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WEEKEND MASSES:
Rotating every other weekend between
IC of Marysburg and Nativity
Saturdays, 5:00 pm (Indoors)
Nat Sundays, 8:30 am (Indoors)
MB Sundays, 10:30 am (Indoors)
RECONCILIATION TIMES:
Sat. 4:00-4:40 pm - Rotating between
Parishes based on where the 5 PM Mass
is being held. First come, first served.

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

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In Loving Prayer & Memory at Christmas Time 2020



MICKEY & NEDI BIEHN,
HATTIE KROHN,
and MILO & ANGELINE STAUFF
by Loren & Julie Stauff

ART & ALICE REINTJES
by John Reintjes

TONY & MONICA TRAXLER
and FAMILY
by Brad & Jean Nyblom

AL & JUDY FOLDEN
and HAROLD & MARGE SMITH
by Jim & Barb Folden

LEROY PETE WOLFF
by Russell & Nancy Domonske

MATT and BETTY BISCH
by Albert & Norein Weinandt

JANET MARIE EUSTICE
SCHWAMBERGER
by Jill Frederick

RALPH & DONNA MCCABE
and RICHARD & MARY KRENIK
by Ron / Gretchen McCabe

GARY WILMES
and ROGER KRENIK
by Tim & Cindy Krenik Family

STEPHEN WEIMERT
by Bree Ann Meyer

JOHN T. KLUNTZ
by Lynn Kluntz



THE 4TH SUNDAY OF ADVENT & CHRISTMAS

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 19TH - FRIDAY, DECEMBER 25TH

JERRY & DIANE SEITZ,
FRANK & CATHERIN GOSTONCZIK,
and JOHN KLASEUS
by Nick & Mary Kaseus

KAREN BALLMAN
& BALLMAN FAMILY
by Greg Ballman

FAMILY
by C & B Harris

KINNEY FAMILIES
and KLUNTZ FAMILIES
by Elizabeth Kinney

THE JOHN MCBRIDE FAMILY
FROM THE LATE 1800'S TO 2020
by Alana McBride-Piech

LEROY "PETE" WOLFF
by The Wolff Family

JANET ROHLFING,
COURTNEY ROHLFING,
& PAUL ROHLFING,
and SUE MCCABE
by Ann Rohlfing

ANNE THERESE FITZPATRICK,
SUSAN MARY FITZPATRICK,
and ROBERT E. FITZPATRICK
by Mary Eisman

TERRY MATEJCEK and
ROBERT & MARY KAY KLUNTZ
by Helen Kluntz

DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE
WM. BROWN FAMILY,
TODD BROWN,
RUSSELL & EILEEN KRENIK,
and BILL MAGNESS
by Kevin & LeeAnn Brown

LOUIS WALECHKA
by Catherine Walechka

Dec. 19th & 20th: Fourth Sunday of Advent & Christmas

FAITH FORMATION FAMILIES: This coming Wednesday night, December 23rd, we will have an outdoor Christmas caroling night for our faith formation students and their families. It will be held at The Church of Nativity from 6:30-7:30 in place of class. Conformation students are invited to help during this event for their service hours. Families will social distance in cars or outdoors, so dress warm!

*ALL parishioners are welcome to come sing with us! Let's fill our hearts with Christmas joy!

PARISH OFFICE UPDATES: The Parish Office is **CLOSED TO THE PUBLIC** for the foreseeable future. Jill is scheduled to be on-site between 9 am and 5 pm once a week. We ask that you please do not stop by the Marysburg Parish Hall during these times on the following dates: Wed Dec 23rd, Wed Dec 30th, Fri Jan 8th, & Fri Jan 15th. All questions on this matter, please see Fr. Stiles directly. Thank you & God bless!

Cluster Parish Mass Times...

ST. MARY - LE CENTER

ST. HENRY

Confessions
Tues. & Fri. 6:00-6:30pm (St. Mary's)

Sat. 5:00 PM Mass

Sun. 9:00 AM Mass (indoors)
12:00 PM Mass (Spanish, indoors)

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



THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS!

- WEEKEND OF DEC 5TH & 6TH •
Marysburg Actual: \$622.10
Budget: \$2,263.00
Nativity Actual: \$1,835.00
Budget: \$1,308.00

2020 CSA UPDATES AS OF 12-18-20
Marysburg Parish Total: \$5,729.40
Nativity Parish Total: \$6,967.50

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: Private anointings contact our Parish Office. In an emergency please call Fr. Stiles at 507-456-8473.

Staying in Touch...

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From the desk of Father James Stiles

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THE GIFT

The scripture readings this 4th Sunday of Advent set us up so well for the coming celebration of Christmas. They insert us into the narrative of scripture just before the birth of Christ, and they can help spiritually form us to be best prepared for such a celebration.

The theme of "gift" runs throughout these readings. In our first reading, the great king, David, wanted to give to God a more fitting (as he judged it) structure in which to dwell compared to the traveling sanctuary-tent in which He hitherto was accustomed to dwell. Yet, throughout scripture, God makes it clear that no mere human construction could possibly be a fitting dwelling for Him (Is 66:1). God turns the tables on David and promises that He will build for him an everlasting "house", i.e. an everlasting dynasty. David wanted to give to God something special, but God ended up giving to David something far greater.

So too in our Gospel, it is implied that Mary had already made a gift of her whole self, body and soul, to God even before the angel Gabriel appeared to her. Her response to the angel Gabriel's proclamation ("How can this be since I have no relations with a man?") would make no sense unless she had already made a vow to God to remain celibate and use her body only for the glory of God. More importantly, Mary wasn't only preserved from Original Sin at the moment of her birth but she had chosen to remain in that state of grace by being faithful to God's will at every moment. Thus, she truly was "full of grace." Still, God "outdoes" Mary and gives to her something far more extraordinary than she (or the world) could ever have anticipated. God was to take on flesh in her womb by the gift of the Holy Spirit!

As we move into this 4th week of Advent and into the Christmas season, let us pray for the spiritual courage to remain focused on this saving truth: God has given us the most perfect and undeserved Gift of all; "God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him might not perish but might have eternal life" (JN 3:16). Because of Who God has given to us, we truly have nothing to fear and we truly lack nothing. In the weeks to come, let's focus on how we can share the gift of Jesus Christ with those in our life. Is there anything better we could give?

I sincerely and most warmly desire for all of you to have a most blessed Christmas season. God bless you, and, as always, you remain in my heart and prayers.

With fatherly love,

Fr. Stiles

www.MarysChurches.com/Christmas-mass-schedule

Last Chance Advent Penance Service: If you missed the last communal penance service, there will be one more this Sunday, December 20th at 6pm at St. Mary's in Le Center. This penance service will be the same as took place at Marysburg a couple of weeks ago. The FM transmitter will be working this time for those who wish to stay in their cars in the St. Mary parking lot (90.7 FM).

Solemnity of Mary Mother of God: Vigil Mass Thursday, December 31st, 2020 at 6 PM at Marysburg; Friday, January 1st, 2021 at 8 AM at Nativity. This is a Holy Day of Obligation. In ordinary circumstances, Catholics are obliged to participate in Mass on Sundays and other holy days of obligation. This obligation is suspended by the Archbishop due to the Covid-19 pandemic. We will live-stream this Mass for those parishioners who wish to participate in the Mass from the safety of their homes.

Dec. 19th & 20th: Fourth Sunday of Advent & Christmas

~ Marysburg & Nativity 2020 Christmas Mass Schedule ~

www.MarysChurches.com/Christmas-mass-schedule

Thursday, December 24th - Christmas Eve Masses
 2 PM at Nativity Lector: Barb Harris
 Eucharistic Ministers: Barb & Ray T.
 4 PM at Nativity Lector: Nancy Heldberg
 Eucharistic Ministers: Jaci K. & 1 Volunteer Needed
 6 PM at Marysburg Lector: Jackson Meyer and Izzy Sieberg
 Eucharistic Ministers: Phil R. & Sarah D.

Friday, December 25th - Christmas Day Masses
 8:30 AM at Nativity Lector: Sue Serbus
 Eucharistic Ministers: Mary & Nick K.
 10:30 AM at Marysburg Lector: James Folden
 Eucharistic Ministers: 2 Volunteers Needed

Thursday, December 31st - Vigil of the Solemnity of Mary
 6 PM at Marysburg Lector: Sarah Guentzel

Friday, January 1st - Solemnity of Blessed Virgin Mary
 8 AM at Nativity Lector: Mary Klaseus

~ Marysburg & Nativity Christmas Mass Important Details ~

- No sign-ups for Christmas Masses, please note that once our capacity reaches 50%, we cannot admit any more people.
- All Christmas Eve & Christmas Day Masses will be LIVE-streamed on Facebook.
- The FM Transmitter will be used for all Christmas Eve & Christmas Day Masses.
- For Nativity & Marysburg, tune in to FM Station: Nativity 90.7 FM, Marysburg TBD.
- Holy Communion will be offered to people in their cars outside for all Masses.
**If you are willing & able to be a Eucharistic Minister, please email Jill at the Parish Office at office@maryschurches.com and indicate which Mass date & time.*
- Christmas Eve & Christmas Day Mass OVERFLOW information:
 Nativity will of course have the walls down for overflow as usual.
 The Marysburg social hall will be open for both Christmas Masses as overflow.
 The livestream will be shown on the TV.
- Outdoor Christmas Caroling Night | Wed. Dec. 23rd
 6:30 PM - 7:30 PM at Nativity in Cleveland.
 Hosted by Faith Formation. All parishioners welcome.



The following members of our Faith Communities have asked for our prayers...
 Rick Leiferman, Daryl E. Blatzheim, Jennifer Kephart, Kathy Dahl, Sue Leiferman, Sue Borglum, Marie Young, Seth Hamman, Agnes Morgan, Griffin Dumdei, Richie Krueger, Sheila Wolff, Debra Schmahl, Caiden Kelly, Keely Davis, 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, David Clark, 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:

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*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
20 SUNDAY - 4TH SUNDAY OF ADVENT 8:30 AM NATIVITY 10:30 AM MARYSBURG LECTOR: NANCY HELDBERG LECTOR: CINDY KRENIK ~ Christmas Tree Decorating ~ Marysburg after 10:30AM Mass AA MTG. MB Hall ADVENT PENANCE SERVICE 6:30 PM 6PM @ ST. MARY'S Y ALL PARISHIONERS	21 Mass 8 am at Marysburg	22 Mass 8 am at Nativity	23 Mass 8 am at Marysburg FF CHRISTMAS CAROLING NIGHT 6:30-7:30 PM AT NATIVITY ALL PARISHIONERS WELCOME PARISH OFFICE CLOSED TO THE PUBLIC - JILL ON SITE	24 CHRISTMAS EVE 2:00 PM at Nativity 4:00 PM at Nativity 6:00 PM at Marysburg PARISH OFFICE CLOSED	25 CHRISTMAS DAY 8:30 AM at Nativity 10:30 AM at Marysburg ~ Merry Christmas! ~ PARISH OFFICE CLOSED	26 VIGIL OF THE FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY NATIVITY - PENANCE: 4-4:40 PM - MASS: 5:00 PM LECTOR: KATHY DAUK †ANN DAUK
27 SUNDAY - FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY 8:30 AM NATIVITY 10:30 AM MARYSBURG LECTOR: BILL STANGLER LECTOR: JOHN KLUNTZ AA MTG. MB Hall 6:30 PM Y ALL PARISHIONERS †JOE BAKER	28 Mass 8 am at Marysburg	29 Mass 8 am at Nativity	30 Mass 8 am at Marysburg NO FAITH FORMATION Christmas Break PARISH OFFICE CLOSED TO THE PUBLIC - JILL ON SITE	31 VIGIL OF THE SOLEMNITY OF MARY Mass Times 5 pm at St. Mary's 6 pm at Marysburg PARISH OFFICE CLOSED	1 SOLEMNITY OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY Mass Times 8 am at Nativity 9 am at St. Mary's PARISH OFFICE CLOSED	2 VIGIL OF THE EPIPHANY MARYSBURG - PENANCE: 4-4:40 PM - MASS: 5:00 PM LECTOR: JOE MEYER Y ALL PARISHIONERS
3 SUNDAY - THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD 8:30 AM NATIVITY 10:30 AM MARYSBURG LECTOR: BARB HARRIS LECTOR: CINDY KRENIK AA MTG. MB Hall 6:30 PM †JOE & SANDY PETE	4 Mass 8 am at Marysburg	5 Mass 8 am at Nativity †MAURICE THELEMANN	6 Mass 8 am at Marysburg All Grades FAITH FORMATION CLASSES Online - Virtual @ 6:30 pm	7 No Mass	8 Mass 8 am at Nativity PARISH OFFICE CLOSED TO THE PUBLIC - JILL ON SITE	9 VIGIL OF THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD NATIVITY - PENANCE: 4-4:40 PM - MASS: 5:00 PM LECTOR: SUE SERBUS †ROBERT KLUNTZ
10 SUNDAY - THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD 8:30 AM NATIVITY 10:30 AM MARYSBURG LECTOR: ANDY QUEEN LECTOR: JOHN KUNTZ AA MTG. MB Hall 6:30 PM	11 Mass 8 am at Marysburg	12 Mass 8 am at Nativity	13 Mass 8 am at Marysburg All Grades FAITH FORMATION CLASSES Online - Virtual @ 6:30 pm	14 No Mass	15 Mass 8 am at Nativity PARISH OFFICE CLOSED TO THE PUBLIC - JILL ON SITE	16 VIGIL OF THE 2ND SUNDAY IN OT MARYSBURG - PENANCE: 4-4:40 PM - MASS: 5:00 PM LECTOR: JOE OR BECKY MEYER