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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  
 Wednesday, 8 am: Marysburg  
 Thursday, NO Mass  
 Friday, 8 am: Nativity

**MASS CANCELLATION INFO:**  
 Facebook, KatolInfo.com  
 & MarysChurches.com

# Immaculate Conception

Centered around  
 Jesus Christ

# Nativity



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

4.14.19

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



**JULY 12TH - 14TH, 2019**

Info and registration forms at:

<https://stmarysthenry.org/steubenville-conference>

Questions? Contact Jean Boothby at 507-357-4838 or Fr. Shofner. Visit Partnership for Youth to learn more about the mission of the Steubenville Conferences: <http://www.partnershipforyouth.org>

**SUPPORT OUR YOUTH! STEUBENVILLE FUNDRAISER:**

Thank you for your support of our youth going to the Steubenville Youth Conference in Rochester this summer with our LASA-GNA TAKE & BAKE! We sold pre-made meat or cheese lasagnas ready for you to take home and bake. The pre-order sales were last weekend and the youth did all the prep of all the lasagnas, and they are now READY FOR PICK UP after the Masses on April 13 & 14. This was such a great way to support our youth summer programs and get a delicious pre-made meal! Thank you to all who participated in this fundraiser! Enjoy your lasagnas!

**~ Catholic Services Appeal (CSA) 2019 ~**

Let's plan to work together to meet our goal this year and help 20 collective ministries within our Archdiocese! All gifts go to educate and care for those who most need it within our Archdiocese, covering a vast range of needs. Your gift helps to build up marriage and family life, and to strengthen parish life.

**\*\*Goals for 2019: Nativity \$5,257 | Marysburg \$5,139\*\***

When we reach 100% of our goal, we receive back 25% of the total raised, which we then use to build up our parish ministries. Please note that all donations to the CSA are handled through the Catholic Services Appeal Foundation (CSAF), an independent entity from the Archdiocese. Parish Totals as of 4-11-19...

NAT: \$2,975.00 Received (56.59%)

MB \$2,277.50 Received (44.32)

HAVE SOMETHING TO ADD TO OUR BULLETIN OR WEBSITE?

PLEASE EMAIL THE PARISH OFFICE AT

OFFICE@MARYSCHURCHES.COM - DEADLINE IS 12 NOON

WEDNESDAYS WEEKLY. THANK YOU SO MUCH!

## ~ local things ~

**<< DEAD THEOLOGIAN SOCIETY 4-14-19 >>**

Youth in grades 8th - 12th  
 the next DTS gathering will be this  
 Sunday, April 14th in Cleveland at Nativity,  
 from 6-9 pm. Please see Fr. Adams with any questions.  
 Everyone is welcome! There will be food!

**<< NATIVITY CCW MEETING 4-15-19 >>**

The NAT CCW will meet Monday, April 15th at 6 pm  
 in the Nativity Church Hall - Cleveland.

**<< EASTER FLOWER MEMORIALS >>**

Now thru Tuesday, April 16th - fill out the Easter Flower  
 Memorials Form and drop it in the offering basket or mail/bring to  
 the Parish Office - help us beautify the altar for Easter.  
 Names will be featured in the bulletin Easter weekend.

**<< PASTRY PUFFINGS PICK-UP >>**

Students - please pick up your Pastry Puffins orders  
 this Wed, April 17th, between 4:15 pm & 7 pm  
 at the Church of the Nativity in Cleveland. There are no Faith  
 Formation classes that evening, just confirmation classes.

**<< QUARTERLY COFFEE & ROLLS AT MARYSBURG >>**

Sunday, April 28th after the 10:30 Mass  
 Come and hear Munday Solomon, parishioner at I.C. St. Clair,  
 and MSU social work student tell his story of growing up in South  
 Africa and the program he started to help people succeed.

**<< BURGERS, BEER, & BOARD GAMES >>**

Saturday, May 4th following 5 pm Mass at All Saints Catholic  
 Church - Madison Lake. Free will offering for meal.  
 Craft Beer & Wine tasting (21+) via Finish Line Liquors

**<< 2019 GENERAL INSURANCE SEMINAR >>**

Tuesday, June 11th - 8 am in Mendota Heights  
 Sponsored by Catholic Mutual.  
 Church Staff and Council Members are encouraged to attend.  
 See Parish Office with questions.

**<< FLOCKNOTES >>**

To sign up to receive TEXT & email alerts from the churches  
 regarding Mass cancellations other important news.  
 EMAIL your cell phone number to office@maryschurches.com

## PALM SUNDAY

APRIL 13TH & 14TH, 2019

## Pastoral Council Nominations

CHURCH OF THE NATIVITY - CLEVELAND  
 Nominations are being accepted for the two (2)  
 new members of the Nativity Pastoral Council.  
 Parishioners are encouraged to please take a few  
 moments to consider nominations and complete  
 a nomination slip while at the Church of the  
 Nativity in Cleveland. Any questions, please see  
 Andy Queen or Father Shofner. Thank you!



**PRO-LIFE MOVIE "UNPLANNED" GROUP SHOWING!**  
 You are invited to come see the pro-life movie "Unplanned" on  
 Tuesday April 16th: 7 pm showing @ Northwoods Cinema 10 in  
 Owatonna. Just \$5 / ticket! Call Barb and Ray Truzinski @ 507-  
 931-5805 or 651-470-5777 to secure tickets. We have bought  
 out the tickets and it is first come, first served.  
 For those interested in eating together before the movie,  
 meet at Kernel Restaurant between 4:45 and 5:30pm so we  
 could leave about 6:40pm. There will be an area set up for us.  
 Kernel Restaurant is at 1011 Hoffman, just 4 min from  
 Northwoods Cinema, 309 Allen Ave, in Owatonna.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS!

April 6th & 7th, 2019

Marysburg: \$928.35 | Nativity: \$3,166.00

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS**  
 Fridays during Lent alternating weekly between  
 Nativity & Marysburg Churches. Join us  
 on Good Friday, April 19th at Nativity @ 3 pm.



HOLY THURSDAY, APRIL 18TH:  
 7 pm - Mass of the Lord's Supper at Marysburg

GOOD FRIDAY, APRIL 19TH:  
 3 pm - Stations of the Cross at Nativity  
 7 pm - Good Friday Commemoration of the Lord's  
 Passion and Death, with Veneration of the Cross at  
 Nativity. \*This is NOT a Mass. No morning Mass.

HOLY SATURDAY, APRIL 20TH:  
 8:30 pm - Easter Vigil at Marysburg  
 \*Please note there are no other Masses today.

SUNDAY, APRIL 21ST:  
 8:30 am - Easter Sunday Mass at Nativity  
 10:30 am - Easter Sunday Mass at Marysburg

April 13th & 14th, 2019 | Palm Sunday



**EASTER FLOWER MEMORIALS FORM ~**

Help beautify the altar at Easter with memorials to loved ones. Memorials are \$15 ea. The funds will be used to adorn the altar with flowers. Complete this form and drop in the collection basket with your donation or bring/mail to the Parish Office by **TUES, APRIL 16TH**. All Easter Flower Memorials will be listed in our Church bulletin by name on Easter Sunday weekend (April 20th & 21st, 2019).

Select Your Church: \_\_\_ Nativity (Cleveland) \_\_\_ Marysburg (Madison Lake)

Enclosed is \$ \_\_\_ for (Qty.) \_\_\_ memorials at \$15.00 each.

Requested by (Print your name): \_\_\_\_\_

In honor of: \_\_\_\_\_

**OUR CONDOLENCES** to the family of *Mary Lou Ballman, who passed away on Sunday, April 7th, 2019. Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord. And let perpetual light shine upon her.*

## Our Cluster Parish Mass Times...

ST. ANNE - LE SUEUR

Sat. 4-4:30 PM Confessions  
5:15 PM Mass

Sun. 8:00 AM Mass  
10:30 AM Mass

Tue/Wed/Thur/Fri. 8 AM Mass

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/Wed/Fri. 9 AM Mass  
Thur. 5 PM Mass

ST. HENRY

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



## Staying in Touch...

Immaculate Conception of Marysburg

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*Nativity Cemetery Manager:* Mike Keogh 931-5547



## Desk of Father Christopher Shofner

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Fr. Christopher Shofner

**B**rothers and Sisters in Christ,

Life is made up of a series of transitions and changes. Some changes can be met with excitement – a new school, a new job, a move to a new town. Some changes can be met with fear and anxiety – loss, illness, divorce. With every change, however, I believe there is some amount of stress and hesitation.

This weekend we commemorate Palm Sunday (also known as Passion Sunday), the beginning of Holy Week. It is marked by two contrasting Gospel readings – the first recounts Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem as the crowd greets Him with cries of rejoicing, the second recounts Jesus' arrest and suffering at the hands of His enemies, culminating in His Death on the Cross. Jesus is entering into the various stages of the Father's redemptive plan for mankind. In the midst of it all, what is Jesus' reaction? And what can we learn from Him about dealing with the changes in our lives?

As He enters into Jerusalem, Jesus knows that He has come to suffer and die – His hour has come. The people do not know this, however. As they cheer, Jesus doesn't give hints as to what's to take place, but He allows them to have their moment. He doesn't reveal the plan so as to garner support to save Himself. He remains quietly resolute in His purpose. There's great strength in Jesus' response.

Likewise, when the time for His suffering comes, Jesus doesn't resist. He doesn't fight. He doesn't try to convince His enemies to change their mind. It's not that He's a glutton for punishment – in fact, multiple times prior to this, when His enemies attempted to arrest or stone Him, Jesus chose to escape (see Luke 4:30; John 5:13; John 8:59). Not now, however. Now He knows His hour has come, and He wants to do the Father's will. So He stands firm and enters into His Passion with courage. The prophet Isaiah predicts Jesus' ability to enter into suffering when it's the Father's Will: "Though he was harshly treated, he submitted and opened not his mouth; like a lamb led to the slaughter or a sheep before the shearers, he was silent and opened not his mouth" (Isaiah 53:7).

In our own lives, we don't want to suffer. We do what we can to avoid it. That is to be expected. However, what about the challenges we face that are unavoidable? Entering into these moments with peace of soul gives us the ability to be strong. We learn this peace of soul through the example of Christ, and we grow in this peace of soul through His grace.

For some, it's hard to think that suffering is part of the Father's plan for life. But there's some amount of suffering that accompanies every change in life – we leave behind what we were comfortable with in order to pursue something new. We strive to do this with courage. The popular Serenity Prayer expresses this hope. We might know part of it, but likely not the entire prayer. It offers us a beautiful reflection: "God, grant me the serenity to accept the things I cannot change; courage to change the things I can; and wisdom to know the difference. Living one day at a time; Enjoying one moment at a time; Accepting hardships as the pathway to peace; Taking, as He did, this sinful world as it is, not as I would have it; Trusting that He will make all things right if I surrender to His Will; That I may be reasonably happy in this life and supremely happy with Him forever in the next. Amen."

As we enter into this Holy Week, may we see in Christ the source of divine strength in the face of hardship. And as we enter into whatever life may hold for us, may we look to Jesus to be our strength. Please plan to join us for our Triduum – Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Easter Vigil/Easter Sunday. In taking part in the entirety of Jesus' last days, we come to appreciate and love Our Lord more for what He did for us.

God bless,  
Fr. Chris Shofner

# April 13th & 14th, 2019 | Palm Sunday

MARYSBURG	LECTORS		COLLECTION OFFICERS		EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS		GIFT BEARERS	
	Saturday	Sunday	Saturday	Sunday	Saturday	Sunday	Saturday	Sunday
April 13 & 14 <b>Palm Sund.</b>	Becky Meyer Joe Meyer	Jim Folden Cindy Krenik	Clint Kortuem Nate Page	Rich McCabe Steve Rohlifing	Mary Kammerdiener Chris & Ann Biehn	Cindy Krenik Theresa Rohlifing, Pat Baker	Martha Weisgram Jo Ann Kortuem	The Cusick Family
Holy Thursday 4/18	Marcia Stapleton		Jon Sullivan & Sons		Chris & Ann Biehn		Phil & Anita Rothmeier	
Good Friday 4/19	Kelly McCabe & Barb Harris		Nick Klaseus & Barb Truzinski		Nick & Mary Klaseus, Mike Keogh			
Easter Vigil 4/20	Chris Biehn & Mary Kay Naegle & Joe Meyer		Mark Meyer & Steve Baker		Phil Rothmeier, Rita Ramy, Mary Kammerdiener		Steve & Teresa Baker	
<b>EASTER 4/21</b>	Jim Folden		(Volunteer Needed)	Pat Baker	Colleen & Rich McCabe	Sue Leiferman	(Volunteer Needed)	
NATIVITY	LECTORS		COLLECTION OFFICERS		EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS		GIFT BEARERS	
	Saturday	Sunday	Saturday	Sunday	Saturday	Sunday	Saturday	Sunday
April 13 & 14 <b>Palm Sunday</b>	Kathy Dauk Mary Klaseus	Andy Queen Barb Harris	Mary Klaseus Sharon Cink	Janet Walechka Barb Truzinski	Lynn Kluntz, Nick Klaseus Kathy Dauk	Rita Kluntz, Andy Queen Barb Truzinski		
Holy Thursday 4/18	Marysburg 7 pm		Marysburg 7 pm		Marysburg 7 pm		Marysburg 7 pm	
Good Friday 4/19	Kelly McCabe & Barb Harris		Nick Klaseus & Barb Truzinski		Nick & Mary Klaseus, Mike Keogh			
Easter Vigil 4/20	Marysburg 8:30 pm		Marysburg 8:30 pm		Marysburg 8:30 pm		Marysburg 8:30 pm	
Easter Sunday 4/21	Nancy Heldberg		Robbie Kopet & Janet Walechka		Rita Kluntz, Nick Klaseus, Jaci Kopet			

The following members of our Faith Communities have asked for our prayers... Betty Bisch, Eugene Germscheid, Nick Smith, Jim Scheuer, Peter Falk, Mary Lou Ballman, Levi Bensen, Mrs. Karl (Sandy) Germscheid, Joseph Baker, 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, Beverly Sohm, Connie Baker, Gene Thelemann, Jared Moger 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, Lois McCabe, Mya Walechka, Lana Dahl, Alec Heuer, Jim Meagher, and Betty Kinney.



To add or remove a name on this list, please reach out to the Parish Office; E-mail: [office@maryschurches.com](mailto:office@maryschurches.com)

\*Please contact the Parish Office to request Mass Intentions for loved ones; suggested donation \$7 per mass. Email: [office@maryschurches.com](mailto:office@maryschurches.com) Phone: 507-243-3166. Thanks!

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<b>14</b> PALM SUNDAY 8:30 AM NATIVITY & 10:30AM MARYSBURG DEAD THEOLOGIAN SOCIETY 6-9 PM CHURCH OF NATIVITY, Cleveland AA MTG. MB Hall 6:30 PM †RAYMOND & VERNETTE BIEHN	<b>15</b> Mass 8 am at Marysburg NAT CCW MTG 6 PM PARISH HALL	<b>16</b> Mass 8 am at Nativity †STEVEN HENDLEY	<b>17</b> Mass 8 am at Marysburg NO Faith Formation! Confirmation Class Only PASTRY PUFFINGS PICKUP!	<b>18</b> HOLY THURSDAY NO AM MASS MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER MB: 7:00 PM	<b>19</b> GOOD FRIDAY NO AM MASS † STATIONS - 3 PM @NAT CELEBRATION OF THE PASSION NAT: 7:00 PM	<b>20</b> HOLY SATURDAY EASTER VIGIL MB Mass: 8:30 PM  †WILLIAM SODERLUND
<b>21</b> EASTER SUNDAY 8:30 AM NATIVITY & 10:30AM MARYSBURG  AA MTG. MB Hall 6:30 PM †MARY ANN STOFFEL	<b>22</b> Mass 8 am at Marysburg †ROSEMARY TRIMBO	<b>23</b> Mass 8 am at Nativity	<b>24</b> Mass 8 am at Marysburg 6:30-7:30 pm FINAL Faith Formation	<b>25</b> No Mass First Communion Practice	<b>26</b> Mass 8 am at Nativity †BUD MCCABE	<b>27</b> VIGIL OF THE 2ND SUNDAY OF EASTER NAT PENANCE: 3:15-3:45 MASS: 4 PM MB PENANCE: 5:30-5:45, MASS 6 PM Confirmation 11 am St Dominic's Catholic Church - Northfield †ANN DAUK
<b>28</b> 2ND SUNDAY OF EASTER 8:30 AM NATIVITY & 10:30AM MARYSBURG First Holy Communion Nativity 8:30 am Marysburg Coffee & Rolls AA MTG. MB Hall 6:30 PM †VERNETTE BIEHN	<b>29</b> Mass 8 am at Marysburg	<b>30</b> Mass 8 am at Nativity	<b>1</b> Mass 8 am at Marysburg Y ANGIE HESSE	<b>2</b> No Mass	<b>3</b> Mass 8 am at Nativity †BUD MCCABE	<b>4</b> VIGIL OF THE 3RD SUNDAY OF EASTER NAT PENANCE: 3:15-3:45 MASS: 4 PM MB PENANCE: 5:30-5:45, MASS 6 PM †BOB & IRENE KRENIK †DAVID SCHULTE
<b>5</b> 3RD SUNDAY OF EASTER 8:30 AM NATIVITY & 10:30AM MARYSBURG First Holy Communion Marysburg 10:30 am AA MTG. MB Hall 6:30 PM †MARY ANN STOFFEL †DAVID SCHULTE	<b>6</b> Mass 8 am at Marysburg	<b>7</b> Mass 8 am at Nativity	<b>8</b> Mass 8 am at Marysburg †DOROTHY BURG	<b>9</b> No Mass	<b>10</b> Mass 8 am at Nativity †ANN DAUK	<b>11</b> VIGIL OF THE 4TH SUNDAY OF EASTER NAT PENANCE: 3:15-3:45 MASS: 4 PM MB PENANCE: 5:30-5:45, MASS 6 PM †ALL DESEASED MOMS