

**HAVE SOMETHING TO SHARE IN THE BULLETIN?** E-mail the Parish Office. Deadline is Wednesdays, before 12 noon.

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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:**  
Flocknotes, Facebook  
& MarysChurches.com

# Immaculate Conception

Centered around  
Jesus Christ

# Nativity



27528 Patrick St., Madison Lake MN 56063  
facebook.com/marysburg

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200 Main Street, Cleveland MN 56017  
facebook.com/nativitycleveland

### MARYSBURG VIGIL OF CHRISTMAS CHILDREN'S MASS

Please help make the Vigil of Christmas extra special by getting your children involved! The Parish Youth will lead our Vigil of Christmas Children's Mass! If interested - simply email the Parish Office at office@maryschurches.com to learn more!  
Parents - we will have a rehearsal prior to Christmas.  
We really need Ushers and Singers - all talents welcome!  
The Marysburg Vigil of Christmas will be Tues. Dec. 24th at 6 PM.



### NATIVITY CHRISTMAS EVE MASS PRACTICES

Faith Formation Families are encouraged to join in the youth choir and be a part of the Nativity Christmas Eve mass!  
Practices are Wednesday nights before Faith Formation.  
Every age is welcome! Practice begins Wed Dec 4th at 6 pm at Nativity. See Lynn Kluntz, DRE, with any questions.  
The Nativity Christmas Vigil will be Tues. Dec. 24th at 4 PM.



The  
2019  
Marysburg  
CCW  
Cookie Sale  
was a  
great success!

Thanks Fr. Sandquist for drawing Marti Weisgram for the winner of the turkey raffle!

Thank you to the helpers, the buyers, and especially to the people who brought cookies!

See you next year!

## ~ local things ~

<< ADVENT PENANCE SERVICE - SUN. DEC. 1ST >>  
for parishioners of both Marysburg & Nativity  
at the Church of the Nativity in Cleveland, 6:30 - 8 pm.

<< CRAFT & BAKE SALE 12-07-19 >>  
Saturday, December 7th, 10 am - 2 pm - Marysburg Church Hall  
Shop for the holidays! Baked Goods & Crafts, Vendors, & more!  
\* Benefiting LeSueur County Relay For Life!  
See Teresa Baker with any questions.

<< WINTER FESTIVAL, ST. CLAIR 12-07-19 >>  
Sat Dec 7th Immaculate Conception Catholic Church in St. Clair  
Winter Festival, Christmas Cookie & Holiday Treat Sale  
Cutest Cupcake Contest, Luncheon, Raffle, and more! 10 AM!

<< DAD'S BELGIAN WAFFLE BREAKFAST 12-08-19 >>  
The St. Anne's CCW is sponsoring a Dad's Belgian Waffle Breakfast & the St. Anne's Patron's sponsoring a Cookie Walk on Sun Dec 8th at St. Anne's School in Le Sueur at 8:30 AM.

<< SENIOR CITIZEN'S DINNER 12-09-19 >>  
All Saints in Madison Lake Mon. Dec. 9th after their 11 am Mass.  
See poster for complete details.

<< A NATIVITY BREAKFAST & COOKIE SALE 12-15-19 >>  
Save The Date! Sunday, Dec. 15th from 9 am - 12 noon. Breakfast \$8 adults. \$4 ages 6-10, age 5 & under are free. Cleveland.

<< VOLUNTEER PARISH OFFICE GREETER NEEDED >>  
Marysburg & Nativity are looking for a volunteer to sit-in as needed at the Parish Office front desk - to answer phone calls and receive visitors. The needs will only occur when staff is out of office. If you are interested in learning how you can help, please contact Fr. Stiles directly. \*E3 Credentialing Required.  
E3 = Background Check / Virtus Training / Code of Conduct

### THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS!

Nov 23rd & 24th, 2019

Marysburg: \$818.40 | Nativity: \$1,002.50

Catholic Campaign for Human Development

Marysburg: \$212.00 | Nativity: \$308.50



## Join us for a Nativity Breakfast and Cookie Sale!

Sunday, December 15th, 2019 | 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Come, have breakfast\* and get your Christmas baking done in one-stop...

Our wonderful cooks and bakers are well known throughout the area!

\*Breakfast: \$8.00 adults / \$4.00 ages 6-10, age 5 and under FREE!



~ Church of the Nativity ~  
200 Main St, Cleveland MN 56017

### UPCOMING LIVE VIRTUS TRAINING SESSIONS

~ Protecting God's Children ~

ATTN: All Faith Formation Teachers and Parent Volunteers, Pastoral & Finance Council Members, Trustees and Employees of the Church; you are required by the Archdiocese to be \*E3 Credentialed and must attend one LIVE (in-person) Virtus Training Session.

Our friends at St. Mary's in Le Center are hosting two LIVE Virtus Training Sessions in which you may attend:

1. Mon. Dec. 2nd @6:30 PM St. Mary's Mission Room
2. Mon. Jan. 13th @6:30 PM St. Mary's Social Hall

\*"E3" means "Essential Three" or the completion of the 3 essential requirements as set by the Archdiocese...

- 1 - Background Check (and re-check every 3 years)
- 2 - VIRTUS Training (and re-training every 3 years)
- 3 - Review & Sign the Archdiocese Code of Conduct

## Marysburg CCW Birthright Collection

One again, the Marysburg Council of Catholic Women are working to collect items for "Birthright" of Mankato. Please take a "Shopping List" from the back of the church and have the new unwrapped items at Marysburg by the end of December. Monetary donations are welcome! Cash or check made out to "Birthright of Mankato" in an envelope C/O Marysburg CCW and place in the collection basket. We THANK YOU for being a part of this collection! See a member of the CCW with questions.

\* At this time, they are in special need of the following:  
Baby Wipes, Diaper Cream / Ointment, Hooded Bath Towels, Baby Shampoo, Baby Wash, Receiving Blankets, Fitted Sheets for Pack & Play, Baby Board Books, Diapers (sizes 1-5), Undershirts and long sleeve onsies, Teethers / Rattles, Sleepers (Newborn & Size 3-6 months), Fleece Blankets, and Baby Quilts. Please see Anita Rothmeier with any questions. THANK YOU VERY MUCH!

Nov 30th & Dec 1st, 2019 | The 1st Sunday of Advent

# Christmas Flower Memorials...



Please help us beautify the altar at Christmas with a memorial to a loved one. Memorials are \$15.00 each. The funds will be used to adorn the altar with flowers. Clip this form and drop in the collection basket with your donation by \*SUN. DEC. 15TH. Each memorial will be listed in the 2019 Christmas Bulletin. Questions email: office@maryschurches.com. Thank you.

YOUR NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ Marysburg (\_\_\_) // Nativity (\_\_\_)

Enclosed is \$: \_\_\_\_\_ total, for QTY: \_\_\_\_\_ Flower Memorials, at \$15 each.

List Names for Memorials: \_\_\_\_\_

## Our Cluster Parish Mass Times...

### 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 5 PM, Wed/Thur/Fri 9 AM Mass

### ST. HENRY

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



### 2019 CATHOLIC SERVICES APPEAL:

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

Congratulations! Both parishes have met goals!!!  
As a bonus, now that we donated 100% of our goal, which we are then able to use to build up our own parish ministries! All donations are handled through the Catholic Services Appeal Foundation, an independent entity from our Archdiocese. Donations continue to come in, making parish totals as of 11-28-19...  
MB \$5,852.50 Received (118% from 35 donors)  
NAT: \$6,640 Received (126.3% from 47 donors)

## Staying in Touch...

### Immaculate Conception of Marysburg

#### Parish Trustees...

Steve Baker 931-3156 Joe Meyer 317-7669

#### Marysburg Parish Council...

Brad Strobel, Pres. 241-0077 strobelbrad@yahoo.com  
Chris Biehn, V.P. 327-9737 Jim Beckel 931-2179  
Becky Meyer 327-8938 Patrick Baker 420-7884  
Teresa Baker 327-8910 Joni McCabe 243-4107

#### Marysburg Finance Council...

Barb Folden, Pres. 243-4114  
Peter Falk 243-3392 Jon Guentzel 317-1958  
Larry Kortuem 243-3773 Steve Rohlfing 317-5095

Marysburg Cemetery Manager: Rich McCabe 931-3611

### Church of the Nativity, Cleveland

#### Parish Trustees...

Kelly McCabe 469-1616 Ray Truzinski 931-5805

#### Nativity Parish Council...

Nick Klaseus Pres. 507-420-9760  
Andy Rohlfing V.P. 507-931-9155  
Andy Queen Sec. 507-327-1958  
Mike McCabe 507-665-3086  
Larry Walechka 931-2927, 507-995-4347

#### Nativity Finance Council...

Tom Hankins, Pres. 595-3768  
Mary Haase 931-1415 Sandy O'Connor 327-3090  
Jaci Kopet 931-1809 Janet Walechka 357-4293

Nativity Cemetery Manager: Mike Keogh 931-5547



## From the desk of Father Timothy Sandquist

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### Taking back Christmas

Worship shapes culture. You only need to look around to see how worship and culture are inseparably tied. Our worship of Jesus, for example, is the reason Christmas became such a big part of our culture in the first place. But, as we know well, the worship of another "god" has been re-shaping Christmas. And that, of course, is the god of materialism. Unfortunately, we've been losing this culture battle for a while now. And as a result, we've largely exchanged the childlike joy and mystery Christmas for the discontented boredom of Black Friday (that is, once the shopping buzz has worn off).

And so, I say it's time to take back Christmas. While you can't do it for the whole country, you can at least take it back for yourself and your family – and one of the best ways to do this is by practicing the rich traditions that have sprouted from our faith.

To help with this, I'd like to share some of these traditions and practices that you might wish to try that can help us enter into the true spirit of Christmas and make some fond memories.

- Celebrate Feast Days in Advent
  - o Celebrate St. Nicholas Day (Dec. 6th). Have the kids put their shoes out, tell them the story of St. Nicholas, fill the shoes with goodies when they go to sleep.
  - o Celebrate the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of Mary (This year Dec. 9th. Usually Dec. 8th). Eat cake that's both white on the outside and white on the inside, just like Mary's soul.
  - o Celebrate Our Lady of Guadalupe (Dec. 12th). Eat Mexican food.
  - o Celebrate Gaudete Sunday (3rd Sunday of Advent, Dec. 15th this year). This is the Sunday when the pink advent candle is lit. We rejoice that we are over halfway to Christmas. Some families wait until this day to put their Christmas tree up. Either way, eat dessert!
- Set up a Nativity scene. You can make Mary and Joseph "travel" through the house during advent, until they get to the manger on Christmas Eve. Don't put baby Jesus in until Christmas.
- Put out an Advent Wreath. Light it and say a prayer before meals.
- Decorate a Jesse Tree. This one is good for little kids. Every day of Advent a new ornament goes on the tree that symbolizes an important person in the genealogy of Jesus. You can go online and print ornaments to be cut out and colored.
- Listen to Advent Music. Try to wait until Christmas for the Christmas Music. Advent is about feeling the "hole" that Jesus is coming to fill. Here are some good Advent songs:
  - o O Come O Come Emmanuel, Creator of the Stars of Night, Gabriel's Message, Lo How a Rose e're Blooming, On Jordan's Bank, Come Thou Long Expected Jesus, O Come Divine Messiah, People Look East.
- Read the Gospel of Luke. The Gospel of Luke is 24 chapters long. If you read one chapter a day starting on December 1st, you will finish on Christmas Eve. The gospel of Luke has the most to say about the birth of Jesus.

God Bless,  
Fr. Sandquist



Nov 30th & Dec 1st, 2019 | The 1st Sunday of Advent

MARYSBURG		LECTORS		COLLECTION OFFICERS		EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS		GIFT BEARERS		ALTAR SERVERS	
	Saturday	Sunday	Saturday	Sunday	Saturday	Sunday	Saturday	Sunday	Saturday	Sunday	
Nov / Dec	Becky Meyer		Raphael Malecha	Steve Rohlfing	Chris & Ann Biehn	Jim & Barb Folden	Larry & Annie	Jacob & Grace			
30 & 1		Marcia Stapleton	Phil Rothmeier	VOLUNTEER NEEDED	Mary Kammerdiener	Theresa Rohlfing	Davis	Jewison			
December	Grace Jewison		Mark Meyer	Becky Kortuem	Joe Meyer, Leo Riley	Pat Baker	Jo Ann Kortuem	Rick & Sue		Mason Kluntz	
7 & 8		Cindy Krenik	Steve Baker	Gene Germscheid	Mary Kammerdiener	Colleen & Rich McCabe	& Martha Weisgram	Leiferman		Ava Kluntz	
December	Annie Davis		John Page	Don Adams	Chris & Ann Biehn	Theresa Rohlfing	Anita Rothmeier &	The Strobel			
14 & 15		Sarah Guentzel	Steve Blais	Jim Kluntz	Phil Rothmeier	Jim & Barb Folden	Isabel Sieberg	Family			

  

NATIVITY		LECTORS		COLLECTION OFFICERS		EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS		GIFT BEARERS		ALTAR SERVERS	
	Saturday	Sunday	Saturday	Sunday	Saturday	Sunday	Saturday	Sunday	Saturday	Sunday	
Nov-December	Mary Klaseus	Nancy Heldberg	Rose Hendley	Barb Truzinski	Lynn Kluntz, Nick Klaseus	Ray & Barb Truzinski					
30 & 1			Jim Cink	Mary Haase	Rita Kluntz	Danny Holmes					
December	David Cink	Andy Queen	Sharon Cink	Mark Lawrence	Mary Klaseus, Mike Keogh	Jaci Kopet, Ann Rohlfing					
7 & 8			Nick Klaseus	Robbie Kopet	Rita Martinson	Andy Queen					
December	Kathy Dauk	Kelly McCabe	Dick Davis	Janet Walechka	Mary Klaseus, Kathy Dauk	Jaci Kopet, Ann Rohlfing					
14 & 15			Jim Cink	Carol Lawrence	Rita Martinson	Andy Queen					

The following members of our Faith Communities have asked for our prayers...  
 Richie Krueger, Sheila Wolff, Debra Schmahl, 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, Evelyn & 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.



To add or remove a name on this list, please email the Parish Office:

office@maryschurches.com

\*MASS INTENTION REQUESTS: Contact the Parish Office (Mon-Thur, 9am - 4pm). Suggested donation \$7/Mass. Email: office@maryschurches.com | Phone: 507-243-3166

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<b>1</b> 1ST SUNDAY OF ADVENT 8:30 AM NATIVITY & 10:30AM MARYSBURG Coffee & Rolls at Nativity after Mass 6:30-8 pm AA MTG. MB Hall @Nativity 6:30 PM ☪BUD & RENE MCCABE ☪BETTY BISCH	<b>2</b> Mass 8 am at Marysburg MARYSBURG CCW MEETING 7 PM, MB PARISH HALL	<b>3</b> Mass 8 am at Nativity ☪BOB COWAN	<b>4</b> Mass 8 am at Marysburg Christmas Choir Practice 6 pm at Nativity FAITH FORMATION CLASSES Nativity - Cleveland @ 6:30 pm Y ANGIE HESSE	<b>5</b> No Mass PARISH OFFICE CLOSED JILL TO APM MEETING	<b>6</b> Mass 8 am at Nativity Y FATHER ADAMS	<b>7</b> VIGIL OF THE 2ND SUNDAY OF ADVENT NAT PENANCE: 3:15-3:45 MASS: 4 PM MB PENANCE: 5:30-5:45, MASS 6 PM ☪BOB & IRENE KRENIK
<b>8</b> 2ND SUNDAY OF ADVENT 8:30 AM NATIVITY & 10:30AM MARYSBURG AA MTG. MB Hall 6:30 PM ☪JOHN KLUNTZ ☪DARLENE TREANOR	<b>9</b> Mass 8 am at Marysburg	<b>10</b> Mass 8 am at Nativity PARISH OFFICE CLOSED AUDIT MEETING ALL DAY ☪BOB COWAN MB FINANCE CNCL, 6 PM MB PASTORAL CNCL, 7 PM	<b>11</b> Mass 8 am at Marysburg Christmas Choir Practice 6 pm at Nativity FAITH FORMATION CLASSES Nativity - Cleveland @ 6:30 pm	<b>12</b> No Mass	<b>13</b> Mass 8 am at Nativity ☪BUD & RENE MCCABE	<b>14</b> VIGIL OF THE 3RD SUNDAY OF ADVENT NAT PENANCE: 3:15-3:45 MASS: 4 PM MB PENANCE: 5:30-5:45, MASS 6 PM ☪RAYMOND & VERNETTE BIEHN ☪JOE BAKER
<b>15</b> 3RD SUNDAY OF ADVENT 8:30 AM NATIVITY & 10:30AM MARYSBURG Nativity Breakfast & Cookie Sale AA MTG. MB Hall 6:30 PM ☪BOB & IRENE KRENIK Y ALL PARISHIONERS	<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 Christmas Choir Practice 6 pm at Nativity FAITH FORMATION CLASSES Nativity - Cleveland @ 6:30 pm	<b>19</b> No Mass NAT PASTORAL CNCL, 7 PM	<b>20</b> Mass 8 am at Nativity ☪JOHN KLUNTZ	<b>21</b> VIGIL OF THE 4TH SUNDAY OF ADVENT NAT PENANCE: 3:15-3:45 MASS: 4 PM MB PENANCE: 5:30-5:45, MASS 6 PM ☪ANN DAUK
<b>22</b> 4TH SUNDAY OF ADVENT 8:30 AM NATIVITY & 10:30AM MARYSBURG AA MTG. MB Hall 6:30 PM ☪MIKE & ANDY STRUCK ☪BETTY BISCH	<b>23</b> Mass 8 am at Marysburg PARISH OFFICE HOURS: 9 - 11 AM	<b>24</b> Vigil of Christmas 4 pm @ Nativity 6 pm @ Marysburg PARISH OFFICE CLOSED	<b>25</b> MERRY CHRISTMAS! 8:30 am Mass @ Nativity 10:30 am Mass @ Marysburg PARISH OFFICE CLOSED NO FAITH FORMATION!	<b>26</b> No Mass PARISH OFFICE CLOSED	<b>27</b> Mass 8 am at Nativity ☪LIVING & DISEASED MEMBERS OF THE DAVE MARTINSON FAMILY	<b>28</b> VIGIL OF THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY & JOSEPH NAT PENANCE: 3:15-3:45 MASS: 4 PM MB PENANCE: 5:30-5:45, MASS 6 PM ☪RAYMOND BIEHN