

TRI~PARISH CATHOLIC CHURCH

JANUARY 28, 2024

4TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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Mass Schedule & Intentions

Mon., Jan. 29	Rosary	7:30 pm	STC
Tues., Jan. 30	Rosary	7:30 pm	STC
Wed., Jan. 31	Rosary Adoration starts	7:30 pm 9:00 pm	STC STC
Thurs., Feb. 1	Communion Service Rosary Adoration Ends	8:30 am 7:30 pm 10:00 pm	STC STC STC
Friday, Feb. 2	Rosary	7:30 pm	STC
Sat., Feb. 3	Mass †Connie Staloch Rosary	5:00 pm 7:30 pm	STJB STC
Sun. Feb. 4 <i>5th Sunday In Ordinary Time</i>	Mass †Clem Stenzel Mass †Rita And †Greg Corcoran Rosary	8:00 am 10:00 am 7:30 pm	STC OLMC STC

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STC School

PrincipalJohn Hengel
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Bookkeeper.....Rod Kollman

Cemetery

OLMC.....Don Linder
STC.....Tom Schindler
STJB.....Bob Drager

Tri-Parish Office Hours

OLMC.....Hours Varied
STC.....8:00-2:00pm, Weekdays
STJB.....Hours Varied

January 28, 2024

KC's Egg Bake Breakfast at OLMC serving after Mass from 11 am until 12:30 pm. Come join us for Breakfast and fellowship. Free will offering.



In the Gospel this Sunday we hear that Jesus spoke as one who had authority. It is important to note that the Gospel did not say he spoke as one who had power. There is a very significant difference between power and authority. Power is that which is given and exercised externally from oneself, whereas authority is recognized as coming from within the person and thus is a characteristic of that person. The people in the Gospel listened to Jesus because they saw that he was someone special and someone that they could respect and admire. Anyone can gain power, but only those that live a life of moral integrity and righteousness, will be respected by others as people of authority. Let us strive not for power, but to become people that others can look to for moral authority. ~Fr. Kurt

Weekly Contributions as of Jan. 14, 2024			
	OLMC	STC	STJB
Weekly Needed	\$2,500.00	\$5,519.00	\$1,925.00
Needed to Date	\$75,000.00	\$154,186.00	\$59,675.00
Given to Date	\$98,461.34	\$175,378.52	\$61,441.50

St. Casimir Liturgical Ministers

Sunday Jan. 28, 2024

Sacristan—

Lector— Bernard Steinhauer

Eucharistic Ministers—Mark & Lea Nowak, Angie Bushlack & Larry Brand

Ushers— Mark Ignaszewski, Larry Brand & John Feist

Servers— Clara Bushlack & Kylee Koziolk

Rosary Readers—Ray & Marti Yokiel

Money counters— 4

Shepherds Inn— Lea Nowak

Scripture Reading for January 28, 2024

First reading: Deuteronomy 18:15-20

Second readings: 1 Corinthians 7:32-35

Gospel: Mark 1:21-28

In our Prayers:

Soldiers Overseas: Connor Grunzke

Ash Wednesday Communion Services

St. Casimir in Wells, 8:30 am

Our Lady Of Mount Carmel in Easton, 6:00 pm

Mass Closing Information please refer to the following:

Tri-Parish Facebook

Tri-Parish website

KEYC TV station,

Radio Stations

KBEW 98.1 FM or KJLY 104.5 FM

Or call 507-553-5391

After a fantastic Christmas vacation, the kindergarten, first and second graders returned to school full of energy and enthusiasm! Our first celebration this month was Epiphany, which we celebrated a day early on January 5th. Throughout Advent, we had watched the wisemen traveling through our school towards the manger. On the morning of our Epiphany celebration, the children visited the school manger and saw that the wisemen had indeed found baby Jesus! Back in the classroom we continued our Epiphany celebration when the kids enjoyed "King Cake" which is a cake that has a baby Jesus figurine baked into one of the pieces. The person who chose the piece of cake with the baby Jesus would get to be king or queen for the day! It was a lot of fun watching the children search for the baby Jesus. After our Epiphany celebration, we changed our classroom prayer tablecloth from white to green to remind the children that we are now in winter ordinary time. They really enjoy participating in the upkeep of our classroom prayer table.

Since we are at the start of a new year, our focus has turned to learning about the four Cardinal Virtues and developing a pure heart that is open to God's will. The first virtue we focused upon was justice, and we have now worked through the virtues of generosity, respect and courtesy. We practice the virtues through role play, draw pictures that explain the virtues and then encourage the children to use those virtues within and outside of the classroom. So if you see a small child smiling at you, holding a door for you or perhaps greeting you with a "Good Morning!", know that they are practicing what they are learning about virtues!

Blessings from the K-2 SCS Classroom!

Submitted by Jinger Woodring,
Classroom Teacher

Catholic Schools Week is always a highlight of our school year at St. Casimir's School. This nationally celebrated week, [January 28th-February 3rd](#), provides the opportunity to focus on what sets us apart as a Catholic school and allows us time to invite our community to celebrate with us. In fact, if you have not already made plans to attend the Catholic Schools Week Mass on [Wednesday, January 31st](#), beginning at 10:00 AM in St. Casimir Church, please do so. We are very honored to have Bishop Robert Barron presiding over this Mass with Fr. Kurt Farrell and Fr. Dobbs. Not only that, but the students of St. John Vianney in Fairmont and St. Theodore's in Albert Lea will be attending as well.

On behalf of the students, faculty and staff, please know how much we appreciate your act of faith in continuing to support the school as a mission of St. Casimir Church and know also that your commitment is not taken lightly. Please join us in praying for continued success in our partnership with our parish and school families in raising children who not only are very well-educated, but also who are on their way to becoming kind, faith-filled adults.

Tri-Parish Events

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Trivia Night!



This year's Trivia Night is **Saturday, February 10th** at 7 p.m. in St. Casimir's Hall. Get your team, get your tickets, and get your fun on. Call the parish office or Tom Schindler at 553-3062 for tickets. Walk-ins are also welcome. Not enough for a team? No problem, we'll match you with other brilliant people to make a team.

Answers to last weeks' questions:

The Minnesota Vikings have been beaten by the Pittsburgh Steelers, Kansas City Chiefs, Oakland Raiders, and Miami Dolphins in the Super Bowl.

Clive Staples Lewis, better known as C.S. Lewis wrote "*Mere Christianity*."

This week's questions:

In what book of the Bible will you find the story of Noah's Ark?

What's the name of the Bulldog featured in Tom & Jerry Cartoons?

Friendship Day Meeting

OLMC Friendship Day Meeting will be held

on Sunday, February 11, 2024

after the 10 am Mass.

Meeting will be held in Madonna Hall.

Anyone interested is welcome to attend.

Prayers Request of the Tri-Parish

Prayer Requests of the Tri-Parish

Let us always remember the sick and all those in need of prayer, especially Jeremy Kolars, Charlie Kalis, Charlie Traynor , Koltun Kunz, Betty Thisius, Teresa Berry, Jan Stenzel, Nancy Dylla, Jerome Leesch, Lois Hund, Gary Bach, Dawn "Russ" Cory, Dale and Marg Sonnek, Triston Father, Sheila Runquist, Chuck Evan, Fr. Greg Havel, Zach Fendrich, John Volz, Jeanne Miller, Bill Minks, Don Yokiell, Ken Tibodeau, Tiffany Sonnek, Laurie Radke-Maidl, Dave Sonnek, Jan Willette, Orland Drager, Steve Heilmann, Mark Obermeyer, Jim Bute, Greg Sonnek, Ron Laitenberger, Doug Redman, Pam Klocek, Jan Elmer, Mike Redig, Steve Nowak, Dennis Thisius, Donald Klocek, Melissa Haugh, Don Becker, Steve Stenzel, **and for all our service men & women of the armed forces.** please call us and we will begin our prayer lines for any need. OLMC-Sue Cory 787-2598, STJB-Rhonda Drager at 462-3627 or STJB Parish Office at 462-3636, STC-Barb Stenzel 553-3805

Marriage Encounter

The best way to enrich your marriage during the month of love is to sign up for the **February 10-11 Marriage Encounter! Weekends are held at Mt Olivet Retreat Center in Farmington. Information and register at: www.marriages.org. Questions? Call: [651.454.3238](tel:651.454.3238) or email: mary@marriages.org**