

December 7, 2025 | 2nd Sunday of Advent



Our Lady of Mount Carmel | 27 Main Street, Easton, MN 56025 | Sunday Mass 10:00 am
St. Casimir Church | 320 2nd Ave SW, Wells MN. 56097 | Sunday Mass: 8:00 am

St. John the Baptist Church | P.O. Box 158,

Mass Schedule and Intentions: December 8-11, 13-14, 2025

- 8 Mon. 8:00 am MN Lake + Orland, +Virginia Drager and +Laura Drager-Propp
- 8 Mon. 5:30 pm Wells +James Bute
- 8 Mon. 7:00 pm Easton +Louie and +Marvel Staloch
- 9 Tues. 5:30 pm Wells +Joyce Evan
- 10 Wed. 8:30 am Easton +Ray and +Margaret Stevermer
- 11 Thurs. 8:30 am MN Lake +Marion Jones
- 13 Sat. 4:00 pm Mn Lake +Arnold and +Marian Redig
- 14 Sun. 8:00 am Wells +Mark and +Darlene Delgado
- 14 Sun. 10:00 am Easton +Ray Kalis

Every Saturday: 3:30 pm Confessions before Mass

YOU ARE INVITED TO PRAY THE ROSARY 1/2 HOUR PRIOR TO MASSES: Minnesota Lake— Thurs. and Sat.; Easton —Wed. and Sun.; Wells—Tues. Fri. and Sun. Rosary is always prayed every night of the year at 7:30 pm, at St. Casimir.

Know that Fr. Pratap includes all of us in his daily prayers and private Mass intentions. If a Mass is cancelled, Fr. Pratap will include that scheduled Mass Intention at his private daily

Tri Parish Prayer Intentions:

Triston Father	Dace Smith	Dave Sonnek
Steve Sonnek	Craig Sonnek	Jan Stenzel
Sue Sonnek	Zach Fendrich	Colette Caeli Drees
Teresa Berry	Charlie Kalis	Richard Stenzel
Chuck Evan	Don Yokiel	Mary Stevermer
Rosemary Larson	Koltun Kunz	Tiffany Sonnek
Ann Ehrich	Ken Tibodeau	Darrin Hueper
Steve Warmka	Colton Smith	Katie Ascherman
Quentin Staloch	Tyler Doyle	Norbert Yokiel
Grace Drager	Jane Swehla	Carol Gregor
Sharon Obermeyer	Frank Diaz	Mark Woitas
Donnie Becker	Cathy Pluym	Gregory Woitas
Vincent Schultz	Jan Elmer	MaryAnn Woitas
Grant Supalla	Mike Redig	Geri Peyton
Betty Ziegler	Randy Hodge	Rick Girard
Steven Nowak	Tom Warmka	

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*Parkview Care Center Mass,
Every 3rd Friday of the month
at 10:00 am*

PRAYER & WORSHIP

Advent-2nd Sunday, December 7, 2025 – A Cycle
Readings: Isaiah 10:1-10, Romans 15:4-9, Matthew 3:1-12

This 2nd Sunday of Advent, we are called to prepare our hearts for Christ by embracing repentance, hope, and peace. John the Baptist's voice in the wilderness reminds us that true readiness for the Lord means bearing good fruit in our lives.

- **Isaiah 11:1-10:** A shoot shall sprout from the stump of Jesse. This prophecy points to the coming Messiah who will bring wisdom, justice, and peace. Even creation itself will be renewed under His reign.
- **Psalms 72:** The Messiah will rule with righteousness, defending the poor and bringing peace to the nations.
- **Romans 15:4-9:** Paul reminds us that Scripture gives hope, and Christ welcomes both Jews and Gentiles into one family of faith. We are called to live in harmony and glorify God together.
- **Matthew 3:1-12:** John the Baptist preaches repentance, urging us to prepare for the One who comes with the Holy Spirit and fire. He warns that faith must be shown in action and our lives must bear fruit worthy of repentance.
- **Repent sincerely:** Turn away from sin and renew our commitment to God.
- **Live with hope:** Trust in God's promises, knowing He is faithful.
- **Seek peace and justice:** Be instruments of reconciliation in our families, communities, and world.
- **Bear fruit:** Let our faith be visible in deeds of mercy, kindness, and love.

John the Baptist's cry in the wilderness is as urgent today as it was 2,000 years ago: *"Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths."* Advent is our time to clear away obstacles and welcome Christ into every corner of our lives.

Today, we light the Candle of Peace. It reminds us that Christ comes to bring harmony between God and humanity, and among all people. As we prepare for Christmas, let us cultivate peace in our hearts and extend it to others.

This season is a time for prayer, reflection, and acts of love. It helps us focus on changing our lives to be ready for Christ. By turning away from sin and living with hope, we welcome Jesus into our hearts. Advent reminds us that waiting is not passive but active and joyful, filled with expectation and faith.

Questions for reflection this week:

- What areas of my life need repentance and renewal?
- How do my actions reflect my faith?
- How does Prophet Isaiah's vision of harmony inspire me today?
- What changes can I make to bear good fruit in my life?
- How can I live in hope and trust in God's promises?
- What steps can I take to live in harmony with others?
- How can I prepare my heart for Christ this Advent?

~Fr. Pratap

SACRAMENTAL LIFE



MARRIAGE PREPARATION: Contact the priest 6 to 12 months in advance of the date of marriage to fill out the forms, to do FOCCUS Test and to attend Marriage Prep Mentoring Sessions. Fr. Pratap is seeking married couples who are practicing Catholics, and have children, who would be willing to volunteer to help prepare our engaged couples for marriage. Please contact Fr. Pratap at 507-226-4536, or your parish office, if interested.

BAPTISM PREPARATION: Contact the parish office a month in advance to fill out the form and to attend Baptism Mentoring Sessions.

LITURGICAL LIFE

Monday December 8 and Sunday 14, 2025

Minnesota Lake	WELLS	EASTON	WELLS	EASTON
Monday 8:00 am Sat. 4:00 pm	Monday 5:30 pm	Monday 7:00 pm	Sunday 8:00 am	Sunday 10:00 am
SERVERS	Nathan Mullery Colten Mullery Carson Mullery	Claire Schimek Sophia Schimek Josette Schimek	Nathan Mullery Colten Mullery Carson Mullery	Ava Petersen Gabriel Peterson Nicholas Scheid
SACRISTAN	Lea Nowak	Dianne Rauenhorst	Arnie Stenzel	Sue Rath
LECTOR	Lea Nowak	Teresa Schimek	Jackie Mullery Mark Nowak	Tim Lippert
ORGANIST	Connie Stenzel	Mary Kayser	Connie Stenzel	Mary Kayser
EXTRAORDINARY Ministers of Holy Communion	Jerry Dulas Larry Brand	Joyce Eastvold Don Linder Nancy Linder Chelsea Sonnek C	Arnie Stenzel Ike Dulas Jerry Dulas	Doug Ascheman Yvonne Cory Dean Warmka Jon Rath C
USHERS	Brain Bias	Tony Stevermer Dale Yokiel Tegan Sonnek	Matt Zebro Orland Yokiel Mark Ignaszewski Marilyn Staloch	Ryan Strom Logan Strom Tyler Sonnek
ROSARY	Larry Brand	Maury Schimek	Mike and Elaine Hernandez	Dianne Rauenhorst
Shepherd's Inn	N/A		Larry Brand	
MONEY COUNTERS	Team 2	Jeff Rath Dean Schimek	Team 2	Jeff Rath Dean Schimek

Adoration



Can you spend an hour with Jesus? Adoration is held at St. Casimir Church, Wells, Wednesdays at 9:00 pm through Thursday 10:00 pm. You are invited to sign up for a weekly hour or just come and pray anytime.



Sleigh Ride: Christmas in the Last Frontier

Now on showing on Formed



Next week's readings:

Isaiah 35:1-6a, 10;
James 5:7-10; Matthew 11:2-11

STC-Wells-Contribution envelopes are ready for pick up, in the front entrance of the Church. With less parishioner envelopes some numbers have changed.

Thank you for your Church support!

Starting December 1st,

Mass intentions can be scheduled for 2026.

IN OUR PRAYERS:

**Recently departed: Joyce Scheeberger
Soldiers Overseas: Andrea Schultz**

Whenever any of our parish members or families in need of special prayers, please call and we will begin our prayer lines for any need-give only details you wish. OLMC- Sue Cory 507-787-2598, STJB- Rhonda Drager 507-462-3627, and Barb Stenzel 507-553-3805.

FAITH COMMUNITY GENEROUS GIVING

	Weekly	Year to Date	Annual Budget
Minnesota Lake	\$478.00	\$32,892.54	\$109,876.00
Wells	\$2,484.75	\$112,239.19	\$350,598.00
Easton	\$2,090.10	\$50,689.23	\$137,700.00

CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL 2025

	Amount received	CMA amounts needed
Minnesota Lake	\$8,200	\$8,119
Wells	\$22,159.19	\$20,793
Easton	\$12,768.75	\$10,683.00

NOTES FOR ALL PARISHES

OPTIONS PREGNANCY CENTER

Catholic Daughters of Blue Earth invite all Catholic women 18 and older to our December Potluck Meeting on Tuesday, December 9 after the 8:30 am morning Mass at Saints Peter and Paul Catholic Church. Please bring an item for the Options Pregnancy Center.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 12– NO Mass at St. Casimir in Wells.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 13– Adoration and confession in Wells. Time Change 9:00 am to 10:00 am due to a funeral in Minnesota Lake.

STC-A gift from your Secular Franciscan friends-Located in the entrances

St. Francis wanted all creation to celebrate the birthday of Jesus. It was his desire that grain be scattered on the roads so that our friends, the birds, might have something to eat. We ask you to use this token of a gift to feed the birds on Christmas Day-in the example of St. Francis of Assisi. Pax et Bonum~Peace and All Good. For more info about the Franciscans, contact Carrie Stiernagle OFS (507-383-8043)

OLMC MCCW will be hosting their Holiday Bake Sale and Luncheon on Sunday, December 14, 2025, from 11:00 am to 12:30 pm in Madonna hall. All MCCW members are requested to provide baked goods for the sale. If you are unable to provide baked items, please provide a cash donation, the suggested amount being \$25. The luncheon will be provided for a free will offering.

ADVENT GIVING TREE-STC

Our Faith Formation students are making a meaningful impact this Advent as they lead our parish in the spirit of generosity and hope. This year's Advent Giving Tree invites our community to provide unconditional support to those in need. Please consider choosing an ornament from the tree and returning the suggested gift to help brighten someone's Christmas season. Your kindness only supports individuals and families in our community and surrounding area, but also encourage our young disciples as they grow in faith, compassion and service. No need to wrap the item. Please have items dropped off by December 17th.

OPEN HOUSE

The family of Jerry and Janice Evenson will be hosting an Open House for their 50th Wedding Anniversary on Saturday, December 13th at the Blu Bair Club in Easton from 1-4 pm. All are welcome and your presence is your gift.

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 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 turned in by December 21, 2025.

SHARE THE LOVE

A chance for the community to bless the Ronald McDonald House in Rochester and support **Audie Olsen** through her journey with B Cell Leukemia. Drop-off Location: Wells Public Library, USC High School Office, any Church in Wells. A list of items will be on the bulletin boards in St. Casimir. Cash donations can be brought in the Wells rectory office. During business hours. Mon -Fri 8:00 am to 4:30 pm.

NOTES FOR ALL PARISHES

TRIPARISH END OF 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 2025 giving, all donations need to be received by [December 31, 2025](#).

Volunteers Needed at WELLS AREA FOOD SHELF

Starting immediately, we are needing Volunteers to help Carry-Out our Client's groceries, which could be up to 50#. This would be Weekly on Tuesday, From 4:00 pm to 6:00 pm. Address is : 10-1st Ave SW, Wells. Please contact: Julie Robran at #507-383-2596. If you Can Help Us!

Advent Christmas Countdown Raffle

Thank you to everyone who helped sell tickets and serve coffee and donuts to help promote the raffle. Mostly thank you to everyone who bought tickets and supported our cause, no words can say how much we appreciate the Love you have shown us! All the tickets were sold!!!

Congratulations to our winners of this week's Advent Raffle

Sunday, November 30, Bryanna Sonnek- \$100 drawing

Monday, December 1st, Lisa Esser- \$50

Tuesday, December 2nd, Bruce Mandler-\$50

Wednesday, December 3rd, Monica Linder-\$50

Thursday, December 4th, Evelyn Neubauer- \$50

Upcoming dates to remember

Sunday, December 7th –

Monday, December 8th Scheduled Masses The Immaculate Conception of The Blessed Virgin Mary.

8:00 am Minnesota Lake

5:30 pm Wells

7:00 pm Easton

Saturday, December 13th– Adoration and Confessions in Wells, 9-10 am

Sunday December 14th– Retirement fund for Religious and Catholic University , envelopes are in your contribution envelopes.

Sunday, December 14–There will not be a Youth Mass or Second Sunday Social in Wells. Next Youth Mass and Coffee and Rolls will be January 11th. 8th grade will lead Youth Mass and 5th and 6th graders and families will serve coffee, rolls and clean-up.

OLMC Holiday Bake Sale and Luncheon on Sunday, December 14, 2025, from 11:00am to 12:30pm in Madonna hall.

Wednesday, December 24, Christmas Eve

3:00 pm Minnesota Lake

5:00 pm Wells

9:00 pm Easton

Thursday, December 24, Christmas Day

9:00 am Wells

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COFFEE AND CHRISTMAS TREATS

Join fellow parishioner for coffee and treats after 8 am Mass this Sunday, Dec. 7. There will also be an opportunity to take something home to enjoy. A free will offering will send you home with a plate of holiday goodies. Proceeds from the "Bake Sale" and the coffee and treats will be divided between Options for Women and Wells Area Food shelf. While you are waiting in line, browse through the wonderland of nativities. Old and new, small and large. There are some very unique sets on display. There will be a table filled with a nativity set composed of 50 pieces that young child can move around this will be one place where they will not hear don't touch.



Diocese of Winona-Rochester - Child Sexual Abuse Policy Information

The Diocese of Winona-Rochester will provide a prompt, appropriate and compassionate response to reporters of sexual abuse of a child by any diocesan agent (employees, volunteers, vendors, religious or clergy). Anyone wishing to make a report of an allegation of sexual abuse should call the Victim Assistance Coordinator at 507-454-2270, Extension 255. A caller will be asked to provide his or her name and telephone number. Individuals are also encouraged to take their reports directly to civil authorities. The Diocese of Winona-Rochester is committed to protecting children, young people and other vulnerable people in our schools, parishes and ministries. The diocesan policy is available on the diocesan web site at www.dowr.org under the Safe Environment Program. If you have any questions about the Diocese of Winona's implementation of the Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People, please contact Michael Gerard, at 507-361-3377, or mgerard@dowr.org. Anyone working or volunteering in a Catholic parish or school is a mandated reporter. Anyone who knows or has reason to believe that a minor (a person under the age of 18) or vulnerable adult is or has been abused or neglected, must report all suspected abuse or neglect to proper civil authorities/law enforcement within 24 hours of the abuse or neglect becoming known to him or her and must also follow up with a written report to civil authorities within 72 hours, exclusive of weekends and holidays. Many people working or volunteering in a Catholic parish or school, including clergy, are mandated reporters under state law.