

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

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**WEEKEND MASSES:**  
Rotating every other weekend between  
IC of Marysburg and Nativity  
Saturdays, 5:00 pm - Indoors  
Sundays, 9:30 am - Outdoors  
**RECONCILIATION TIMES:**  
Sat. 4:00-4:45 pm - Rotating between  
Parishes based on where the 5 PM Mass  
is being held. First come, first served.  
Drive-through only.

**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

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Jesus Christ

# Nativity



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**MONTHLY FATIMA PUBLIC ROSARY**  
Sat. Oct. 10th at 12:00 PM  
Le Center Fairgrounds Park Gazebo,  
Questions call Sheila at 507-317-1496

**ONLINE GIVING AVAILABLE**  
Visit our website [www.maryschurches.com](http://www.maryschurches.com)  
and click on the "Online Giving" link from  
the Home Page, or follow this link directly  
– <https://maryschurches.com/online-giving-mb-nat>

Marysburg and Nativity have partnered with  
'Vanco Payment Solutions' to allow you  
to Donate to the parish of your choice via  
online, or using your Smart Phone with the  
"Give Plus" app!

**NATIVITY PARISH FESTIVAL OFFERINGS -  
DONATIONS IN PLACE OF OUR EVENT THIS YEAR**

Sept. Week 1: \$340.00  
Sept. Week 2: \$2,935.00  
Sept. Week 3: \$3,192.00  
Grand Total To Date: \$6,467.00!

If you would like to give, checks may be mailed to the  
Parish Office. Please be sure to make checks payable  
to "Nativity" and have "Festival" in the memo line.  
Thank you all for your support!

## THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS!

Sept. 19th & 20th, 2020  
Marysburg Actual: \$2,676.00  
Marysburg Budget: \$2,263.00  
Nativity Actual: \$520.00  
Nativity Budget: \$1,308.00

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**<< EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS TRAINING >>**  
Holy Communion training will take place AFTER Masses  
THIS WEEKEND!!  
Sun. Oct. 4th - St. Mary's  
Sun. Oct. 4th - Marysburg (around 10:30 AM)  
This training will be REQUIRED after the 1st week in Oct;  
it will be mandatory to be trained & commissioned to bring  
Holy Communion to the homeward.  
See Father with questions. Thanks.

**<< MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER >>**  
Register for the October 24-25 Marriage Encounter  
Held at Mt. Olivet Conference & Retreat Center  
Farmington, MN  
Visit [www.marriages.org](http://www.marriages.org) for more information  
or call 651-454-3238.

**<< HOLY LAND 2ND COLLECTION >>**  
There will be a 2nd collection in the coming weeks as a part of  
the collective Archdiocese efforts, for the annual Good Friday  
Holy Land Appeal. Stay tuned for more dates of this collection.  
Please make checks payable to  
"Center For Mission" Memo: Holy Land.

**<< LIVE-STREAM SUNDAY MASSES >>**  
Join us ONLINE every Sunday from the safety of your home  
at 9:30 AM for a LIVE-stream of our Sunday Mass  
via Facebook at  
[www.facebook.com/maryschurches](http://www.facebook.com/maryschurches)  
You do not need a Facebook account to tune in.

**<< UPCOMING MASS SCHEDULES >>**  
Sat. Oct. 10th: 5 PM at Marysburg - indoors.  
Sun. Oct. 11th: 9:30 AM at Nativity - outdoors.  
Sat. Oct. 17th: 5 PM at Nativity - indoors.  
Sun. Oct. 18th: 9:30 AM at Marysburg - outdoors.  
Sat. Oct. 24th: 5 PM at Marysburg - indoors.  
Sun. Oct. 25th: 9:30 AM at Nativity - outdoors.  
Sat. Oct. 31st: 5 PM at Nativity - indoors.  
Sun. Nov. 1st: 9:30 AM at Marysburg - TBD.

**<< HAVING OR KNOW OF A LOCAL EVENT? >>**  
Email [office@maryschurches.com](mailto:office@maryschurches.com) to share details.

**MARYSBURG PASTORAL COUNCIL**  
A message from Brad Strobel (Pas-  
toral Council President):  
A heads-up for mid-October,  
if anyone would be willing to be  
on the Marysburg Church Parish  
Council,  
Please prayerfully consider it.

**MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER - VIRTUAL WEEKEND - OCTOBER 9TH-11TH**  
The Marriage Encounter experience is a heart haven that helps you listen, share and connect more deeply.  
There is no group discussion. It's just about the two of you learning to be the best, most loving and thriving  
couple you can be. Learn more at [WWME.org](http://WWME.org) or call Brent & Tracy Chessen 612-756-8720 with questions.

**PRO-LIFE ACTION MINISTRIES PRESENTS: 40 DAYS FOR LIFE TWIN CITIES FALL 2020**  
September 23 - November 1 | 6:00 AM - 6:00 PM Daily  
Closing Prayer Vigil on Sunday, November 1st at 3:00 PM  
Location: 671 Vandalia St., St. Paul, MN 55114 (Planned Parenthood)  
For more info visit: [plam.org/events/](http://plam.org/events/) or call Brian Walker at 651-797-6363

**FAITH FORMATION FAMILIES - REGISTRATION IS OPEN!!**  
Parents - we are now accepting registration for the 2020-2021 Faith Formation program year. If you  
would like to receive the registration form via email, please send a note to the Parish Office with your  
request; [office@maryschurches.com](mailto:office@maryschurches.com) (or leave a voice mail  
at 507-243-3166). Please go online to [www.maryschurches.com/faith-formation](http://www.maryschurches.com/faith-formation) to register & pay  
online! Classes begin October 21st.

**MARYSBURG & NATIVITY PARISH OFFICE UPDATES:**  
Please note that the Parish Office is being managed by staff virtually from a home office.  
At this time, the plan is to have the Parish Office remain closed to the public for the foreseeable future.  
The office remains Virtually open, Monday - Thursday, 9:15 AM - 4:00 PM.  
The best way to connect with Jill in the Parish Office is via email.  
Email: [office@maryschurches.com](mailto:office@maryschurches.com)  
If you prefer a phone call from Jill, please call and leave a Voice Mail Message and you will receive a call back.  
(Please note that phone calls are returned during virtual office hours, Mon-Thurs, 9:15 am - 4 pm.)  
Voice Mail Only: 507-243-3166.  
If you find you need to reach someone urgently, you may contact the St. Mary / St. Henry Office  
at 507-357-6633 and ask for Father Stiles or Father Sandquist.

Oct. 3rd & 4th, 2020

Volunteers have made copies of "the WORD among us" available for pick-up outside of the main entrance of each parish. There is a limited number of copies (first come, first served). We ask that you please only take 1 per household. We will continue to make them available for pick-up until regular in person Masses resume. Please follow suggested social distancing when picking up your copy. Thank you.

Call VINE Faith in Action if you are interested in learning about their innovative program for those with progressive illnesses. Adult day programs can reduce social isolation and provide a needed break for caregivers. Call Mary W. at (507) 386-5577 for additional information.

## 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



## 2020 CATHOLIC SERVICES APPEAL

Serve the Poor | Support Life | Strengthen the Faith

Each year, the Catholic Services Appeal funds 20 Designated Ministries, with our help!  
Marysburg 2020 CSA Goal: \$6,257.00  
Nativity 2020 CSA Goal: \$6,093.00

NEW for 2020 - Online Giving!

**GiveCSAF.org**

Learn more at [www.csafspm.org](http://www.csafspm.org)

### SACRAMENTAL LIFE AT

### MARYSBURG & NATIVITY...

**BAPTISM:** Baptism is normally offered once each month. To have your child baptized, please contact Fr. Sandquist to reserve your spot and to schedule a Baptism Class. The class is about one hour long. We encourage you to contact us even before the child is born.

**MARRIAGE:** Please contact Fr. Sandquist at least 6 months in advance. All couples must complete a weekend retreat as well as marriage preparation classes.

**CONFIRMATION:** Youth are prepared in grades 9 & 10 during Faith Formation classes. For adult confirmation, contact Fr. Stiles.

**ANOINTING OF THE SICK:** Communal anointing for the Parish is once each year in the Spring.

\*For private anointings, contact our Parish Office. In an emergency you may call Fr. Stiles at 507-456-8473.

## Staying in Touch...

### Immaculate Conception of Marysburg

#### Parish Trustees...

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Nativity Cemetery Manager: Mike Keogh 507-381-9845



## From the desk of Father James Stiles



[fr.stiles@frontier.com](mailto:fr.stiles@frontier.com)

My dear friends in Christ,  
I have been so blessed to grow up with loving parents. Like all children, I certainly didn't always agree with my parents. There were plenty of times that I believed that I knew better than they did on some matter of disagreement. Nevertheless, I always knew that my parents loved me. This was and remains an immense gift to me.

Perhaps the greatest way they expressed their love for me was by sharing with me and helping to cultivate within me the gift of faith. My parents chose to introduce me to the Lord by baptizing me, through daily prayers said together, frequent faith-based conversations around the dinner table, worshipping our God every Sunday together at Mass, reading bible stories together, teaching me how to apply the teachings of the Faith in everyday circumstances, still engaging me in conversations of faith to this day, and so much more...

I have been doing a fair amount of thinking recently about the importance of sharing the faith with our children since we as a parish have been laboriously planning the details for this year's Faith Formation Program. It cannot be overstated: the greatest gift we can give to our children is the gift of faith! Every other gift of this world will pass away, but the gift of faith leads a child toward eternal happiness with God.

To all parents reading this who still have relatively young children, I encourage you to share with your children to the best of your ability this most precious of gifts. Do not be afraid! You may think, "I don't know the faith well myself...How can I share it well with my children?"; or, "I know faith is important, but there are so many other things in my child's life that demand their attention. It's just too hard to make faith the priority."; or, "Wouldn't it just be better for me to let them make their own decisions about faith once they're an adult?"

To those parents who don't know the Catholic faith well. It's never too late to learn more about why we Catholics believe what we do, and, thankfully, there are no shortage of resources. Remember, out of great love for you, the Lord wants you to know as much as you can about Him so that your affection and love will naturally grow for Him. As your knowledge and love of God grows, your desire and capacity to share Him with your children (not to mention everyone else) will grow.

To those parents who are battling the busyness of life and raising children in the faith in our day, have courage! It's ok to say no. It's ok, in fact, it's good to prioritize your child's faith above all things. Your children don't need to be involved in everything if that means it's going in some way to harm their faith life. God promises you His help in making wise decisions for the good of your children's faith (for the good of their immortal soul!).

To parents who believe it might be better to simply allow their children to discover and choose their own faith path once they've reached adulthood, please, hear me. You are not robbing your child's freedom by sharing with them the gift of the Catholic faith and cultivating that within them at a young age. On the contrary, you do the opposite! This is because it is our gift of faith which ultimately makes us truly free. Leading a life of faith frees us from enslavement to sin and thereby gives us the desire and ability to act and think in ways in accord with the truth. This is true human freedom!

Finally, to more aged parents (Grandparents, etc.) who have raised your children in the Catholic faith, doing the best you knew how at the time, but whose children have left the Catholic faith, don't be discouraged. Continue to pray for them. As much as you love them and want to see them in heaven someday, God wants it all the more. Remember this. Never lose hope in the Lord's ability to bring your children back to faith. Listen to the simple but profound words of St. Padre Pio, "Pray, hope, and don't worry!"

Yes, the sharing and cultivation of the gift of faith rightly begins in the family. Let us all also remember our common responsibility as a community of faith to help inspire faith in our children and young people and even in one another.

Oct. 3rd & 4th

MARYSBURG LECTORS...

OCT 4: Sarah Guentzel  
 OCT 10: Becky Meyer  
 OCT 18: John Kluntz  
 OCT 24: Volunteer Needed  
 NOV 7: Marilyn Kluntz  
 NOV 21: Becky Meyer  
 NOV 29: Cindy Krenik

NATIVITY LECTORS...

OCT 3: Kathy Dauk  
 OCT 11:  
 OCT 17:  
 OCT 25:  
 OCT 31:

If you wish to be a Lector, please email the Parish Office to volunteer for a specific Mass date / time / location. Thank you!

Email: office@maryschurches.com

*A Personal Note of Thanks from Jill Cusick...*

*I would like to extend a special THANK YOU to all of the Volunteers at both Marysburg and Nativity whom have so lovingly stepped up over the past 6 months, during the pandemic, to give even more of their time and their talents to keep the parishes running smoothly for all of us!*

*Most of you know who you are. I am so thankful to all of those willing to go above and beyond! We have such helpful members of our parish communities.*

*May God bless you all today and always!*

~ Jill

Parish Office Administrative Assistant

The following members of our Faith Communities have asked for our prayers... Sue Leiferman, Sue Borglum, Marie Young, Seth Hamman, Agnes Morgan, Griffin Dumdei, Richie Krueger, Sheila Wolff, Debra Schmahl, Caiden Kelly, Keely Davis, Myles Genelin, Josh Hummer, Justin Kaus, Larry VanTol, Eugene Germscheid, Jim Scheuer, Levi Bensen, Mrs. Karl (Sandy) Germscheid, Maurice Thelemann, Quentin Shevy, Hunter Schmitz, 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, 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 INTENTIONS: Email office@maryschurches.com; suggested donation \$7/Mass. {KEY: Y=LIVING | ☩=DECEASED | LEFT=NATIVITY | RIGHT=MARYSBURG | WEEKDAY=CENTERED}

SUNDAY		MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<b>4</b> THE 27TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 9:30 AM MARYSBURG Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion TRAINING Marysburg @ 10:30 am AA MTG. MB Hall 6:30 PM ☩PETE WOLFF	<b>5</b> Mass 8 am at Marysburg ☩JANE DORAN	<b>6</b> Mass 8 am at Nativity	<b>7</b> Mass 8 am at Marysburg	<b>8</b> No Mass	<b>9</b> Mass 8 am at Nativity	<b>10</b> VIGIL OF THE 28TH SUNDAY IN OT MARYSBURG - PENANCE: 4-4:45 PM - MASS: 5:00 PM Final Fatima Public Rosary Park Gazebo - Le Center ☩ANN DAUK	
<b>11</b> THE 28TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 9:30 AM NATIVITY AA MTG. MB Hall 6:30 PM ☩LOUIS WALECHKA	<b>12</b> Mass 8 am at Marysburg ☩JANE DORAN	<b>13</b> Mass 8 am at Nativity ☩LOUIS WALECHKA	<b>14</b> No Mass	<b>15</b> No Mass	<b>16</b> Mass 8 am at Nativity	<b>17</b> VIGIL OF THE 29TH SUNDAY IN OT NATIVITY - PENANCE: 4:00-4:45 PM - MASS: 5:00 PM ☩MIKE & ANDY STRUCK	
<b>18</b> THE 29TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 9:30 AM MARYSBURG AA MTG. MB Hall 6:30 PM ☩DARLENE TREATOR	<b>19</b> Mass 8 am at Marysburg ☩JANE DORAN	<b>20</b> Mass 8 am at Nativity	<b>21</b> Mass 8 am at Marysburg Grades 1-5 & 10 FAITH FORMATION CLASSES Nativity - Cleveland @ 6:30 pm ☩JOHN & THERESA WEIRS	<b>22</b> No Mass	<b>23</b> Mass 8 am at Nativity ☩RENE MCCABE	<b>24</b> VIGIL OF THE 30TH SUNDAY IN OT MARYSBURG - PENANCE: 4-4:45 PM - MASS: 5:00 PM ☩DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE MEYER & BIEHN FAMILIES	
<b>25</b> THE 30TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 9:30 AM NATIVITY AA MTG. MB Hall 6:30 PM Y ALL PARISHIONERS	<b>26</b> Mass 8 am at Marysburg	<b>27</b> Mass 8 am at Nativity MB FIN CNCL, 6 PM NAT FIN CNCL, 7:15 PM	<b>28</b> Mass 8 am at Marysburg Grades 6-9 FAITH FORMATION CLASSES Nativity - Cleveland @ 6:30 pm	<b>29</b> No Mass	<b>30</b> Mass 8 am at Nativity ☩BUD & RENE MCCABE	<b>31</b> VIGIL OF ALL SAINTS NATIVITY - PENANCE: 4-4:45 PM - MASS: 5:00 PM	