETIN?

Please e-mail the Parish Office at [office@maryschurches.com](mailto:office@maryschurches.com)  
Note that the submission deadline is Wednesday, before 12 noon.  
All content will be reviewed and considered.  
Contact Jill with Mass Announcements, website edits, as well.  
Thank you!



Both Nativity and Marysburg will be participating once again in our Back-To-School-Supplies-Drive to benefit local school children! Please bring items to the church entrances and leave in the donation baskets to be collected and distributed to the kids.

The deadline for donations is  
Sunday, September 1st!

We are looking for new / unused school items such as pens, pencils, markers, glue & glue-sticks, notebooks, folders, rulers, paper, crayons, pencil cases, back-packs, etc. Complete class-room needs are also welcome, such as kleenex, hand sanitizer, paper towels, dry erase markers, bulk snacks and more! Complete lists of suggested donations can be found in the "back-to-school" sections of our local stores, such as Target.

Thank you so much for your thoughtful donations!  
May God bless you!

New this Year at the Marysburg Fall Festival!  
**THE WALL OF WINE RAFFLE!**

How does the Wall of Wine Raffle Work??  
You visit the "Wall of Wine" and buy a "chance" to win six (6) bottles of wine. Each "chance" is \$5.00, unless you want to buy five chances for \$20! Throughout the festival you will be able to buy "chances"! Every time 20 "chances" are sold, a drawing will take place and the lucky winner will win six (6) bottles of wine!

*This is a fun addition to our Fall Festival  
be sure to look for it!!*

If you'd like to donate a bottle or bottles of wine--  
Get the 10% Marysburg discount coupon for MGM Wine & Spirits,  
visit the MGM Wine & Spirits store near you, purchase your favorite  
wine at a discount, bring your donation to the front Church entry  
after mass on Saturday 8/31, Sunday 9/1, Saturday 9/7,  
Sunday 9/8 or Saturday 9/14 and give the bottle or bottles to  
the waiting volunteer..



New this Year at the Marysburg Fall Festival!  
**WALL OF WINE RAFFLE**  
*The more wine donated, the more successful  
the WALL OF WINE RAFFLE will be!*  
**CLIP THIS COUPON for 10% Off**  
MGM Liquor Store has graciously offered  
a 10% discount on all wine purchased  
and donated to the Marysburg Fall  
Festival Wine Raffle from now until  
September 1, 2019. Merely clip this  
coupon and take it to  
your nearby MGM Wine  
& Spirits location  
to get the discount!

**MGM**  
WINE & SPIRITS



From the  
**Desk of Father James Stiles**

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**A** few more words on prayer..

St. Bernard was traveling with a poor, uneducated farmer, who noticed that the abbot [St. Bernard] kept his eyes cast downward. When the farmer asked why the saint wasn't looking at the beautiful countryside, Bernard explained that he wanted to avoid distractions while praying. In response, the farmer boasted, "I'm never distracted when I pray." Bernard objected, "I don't believe it. Now let me make a bargain with you. If you can say the Our Father without one distraction, I'll give you this mule I'm riding. But if you don't succeed, you must come with me and be a monk." The farmer agreed and began praying aloud confidently, "Our Father, who art in Heaven, hallowed be Thy name . . ." Then, after pausing for a moment, he asked St. Bernard, "Does that include the saddle and the bridle, too?" (see, <https://catholicexchange.com/how-the-saints-overcame-distraction-during-prayer>)

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ, this funny little story points to a reality we all face when it comes to prayer...distractions! Distractions in prayer can be like those pesky mosquitoes (or gnats!) that constantly draw our attention away from the enjoyment we are having on a beautiful Minnesota evening. What are we to do? How are we to think about our distractions in prayer?

The first thing to acknowledge is very simply that they will come. Without a very special grace from God in prayer, we will find ourselves distracted at one point or another in virtually every prayer we make to God. But, this should not overly frustrate us.

In fact, this is how the first battle against distraction in prayer is won, i.e., by not taking them too seriously. When we notice we are distracted, without being harsh on ourselves or begin to fret, we simply need to do our best to place our heart and mind back on God. If we can do this, we have already begun to break a great deal of the power distractions can have over our quality of prayer.

Another important principle to remember is that quality is far more important than quantity when it comes to prayer. Frequently, I'll complete some time of prayer and will feel frustrated that so much of it seemed distracted. I might think to myself, "I probably only had about 5 minutes of focused prayer in that hour spent in prayer...ugh!" St. Edmund would say to me and to all with similar thoughts, "It is better to say one Our Father fervently and devoutly than a thousand with no devotion and full of distraction."

Thirdly, let's remember that to seek to pray to God with devotion and attention is an act of love. Therefore, if we experience much distraction in prayer, know that every time you choose to refocus your mind on God, you are choosing to love God; and, therefore, even if the entire time spent in prayer was experienced as a battle against distractions, the prayer would still be pleasing to God because you've chosen many times to love God more than your distractions.

Fourthly, let's remember that prayer is a gift from God. The ability to pray with devotion and fervor only happens by the grace of God. In other words, we can't perfectly control our prayer life or any individual attempts we make at prayer. We may have the best prayer books with us, we may be very experienced prayer warriors, we may have been looking forward all day to just have 10 minutes of quiet prayer with the Lord, and still...when we try to pray, we might experience the prayer as 'flat', 'without life', without energy, without fervor, with boredom, or, yes, with many distractions. Don't be discouraged! Simply thank God for allowing you to be in His presence. And, then, next time you go to pray, remember that God is ultimately in charge of the prayer; therefore, any attempt to pray will in some way be fruitful.

It is worth mentioning that although most of the time distractions come outside of our control, sometimes we can deliberately allow our minds to wander in moments of prayer. This is not only destructive of prayer and harmful to our relationship with God, but it also can be sinful. Again, we must not give in to the distractions. We need to calmly and patiently fight against them. It can even be helpful to thank God in those moments of battle for your inability to pray with focus because it is a reminder to you that you are always in need of His help.

Friends, let us persevere in our attempts at prayer, and God will abundantly reward us both in this life and in the fullness of life to come. God bless you all! - Fr. Stiles

RECTORY UPDATE: We are having a little bit of a bat invasion taking place right now. Fr. Sandquist takes the prize for having removed three bats from the house, I have removed the other two, and Fr. Tom Niehaus is simply enjoying hearing us tell him about our horror stories. We thank God for all of His creatures...yes, *all* of them...

SIDE NOTE: A special thanks to all who have provided us with a meal or who have invited us over to their home!

**Our Cluster Parish Mass Times... 2019 CATHOLIC SERVICES APPEAL:**

ST. MARY - LE CENTER

Sat. 3:45-4:20 PM Confessions  
4:30 PM Mass

Sun. 10:00 AM Mass  
12:00 PM Mass (Spanish)

Tue/Wed/Fri. 9 AM Mass

ST. HENRY

Sun. 7:30-7:50 AM Conf  
8:00 AM Mass



**OUR PARISH GOALS FOR THIS YEAR:  
Nativity \$5,257 | Marysburg \$5,139**

As a bonus for our churches when we reach 100% of our parish goal, and we will, we receive 25% of the total that we raised right back, which we are then able to use to build up our own parish ministries! It's a win-win! All donations are handled through the Catholic Services Appeal Foundation (CSAF), an independent entity from our Archdiocese.

Parish Totals as of 8-22-2019 . . .  
NAT: \$4,815.00 Received (91.59% from 40 donors)  
MB \$3,150.00 Received (61.3% from 27 donors)

**Staying in Touch...**

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# August 24th & 25th, 2019 | The 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

MARYSBURG		LECTORS		COLLECTION OFFICERS		EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS		GIFT BEARERS	
	Saturday	Sunday	Saturday	Sunday	Saturday	Sunday	Saturday	Sunday	
August	Annie Davis		Clint Kortuem	Bill McCabe	Joe Meyer, Rita Ramy	Pat Baker	Larry & Annie		
24 & 25		Jim Folden	Nate Page	Pat Corrow	Phil Rothmeier	Colleen & Rich McCabe	Davis		
Aug/Sept	Joe Meyer		Mark Meyer	Tim Krenik	Larry & Annie Davis	Theresa Rohlfing	Steve & Teresa		
31 & 1		Sue Leiferman	Steve Baker	Jon Sullivan	Volunteer Needed	Jim & Barb Folden	Baker		
September	Mary Kay Naegle		Joe Meyer	(Volunteer Needed)	Leo Riley, Phil Rothmeier	Cindy Krenik	Joe & Becky		
7 & 8		Marcia Stapleton	Pat Riley	Pat Baker	Mary Kammerdiener	Sue Leiferman, (Volunteer)	Meyer		

  

NATIVITY		LECTORS		COLLECTION OFFICERS		EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS		GIFT BEARERS	
	Saturday	Sunday	Saturday	Sunday	Saturday	Sunday	Saturday	Sunday	
August	Dave Cink	Kelly McCabe	Mary Pope	Carol Lawrence	Lynn Kluntz, Mike Keogh	Jaci Kopet, Anne Rohlfing			
24 & 25			Rose Hendley	Robbie Kopet	Rita Martinson	Andy Queen			
Aug 31	Kathy Dauk	Bill Stangler	Nick Klaseus	Mark Lawrence	Nick & Mary Klaseus	Ray & Barb Truzinski			
Sep 1			Bill Pope	Barb Truzinski	Kathy Dauk	Rita Kluntz			
September	Mary Klaseus	Barb Harris	Dick Davis	Mary Haase	Lynn Kluntz, Nick Klaseus	Ray & Barb Truzinski			
7 & 8			Jim Cink	Janet Walechka	Kathy Dauk	Rita Kluntz			

The following members of our Faith Communities have asked for our prayers... Sheila Wolff, Debra Schmah, Christine & Zach Olson, Mary Buschowski, Caiden Kelly, Keely Davis, Myles Genelin, Josh Hummer, Justin Kaus, Larry VanTol, Eugene Germscheid, Nick Smith, Jim Scheuer, Levi Bensen, Mrs. Karl (Sandy) Germscheid, Maurice Thelemann, Quentin Shevy, Hunter Schmitz & Family, Deb Winger, Dotsy Jacobson, Dave Rusch, Albert Weinandt, Jaci Kopet, Jolene & Holden Zell, Patrick Baker, Evalyn & Jill Cusick, Tom Fritz, Lisa Skarin, Don Roscoe, Alec Batson, Brandon Reinke, Rosemary Wondra, David Clark, Robert Kluntz, Bob Beckel, Rudy Kaupa, Connie Baker, Gene Thelemann, Jared Mogere Family, Tim Petersen, Kent Pearce, Mary Androli, Bernice Rezak, David Krenik, Terry Sadowski, James Connor, Natalie Bruender, Robert Ani, Rose Anne Schoeb, Carol Leighton, Marian Meyer, Mya Walechka, Lana Dahl, Alec Heuer, Jim Meagher, and Betty Kinney.



\*Please contact the Parish Office to request Mass Intentions for loved ones; suggested donation \$7 per mass. Email: office@maryschurches.com Phone: 507-243-3166. Thanks!

To add or remove a name on this list, please reach out to the

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<b>25</b> 21ST SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME 8:30 AM NATIVITY & 10:30AM MARYSBURG  AA MTG. MB Hall 6:30 PM †RAYMOND & VERNETTE BIEHN †JOSEPH BAKER	<b>26</b> Mass 8 am at Marysburg	<b>27</b> Mass 8 am at Nativity	<b>28</b> Mass 8 am at Marysburg  Faith Formation Teacher's Meeting 6:30PM Nativity, Civil and	<b>29</b> No Mass  PARISH OFFICE CLOSING EARLY AT 3 PM	<b>30</b> Mass 8 am at Nativity	<b>31</b> VIGIL OF THE 22ND SUNDAY IN OT NAT PENANCE: 3:15-3:45 MASS: 4 PM MB PENANCE: 5:30-5:45, MASS 6 PM  †BUD MCCABE †MARIAN & LEO ROSCOE
<b>1</b> 22ND SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME 8:30 AM NATIVITY & 10:30AM MARYSBURG  AA MTG. MB Hall 6:30 PM †ALL PARISHIONERS †ALL PARISHIONERS	<b>2</b> Mass 8 am at Marysburg  PARISH OFFICE CLOSED LABOR DAY HOLIDAY	<b>3</b> Mass 8 am at Nativity  †MARNE LINDSTROM	<b>4</b> Mass 8 am at Marysburg  †ANGIE HESSE	<b>5</b> No Mass	<b>6</b> Mass 8 am at Nativity  †FR. JAMES ADAMS	<b>7</b> VIGIL OF THE 23RD SUNDAY IN OT NAT PENANCE: 3:15-3:45 MASS: 4 PM MB PENANCE: 5:30-5:45, MASS 6 PM  †BOB & IRENE KRENIK †ALL PARISHIONERS
<b>8</b> 23RD SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME 8:30 AM NATIVITY & 10:30AM MARYSBURG  AA MTG. MB Hall 6:30 PM †BUD MCCABE †DARLENE TREANOR	<b>9</b> Mass 8 am at Marysburg	<b>10</b> Mass 8 am at Nativity  MB FINANCE CNCL, 6 PM MB PASTORAL CNCL, 7 PM	<b>11</b> Mass 8 am at Marysburg	<b>12</b> No Mass	<b>13</b> Mass 8 am at Nativity  †DOROTHY ROHLFING	<b>14</b> VIGIL OF THE 24TH SUNDAY IN OT NAT PENANCE: 3:15-3:45 MASS: 4 PM MB PENANCE: 5:30-5:45, MASS 6 PM  †MIKE & ANDY STRUCK †JUDITH VOSBEEK
<b>15</b> 24TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME 8:30 AM NATIVITY & 10:30AM MB OUTDOOR MASS Marysburg Fall Festival! 10:00 AM †HATTIE KROHN †BETTY BISCH	<b>16</b> Mass 8 am at Marysburg	<b>17</b> Mass 8 am at Nativity  †STEVEN HENDLEY	<b>18</b> Mass 8 am at Marysburg	<b>19</b> No Mass  NAT FINANCE CNCL, 6 PM NAT PASTORAL CNCL, 7 PM	<b>20</b> Mass 8 am at Nativity  †FLORENCE & HARRY DREXLER	<b>21</b> VIGIL OF THE 25TH SUNDAY IN OT NAT PENANCE: 3:15-3:45 MASS: 4 PM MB PENANCE: 5:30-5:45, MASS 6 PM  †ANN DAUK †JOSEPH BAKER