

Pray for our Faith Communities' Members . . .
Ramona, Malecha, Don Krenik, Joseph Richards, Darrell and Ila Jean Smiley, Wally Krenik, Mary & Tom Lassonde, Raphael Malecha, Jeff Lyons, Doreen White, Jessica Reedstrom, Penny Connor, Joe Broze, Aubrey Rober, Daryl E. Blatzheim, Jennifer Kephart, Kathy Dahl, Sue Borglum, Seth Hamman, Griffin Dumdei, Richie Krueger, Debra Schmahl, Caiden Kelly, Keely Davis, Josh Hummer, Justin Kaus, Eugene Germscheid, Jim Scheurer, Levi Bensen, Quentin Shevy, Hunter Schmitz, Dotsy Jacobson, Jaci Kopet, Jolene & Holden Zell, Debera Baker, Evalyn & Jill Cusick, Lisa Skarin, Don Roscoe, Alec Batson, Brandon Reinke, David Clark, Rudy Kaupa, Connie Baker, Jared Mogere Family, Tim Petersen, Kent Pearce, Mary Androli, David Krenik, James Connor, Natalie Bruender, Robert Ani, Mya Walechka, Lana Dahl, Alec Heuer, Jim Meagher.

To add or remove a name on this list, please contact Gloria in the Parish Office 507-357-6633 (St. Mary Church). Email: office@maryschurches.com

*Our prayer list will be updated regularly. When you submit a name of a loved one for prayer, their name will remain on the prayer list for SIX WEEKS. If you no longer see your loved ones name and would like the parish community to continue to pray for this individual, please call the parish office with your prayer request and their name will again be placed on our prayer list for another six weeks.



PASTORAL CARE EVENTS

Grief, Hope, & Healing - Wednesdays 10AM-11AM
Church of St. Mary Mission Room
A nondenominational grief support group for women who have experienced the death of a spouse or significant other. You are not alone. This grief group is led by widows who understand what you are going through. The group offers an opportunity to learn about grief, share experiences and find healing and hope from your loss. No registration necessary.
For information call Marlene Hunt, 507-381-1177.

11th Annual Healing Takes Time Fall Retreat
Come find hope & healing
September 15-17, 2023 Friday 7 pm– Sunday 11 am
Franciscan Retreat & Spirituality Center, Prior Lake, MN
This interdenominational retreat is an uplifting experience to support adults (18+) who are suffering the loss of a loved one. Inspiring talks and small groups will offer support and hope. Groups are created for several types of loss and will be led by people who have experienced similar loss and can relate to your journey in a particular way.
For more information & registration contact: Marlene Hunt 507-381-1177 or hopeunitedgriefgroup@gmail.com

ALTAR MINISTRY SCHEDULES

Nativity of Cleveland June 24-25, 2023 Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time		
	Saturday 5 pm	Sunday 8:30 am
Lector	Kathy Dauk	Andy Queen
Collection Officers	Lynn Kluntz Sharon Cink	Robbie Kopet Janet Walechka
Extraordinary Ministers	Barb Truzinski Lynn Kluntz Rita Martinson	Jaci Kopet Sue Serbus Nancy Heldberg
Altar Servers		Jonathan Cink Jeremy Miller
Gift Bearers		Shayna & Nate Miller family

Immaculate Conception of Marysburg June 25, 2023 Twelfth Sunday in OT	
	Sunday 10:30 am
Lector	Cindy Krenik
Collection Officers	Tim Krenik Pat Corrow
Extraordinary Ministers	Barb Folden
Gift Bearers	Jonathan & Katie Soine family
Altar Servers	Grace Soine Gretta Soine

Nativity of Cleveland July 2, 2023 Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time	
	Sunday 8:30 am
Lector	Barb Harris
Collection Officers	Robbie Kopet Mark Lawrence
Extraordinary Ministers	Andy Queen Sue Serbus Jaci Kopet
Altar Servers	Jocelyn Clark Brayden Seeman
Gift Bearers	Stephanie & Dane Roemhildt family

Immaculate Conception of Marysburg July 1 & 2, 2023 Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time		
	Saturday 5 pm	Sunday 10:30 am
Lector	Chris Beihn	John Kluntz
Collection Officers	Steve Baker Larry Davis	Rich McCabe Jon Sullivan
Extraordinary Ministers	Annie Davis	Jim Folden
Gift Bearers	Steve & Teresa Baker	John & Jennifer Kluntz
Altar Servers	Savannah Meyer Charlotte Meyer	Paxton Kluntz Mason Kluntz

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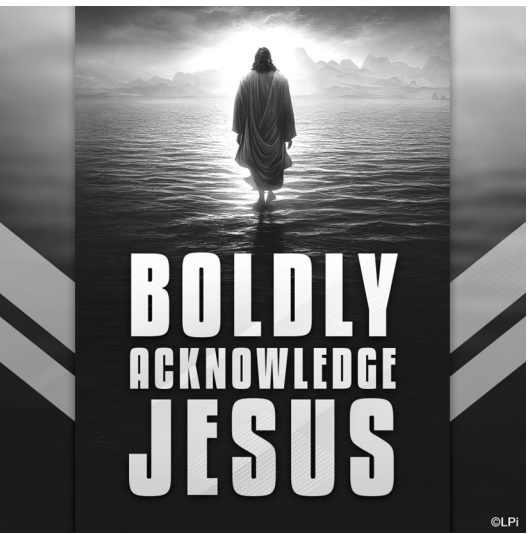
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“Let us
unhesitatingly
and humbly
embrace our
identity as
followers of
Jesus and
children of God
the Father.”

~Father John Muir ©LPi.

TWELFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

June 25, 2023

Mass Schedule

Saturday	5:00 PM Rotates each weekend between Immaculate Conception & Nativity
Sunday	8:30 AM Nativity 10:30 AM Immaculate Conception

Daily Mass

Monday	8:00 AM Immaculate Conception
Tuesday	8:00 AM Nativity
Wednesday	8:00 AM Immaculate Conception
Thursday	No Mass
Friday	8:00 AM Nativity

Mass Information Announcements: www.maryschurches.com

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday 4:15-4:45 pm - Rotates each weekend between Immaculate Conception & Nativity along with the Saturday Mass
Or by appointment (contact Fr. Margevicius or Fr. Barsness)

Eucharistic Adoration

takes place from 8:30 am - 12:30 pm on the First Fridays of the month at Nativity.

Parish Staff

Pastor:

Fr. Thomas Margevičius 507-357-4838 (ext 306)
fr.thomas@stmarysthenry.org
In the parish office Wednesdays 9:00 am - 11:00 am

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In the parish office Mondays 10:00 am - 12:00 pm

Office Administrator:

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Tara Robinson (phone ext 302)
tara@stmarysthenry.org

Faith Formation Assistant & Safe Environment Coordinator:

Jennifer Kluntz
Archdiocese’s Victim Assistance Program: 651-291-4475

Office Hours - 9AM - 5PM Mon - Thurs 9AM-Noon Fri

Presently operating out of St. Mary, Le Center Office

Bulletin Deadline

- articles to be submitted to Gloria by noon on Wednesday.

Mailing Address

- for both Nativity & Immaculate Conception is our parish office at: 27528 Patrick St, Madison Lake, MN 56063 or St. Mary, 165 N Waterville Ave, Le Center, MN 56057

Mass/Adoration/Confession Schedule

Monday, June 26
No 8:00 AM Mass - Note change for this week

Tuesday, June 27
No 8:00 AM Mass - Note change for this week

Wednesday, June 28
8:00 AM Mass (IC) For the Parish

Thursday, June 29
No Mass

Friday, June 30
8:00 AM Mass (Nativity) Barb Stangler†

Saturday, July 1
4:15-4:45 PM Confessions (Marysburg)
5:00 PM Mass (Marysburg) Leroy Pete Wolff†

Sunday, July 2
8:30 AM Mass (Nativity) For the Parish
10:30 AM Mass (IC) For the Parish

This Week in the Parishes

Monday, June 26

Tuesday, June 27

Wednesday, June 28

Thursday, June 29

Friday, June 30

Saturday, July 1

Sunday, July 2

Monday & Tuesday, July 3 & 4
OFFICE CLOSED

Please check our website and Facebook for the latest news or feel free to call or stop by the parish office at Church of St. Mary, 165 N Waterville, Le Center, 507-357-6633 Open 9-5 Mon-Thurs 9-Noon Friday www.maryschurches.com facebook.com/maryschurches



Due to busy schedules and holiday events coffee and rolls at Nativity Church on the First Sundays of the month will be cancelled for July, and August. Coffee and rolls will start again in September.

Readings for Sunday July 2, 2023
2 Kings 4:8-11, 14-16a Romans 6:3-4, 8-11
Matthew 10:37-42

We welcome this weekend, Fr. Jude Thaddeus Langelh, a priest with the Claretian Missionaries in Cameroon. In your charity, please respond to his message with your prayers and if able, monetary support for those in need. Thank you!

PRIEST’S DESK

Dear brothers and sisters,

Fear no one. The stories of St. Thomas More and St. John Fisher are great examples of people who took our Lord’s words to heart. Henry the Eighth wanted a male heir at all costs, and the pope refused to grant him an annulment to remarry to get a male heir to continue his line on the thrown. Henry ended up declaring himself the head of the Church of England and separating from Rome, solving the problem by declaring the marriage null himself. St. Thomas More, the Lord Chancellor, and family man, opposed the king as did St. John Fisher, a Bishop. The famous movie, “A Man for All Seasons,” depicts More’s last days opposing the king until his martyrdom for standing with the Catholic Church and the dignity of marriage. The two Saints died for their faith. These brave men stood against the current when so many gave way. They refused to back down and paid the price with their lives.

It is getting more evident that the time is coming for us all to stand fast to the faith in growing opposition. The principles of the faith are under attack and even more the principles of reason and scientific method are being undermined. We must stand with Christ and his Church even if at times it seems there is corruption. The truths of our faith cannot be corrupted. We can fail to live up to the moral life in weakness, but thanks be to God for confession. We cannot change the essential truths of our faith to fit current cultural trends. We are living in a post-Christian time where morality is made up according to individual tastes and feelings. From our culture’s perspective, the disciplines of logic and reason are from a bygone age. We are however people who still believe in objective truth because God is the Truth from which all things originate. We worship that God who revealed himself 2000 years ago and who gave us the Church which continues to spread that revelation. We know the God of our faith and that he leads us through the Holy Spirit guiding the legitimate successors of the Apostles. We know we are broken yet called to the highest holiness. “Be perfect as your Heavenly Father is perfect.” To be perfect is to be complete or fully us. To love even our enemies as Christ. We were created to worship God. Yet when broken people worship what they don’t know the devil twists it. This is why we are going to be persecuted because while we have a God in heaven, the world has a god in, wealth, pleasure, power, and honor. One god is earthly and the other heavenly. One leads to death and the other to life. Sin brought death into the world. Without Jesus, we are dead in sin. He came to revive the human race by his death taking on sin and giving us his divine life. It is only natural that we have antagonism between those who submit to this worldly life and those who seek holiness and heavenly life.

St. Thomas More as a married man gave up his life. In his last days before execution in his prison cell he wrote to his daughter saying: And finally, Margaret, I know this well: that without my fault he will not let me be lost. I shall, therefore, with good hope commit myself wholly to him. And if he permits me to perish for my faults, then I shall serve as praise for his justice. But in good faith, Meg, I trust his tender pity shall keep my poor soul safe and make me commend his mercy.

St. Thomas More pray for us that we might be courageous in our time and seek to trust as you in our Lord.

In Christ, Fr. Michael

- * The parish office will be closed on Monday, July 3 & Tuesday, July 4.
- * There will be an 8 am Mass on Monday, July 3 at Immaculate Conception. Tuesday, July 4 Masses: Nativity 8 am and St. Mary 9 am.

- * The usual 5 pm Mass, 5:30—9pm Adoration, and 6-6:30 pm Reconciliation at St. Mary have all been cancelled on Tuesday, July 4 for the holiday.



COMMUNITY AND SOCIAL EVENTS

Friday July 14, 2023 30th Annual Relay For Life - held from 5-10 pm at the LeSueur Co Fairgrounds. This year’s events feature a beanbag tournament, silent auction, wine pull, ring toss, entertainment, food and more! The Relay celebrates those who have survived cancer, remembers those who have not survived, and encourages those who are presently fighting cancer. Please contact Rose Krenik at 507-993-1826 or Mary Parkin-Krenik at 612 -756-3336 with questions about the Relay, to purchase a luminaria, or to volunteer to help.

Please Join Us
Church of Nativity, Cleveland
SATURDAY AUGUST 5TH TIME 5:30-7:30 PM
Vigil Mass at 4:30 (inside Church)
Community Event! Cash Bar & Bloody Mary Bar!
LIVE Music by "100 Years of Picking" Cleveland's very own Greg Muellerleile, formally of the Shaw Band Family Yard Games & Kids Games
Cash Raffle Silent Auction
Hamburger, Hot Dogs & MORE!
(Free Will Donation)
All Events will be held Outside
200 Main St. | Cleveland MN 56017
Beautiful Baskets
Nativity Church is again putting together their beautiful baskets for our silent auction on August 5. If anyone would like to donate items or a completed basket please leave your donation in the Nativity Church hall. If you have any questions call: Lynn Kluntz 507-382-3534

Nativity Pastoral Parish Council Elections

Thank you for participating in the Pastoral Parish Council elections. Randi McCabe has been voted in as the new member of the Pastoral Parish Council his term will begin on July 1, 2023. Please offer Randi your congratulations. Also, extend your thanks to Nick Klaseus for his years of service on the council. We are grateful to both Randi and Nick for their spirit of service!

2023 Catholic Services Appeal Foundation

Thank you for your gift to the Catholic Services Appeal Foundation. If you haven’t given yet, please consider making your donation soon!

We have provided informational flyers and envelopes in the church entrances. When using the envelopes provided by the church be sure to use an envelope marked for Nativity or Immaculate Conception according to which parish goal you want your contribution to go toward.

Or donate directly! Using the camera on your phone scan this QR code and it will take you to the CSAF website where you can give.



Our 2023 parish goals are: \$ 5,862 Nativity \$ 7,072 Immaculate Conception
Received to date: \$ 5,650 (96% of goal) \$ 3,075 (43% of goal)

Church of St. Mary in Le Center is seeking to hire a part-time Faith Formation Director to coordinate and oversee its Youth Faith Formation program. The position averages 15 hours per week.



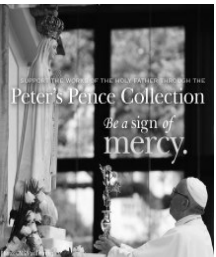
The Faith Formation Coordinator recruits and organizes faith formation volunteers, helps set curriculums, and keeps track of students' progress.

We are also searching for a Parish Secretary at Nativity Church, Cleveland and Immaculate Conception - Marysburg. It is a 10 hour/week position and includes tasks such as coordinating rental of the social halls, keeping an eye on both church campuses, and keeping track of liturgical supplies.

Those interested in either position are urged to contact the parish office to get a complete job description and arrange for an interview.

PARISH STEWARDSHIP

Last Week’s Offertory	Nativity	IC
Weekly Budget	\$ 2000	\$ 2320
Weekly	\$ 2737	\$ 1987
Diff. from budget	+\$ 737	-\$ 333



PETER’S PENCE COLLECTION - Today is the Peter’s Pence Collection, a worldwide collection that supports the work of the Universal Church, including the work of the Holy See and the charitable works of Pope Francis. Take this opportunity to join with Pope Francis and be a sign of mercy to our suffering brothers and sisters. Please be generous today.

For more information, visit www.obolodisanpietro.va/en.html.

For your convenience we have envelopes in the church entrance for you to place your donation and drop into this weekend’s collection basket or drop off at the parish office throughout the week.

If you miss the collection, you can send your donation to: Peter’s Pence Collection, The Apostolic Nunciature, 3339 Massachusetts Ave NW, Washington, DC 20008

The Holy See can receive donations directly at www.peterspence.va.

NATIVITY ALTAR SOCIETY

All women are welcome and invited to join us at 8:45 am (after Mass) on Tuesday morning, July 18, & August 15, in the Nativity Social Hall for a time of coffee and fellowship as we work on a service project to give a kind and tangible response to someone facing a difficult time by providing a blanket to help them feel safe and warm. Bring a fabric scissors! We welcome donations of polartec fabric of any size or color.