

TRIPARISH CATHOLIC CHURCHES



Our Lady of Mt Carmel (OLMC)

27 Main Street

Easton, MN 56025

Saint Casimir (STC)

320 2nd Ave SW

Wells, MN 56097

Saint John the Baptist (STJB)

100 Park Street N.

Minnesota Lake, MN 56068

Pastor: Rev. Greg Havel

507-553-5391



***IMMACULATE CONCEPTION MASS

TIMES Holy Day of Obligation 6:00pm Vigil Mass, Tuesday, December 7 (at St. John the Baptist) 8:30am Mass, Wednesday, December 8 (at Our Lady Of Mount Carmel). Mass 6:00pm at St. Casimir Church in Wells.

Sunday December 5, 2021

2nd Sunday of Advent

***Monday, December 6**
No Mass
Rosary 7:30 pm STC

***Tuesday, December 7**
*Mass 6:00 pm STJB
Rosary 7:30 pm STC

***Wednesday, December 8**
*Mass 8:30 am OLMC
*Mass 6:00 pm STC
Rosary 7:30 pm STC

***Thursday, December 9**
Mass 8:30 am STJB
Rosary 7:30 pm STC

***Friday, December 10**
Mass 8:30 am STC
Rosary 7:30 pm STC

***Saturday, December 11**
Reconciliation 8:00 am STC
Reconciliation 9:30 am OLMC
Reconciliation 4:00 pm STJB
Mass 5:00 pm STJB
Rosary 7:30 pm STC

***Sunday, December 12**
Third Sunday of Advent
Mass 8:00 am STC
Mass 10:00 am OLMC
Rosary 7:30 pm STC

Adoration Eucharistic Adoration for the Tri-parish will resume weekly at St. Casimir Church **Wednesday** at 9:00 pm through **Thursday** 10:00 pm.

From Fr. Havel...

With ongoing concerns of the coronavirus, several of our area priests are concerned about having parish penance services. I have decided to not have a tri-parish penance service during the Advent season this year. I have scheduled other times for the celebration of reconciliation at our parishes. The schedule is listed below. I will be available for the sacrament after all weekday Masses and after the Saturday evening Mass at St. John the Baptist and on Sunday morning after the Mass at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel.

Other opportunities for the sacrament are:

Dec. 11 8:00- 9:00am STC

Dec. 11 9:30-10:30am OLMC

Dec. 11 4:00-4:30pm STJB

Dec. 12 1:00-3:00pm STC (Adoration/Confession)

Dec. 18 8:00-9:00am STC

Dec. 18 9:30-10:30am OLMC

Dec. 18 4:00-4:30pm STJB

Dec. 19 1:00-3:00pm STC (Adoration/Confessions)

We pray for and congratulate our Tri-Parish Confirmation candidates. At 2:00 Sunday, Dec. 5, in Mapleton, Bishop Quinn will celebrate the Confirmation Liturgy and bestow the Gifts of the Holy Spirit upon our young adults. May God bless them in powerful ways and may these gifts be a guiding force in their lives.

~Fr. Greg

Recently departed: Ron Neubauer

**In Our Prayers-Soldiers Overseas: Troy Haugh,
Nick Father**

The Immaculate Conception Of the Blessed Virgin Mary

On December 8, we honor Mary, our Mother. The Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception is a Catholic feast celebrating Mary's conception without sin. Even though this feast day occurs in the liturgical season of Advent, which prepares for the birth of Our Lord Jesus Christ, the Immaculate Conception refers to the conception of Mary in the womb of her mother, St. Anne. The dogma of the Immaculate Conception asserts that "from the first moment of her conception, the Blessed Virgin Mary was, by the singular grace and privilege of Almighty God, and in view of the merits of Jesus Christ, Savior of Mankind, kept free from all stain of original sin." The observance of this feast began with a Papal encyclical by Pope Pius IX, when he formally defined the dogma of the Immaculate Conception, *INEFFABILIS DEUS*, on December 8, 1854. Several years later, in 1858, the Blessed Mother gave her name to St. Bernadette at Lourdes stating, "I am the Immaculate Conception."

Prayer Requests of the Tri-Parish

Let us always remember the sick and all those in need of prayer, especially: Reta Stencel, Mary McCallum, Bruce Woitas, Cassandra Walser, Jerome Goette, Jean Stenzel, Zach Fendrich, Triston Father, Mike Redig, Louise Giese, Mark Halder, Janet Yokiel, Dale Sonnek, Butch Becker, Jay Johnson, Jim Bute, Marge Bute, David Stadheim, Dick Esser, Ardean Schultz, Leshaine Sonnek, Abe Subia, Larry & Barb Quillin, Cletus Rath ***and for all our service men & women of the armed forces.*** Whenever any of our parish members or families are in need of special prayers, please call and we will begin our prayer lines for any need-give only the details you wish. OLMC- Peggy Linder 787-2575 or Linda Swehla 787-2434, STJB- Rhonda Drager at 462-3627 or STJB Parish Office at 462-3636, STC- Barb Stenzel at 553-3805.

Mass Schedule & Intentions				
Mon 12/6	No Mass			
Tues 12/7	STJB	†Laura Drager-Popp		6:00 p.m.
Wed 12/8	OLMC	†Margaret Stevermer		8:30 a.m.
Wed 12/8	STC	†Tony & Pat Bias		6:00 p.m.
Thurs 12/9	STJB	†Gladys Walser		8:30 a.m.
Fri 12/10	STC	†Helen Herman		8:30 a.m.
Sat 12/11	STJB	†Arnold & †Marian Redig and †Gayle Redig		5:00 p.m.
Sun 12/12	STC	†Rita Neubauer		8:00 a.m.
Sun 12/12	OLMC	†Ray Kalis		10:00 a.m.



Tri-Parish Announcements

OLMC- The Easton Legion Auxiliary would like to send Christmas greetings to active military members from families in our area. Please send the names and addresses to Linda Swehla (DLSwehla@bevcomm.net).

End of Year 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 2021 Giving, all donations should be received by December 31, 2021



Volunteers are needed to help decorate the Church for Christmas. Please let us know by calling the Church parish office 553-5391. We will be setting up a time after the last Sunday of Advent for everyone to meet and help set up Christmas trees and decorate for the holidays at St. Casimir's Church.

OLMC MCCW will have their Holiday Bake Sale on Sunday, December 12, 2021 at Club 569. Bake sale hours will be from 11:00 am to 1:00pm. Bake sale items can be dropped off at the Church kitchen on Saturday, December 11 between noon and 3 pm. Items can be dropped off at the Club beginning at 9:30 am on Sunday, December 12th. To make any other arrangements please contact Angie Doyle at 507-525-3686. Please price your items keeping in mind this is a fundraiser for the MCCW. There will be no half price items.

The **Catholic Ministries Appeal** offers a unique opportunity for you to give back to the God of Love, from whom all things are given. Grow closer to Christ by doing your part to build up the Kingdom of God in southern Minnesota. The Appeal funds ministries to invite more than 34,000 households each year to encounter Christ and embrace His Church.

To give online, visit www.catholicismn.org

The envelopes are in the entrances of the Churches.

The deadline for the Catholic Appeal is December 31st, any donations over our appeal amount still comes back to the parish.

STC Giving Tree The giving tree will be set up in the handicap entrance the first week of Advent. You can find donation suggestions on the giving tree ornaments. We will be collecting donations for the *Options for Women located in Mankato, MN*. Here are some of the needs this year; diapers of all sizes, wipes, white onsies, infant thermometer, audio monitor, Muslin swaddle blanket, Infant winter coats, sippy cups, diaper bags, and much more. Monetary donations can be placed in a marked envelope in the collection. Please leave unwrapped donations under the tree. Thank you!

OLMC choir will start practicing for Christmas every Wednesday at 7:30 beginning December 1 until the 22nd, meeting in the choir loft. New members are always welcome!

2022 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.

Christmas Memorials: Memorial donations for Christmas environment are now being accepted. Forms can be found at the church entrances or on the website under the "Bulletins" tab. 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 in by December 15th to have the list of donors in the bulletin.



St Casimir School is having a Christmas Cookie Walk, on Saturday, Dec. 18th at 9:00 am. until gone, at STC Church basement. There will be a variety of sweets and treats available for purchase. \$8.00 per pound. Your support helps fund students' field trips and help them gain experience. If you would rather bake than buy than buy to support the school and students, we would appreciate that just as much. Please drop Christmas treats off in the Church basement Friday the 17th before 6:00 pm. Any questions please call Kristen Dulas at 507-317-2301.



Contribution envelopes are available for pick up at all our Tri-Parishes

Weekly Contributions as of November 26

OLMC--Amount needed weekly.....\$2,452.00
Amount needed to date.....\$53,944.00
Amount given to date..... \$74,515.45
STC— Amount needed weekly.....\$5,127.00
Amount needed to date.....\$112,794.00
Amount given to date.....\$108,764.19
STJB—Amount needed weekly.....\$1,700.00
Amount needed to date.....\$37,400.00
Amount given to date.....\$26,382.45

Online giving is available at the website: olmcststjb.org or triparishsouth.com. Click on the Online Giving logo on the main page under the calendar for the parish you'd like to donate to. It can be one-time or recurring.

Catholic Ministry Appeal

OLMC Goal \$10,000.00

Amount received/pledged- \$6,388.00

% Given— 62.38%

donors— 25

STC Goal—\$20,885.00

Amount received/pledged— \$20,683.00

% Given— 99.03%

donors— 61

STJB Goal \$7,404.00

Amount received/pledged- \$4,610.00

% Given— 62%

donors- 14

Scrip is available! Please call 553-5391 Email: scasimir@bevcomm.net. Or stop into the Church Office.

TriParish Directory

Fr. Greg Havel507-553-5391
Deacon Gene Paul.....507-854-3676
Facebook.....search: Tri-Parish South
(Tri-Parish Catholic Faith Community of OLMC, STC & STJB)

Our Lady of Mount Carmel

Email.....olmc@bevcomm.net
Phone.....507-787-2303
Administrative Assistant.....Sue Cory
Cemetery.....Don Linder
Faith Formation.....Chris Schultz
Music.....Mary Kayser

St. Casimir

Email.....scasimir@bevcomm.net
Phone.....507-553-5391
Administrative Assistant.....Ilda Reyerson
Bookkeeper.....Kay Herman
Cemetery.....Tom Schindler
Faith Formation.....Lisa Bute
Liturgical Music Coordinator.....Connie Stenzel

St. John the Baptist

Mailing: P.O. Box 158, Minnesota Lake, MN

Emailstjb@bevcomm.net
Phone.....507-462-3636
Administrative Assistant.....Rhonda Drager
Cemetery.....Bob Drager

St. Casimir's School

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Principal.....Diane Edwards
Secretary.....Teresa Chirpich
Website.....stcasimirsschool.net

Office Hours Vary

If you would like Holy Communion brought to you , please call the Church office 553-5391.