

# June 23rd & 24th, 2018 - The Nativity of St. John the Baptist

THANK YOU...	LECTORS		COLLECTION OFFICERS		EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS		GIFT BEARERS	
	Saturday	Sunday	Saturday	Sunday	Saturday	Sunday	Saturday	Sunday
June 23 & 24	Mary Pope	Bill Stangler	Sharon Cink	Mark Lawrence	Kathy Dauk, Mike Keogh	Andy Queen, Jaci Kopet		
June 30	Kathy Dauk	Andy Queen	Mary Klaseus	Carol Lawrence	Nick & Mary Klaseus	John Kluntz, Danny Holmes		
July 1			Dick Davis	Mary Haase	Mike Keogh	Barb Truzinski		
July 7 & 8	Mary Klaseus	Jim Losinski	Nick Klaseus	Janet Walechka	Nick & Mary Klaseus	John Kluntz, Danny Holmes		
			Rose Hendley	Robbie Kopet	Mike Keogh	Agnes Morgan		

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	Saturday	Sunday	Saturday	Sunday	Saturday	Sunday	Saturday	Sunday
June 23 & 24	Annie Davis		Raphael Malecha	Rich McCabe	Mary Kammerdiener	Mike Lyons	Anita & Phil	
June 30	Larry Van Tol		Phil Rothmeier	Steve Rohlfling	Annie & Larry Davis	Colleen McCabe, Jim Folden	Rothmeier	
July 1		Cindy Krenik	Clink Kortuem	Pat Baker	Rita Ramy	Pat Baker	Martha Weisgram	
July 7 & 8	Mary Kay Naegle		Nate Page	Larry Treanor	Phil Rothmeier, Joe Meyer	Sue Leiferman, Rich McCabe	Jo Ann Kortuem	
		Marilyn Kluntz	Joe Meyer	Becky Kaderlik	Mary Kammerdiener	Barb Folden, Jim Folden	Joe & Becky	
		Sarah Guentzel	Pat Riley	Becky Kortuem	Leo Riley, Larry Davis	Mike Lyons	Meyer	

Nicholas Connelly, Judy Vosbeek, Karen Ballman, Jaci Kopet, Jolene & Holden Zell, Patrick Baker, Evalyn Cusick, Tom Fritz, Lisa Skarin, Bill Soderlund, Don Roscoe, Alec Batson, Brandon Reinke, Rosemary Wondra, David Clark, Robert Kluntz, Larry Treanor, Bob Beckel, Rick Schoeb, Rudy Kaupa, Beverly Sohm, Connie Baker, Gene Thelemann, Jared Mogere Family, Tim Petersen, Kent Pearce, John Kluntz, Mary Androli, Bernice Rezak, David Krenik, Terry Sadowski, James Connor, Mary Lou Ballman, Natalie Bruender, Robert Ani, Rose Anne Schoeb, Mitchell Petsinger, Carol Leighton, Marian Meyer, Larry Johnson, Mark Johnson, Lois McCabe, Mya Walechka, Lana Dahl, Alec Heuer, Jim Meagher, Mike Davis, Betty Kinney, Ann Dauk.

**To add or remove a name on this list, please email: [office@maryschurches.com](mailto:office@maryschurches.com) or call 507-243-3166.**



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<b>24</b> THE NATIVITY OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST 8:30 AM NATIVITY & 10:30AM MARYSBURG ~ WELCOME FR. STILES! ~ 11:30 am Welcome Reception at Marysburg † DARLENE TREANOR ♥ KAYLIE & NICHOLAS FISCHER	<b>25</b> No Mass	<b>26</b> Mass 8 am at Nativity † ROGER TADYCH	<b>27</b> Mass 8 am at Marysburg	<b>28</b> No Mass	<b>29</b> No Mass	<b>30</b> VIGIL OF THE 13TH SUNDAY IN OT NAT PENANCE: 3:15-3:45 MASS: 4 PM MB PENANCE: 5:30-5:45, MASS 6 PM † MARILYN SCHMIDT † RON & JEANNE TRAXLER
<b>1</b> THE 13TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 8:30 AM NATIVITY & 10:30AM MARYSBURG Coffee & Rolls - Nativity † BUDD MCCABE AA MTG. MB Hall, 6 PM	<b>2</b> Mass 8 am at Marysburg	<b>3</b> Mass 8 am at Nativity	<b>4</b> Mass 8 am at Marysburg PARISH OFFICE CLOSED JULY 4TH HOLIDAY ♥ OUR COUNTRY / NATION	<b>5</b> No Mass PARISH OFFICE CLOSED PERSONAL DAY	<b>6</b> Mass 8 am at Nativity	<b>7</b> VIGIL OF THE 14TH SUNDAY IN OT NAT PENANCE: 3:15-3:45 MASS: 4 PM MB PENANCE: 5:30-5:45, MASS 6 PM † IRENE KRENK ♥ ALL PARISHIONERS
<b>8</b> THE 14TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 8:30 AM NATIVITY & 10:30AM MARYSBURG AA MTG. MB Hall, 6 PM † MARILYN SCHMIDT ♥ ALL PARISHIONERS	<b>9</b> No Mass Township Mtg. MB Hall	<b>10</b> Mass 8 am at Nativity MB COUNCIL MEETINGS 6 & 7 PM	<b>11</b> Mass 8 am at Marysburg Marysburg Fall Festival Mtg. MB Hall, 6:30 PM ♥ ANGIE HESSE	<b>12</b> No Mass	<b>13</b> No Mass	<b>14</b> VIGIL OF THE 15TH SUNDAY IN OT NAT PENANCE: 3:15-3:45 MASS: 4 PM MB PENANCE: 5:30-5:45, MASS 6 PM Missionary Visit - Fr. Joseph J. Arackal † RON & JEANNE TRAXLER
<b>15</b> THE 15TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 8:30 AM NATIVITY & 10:30AM MARYSBURG Missionary Visit - Fr. Joseph J. Arackal AA MTG. MB Hall, 6 PM † TODD BROWN ♥ JOLENE & HOLDEN ZELL	<b>16</b> No Mass	<b>17</b> Mass 8 am at Nativity † STEVEN HENDLEY	<b>18</b> Mass 8 am at Marysburg PARISH OFFICE CLOSED ARCHSPM SEMINAR	<b>19</b> No Mass	<b>20</b> Mass 8 am at Nativity	<b>21</b> VIGIL OF THE 16TH SUNDAY IN OT NAT PENANCE: 3:15-3:45 MASS: 4 PM MB PENANCE: 5:30-5:45, MASS 6 PM

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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

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**OPPORTUNITY TO SUPPORT OUR KIDS, GRADES 9-12!**  
 We are in the final week of accepting donations for the Scholarship Fund that was started for kids who would like to attend the "INTO the DEEP" Youth Summer Canoe Trip (see below). Kids will leave their electronic devices behind and experience God's promptings through the natural surroundings of Northern MN! This will be a great experience and we hate to see anyone miss out due to inability to pay. To help with a donation, please let Fr. Adams or the Parish Office know, or simply drop it in the collection basket marked in an envelope. The cost of the 5 day retreat is \$435 per person. Please consider becoming a youth scholarship sponsor today. THANK YOU in advance for your generosity, and a very special THANK YOU to all who have donated to the scholarship fund already - may God bless you!



**Youth summer canoe trip!**  
 JULY 16-20th: An amazing FUN 5 day summer adventure has been organized for teens! A camping & canoeing trip for all youth entering grades 9-12; in the majestic Voyageurs National Park! Everyone is welcome - invite your friends! Find out more by visiting [IDRetreats.org/why-outdoors](http://IDRetreats.org/why-outdoors) or email them at: [register@idretreats.org](mailto:register@idretreats.org) or see the event on Facebook, or reach out to the Parish Office.

**~LOCAL EVENTS!~**

**<<< WELCOME RECEPTION FR. STILES >>>**

Sunday, JUNE 24TH after 10:30 AM Mass at Marysburg  
 Coffee & Donuts in honor of Fr. Stiles!

**<<< PLEASE NOTE - MASS CANCELLATIONS >>>**

There will be NO MASS on the following dates at MB or NAT...  
 June 25th and 29th  
 July 9th, 13th and 16th

**<<< MONTHLY ROSARY CRUSADE >>>**

Friday, July 13th, at ...  
 INPUT MORE INFO HERE...

**<<< ROCKIN ON THE HILL LOYOLA MUSIC FESTIVAL >>>**

Saturday, July 21st. Gates at 5 PM, enjoy LIVE music, pull tabs, food trucks, spirits, traveling boutiques & more!  
 Tickets \$10 advanced/4/15 at the gate, on sale now at HyVee.

**<<< UNITED WAY WOMEN W/HEART LUNCHEON >>>**

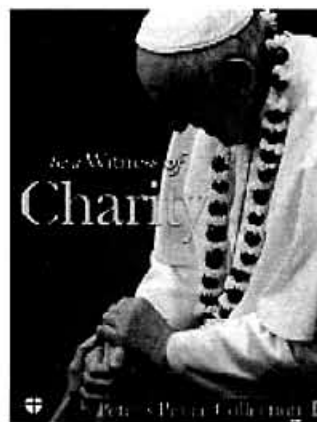
Wednesday, August 1st, 11:30 am, Verizon Center, Mankato, \$25 per ticket.  
[www.MankatoUnitedWay.org/women-heart](http://www.MankatoUnitedWay.org/women-heart)

**<<< 14TH ANNUAL NATIVITY CLASSIC CAR SHOW / CHKN DINNER >>>**

SAVE the DATE - Sunday, August 5th! Mass & registration 8:30 am.  
 Interesting in making a Silent Auction basket or donation??  
 Silent Auction info - call Shirley 507-934-5943 or Mary 507-931-1415.  
 Other event questions, call Larry 507-995-4347.

**<<< SAVE THE DATE - 2018 MARYSBURG FALL FESTIVAL >>>**

\*NEW DATE - Move back 1 week to Sunday, September 16th, 2018  
 Next planning mtg is Wednesday, July 11th at 6:30 PM, MB Hall.



Next week, we will take part in the Peter's Pence 2nd Collection, which provides Pope Francis with the funds he needs to carry out his charitable works around the world. The proceeds benefit our brothers and sisters on the margins of society, including victims of war, oppression, and disasters. Please be generous. For more info, visit [www.usccb.org/peters-pence](http://www.usccb.org/peters-pence).

**2018**

**MARYSBURG:**  
 Goal: \$5,139.00  
 % of Goal Rec'd: 44.56%  
 Total to date: \$2,290.00

**NATIVITY:**  
 Goal: \$5,257.00  
 % of Goal Rec'd: 98.24%  
 Total to date: \$5,165.00



THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS!

**Weekend of June 9 & 10, 2018**

**Marysburg: \$2,292.00 Nativity: \$1,943.00**

**The Nativity of St. John the Baptist**

**June 23rd & 24th, 2018**

WELCOME RECEPTION!  
 COFFEE & DONUTS!  
 SUNDAY, JUNE 24TH...  
 PLEASE JOIN US FOR A BRIEF WELCOME RECEPTION FOR FR. STILES, THIS SUNDAY, JUNE 24TH AFTER THE 10:30 AM MASS AT MARYSBURG!  
 COFFEE AND DONUTS WILL BE SERVED. PLEASE STOP BY AND SAY HELLO, EXTEND A WARM WELCOME TO FR. STILES!  
 ALL ARE WELCOME!  
 THEN, FOLLOW FR. STILES OVER TO ST. MARY'S CHURCH IN LE CENTER FOR THEIR CHURCH FESTIVAL AND ENJOY THE REST OF YOUR SUNDAY!

Welcome Fr. Stiles!



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**\* DONATIONS FOR VENEZUELA - DEADLINE JULY 1ST \***

Thank you to all who attended the special Coffee & Rolls event and listened to Fr. Adams speak about his time in Venezuela. We will continue to accept donations for Venezuela for basic necessity items, such as toothpaste, toilet paper, baby diapers and wipes, vitamins, etc. Monetary donations can also be made, please make checks payable to: ARCHSPM, or cash, donations can be given to the Parish Office directly or put in an envelope in the collection baskets in a special marked envelope with "Venezuela" marked clearly.

For more information, and a full list of items needed, please visit the website listed below.

[www.Venezuela.archspm.org](http://www.Venezuela.archspm.org)



Fr. Adams in Venezuela

*A chance to help others in need!*



**Congratulations!**

Joined in Holy Matrimony  
Kaylie Mae Sellers &  
Nicholas Dowell Fischer  
06-23-2018 @ Marysburg

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Fr. Christopher Shofner

**B**rothers and Sisters in Christ,

This weekend we celebrate the Feast of the Nativity of St. John the Baptist. It's an interesting feast, being that in the course of the year, the we celebrate the birthdays of only two other individuals, the Blessed Virgin Mary (September 8) and Jesus Christ (December 25). So John must be a pretty important figure in the Tradition of the Church, right? Absolutely! John the Baptist would become the herald of Jesus Christ. He was the one called from his mother's womb to announce the coming of the Messiah, the "voice of one crying in the wilderness, 'Prepare the way of the Lord'".

As we hear in the readings today, John was born under interesting circumstances. His mother, Elizabeth, was advanced in years and thought unable to conceive. But through a miracle of God, she conceived. John's father, Zechariah, didn't believe it, so because of his unbelief, the angel of God struck him mute until the day that John was born. When the time came to name the child, all his relatives wanted to give him the family name Zechariah, but Zechariah protested as he wrote on a tablet, "John is his name" (Luke 1:63). Immediately, Zechariah was able to speak, and all were amazed. They took it as a sign that God had chosen this child for something special. Zechariah's response is a beautiful hymn known as the Canticle of Zechariah (Luke 1:68-80), part of which proclaims: "You, my child, will be called prophet of the Most High, for you will go before the Lord to prepare his ways, to give his people knowledge of salvation through the forgiveness of their sins". Somehow, Zechariah knew that John would announce the coming of Jesus. He would do so thirty years later, not just pointing to Jesus and announcing Him as the Lamb of God, but baptizing Him in the Jordan River.

The story of John's birth and life teaches us something very important. Like John, each of us has been chosen by God for a specific purpose in this life. We are called to announce the coming of Christ into the world by using our gifts to the best of our ability to draw others to Jesus. It may not seem like much to us now, and they may not write about us in the annals of history, but nonetheless that call is worthy of God's sons and daughters. When we recognize the fact that God thinks highly enough of us to entrust us with such a call, we are lifted up from our lowliness and brought into His Awesome Presence.

It's easy to get discouraged and want to give up when we face disappointments or setbacks in life. It's easy to think less of ourselves for not living up to our expectations or the expectations of others. But remember this important lesson: Like John, we are called not to the fulfillment of our own plans or those of others for our life, we are called to fulfill God's plan. If we remain faithful to that call that God gave us from our mother's womb, then He will grant us all we need to bear amazing fruit in the world.

**G**od bless,

Fr. Chris Shofner



PHOTO:  
St. John the Baptist  
- Our Sunday Visitor