

March 8, 2026 | Third 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



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Mass Schedule and Intentions: March 11-15, 2026

FB: TRI-PARISH OLMC STC STJB
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- 11** Wed. 8:30 am Easton +Anton & Sophia Hefner Family
- 12** Thurs. 8:30 am MN Lake +Burton and Donna Schroeder
- 13** Fri. 8:30 am Wells +Don Sauer
- 14** Sat. 4:00 pm Mn Lake +Tony Staloch
- 15** Sun. 8:00 am Wells +Cleo Klein
- 15** Sun. 10:00 am Easton +Lou Becker

WELLS OFFICE:
 Ilda Reyerson: Administrative Asst.
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 8:00 am—4:30 pm
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Every Saturday: 3:30 pm Confessions before Mass

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YOU ARE INVITED TO PRAY THE ROSARY 1/2 HOUR PRIOR TO MASS-ES: 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.

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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.

Tri Parish Prayer Intentions:

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

PRAYER & WORSHIP

Lent-3rd Sunday, March 8, 2026-A Cycle

Readings: Exodus 17:3-7; Romans 5:1-2, 5-8; John 4:5-42

We give the definition of ourselves over to so many things. We allow our society, friends, family, work, social groups, ethnicity, and even institutions to define, classify, and color how we perceive ourselves. When we listen predominantly to the voices of others, we lose touch with what is happening within our own inner voice.

If we listen carefully within, we can easily discover that we are in want and need. We know our incompleteness, loneliness, sadness, and self-images can propel us outward in attempts to fill those gaps. We can become not only victims of our own prejudices but can find ourselves overly self-indulgent in things that can only satisfy for a short time.

It is no wonder that money and power are so fervently sought after. As long as we can keep a steady supply going, the illusion of fulfillment and satisfaction can falsely persuade us as craftily as a master magician's act.

We live with illusions, not truth. It is no wonder, then, that some of the wealthiest folks are also really the unhappiest. Whether we admit it or not, the lives we live and pursue will ultimately expose our superficiality.

We all must wrestle with who we are and what gives our lives purpose and meaning. Let's learn to listen more deeply, not to what others are saying about you, but to what God is echoing in your heart.

We can easily get confused and misunderstand, not only about who we are but who God is. Even the disciples and the Samaritan woman at the well missed the point Jesus was trying to make. There is only one Person who can satisfy the deepest yearnings and longings of our hearts, Jesus the Messiah.

It is not the work of corporate country that will lead us to happiness or greatness but the work of the soul. We continue to resist acknowledging this and are happier in our world of misunderstanding and illusion. ~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 15, 2026

Minnesota Lake	Wells	Easton
Sat. 4:00 pm	Sun. 8:00 am	Sun. 10:00 am
SERVERS	Juliana Dulas Grayson Dulas Gavin Dulas	Makayla Ankeny Maria Sonnek Mckenna Stelpflug
SACRISTAN	Tom Schindler	Sue Rath
LECTOR	Tim Klein Brian Bias	Dale Stevermer
ORGANIST	Connie Stenzel	Mary Kasyer
EXTRAORDINARY Ministers of Holy Communion	Mark Schmitz Bev Klein Jolene Bute	Jeff Rath Joyce Eastvold Chelsea Sonnek Yvonne Cory C
USHERS	Orland Yokiell John Tibodeau Eric Neubauer Mark Herman	Doug Ascheman Tegan Sonnek Todd Sonnek
ROSARY	Tim Klein	Maury Schimek
Shepherd's Inn	Tim and Bev Klein	
MONEY COUNTERS	Kay Herman Rosemary Brand Pat Greff	Cheryl Warmka Mark Braunshausen



OLMC Baptism: We welcome into the Catholic Faith through the waters of Baptism, Gregory Maximus Xavier Lippert, who was baptized at Our Lady Of Mount Carmel Church. He is the infant son of Jonah and Jenny Lippert, from Easton. May God lead him along life's journey of faith.

STC YOUTH

MASS AND COFFEE AND ROLLS

This 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.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament



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—1 Samuel 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a
Second Reading — Ephesians 5:8-14
Gospel—John 9:1-41

FAITH COMMUNITY GENEROUS GIVING

	Weekly	Year to Date	Annual Budget
Minnesota Lake	\$1,072.10	\$63,843.98	\$109,876.00
Wells	\$4,538.75	\$219,057.60	\$350,598.00
Easton	\$2,590.00	\$107,080.89	\$137,700.00

CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL 2026

	Amount received	CMA amounts needed
Minnesota Lake		\$7,082
Wells		\$17,660
Easton		\$9,700

IN OUR PRAYERS: Landon Fox 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.

NOTES FOR ALL PARISHES

CARMELITES meeting

Saturday , March 14, 2026, in Wells starting with Mass at 8:00 am. All tri-parish are welcome to attend Mass.

THE TRAVELING SILVER ROSE

The Traveling Silver Rose of Our Lady of Guadalupe will have a few days stop at St. Casimir Church. It will be on display from late Sunday, March 8th till March 13th. This Rose's journey will go from St. Casimir thru the Midwest till it reaches the Shrine of Our Lady Of Guadalupe in Mexico on Her Feast Day December 12th. This is a yearly trip. There are 8 Roses that travel from Canada thru the United States to Mexico. All 8 Roses will then be presented in the Shrine on December 12th.

THE CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS

The Catholic Daughters will meet on Tuesday, March 10th at 9 am at SS Peter and Paul Catholic Church in Blue Earth. Rolls and Coffee will be served at the beginning of the meeting.

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!

EASTON ST. PATRICK'S DAY CELEBRATION

Two Faribault County Artists will provide an artistic art show, Saturday, March 14, 2026. ***Shelley Caldwell, Delavan** will be showing a variety of work including mixed media drawings of plants & vintage collages featuring local nostalgia. ***Yvonna Cory, Easton** will be showing both vintage apron art and recent high-fashion art aprons created from various textile materials. Location-Easton Community Center-Main Street, 1:30-6:00 pm. Annual Parade will begin at 4:00 p.m.

BINGO NIGHT

Saturday, March 14, 2026. Meal serving starting at 5:00 pm. Bingo starting at 6:00 pm. Tickets are \$20 for advance sale. \$25 at the door. Treat yourself to a pulled pork meal for \$8 before a fun night of Bingo. Cash prizes for winners! Contact any MN Lake Lion for advance tickets. Sponsored by Minnesota Lake Lions.

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.

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.