

# TRI~PARISH CATHOLIC CHURCH

MARCH 3, 2024 3RD SUNDAY OF LENT

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**Mass Schedule & Intentions**

<b>Mon., Mar. 4</b>	Rosary	<b>7:30 pm</b>	STC
<b>Tues., Mar. 5</b>	Rosary	<b>7:30 pm</b>	STC
<b>Wed., Mar. 6</b>	Rosary Adoration starts	<b>7:30 pm</b> <b>9:00 pm</b>	STC STC
<b>Thurs., Mar. 7</b>	Rosary Adoration Ends	<b>7:30 pm</b> <b>10:00 pm</b>	STC STC
<b>Friday, Mar. 8</b> <b>Rectory Closed</b>	Rosary	<b>7:30 pm</b>	STC
<b>Sat., Mar. 9</b>	Mass †Mike McCallum Rosary	<b>5:00 pm</b> <b>7:30 pm</b>	STJB STC
<b>Sun. Mar. 10</b> <i>4th Sunday of Lent</i>	Mass †Clem & Jean Stenzel Mass †Vincent Landsteiner Rosary	<b>8:00 am</b> <b>10:00 am</b> <b>7:30 pm</b>	STC OLMC STC

We will have reconciliations at St. John The Baptist in March Fr. Peter Klein has set up time for confessions on Saturday in Minnesota Lake. STJB in March

March 2—4:00 pm  
March 16—4:00 pm  
March 9— -4:00pm  
March 23 —4:00 pm

**Tri-Parish Staff**

Pastoral Administrator Fr. Kurt Farrell  
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**Administration**

OLMC.....Sue Cory  
STC.....Ilda Reyerson  
Bookkeeper .....Rod Kollman  
STJB.....Rhonda Drager

**Faith Formation**

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

**STC School**

Principal .....John Hengel  
Office Manager.....Teresa Chirpich  
Bookkeeper.....Rod Kollman

**Cemetery**

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

**Tri-Parish Office Hours:**

*St. Casimir Rectory office hours*

*Monday 8:00 am to 2:00 pm*

*Tuesday 9:00 to 2:00 pm*

*Wednesday 8:00 to 2:00 pm*

*Thursday 8:00 to 2:00 pm*

*Friday Closed*

OLMC.....Hours Varied  
STJB.....Hours Varied



In the Gospel this Sunday Jesus addresses the hunger in each of us to be loved. All of us have an unrelenting desire to be needed and accepted for who we are by others. However, none of us feels accepted and needed all of the time, and many of us feel a need to cover up the things we don't like about ourselves in order to be loved. The woman in the Gospel finds in Jesus the unconditional love and acceptance that she has been thirsting for all of her life. Her being a Samaritan makes her unacceptable by the Jews and some bad choices have led to her being shunned by her own people, but in Jesus she finds forgiveness and mercy. Jesus does point out to her the need for conversion, but in a very gentle loving way, without embracing her or making her feel unworthy. At times in our zeal for sharing with our loved ones our morals beliefs and convictions we push them away or hurt them because of our failure to embrace the gentle approach of Jesus. Yes, let us be concerned about what is right, but at the same do so with love and understanding.

~Fr. Kurt Farrell

### “Decalogue for Daily Living”

**This Sunday's** first reading included the 10 Commandments (the “decalogue”). It brought to mind a reflection of Pope John XXIII. He wrote for himself his own “Commandments for Daily Life,” reflecting his depth, his simplicity & his humility. Good food for thought.

- #1) Only for **today**, I will seek to live the livelong day positively without wishing to solve the problems of my life all at once.
- #2) Only for **today**, I will take the greatest care of my appearance: I will dress modestly; I will not raise my voice; I will be courteous in my behavior; I will not criticize anyone; I will not claim to improve or to discipline anyone except myself.
- #3) Only for **today**, I will be happy in the certainty that I was created to be happy, not only in the other world but also in this one.
- #4) Only for **today**, I will adapt to circumstances, without requiring all circumstances to be adapted to my own wishes.
- #5) Only for **today**, I will devote 10 minutes of my time to some good reading, remembering that just as food is necessary to the life of the body, so good reading is necessary to the life of the soul.
- #6) Only for **today**, I will do one good deed and not tell anyone about it.
- #7) Only for **today**, I will do at least one thing I do not like doing; and if my feelings are hurt, I will make sure that no one notices.
- #8) Only for **today**, I will make a plan for myself: I may not follow it to the *letter*, but I will *make* it; & [in this] will be guard against 2 evils: hastiness and indecision.
- #9) Only for **today**, I will firmly believe, despite appearances, that the good Providence of God cares for me as no one else who exists in this world.
- #10) Only for **today**, I will have no fears. In particular, I will not be afraid to enjoy what is beautiful and to believe in goodness. Indeed, for 12 hours, I can certainly do what might [seem impossible] were I to believe I had to do it all my life.

*“I hunger for the bread of God, the flesh of Jesus Christ; I long to drink of his blood, the gift of unending love.”* St. Ignatius of Antioch

## Tri-Parish Announcements

## Tri-Parish Giving-Liturgical Ministers

Minnesota Food Share March Campaign will join with faith communities, businesses and organizations across Minnesota in working together to support the work of our local food shelves. During the month of March dollars received can expand the amount of food that we can purchase. \$1 can be stretched into food for 2 or more meals.

The need in our area is great! Thanks to community support, we serve 75-100 families each month. Our food shelf is making a difference! Your help is crucial for us to continue to serve our friends and neighbors!

Donations may be sent to: WAFS PO Box 12 Wells MN 56097

For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me. Matthew 25:35

### Prayer Requests of the Tri-Parish

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**Let us always remember the sick and all those in need of prayer, especially** Jeremy Kolars, Charlie Kalis, Charlie Traynor, Koltun Kunz, Betty Thisius, Jan Stenzel, Nancy Dylla, Jerome Leesch, Gary Bach, Dawn "Russ" Cory, Dale and Marg Sonnek, Triston Father, Sheila Runquist, Chuck Evan, Zach Fendrich, John Volz, Jeanne Miller, Bill Minks, Don Yokiell, Ken Tibodeau, Tiffany Sonnek, Dave Sonnek, Jan Willette, Orland Drager, Mark Obermeyer, Jim Bute, Greg Sonnek, Ron Laitenberger, 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

#### **Weekly Contributions as of Feb 25, 2024**

	OLMC	STC	STJB
Weekly Needed	\$2,500.00	\$5,519.00	\$1,925.00
Needed to Date	\$87,500.00	\$181,781.00	\$69,300.00
Given to Date	\$108,621.34	\$185,176.05	\$64,431.50

#### **St. Casimir Liturgical Ministers**

**Sunday March 10, 2024**

**Sacristan—Brian Bias**

**Lector— Scott Bute**

**Eucharistic Ministers—Mark & Lea Nowak**

**Ushers— John Tibodeau, Chris Bushlack & Rick Herman**

**Servers—Juliana Dulas & Nickolas Scheid**

**Rosary Readers—Scott Bute**

**Money counters— 1**

**Shepherds Inn— Larry Brand**

#### **Scripture Reading for March 10, 2024**

**First reading:** Exodus 17:3-7

**Second readings:** Romans 5:1-2, 5-8

**Gospel:** John 4:5-42

#### ***Holy Week Schedule***

Thursday, March 28— STC 7:00 pm

Friday, March 29—OLMC 3:00 pm

Saturday, March 30—STC 8:00 pm

Sunday, March 31—STJB 8:00 am

Sunday, March 31—OLMC 10:00 am

#### **Tri-Parish Stations of the Cross:**

OLMC Wednesday, March 6 at 6:30 pm

STC Wednesday, March 13 at 6:30 pm

STJB Wednesday, March 20 at 6:30 pm

Deacon Gene will be leading the Stations

# St. John the Baptist

Holy Name Society LENTEN FISH FRY

FRIDAY, March 8, 2024

5:00 PM – 7:00 PM

At St. John the Baptist Catholic Church

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 Outs Available

All are Welcome!



Minnesota Lake Lions  
**Night of Bingo**



Permit # XB-04490-24-010

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST CATHOLIC CHURCH  
MINNESOTA LAKE, MN

**SATURDAY, March 2, 2024**

6:00 p.m. sandwich meal available for \$8.00  
Pork sandwich, chips, drink, and bar



7:00 P.M. Bingo games start

Advance sale \$20

At the Door \$25

Tickets available from Lions Club members or call Edie, 462-3469



**CASH PRIZES**

Proceeds go to Lions Community Projects

St. Casimir School Annual Gerten’s Spring Plant Sale

**What:** Gerten’s Spring Plant sale

**Why:** 30% of plant sale profits & 15% of plant card profits go to STC School.

**When:** Our site opens on February 12th and closes at 10 Pm on March 28th.

**How:** Order online: [www.Gertensfundraising.com](http://www.Gertensfundraising.com)

**Store ID code for St. Casimir School: 337**

Where: Plants will be delivered to STC School on May 10th and will be ready for pick up at 4:00 pm.

### Save the Date

Fish and Bingo  
Friday, March 22nd 2024  
St. Casimir Church  
Basement in Wells

Every school year, endowment earnings from the ***Seeds of Faith – Tuition Assistance Fund*** are available for families in Catholic Schools throughout the Diocese of Winona-Rochester. The endowment fund provides tuition assistance to parents seeking a Catholic education for their children and who demonstrate financial need. Funds each year are available through the ***Rothwell Endowments***, specifically for Hispanic families with financial need seeking a Catholic education for their children. ***Seeds of Faith – Tuition Assistance*** funds are available only to families with financial need. This is not an academic scholarship fund. All applications and supporting documents are due **Friday, May 17, 2024**. In June 2024, a committee will review applications and recommend awards. In July, applicants will be informed of the committee’s decision and award checks will be sent directly to each school.

Applications are available at your school. You can also download the application on our website at [www.catholicfsmn.org/granting](http://www.catholicfsmn.org/granting) or on your school’s website. Please direct any questions to Carlee Shimek at [cshimek@catholicfsmn.org](mailto:cshimek@catholicfsmn.org) or 507-858-1275.