

TRI~PARISH CATHOLIC CHURCH

DECEMBER 3, 2023

1ST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

**Our Lady of Mount Carmel
(OLMC)**

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**St. John the Baptist
(STJB)**

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St. Casimir's School

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Mass Schedule & Intentions

Mon., Dec. 4	Rosary	7:30 pm	STC
Tues., Dec. 5	Rosary	7:30 pm	STC
Wed., Dec. 6	Rosary	7:30 pm	STC
Thurs., Dec. 7	Mass	5:00 pm	STJB
	†Laura Drager-Popp Rosary	7:30 pm	STC
Friday, Dec. 8 <i>The Immaculate Conception Of the Blessed Virgin Mary</i>	Mass	9:00 am	STC
	†Clem Stenzel Mass	6:00 pm	OLMC
	†Margaret Stevermer Rosary	7:30 pm	STC
Sat., Dec. 9	Reconciliations	10:00 am	STC
	Mass	5:00 pm	STJB
	†Arnie and †Marian Redig Rosary	7:30 pm	STC
Sun., Dec. 10 <i>2nd Sunday Of Advent</i>	Mass	8:00 am	STC
	†Norbert Sonnek Mass	10:00 am	OLMC
	†Ray Kalis Rosary	7:30 pm	STC

Tri-Parish Staff

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Administration

OLMC.....Sue Cory
STC.....Ilda Reyerson
Bookkeeper

STJB.....Rhonda Drager

Faith Formation

OLMC.....Chris Schultz
STC.....Lisa Bute

STC School

PrincipalJohn Hengel
Office Manager.....Teresa Chirpich
Bookkeeper.....

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

Advent is the season of joyful expectation as we prepare and anticipate the celebration of Jesus' birth. Our Scripture readings this week-end remind us again of God's call to faithfulness and the need to always be ready to welcome the Lord for no one knows the day or the hour when God will come.

Many distractions seem to be a part of the Advent season and it is easy to lose sight of God's call. There are plans to be made, presents to buy, baking to do and so much more. Choices will need to be made in each of our lives in how we will spend our time. Choose well and embrace the call of God! ~Fr. Greg

Weekly Contributions as of Nov. 26			
	OLMC	STC	STJB
Weekly Needed	\$2,500.00	\$5,519.00	\$1,925.00
Needed to Date	\$60,000.00	\$121,072.00	\$40,425.00
Given to Date	\$58,685.93	\$107,945.00	\$32,595.55
2023 Catholic Ministries Appeal			
CMA Goal	\$10,683.00	\$21,968.00	\$7,658.00
Amount Rec'd	\$10,683.00	\$18,972.11	\$7,055.00

Reconciliations

Rotating Schedule start at 10:00 am
Dec. 2nd— Our Lady of Mount Carmel
Dec. 9-St. Casimir
Dec. 16- St. John the Baptist

St. Casimir Liturgical Ministers

Dec. 10, 2023

Sacristan—Arnie Stencil

Lector— Tim Klein

Eucharistic Ministers—Arnie Stenzel, Larry Brand & Rick Herman

Ushers— John Tibodeau, Chris Bushlack & Rick Herman

Servers— Juliana Dulas & Clara Bushlack

Rosary Readers—Tim Klein

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Shepherds Inn— Lea Nowak

Holiday Schedule

4th Sunday of Advent

Sat. 5:00 pm OLMC

Sunday. 9:00 am STJB

Christmas Eve

Sunday 5:00 pm STC

Sunday 9:00 pm OLMC

Christmas Day

Monday 9:00 am STJB

Scripture Reading for Dec. 3, 2023
 First reading: **Isaiah 63:16b-17**
 Second readings: **1 Corinthians 1:3-9**
 Gospel: **Mark 13:33-37**

St. Casimir Church Eucharistic Adoration
 St. Casimir 's 9:00pm Wed– 10:00pm Thurs.

In our Prayers:
Soldiers Overseas: Connor Grunzke,
 Paul Rauenhorst

End of the Year Gift Giving:
 As we reach the end of the calendar year, please remember your parish in your gift-giving. Your financial support is appreciated as we work together for God's Kingdom here on earth. To be included in the 2023 giving, all donations need to be received by December 31,2023

2024 Calendars are now available in all three churches. Thank you, again, to our very generous donors who supply these each year for all of us ~ what a blessing! Thank you to Mark Schmitz of State Farm, and Herman Manufacturing for the generous donation of the calendars. We are so blessed!

2023 Shoemaker's Appeal

By now, all of our tri-parish families should have received an initiation by mail to participate in the annual Shoemaker's Appeal which is the largest fundraiser for St. Casimir's School with 100% of the funds received through this project staying within our school to support Catholic education in our community. With this in mind, it is hoped that you will prayerfully consider donating. Our thanks to all who feel called to donate to this cause! As this invitation went out not only to our tri-parish families, but to our SCS alumni as well, you may have received a letter for a child of yours that is an SCS graduate but no longer lives at your home. In order to update our mailing records with their most recent address, please feel free to send that information to the school office: scasmir@bevcomm.net

We appreciate your help!

Second Sunday Social- & Library Benefit Hosted by St. Casimir's Home & School Association

Sunday December 10th

Please join us for coffee, rolls, and Fellowship Following the 8 AM Please join us for a delicious sweet breakfast AND the opportunity to purchase and donate a book or two to the St. Casimir's School Library!

In The St. Casimir Church Hall

*Free Will Donation

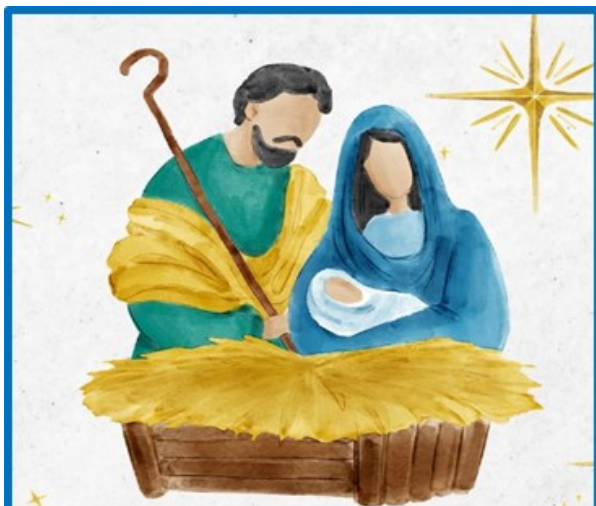
All Proceeds will benefit the students of St. Casimir's School.

St. Casimir 's School Teacher's Article

It's hard to believe that we're already nearing the end of the third month of the school year. Our combined 3rd-5th grade classroom has been a dynamic environment, brimming with opportunities for growth and positive change.

While an extensive list of academic materials has been covered, the sheer volume makes it impractical to detail here. However, I'm thrilled to share that each day in our classroom is full of rich learning and fun. Beyond academic achievements, we've mastered the art of sharing space with other grades, fostering cooperation, and extending helping hands to one another. As a teacher, witnessing the seamless adaptation of students to this new normal fills me with pride. Their hard work this year is truly commendable.

A standout moment in the journey so far has been the delightful discovery that our desks can be used like whiteboards. Yes, you read that correctly! With dry-erase markers in hand, students can work through problems, jot down notes, and even create personalized to-do lists directly on their desks. Who would have thought that writing on desks could be such a helpful and innovative learning tool? Ethel



**Please join us for our
St. Casimir's School
Christmas Program!**

December 14, 6:00 PM
SCS Gymnasium
330 2nd Ave. SW
Wells, MN

*Merry Christmas from
St. Casimir's School!*

Tri-Parish Events

MCCW Holiday Bake Sale will be held in conjunction with **TEAM Santa Claus Day** on Sunday, December 3, 2023 at Club 569. Hours will be from 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM. MCCW members are asked to donate holiday baked item for this most successful fundraiser. Holiday baked item can be dropped off at Club 569 starting at 9:45 am on Sunday.

This Sunday, December 3rd, the local Wells VFW is hosting their monthly Omelet breakfast and proceeds will go to St. Casimir School to help fund the intercom system that is being updated. You will enjoy a hefty serving of Omelets, hash browns, toast, eggs, ham, sausage, coffee, milk or juice. Serving begins at 7:30 am and goes until 12:00 pm.

Keep you kitchen clean and your tummies full.

Your support creates funding to update the intercom system in St. Casimir School. Safety is top priority for students and staff and having a working intercom system is critical.

Home and School.



Christmas Flower Memorials-

Memorial donations for Christmas environment are now being accepted. Forms can be found at the church entrances and can be filled out and placed in the offering basket or sent to the respective parish office. Memorial donation envelopes may also be found in with your contribution envelopes. If you choose to designate in memory or in honor of someone, please include their name (s) on or in the envelope.

Please have them turn in by Dec. 20th

St. Casimir's Job Opening

Immediate Job Position Opening **STC Bookkeeper Positions**

The Tri-Parish Catholic Faith Community-St. Casimir's and the School site has an opening for a part-time, 25 hour/week Bookkeeper. This position requires some knowledge of bookkeeping skills, computer knowledge, organizational and communication skills. Experience in Microsoft Word, Excel, Outlook, and other bookkeeping related programs is helpful. If you are interested please stop by the rectory for an application or call for one to be emailed to you. St. Casimir rectory hours are 8:00 am to 2:00 pm.

Please send résumé and cover letter to:

Rev. Greg Havel

Tri-Parish Office

Triparish.priest@gmail.com

Prayer Requests for Our Tri-Parish

Prayer Requests of the Tri-Parish

Let us always remember the sick and all those in need of prayer, especially Lois Hund, Gary Bach, Dawn "Russ" Cory, Dale and Marg Sonnek, Triston Father, Sheila Runquist, Chuck Evan, Ardean Schultz, 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