

March 1, 2026 | Second Sunday of Lent



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, Minnesota Lake, MN 56068 | Mass: 5:00 pm



*Prayer
Fasting
Almsgiving*

Mass Schedule and Intentions: March 3-8.2026

3	Tues.	5:30 pm	Wells	+George Klein
4	Wed.	8:30 am	Easton	+Tom Sonnek
5	Thurs.	8:30 am	MN Lake	+Willard & Violet McCue
6	Fri.	8:30 am	Wells	+Brad Stenzel
7	Sat.	4:00 pm	Mn Lake	+Garry Twedt
8	Sun.	8:00 am	Wells	+Art Stenzel
8	Sun.	10:00 am	Easton	+Ron Paul

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 Mass. If you prefer it be rescheduled, please let Father or your respective parish office know.

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Tri Parish Prayer Intentions:

Triston Father
 Steve Sonnek
 Sue Sonnek
 Teresa Berry
 Chuck Evan
 Rosemary Larson
 Ann Ehrich
 Quentin Staloch
 Grace Drager
 Sharon Obermeyer

Dace Smith
 Craig Sonnek
 Zach Fendrich
 Charlie Kalis
 Don Yokiel
 Koltun Kunz
 Ken Tibodeau
 Colton Smith
 Tyler Doyle
 Jane Swehla

Dave Sonnek
 Jan Stenzel
 Colette Caeli Drees
 Mary Stevermer
 Tiffany Sonnek
 Darrin Hueper
 Katie Ascherman
 Norbert Yokiel
 Carol Gregor
 Mark Woitas

Vincent Schultz
 Geri Peyton
 Grant Supalla
 Betty Ziegler
 Steven Nowak
 Scott Bull
 Kay Beyer
 Dale Stevermer
 MaryAnn Woitas
 John Paul Herman

Cathy Pluym
 Jan Elmer
 Mike Redig
 Randy Hodge
 Tom Warmka
 Lea Nowak
 Rick Girard
 Gregory Woitas
 Frank Diaz
 Donnie Becker

PRAYER & WORSHIP

Lent-2nd Sunday, March 1, 2026-A Cycle.

Readings: Genesis 12:1-4; 2 Timothy 1:8-10; Matthew 17:1-9

Psychology has taught us a great deal about family dynamics and how we have come to be the person we find ourselves to be. We are comprised of such a mixed bag of blessings and obstacles with their graced moments and sinful ones.

Think back on the journey of your life and how the different varied choices that you made influenced the direction of your life! If you didn't go on that first date with your spouse, who would be beside you today? If you chose to be in one place rather than another, what would have happened to the course your life has taken?

We are on such a wonderful, exciting journey. What is most incredible and awesome is that we are not alone! God is with us. He inspires, heals, opens doors, and calls us every moment of our lives. The very life we have is due only to Him.

We can all sit down and list adjectives describing who we are. One may find him or herself more artistic or musical than another or quicker with wit. We have unique gifts and talents and have the great gift of free will, which we treasure.

Our histories come with more baggage for some and less hurdles for others, but we all must find our way through the path we are on. However, have you ever given much thought to who you really are? That question has more merit than may at first appear.

We know ourselves as we live out our earthly journey. But do we know our heavenly self? What we know here is only one small part of who God has made us to be. The disciples really thought they knew Jesus until they went up the mountain.

We may think we know our true selves, too. We know that in eternal life we shall not only see God but become like Him. Who will you be? What surprise do you think God has for you as you go up the mountain of Transfiguration? ~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

Sunday, March 8, 2026

Minnesota Lake	Wells	Easton
Sat. 4:00 pm	Sun. 8:00 am	Sun. 10:00 am

SERVERS	Abby Chirpich Gavin Chirpich Grayson Dulas	Riley Stevermer Nicholas Scheid Cameron Linder
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SACRISTAN	Arnie Stenzel	Dianne Rauenhorst
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LECTOR	Youth Mass	Tim Lippert
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ORGANIST	Connie Stenzel	Mary Kasyer
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EXTRAORDINARY Ministers of Holy Communion	Bev Klein Jackie Mullery Arnie Stenzel	Don Linder Nancy Linder Teresa Schimek Ryan Strom C
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USHERS	Youth Mass	Dan Haugh Dave O'Rourke Logan Strom
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ROSARY	Tim Klein	Sue Rath
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Shepherd's Inn	Tim and Bev Klein	
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MONEY COUNTERS	Kay Herman Rosemary Brand Pat Greff	Cheryl Warmka Mark Braunshausen
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STC YOUTH MASS AND COFFEE AND ROLLS

Next Sunday, March 8, 2026 Youth Mass and Coffee and Rolls. Faith Formation students will be serving immediately following mass, join us downstairs for conversation and fellowship with fresh rolls and coffee.

EASTER MEMORIALS

Memorial donations for Easter environment are now being accepted. Forms can be filled out and placed in the offertory baskets or sent to the respective parish office. Also Memorial donation envelopes may be found in with you contribution envelopes.



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

Next week's readings:
First Reading— Exodus 17:3-7
Second Reading — Romans 5:1-2, 5-8
Gospel—John 4:5-42

FAITH COMMUNITY GENEROUS GIVING

	Weekly	Year to Date	Annual Budget
Minnesota Lake	\$684.00	\$62,771.88	\$109,876.00
Wells	\$7,109.15	\$214,518.85	\$350,598.00
Easton	\$1,855.00	\$104,365.89	\$137,700.00

IN OUR PRAYERS: Landon Fox
Soldiers Overseas : Andrea Schultz
 Whenever any of our parish members of 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.

NOTES FOR ALL PARISHES

Save the Date! FISH FRY

STJB Holy Name Society will be having their annual Fish Fry on Friday, March 20, 2026, from 5-7. At St. John the Baptist Catholic Church in Minnesota Lake. Serving all you can eat Fish, Rosemary's Salmon Loaf, baked potato, creamed peas, cole slaw and beverage. Adults- \$15, under 10 -\$8.00. Take out is available.

OLMC MCCW BAKE SALE FOR FAITH FORMATION: Thank you to all who donated such wonderful baked goodies for our bake sale for Faith Formation! Many thanks to all who supported the bake sale. Without you, we couldn't have such a successful event. The bake sale brought in \$850! God bless one and all for your generosity.

OLMC MCCW will be hosting a Lenten Soup Supper after Stations of the Cross on Wednesday, March 11, 2026. Stations of the Cross will begin at 6 pm. Group 1 will be serving chicken and wild rice soup. All are welcome to attend!

OLMC First Communion students will receive the Sacrament of First Reconciliation on Saturday, March 14, 2026 at 9 am. Adoration will also be held at OLMC from 9 am to 10 am.

WOMEN'S LENTEN RETREAT

Join us Saturday, March 21, 2026. St. Theodore's Church, 315 E Clark St. Albert Lea, MN "Made for More" Registration forms will be available in the handicap entrance and the main entrance of St. Casimir's Church. Cost is \$50 per person. Make your check out to Winona-Rochester Diocesan Council of Catholic Women (WDCCW). Registration deadline March 13, 2026.

PARISH DIRECTORY UPDATE

It has come to our attention that many families of the Tr-Parish were unable to have their photos taken from the parish directory. We have arranged additional photography dates with the directory company.

New appointment dates:

- Monday, March 30
- Tuesday, March 31

Appointment times available are from 2 pm until 8:45 pm each day.

If you would like to schedule an appointment, please call the Tr-Parish office as soon as possible. 507-553-5391.

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Lenten Schedule for our Tri-Parish

Tri- Parish Lenten Retreat on Saturdays, March 7, 2026 from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm at Wells.

Minnesota Lake—During the weeks of Lent, St. John the Baptist Church doors will be open on Wednesdays and Thursdays , from 7:30 am to 7:00 pm. Come and spend time with the Lord, Praying, reading, and just having quiet time. There will be books available for you including the Stations of the Cross.

OLMC– Stations of the Cross will be held Wednesday's during Lent starting at 6 pm in Easton.

TRI-PARISH ADORATIONS AND CONFESSIONS:

Saturday, March 14th at Easton from 9:00 to 10:00 am.

Saturday, March 21st at Wells from 9:00 am until done.

Saturday, March 28th at Minnesota Lake from 9:00 am to 10:00 am.

3rd Sunday of Lent, March 8, 2026 Tri-Parish Communal Penance Service at Wells 4 pm All parishioners of the Tri-Parish together with the Faith Formation children are encouraged to attend the Communal Penance Service as to strengthen your relationship with the Lord and one another. (Five priests will be available for Confessions).

OLMC First Communion students will receive the Sacrament of First Reconciliation on Saturday, March 14, 2026 at 9 am. Adoration will also be held at OLMC from 9 am to 10 am.

5th Saturday, March 21, 2026– Adoration & Confessions at Wells at 9:00 am

Tri-Parish First Communicants Confessions Day-Confessions begin at 9:00 am for the First Communicants.

6th weekend of Lent-March 28th and 29th– Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord.

Monday of Holy Week, March 30, 2026-Christm Mass, is at 2 pm St. Peters and Paul, Mankato

Tuesday of Holy Week, March 31st– No Mass in Wells.

Wednesday of Holy Week, April 1st –Mass in Easton at 8:30 am

Holy Thursday, April 2, 2026- Tri-Parish evening Mass of the Lord's Supper & Adoration at Wells at 7:00 pm

Good Friday, April 3, 2026– The Passion of the Lord-schedules

Minnesota Lake 3:00 pm

Wells 5:00 pm

Easton 7:00 pm

Holy Saturday, April 4, 2026-Easter Vigil at 8:00 pm in Wells

Easter Sunday, April 5, 2026-The Resurrection of the Lord;

Minnesota Lake at 8:00 am

Easton at 10:00 am

Tri-Parish First Communions on the 2nd Sunday of Easter (Divine Mercy Sunday), April 11 & 12, 2026