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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

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Nativity

May 11th & 12th, 2019

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

~ local things ~

<< **DEAD THEOLOGIANS SOCIETY 5-12-19** >>
 Youth in grades 8th - 12th the next DTS gathering will be this Sunday, May 12th - MOVIE DAY - in Le Sueur, from 6-9 pm.
 Please see Fr. Adams with any questions.
 Next gathering is June 9th - field trip to St. Paul!
 Everyone is always welcome!

<< **MONTHLY ROSARY RALLY - LE CENTER** >>
 Starting Monday, May 13th at 12 noon, Le Center's South Park (Hwy 99 & Park Ave.) under gazebo. Join us in praying for our nation on the 13th of every month. For more info, contact Sheila McCabe Swan 507-357-6941 mccabeswan@yahoo.com.

<< **2019 GENERAL INSURANCE SEMINAR** >>
 The General Insurance Seminar this year will be on Tuesday, June 11th starting at 8 am in Mendota Heights, sponsored by Catholic Mutual. Marysburg & Nativity Church Staff as well as Council Members are invited, but not required, to attend. Call or email the Parish Office prior to MAY 30TH to register; office@maryschurches.com

<< **STEBENVILLE CONFERENCES ROCHESTER** >>
 July 12th - 14th, 2019 | Info & registration forms at: <https://stmaryssthenry.org/stebenville-conference>
 Questions: Contact Jean Boothby at 507-357-4838 or see Fr. Shofner. Visit Partnership for Youth to learn more about the mission of the Stebenville Conferences; <http://www.PartnershipForYouth.org>

<< **SAVE THE DATE 08-04-19 @ NATIVITY!** >>
 Please save the date of Sunday, August 4th, 2019 to join us at Nativity in Cleveland for the annual Men's Chicken Dinner and Car Show after the 8:30 am Mass!
 More details to come soon!

<< **GRIEF, HOPE & HEALING GROUP @ST. MARY'S** >>
 A grief support group for women who have experienced death of a spouse or significant other. Wednesdays 10-11 am Church of St. Mary Mission Room 165 North Waterville Ave, Le Center

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!

STEWARDSHIP OPPORTUNITIES WITHIN THE CHURCH
 If you are interested in sharing your talents with the churches, we are in need of additional members to volunteer to be included in our stewardship schedule: including Ushers, Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers, and Gift Bearers for each Mass at Marysburg, and Nativity. If you are interested in volunteering your time and talents, please let us know. Email office@maryschurches.com



Nativity & Marysburg now have flocknotes!
 Receive TEXT & email alerts from the churches regarding Mass cancellations and other important news. Sign up is simple - EMAIL your cell phone number to: office@maryschurches.com. This is the easiest way to stay updated on Mass time changes. It's free & easy.

MORE LASAGNAS! We had such a successful lasagna sale! We have left over supplies and would like to offer another limited sale . . .

We have meat or cheese lasagnas, either in 4" x 8" pans for \$10, 10" x 12" pans for \$20, OR 12" x 20" pans for \$40 (great for graduation parties!) through Sunday May 12th. Pick up is available after Masses on May 18th & 19th. Please contact Jean (jeanrb@frontier.com) or the church office to order.



THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS!

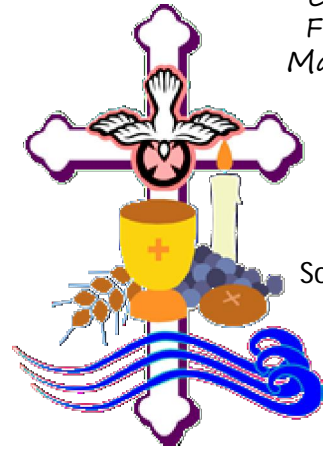
May 4th & 5th, 2019
 Marysburg: \$2,122.00 | Nativity: \$3,164.00
 May 1st, 2019 - Monthly Automated Giving
 Marysburg: \$765.00 | Nativity: \$940.00
OFFERTORY ENVELOPES: Please be sure to take a moment to pick up the 2019 Offertory Envelopes before the end of next month (May 26th) or they will be recycled. If left behind - assuming unwanted and envelopes will not be issued to you next year. Thank you!



4TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

*CORRECTION FROM LAST WEEK:

CHURCH OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF MARYSBURG
 FIRST HOLY COMMUNICANTS
 May God Bless you & keep you!



Charolette Meyer
 Daughter of Bob & Bree Meyer

Urijah Hoheisel
 Son of Dennis J. & Natalie Hoheisel

DeVonte Clark
 Son of Ramona Malecha

Diamond Clark
 Son of Ramona Malecha

The purpose of the WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS is to publicly fulfill the Lord's instruction to, "Pray the Lord of the harvest to send laborers into his harvest". As a climax to a prayer that is continually offered throughout the Church, it affirms the primacy of faith and grace in all that concerns vocations to the priesthood and to the consecrated life. While appreciating all vocations, the Church concentrates its attention this day on vocations to the ordained ministries (priesthood and diaconate), to the Religious life in all its forms (male and female, contemplative and apostolic), to societies of apostolic life, to secular institutes in their diversity of services and membership, and to the missionary life, in the particular sense of mission "ad gentes". 2019 marks the 56th Anniversary of the World Day of Prayer for Vocations.



ATTN ALL VOLUNTEERS & EMPLOYEES - VIRTUS TRAINING SESSION!
 St. Mary's in Le Center is hosting a makeup VIRTUS live training session for all church volunteers and employees (last one was cancelled due to snow). This VIRTUS session is being held on Thursday, May 30th at 6:30 pm at St. Mary's; 165 N Waterville Ave, Le Center, MN 56057.
 Any questions, please call the St. Mary's Parish Office at 507-357-4838 or see Father Shofner. Everyone is encouraged to attend, while some are required to attend. If you have been asked to do VIRTUS training, this is a great opportunity to take the time to attend. There is no cost to you.
 Thank you all so very much!

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~ 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 5-09-19...

NAT: \$3,895.00 Received (74.09%) | MB \$2,352.50 Received (45.78%)

MONTHLY ROSARY RALLY - BEGINS MONDAY, MAY 13TH:

Please join us at South Park (Hwy 99 and Park Ave.) in LeCenter, under the gazebo near the pool, at 12 noon on Monday, May 13th, and on the 13th day of each month, now through October. The holy Rosary and other prayers will be said to honor the Blessed Virgin and ask Her intercession for peace and conversion of our nation and the world. Please bring a chair and join us if you can or pray along with us from home.

*For more information, contact: Sheila McCabe Swan, 507-357-6941 or mccabeswan@yahoo.com

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...

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Fr. Christopher Shofner

Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

On this Mother's Day weekend, we honor those women in our lives who bore us, have cared for us, sacrificed for our sake, and have sought only our good. They have desired that we not fall into habits that lead us to unhappiness, but rather that we find the right path and stick to it. When our mothers presented us to the Church at our baptism, they promised to show us the way to Jesus. When we went through trials in life, they were there to show us the love of Jesus through their motherly care. When we had success in life, they were there cheering us on. They continue to reveal to us the Heart of Jesus through their love and support. Let us show our appreciation and our love for them in a special way this weekend. To all our mothers, adoptive mothers, stepmothers, and grandmothers; to all first-time mothers and expectant mothers; to all mothers who have lost a child and to those who desperately want a child; to all those who show us a mother's heart in any way, **HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY! May God bless you abundantly this day and always!**

As we pray for you today, I encourage us to look to the Mother of Jesus and the mother of us all, the Blessed Virgin Mary. Her life represents all the seasons of a mother's life, which offers us a beautiful reflection on the vocation of motherhood.

- When Mary learned that she would conceive, she felt the fears that come with expecting a child (Luke 1:26-38), yet at the same time she was humble in praising God for choosing her for such a high calling (Luke 1:39-56).
- Mary experienced the joy of giving birth and holding her child in her arms for the first time, and she shared that joy with visitors (Luke 2:1-20).
- As the child Jesus grew, there were times that Mary felt the anxieties of raising her child, from fearing for his safety (Luke 2:41-52) and for what the future may hold (Luke 2:22-38).
- When Jesus set out to fulfill his purpose, Mary had to let go of her son. He would no longer belong to her alone, but to all who needed him (Matthew 12:46-50).
- When Jesus was arrested and sentenced to death, Mary was there as a witness. When she saw her son nailed to the cross and draw his last breath, her heart broke in anguished sorrow (John 19:25-27).
- At the end of Mary's life, she was joyfully reunited with her son in Heaven in her glorious Assumption.

Mary's life reflects all the ups and downs of motherhood. Her faithfulness to her role as Mother of Christ came from a pure and holy love for her son Jesus. So the heart of every mother is moved in much the same way for their children. We pray for our mothers, that they may look to the Blessed Virgin Mary as a guide in their own motherly vocation. May Her shining example as the Mother of Christ encourage all mothers to live the same.

As the Rite of Baptism states in the blessing of mothers, so I offer this blessing to you today: "God the Father, through his Son, the Virgin Mary's child, has brought joy to all Christian mothers, as they see the hope of eternal life shine on their children. May He bless the mother of this child. She now thanks God for the gift of her child. May she be one with her child in thanking Him forever in heaven, in Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen."

God bless,
Fr. Chris Shofner

CORRECTION: We apologize for the misinformation in Fr. Shofner's article last week. Fr. Stiles was the presiding priest at First Communion at Marysburg last weekend; Fr. Shofner was present at Nativity's First Communion the Sunday before. Further, our Tenth Graders were confirmed at St. Dominic in Northfield, not the Cathedral. We still rejoice in the grace of God poured out in the hearts and souls of these young ones, and pray that they will continue to open their hearts to His invitation to faith!

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MARYSBURG	LECTORS		COLLECTION OFFICERS		EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS		GIFT BEARERS	
	Saturday	Sunday	Saturday	Sunday	Saturday	Sunday	Saturday	Sunday
May 11 & 12	Becky Meyer	Sue Leiferman	Raphael Malecha	Greg Germscheid	Mary Kammerdiener	Jim & Barb Folden	Anita & Phil	
May 18 & 19	Annie Davis	Marcia Stapleton	Albert Weinandt	Bill McCabe	Joe Meyer	Colleen & Rich McCabe	Annie & Larry	
May 25 & 26	Joe Meyer	Cindy Krenik	Clint Kortuem	Tim Krenik	Phil Rothmeier, Rita Ramy	Cindy Krenik	Martha Weisgram	

NATIVITY	LECTORS		COLLECTION OFFICERS		EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS		GIFT BEARERS	
	Saturday	Sunday	Saturday	Sunday	Saturday	Sunday	Saturday	Sunday
May 11 & 12	Mary Klaseus	Bill Stangler	Nick Klaseus	Mark Lawrence	Lynn Kluntz, Nick Klaseus	Andy Queen		
May 18 & 19	Andy Queen	Barb Harris	Rose Hendley	Barb Truzinski	Lynn Kluntz, Nick Klaseus	Andy Queen		
May 25 & 26	Mary Pope	Nancy Heldberg	Bill Pope	Robbie Kopet	Mary Klaseus, Mike Keogh	Rita Kluntz, Jaci Kopet		

The following members of our Faith Communities have asked for our prayers... Justin Kaus, Jo Ann Kortuem, Larry VanTol, Eugene Germscheid, Nick Smith, Jim Scheuer, Peter Falk, 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, Evalyn & 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 Mogere Family, Tim Petersen, Kent Pearce, John Kluntz, Mary Androli, Bernice Rezak, David Krenik, Terry Sadowski, James Connor, 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

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

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
12 4TH SUNDAY OF EASTER 8:30 AM NATIVITY & 10:30AM MARYSBURG DEAD THEOLOGIANS SOCIETY 6-9 pm St. Mary's, Le Sueur ♣ALL DESEASED MOMS Happy Mother's Day! AA MTG. MB Hall 6:30 PM	13 Mass 8 am at Marysburg	14 Mass 8 am at Nativity MB FINANCE CNL MTG 6 PM MB PASTORAL CNL MTG 7 PM ♣LOUIS WALECKA	15 Mass 8 am at Marysburg	16 No Mass NAT FINANCE CNL MTG 6 PM NAT PASTORAL CNL MTG 7 PM	17 Mass 8 am at Nativity	18 VIGIL OF THE 5TH SUNDAY OF EASTER NAT PENANCE: 3:15-3:45 MASS: 4 PM MB PENANCE: 5:30-5:45, MASS 6 PM ♣WILLIAM SODERLUND ♣BETTY BISCH
19 5TH SUNDAY OF EASTER 8:30 AM NATIVITY & 10:30AM MARYSBURG Graduation Breakfast @ Nativity 9:30 am ♣MARY ANNE STOFFEL ♣DARLENE TREANOR	20 Mass 8 am at Marysburg	21 Mass 8 am at Nativity	22 Mass 8 am at Marysburg	23 No Mass MARYSBURG 2019 FESTIVAL PLANNING MEETING 6:30 PM PARISH HALL ALL ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND	24 Mass 8 am at Nativity	25 VIGIL OF THE 6TH SUNDAY OF EASTER NAT PENANCE: 3:15-3:45 MASS: 4 PM MB PENANCE: 5:30-5:45, MASS 6 PM ♣MIKE & ANDY STRUCK
26 6TH SUNDAY OF EASTER 8:30 AM NATIVITY & 10:30AM MARYSBURG AA MTG. MB Hall 6:30 PM ♣VERNETTE BIEHN	27 Mass 8 am at Marysburg MEMORIAL DAY PARISH OFFICE CLOSED	28 Mass 8 am at Nativity	29 Mass 8 am at Marysburg	30 No Mass	31 Mass 8 am at Nativity Final Day for Offering Envelope pick-up! ♣STEVEN HENDLY	1 VIGIL OF THE 7TH SUNDAY OF EASTER NAT PENANCE: 3:15-3:45 MASS: 4 PM MB PENANCE: 5:30-5:45, MASS 6 PM ♣BOB & IRENE KRENIK
2 7TH SUNDAY OF EASTER 8:30 AM NATIVITY & 10:30AM MARYSBURG ♣RAYMOND BIEHN	3 Mass 8 am at Marysburg ♣JOHN & THERESA WEIERS	4 Mass 8 am at Nativity	5 Mass 8 am at Marysburg ♣ANGIE HESSE	6 No Mass	7 Mass 8 am at Nativity ♣BUD MCCABE	8 VIGIL OF PENTECOST SUNDAY NAT PENANCE: 3:15-3:45 MASS: 4 PM MB PENANCE: 5:30-5:45, MASS 6 PM ♣ANN DAUK