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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, Twitter
& MarysChurches.com

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OUR PARISHES ARE NOW FULLY OPEN!
Per the State of MN & Gov. Walz, our parishes are now fully open with no capacity restrictions. MN Statewide Mask Mandate continues to require the wearing of face masks indoors. In addition, 6 foot social distancing also remains in place.

~ **THE SPIRITUAL COMMUNION PRAYER** ~
"My Jesus - I believe that you are present in the most holy Eucharist. I love you above all things, and I desire to receive you into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace you as if you were already there and unite myself wholly to you. Never permit me to be separated from you. Amen."

PARISH WINTER WEATHER CANCELLATION POLICY
Sign up for Flocknotes to receive text / email notifications regarding winter weather related Mass cancellations; email office@maryschurches.com.
Also, stay tuned to our website and Facebook pages for updates as well, visit www.maryschurches.com
We do plan to LIVE-stream each Mass when/if we cannot be in-person via via www.facebook.com/maryschurches
Thanks for staying connected with us online!

**2021 CATHOLIC SERVICES APPEAL (CSA)
MARYSBURG & NATIVITY PARISH GOALS**
Amount Received as of 03-16-21: \$1,430.00
Marysburg Parish Goal: \$6,601.00
20.91% to goal!
Amount Received as of 03-16-21: \$6,435.00!!!
Nativity Parish: \$5,341.00
120.48% to goal!

Thank you for giving! You have far exceeded the goal!
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Giving to the CSA Online is easy! Please visit...
www.csafspm.org/givecsaf/

2020 NATIVITY PARISH FESTIVAL DONATIONS
We are aware there was a reporting error with regards to the 2020 Nativity Parish Festival Donations total that was shared in the insert the other weekend. We are working to correct the clerical error and we will share an update ASAP. Thank you!

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<<< **NO DAILY MASS 8 AM | 03-22-21** >>>
Please note there will be No 8AM Mass on Mon. Mar. 22nd at Marysburg due to the Funeral Mass of Martin Baker. Thank you.

<<< **FAITH FORMATION CLASSES** >>>
Faith Formation in-person learning alternating weeks; Grades 6-10 meet on Wed. Mar. 24th at 6:30 PM for Stations of the Cross. Grades 1-5 meet on Mar. 31st.
Stay up to date with all info via our website at www.maryschurches.com/faith-formation

<<< **MARYSBURG SPRING CLEANUP EVENT** >>>
Volunteers please join us Sat. April 17th at 10 AM at Marysburg

<<< **LIVE-STREAM WEEKEND MASSES** >>>
All live-streamed / recorded Masses and events can be found on <https://facebook.com/maryschurches>
We invite you to join us for Mass from the safety of your home!

<<< **UPCOMING MASS SCHEDULES** >>>
Stations of the Cross Fri. Mar. 19th: 6:30 PM at Marysburg
Sat. Mar. 20th: 5 PM at Nativity
Sun. Mar. 21st: 8:30 AM at Nativity / 10:30 AM at Marysburg
Stations of the Cross Fri. Mar. 26th: 6:30 PM at Nativity
Sat. Mar. 27th: 5 PM at Marysburg
Sun. Mar. 28th: 8:30 AM at Nativity / 10:30 AM at Marysburg
Holy Thursday Apr. 1st: 7:00 PM at Marysburg
Good Friday Apr. 2nd: 3:00 PM at Nativity
Easter Vigil Sat. Apr. 3rd: 8:30 PM at Nativity
Easter Sunday, April 4th:
8:30 AM at Nativity / 10:30 AM at Marysburg
Sat. Apr. 10th: 5 PM at Marysburg
Sun. Apr. 11th: 8:30 AM at Nativity / 10:30 AM at Marysburg

<<< **REMINDER - NO MARYSBURG FISH FRY** >>>
The difficult choice was made to cancel the 2021 Marysburg annual parish fish fry. We hope to host again next year!

<<< **NEW! FOLLOW US ON TWITTER!** >>>
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< **HAVING OR KNOW OF A LOCAL OR ONLINE EVENT?** >
Email office@maryschurches.com and share details to have it featured here in the bulletin,

THE 5TH SUNDAY OF LENT

SATURDAY, MARCH 20TH - SUNDAY, MARCH 21ST, 2021

MARYSBURG & NATIVITY LENTEN SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

EXTENDED TIME FOR INDIVIDUAL CONFESIONS
Saturday evenings at Nativity or Marysburg; 3:45 PM to 4:40 PM or by appointment.
Next Up: Sat. March 27th at Marysburg at 3:45 pm.
Please contact the Parish Office to set up an appointment with either Fr. Stiles or Fr. Sandquist.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS
Fridays at 6:30 PM alternating between Nativity & Marysburg.
Next Up - Friday, March 26th at Nativity in Cleveland starting at 6:30 PM; join us!

OUR HOLY WEEK
Holy Thursday - April 1st: 7 PM at Marysburg
Good Friday - April 2nd: 3 PM at Nativity
Easter Vigil - Saturday, April 3rd: 8:30 PM at Nativity
Easter Sunday - April 4th: 8:30 AM Nativity AND 10:30 AM Marysburg

LENTEN FOOD DRIVE
The Churches of Nativity & Marysburg are collecting nonperishable items throughout the season of Lent for ECHO Food Shelf of Mankato. Please place non-perishable items in bin found in the entryways of either church. All items are welcome. Some most requested items are cereal, pasta & pasta sauce, macaroni & cheese, boxed main dishes, condiments, juice, personal care items, diapers & wipes (larger sizes, pull ups), or you may make checks payable to "ECHO Food Shelf."
WE THANK YOU ALL FOR THIS COLLECTIVE WORK OF MERCY [LENTEN ALMSGIVING]!

ST. ANNE'S SCHOOL FISH FRY - THIS FRIDAY, MARCH 26TH, 2021 | DRIVE-THRU & CARRY OUT
The Patron's and Alumni of St. Anne's will be sponsoring a Fish Fry at St. Anne's School in Le Sueur, 4:30-7:30 PM on March 26th.
MENU: Fish, Baked Potato, Coleslaw, Vegetable, Bun | All tickets are \$12.00
For the safety of all this year it will be a drive-thru / take-out only. Tickets are being sold and they are limiting them to 450 meals. Tickets available from any school family, in the school or church office. ?S call Pam at 507-665-4323 or 612-756-2361.

March 20th & 21st: The 5th Sunday of Lent

FAITH FORMATION UPDATES: We meet this Wednesday, March 24th at 6:30 PM at Nativity with Students in Grades 6-10 for Stations of the Cross. Next week we meet on the 31st with Students in Grades 1-5.

IMPORTANT DATES: First Reconciliation April 11th, First Holy Communion April 25th, Confirmation May 15th.

STAY CONNECTED: Please stay connected with us at www.Facebook.com/MBNATFF

CONTACT US: Jen Kluntz (Director of Religious Education, DRE) Email: jenniferkluntz@gmail.com or connect with Jill in the Parish Office, thank you!

Cluster Parish Mass Times...

ST. MARY - LE CENTER

Confessions

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

Sun. 9:00 AM Mass (indoors)

12:00 PM Mass (Spanish, indoors)

Tue 5:00 PM

Wed/Thur/Fri 9 AM Mass

ST. HENRY

Sat. 5:00 PM Mass



• CONTRIBUTIONS FROM MAR 6TH & 7TH •

Marysburg Actual: \$486.88 / Budget: \$2,200

Nativity Actual: \$1,738.00 / Budget: \$2,200

We accept online donations. To give online visit MarysChurches.com & click "Online Giving" found on Home Page, or email the Parish Office and we will send you a direct link via email.

You may also download and use the GIVE+ App.

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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**Note Change in Chairman for Marysburg, Jan 2021*



From the desk of Father James Stiles

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Rectory Update

Psalm 133

You may remember me mentioning to you that I am a member of the priestly fraternity in our Archdiocese called the Companions of Christ. One of our fraternity's favorite scripture passages is Psalm 133. It begins, "How good and pleasant it is when brothers live together in unity..." Indeed, how good it is! The blessings and laughter continue to abound in the rectory of St. Mary's church as we three priests seek to dwell in unity. I thought it would be a good time to give a little rectory update.

Our common prayer life remains at the center of our household life. Most days of the week we gather for an hour of prayer in our house chapel for Eucharistic Adoration. This roots us in Christ and allows us to press onward and upward throughout the rest of the day.

Our idiosyncrasies flare up, as it were, in the wee hours of the morning. Fr. Sandquist is generally orderly and quiet as a mouse (unless of course he's making one of his breakfast shakes in the blender), Fr. Tom Niehaus is usually full of energy, even uttering loud cheering-like slogans, and I am usually dragging myself out of bed with eyes still half-shut. These characteristics tend to stand out also at the end of the day. As different as we all are in personality and disposition, it's the Lord who unites us in prayer.

The adventures continue in the house. A few months back we had a bug infestation. Not long after that we continued to see bats flying around the house. Fr. Sandquist still is basically a bat whisperer...he always seems to be able to "handle" the situation, even though he chooses to use my gloves to handle the bats. Just the other night Fr. Sandquist and I decided to do some laundry. Roughly 45 minutes after we began a load, hearing what sounded like running water, I decided to check on it. That running water sound was the sound of overflowing water pouring not only onto the floor but also leading down into the basement. About 2 hours later and roughly 20 gallons of water sucked up with the shop-vac, it was time for bed.

We continue to share meals with each other at least twice a week during which the conversations oscillate between the mundane, the holy, the funny, and the practical. In this regard, we have been blessed by so many of you parishioners in your generosity toward us. You've provided meals, desserts, beverages, etc. for us time and again. Thank you so much! You have greatly contributed to the joy and sanity of our life together. Also, thanks to all of you who have invited us over to your homes whether individually or even daring to invite all three of us at once. Your hospitality is greatly appreciated!

Finally, we do our best to keep the house in order. We rotate the responsibilities on various house duties. Fr. Tom Niehaus continues to admit that he basically doesn't know how to grocery shop. Fr. Sandquist helps keep all of us lean when he's on shopping duty because his idea of a well-stocked refrigerator is quite different from mine. Having said that, Fr. Sandquist is definitely the cook of the house. His latest masterpiece has been a fantastic chicken curry dish. I currently have the duty of keeping the kitchen tidy...let's just say I rely a lot on my brothers for help.

We know we are blessed to be able to live together, and we thank the Lord for it. It is somewhat of a rarity amongst priests these days. "How good and pleasant it is when brothers live together in unity..." Thank you for allowing us to do it and for making our time together all the better through your prayers and generosity. God bless you!

With fatherly love, Fr. Stiles



EASTER MEMORIAL REQUEST FORM

Please return to Jill in the Parish Office before March 29th, with donation.

You are invited to help beautify the altar with memorials to loved ones!

Memorials are just \$15 each. Funds raised will be used to adorn the altar at Easter time and throughout the year. Complete this form and return it to the Parish Office no later than **Monday, March 29th!**

Each Easter Memorial will be listed by name in the Printed Weekly Parish Bulletin on Easter Weekend.

Please Select Your Parish: _____ Marysburg, Madison Lake // _____ Nativity, Cleveland

Number of Memorials: _____ (\$15 each) // Total Donation Amount Enclosed: \$ _____

Requested By (Print Your Name): _____

In Honor Of (Print Loved Ones Name(s)): _____

The 5th Sunday of Lent: March 20th & 21st, 2021

MARYSBURG & NATIVITY PARISH STEWARDSHIP SCHEDULES ARE ONLINE, PLEASE VISIT THE SITE LISTED:

Marysburg: www.maryschurches.com/stewardship-marysburg | Contact Jill at office@maryschurches.com

Nativity: www.maryschurches.com/stewardship-cleveland | Contact Mary at mary.klaseus@gmail.com

Plate Note - All Lectors are listed below with each Mass scheduled on the Calendar below.

AMERICAN LEGION - LENTEN FISH FRY EVENTS:

American Legion Post #108, Le Center, is holding Fish Fry events during Fridays in Lent & you are invited!

LUNCH: \$8.00 Fish Basket Lunch (served 11 AM to 1 PM) Remaining Dates: March 26th, & April 2nd.

DINNER: \$13.00 Fish Dinner (Served 5 PM to 7 PM, or until gone) One Final Date: Friday, March 26th.

BUTTER BRAIDS - THANK YOU TO ALL OF OUR FAITH FORMATION FAMILIES

We would like to take a moment to THANK all of the Faith Formation families that worked so hard to sell butter braids for our program! Also, THANK YOU to all of the Parishioners and friends who supported us by purchasing a butter braid or donating money. We are so very appreciative! We surpassed Fr. Stiles' goal of 500 and sold 604 butter braids! We are proud to announce that our program has profited \$4,166.50! We will get to do great things with this money to help our youth program!

BUTTER BRAIDS were delivered and picked up at the Church of Nativity on Wednesday, March 10th. Faith Formation families made arrangements to pick up their orders that day. Butter Braids for Nativity Parishioners who ordered, were in the back of the church last weekend (March 13th and 14th). Butter braids for Marysburg Parishioners who ordered, will be in the Marysburg Parish Hall after Mass this weekend (March 20th-21st).

PLEASE NOTE: If butter braid orders are not picked up during the times listed, then we will work to contact the buyers and work out a delivery time. Thanks so much! -Jen Kluntz (DRE)

PARISH YOUTH INVITED FOR FUN AND FAITH BUILDING EXPERIENCES AT ST. MARY'S IN LE CENTER THIS COMING SUMMER 2021...

TOTUS TUUS (Latin for "Totally Yours"):

A fun and energetic parish based summer catechism program for Grade School age children with a junior and senior high school component. They are dedicated to sharing the Gospel and promoting Catholic faith through catechesis, evangelization, Christian witness, and Eucharistic worship. Time is spent on catechetical instruction, songs, games, daily Mass, the opportunity for the Sacrament of Reconciliation, lunch, recess and more! The week ends with a large water fight with the children or a human (team member) ice cream sundae in celebration for the week. The focus is on imparting an understanding and love of the Eucharist, devotion to Mary, catechetical instruction, vocational discernment, and providing an enjoyable experience.

Where: St. Mary's Church in Le Center...

Grades 1-6: July 26th - 30th from 9-2:30 PM

Grades 7-12: July 25th - 29th from 7:30-9:40 PM

VBS (Vacation Bible School):

Details to follow! Pre-K (age 3) thru Kindergarten, Aug. 8th - 12th, from 5:30-7:30 each night.

The following members of our Faith



Communities have asked for our prayers...

Robert Finnegan, Jessica Reedstrom, Penny Connor, John Connor, William Rohlfing, Joe Broze, Aubrey Rober, Wally Krenik, 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, Eugene Germscheid, Jim Scheuer, Levi Bensen, Mrs. Karl (Sandy) Germscheid, 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, 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: 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
21 THE 5TH SUNDAY OF LENT 8:30 AM NATIVITY 10:30 AM MARYSBURG LECTOR: ANDY QUEEN LECTOR: JOHN KLUNTZ Lenten Food Drive! AA MTG. MB Hall 6:30 PM ☩BUD MCCABE ☩KELLY J. STENZEL	22 No Mass Martin Baker Funeral Mass 10:30 am - Marysburg	23 Mass 8 am at Nativity	24 Mass 8 am at Marysburg FAITH FORMATION CLASSES Grades 6-10 Nativity @ 6:30 pm Stations of the Cross FUNDRAISER DELIVERY	25 No Mass PARISH OFFICE CLOSED TO PUBLIC JILL ON SITE BETWEEN 9AM & 5PM	26 Mass 8 am at Nativity St. Anne's School Fish Fry 4:30 - 7:30 PM, Le Sueur Stations of the Cross 6:30 PM @ Nativity	27 VIGIL OF PALM SUNDAY M'BURG - PENANCE: 3:45-4:40 PM - MASS: 5:00 PM LECTOR: BECKY MEYER Lenten Food Drive!
28 PALM SUNDAY 8:30 AM NATIVITY 10:30 AM MARYSBURG LECTOR: KELLY MCCABE LECTOR: MARILYN KLUNTZ Lenten Food Drive! AA MTG. MB Hall 6:30 PM ☩BOB BECKEL	29 Mass 8 am at Marysburg	30 Mass 8 am at Nativity	31 Mass 8 am at Marysburg FAITH FORMATION CLASSES Grades 1-5 Make up PCY Classes Nativity @ 6:30 pm	1 HOLY THURSDAY MASS MARYSBURG 7:00 PM LECTOR: JACKSON MEYER PARISH OFFICE CLOSED TO PUBLIC JILL ON SITE BETWEEN 9AM & 5PM	2 Mass 8 am at Nativity GOOD FRIDAY NATIVITY 3:00 PM LECTORS: KATHY DAUK & KELLY MCCABE Stations of the Cross 6:30 PM @ Marysburg	3 EASTER VIGIL NATIVITY - PENANCE: 7:45-8:15 PM - MASS: 8:30 PM LECTORS: SUE SERBUS & BILL STANGLER Lenten Food Drive! Y ALL PARISHIONERS
4 EASTER SUNDAY 8:30 AM NATIVITY 10:30 AM MARYSBURG LECTOR: MARY KLASEUS LECTOR: JAMES FOLDEN  AA MTG. MB Hall 6:30 PM Y ALL PARISHIONERS	5 Mass 8 am at Marysburg PARISH OFFICE CLOSED EASTER HOLIDAY	6 Mass 8 am at Nativity ☩EMMETT MCCABE	7 Mass 8 am at Marysburg FAITH FORMATION CLASSES Grades 6-10 Make up PCY Classes Nativity @ 6:30 pm	8 No Mass PARISH OFFICE CLOSED TO PUBLIC JILL ON SITE BETWEEN 9AM & 5PM	9 Mass 8 am at Nativity	10 2ND SUNDAY OF EASTER VIGIL M'BURG - PENANCE: 4 - 4:40 PM - MASS: 5:00 PM LECTOR: JACKSON MEYER  ☩BOB BECKEL
11 2ND SUNDAY OF EASTER (DIVINE MERCY) 8:30 AM NATIVITY 10:30 AM MARYSBURG LECTOR: BARB HARRIS LECTOR: SARAH GUENTZEL 2nd Graders & Families First Reconciliation 4 PM @ Nativity AA MTG. MB Hall 6:30 PM ☩PETE WOLFF ☩KELLY J. STENZEL	12 Mass 8 am at Marysburg	13 Mass 8 am at Nativity	14 Mass 8 am at Marysburg FAITH FORMATION CLASSES Grades 1-5 Last Class! Nativity @ 6:30 pm ☩BETTY BISCH	15 No Mass PARISH OFFICE CLOSED TO PUBLIC JILL ON SITE BETWEEN 9AM & 5PM	16 Mass 8 am at Nativity	17 3RD SUNDAY OF EASTER VIGIL NATIVITY - PENANCE: 4 - 4:40 PM - MASS: 5:00 PM LECTOR: BARB TRUZINSKI Marysburg Spring Cleanup @ 10 AM ☩ROBERT KLUNTZ