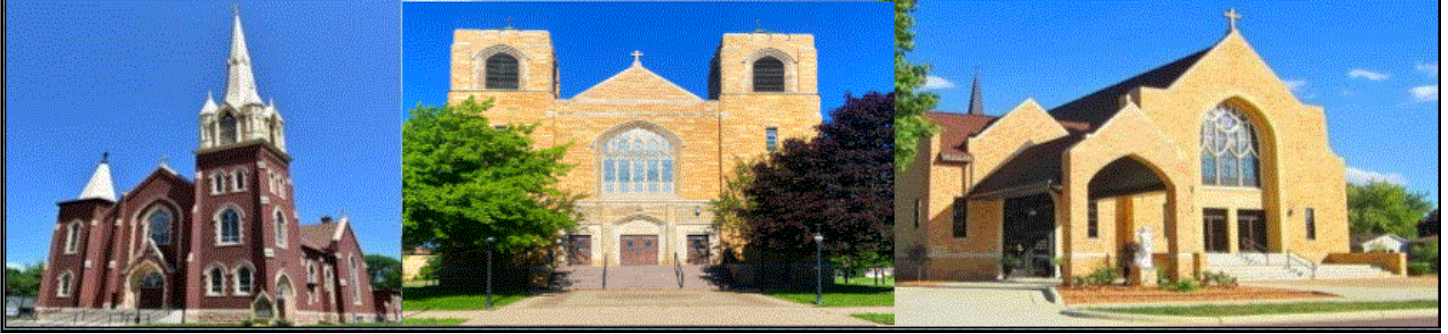


September 13, 2026 | Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time



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: 4:00 pm

Mass Schedule and Intentions: Sept. 15-20, 2026

<u>15</u>	Tues.	8:30 am	Wells	+ Shelley Gifford
<u>16</u>	Wed.	8:30 am	Easton	+ James Willette
<u>17</u>	Thurs.	8:30 am	MN Lake	+ George & + Mildred Stencel
<u>18</u>	Fri.	8:30 am	Wells	+ Betty Stenzel
<u>19</u>	Sat.	4:00 pm	Mn Lake	+ John Bartell
<u>20</u>	Sun.	8:00 am	Wells	+ Bud & + Adeline Schreiber
<u>20</u>	Sun.	10:00 am	Easton	+ Tom Sonnek

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Tri-Parish Reconciliations: available 30 minutes prior to each weekend Mass.

Tri-Parish Funerals: When a funeral will be held in the Tri-Parish during the week, please remember that there will not be the regular weekday 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

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.

In our Prayers:

Recently departed; Gregory Sonnek, Paul Mosser, and Lisa (Schultz) Schild
 Soldiers Overseas: Andrea Schultz
 Families in need of special prayers, please call OLMC-Sue Cory 507-787-2598, STJB- Rhonda Drager 507-462-3627, and Barb Stenzel 507-553-3805

Tri Parish Prayer Intentions:

Triston Father	Dace Smith	Dave Sonnek	Vincent Schultz	Rick Girard
Steve Sonnek	Craig Sonnek	Jan Stenzel	Geri Peyton	Bryan Linder
Sue Sonnek	Zach Fendrich	Colette Caeli Drees	Grant Supalla	Donnie Bruckhoff
Chuck Evan	Charlie Kalis	Mary Stevermer	Betty Ziegler	Ben Stevermer
Rosemary Larson	Koltun Kunz	Tiffany Sonnek	Steven Nowak	Eileen Flohrs
Ann Ehrich	Ken Tibodeau	Darrin Hueper	Scott Bull	Sandy Anderson
Grace Drager	Colton Smith	Katie Ascherman	Jennifer Pinkelman	Harry Kayser
Bill Neubauer	Tyler Doyle	Carol Gregor	Katie Woitas	Jerry Sime
Sharon Obermeyer	Jane Swehla	Mark Woitas	Gerard Bach	Darlene Holte
Jan Elmer	Cathy Pluym	Donnie Becker	Bill Kalis	
Mike Redig	Frank Diaz	Gregory Woitas	Blake Bennett	

PRAYER & WORSHIP

Exaltation of the Holy Cross

Shortly after the year 312 AD, Saint Helena, mother of the Roman Emperor Constantine, went to Jerusalem in search of the holy places of Christ's life. She ordered the destruction of the second-century Temple of Aphrodite, which was built over the Savior's tomb. The Emperor Constantine then built the Basilica of the Holy Sepulcher on that spot. During the excavation, workers found three crosses. Legend has it that the one on which Jesus died was identified when its touch healed a dying woman.

The cross immediately became an object of veneration. At a Good Friday celebration in Jerusalem toward the end of the fourth century, according to an eyewitness, the wood was taken out of its silver container and placed on a table together with the inscription Pilate ordered placed above Jesus' head: Then "all the people pass through one by one; all of them bow down, touching the cross and the inscription, first with their foreheads, then with their eyes; and, after kissing the cross, they move on."

To this day, the Eastern Churches, Catholic and Orthodox alike, celebrate the Exaltation of the Holy Cross on the September anniversary of the basilica's dedication. The feast entered the Western calendar in the seventh century after Emperor Heraclius recovered the cross from the Persians, who had carried it off in 614, 15 years earlier. According to the story, the emperor intended to carry the cross back into Jerusalem himself but was unable to move forward until he took off his imperial garb and became a barefoot pilgrim.

Monday, September 14th is the Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross. The Cross was elevated from the most horrendous form of persecution and death designed by the Roman Empire, to the preeminent symbol of life by the blood of Christ. I will offer Mass at 6 PM at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church in Easton this Monday. You may join me if you wish. The Cross is our only hope.

Peace,

Fr. Timothy J. Hall, priest

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. We are 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 the parish office 507-553-5391, if interested.

BAPTISM PREPARATION: Contact the Tri-parish office a month in advance to fill out the form and to attend Baptism Mentoring Sessions. For OLMC, STC and STJB call the Tri-parish office 507-553-5391.

Pre-Cana, Saturday, October 10, 2026, 9:00 am– 6:00 am. 1817 County RD 6, La Crescent, MN

On the threshold of his public life Jesus performs, his first sign-at his mother's request-during a wedding feast (John 2, 1-11). The Church attaches great importance to Jesus's presence at the wedding at Cana. She sees in it the confirmation of the goodness of marriage and the proclamation that thenceforth marriage will be an efficacious sign of Christ's presence. Pre-Cana is an opportunity for engaged couples to prepare for the Sacrament of Matrimony. They will learn about the beauty of Marriage as a sacrament and about how they can be an efficacious sign of Christ's presence to each other, to their future children and to those around them.

LITURGICAL LIFE



Sunday, Sept. 20, 2026		
Minnesota Lake	Wells	Easton
Sat. 4:00 pm	Sun. 8:00 am	Sun. 10:00 am
SERVERS	Brynley Yokiell Saydie Yokiell Chael Yokiell	McKenna Stelpflug Makayla Ankeny Gabriel Petersen
SACRISTAN	Tom Schindler	Dianne Rauenhorst
LECTOR	Kristen Dulas Jackie Mullery	Nancy Linder
EXTRAORDINARY Ministers of Holy Communion	Jolene Bute Kerry haugh Mark Nowak	Chelsea Sonnek Ryan Strom Sally Strom Dean Warmka C
USHERS	Orland Yokiell John Tibodeau Eric Neubauer Mark Herman	Dean Schimek Bernie Schultz Todd Sonnek
ROSARY	Larry Brand	Dawn Doyle
Shepherd's Inn	Larry Brand	
MONEY COUNTERS	Joyce Ehrich Joanne Haugh Amanda Sonnek	Mark Braunshausen Cheryl Warmka

A Diocesan Prayer for Vocations

Heavenly Father, Giver of all good things, your Son told us to beg You to send workers into Your rich harvest, and so we have the confidence to ask You to raise up an abundance of priests in the Diocese of Winona-Rochester. Send us good and holy men to respond to your call to lay down their lives in service to Your people. We know that the Church comes from priest to build up Your Church, through Jesus who is High Priest and Lord forever and ever. Amen

As a part of Winona-Rochester Diocese, the Diocesan Prayer for Vocations, we are to say this prayer every Sunday, praying for vocations. Please feel free to say on your own time. I will have it in the bulletin every week.

Carmelite Meeting , Saturday, September 12,2026

No Mass due to a funeral at STJB.



Celebrating Grandparents

This weekend, the U.S. Church celebrates World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly. This year's theme, "I will never forget you" (Isaiah 49:15), reminds us that even amid the physical limitations and social isolation that can come with growing older, God knows and loves us perfectly as his beloved children! Many of us fondly remember being visited by our grandparents as a part of Grandparents' Day festivities. The excitement and joy we felt point to the many gifts older adults continue to offer to our communities. Through Catholic Charities' Active Aging programs, we connect older adults with opportunities to share those gifts as book buddies, pen pals, exercise leaders, and food shelf volunteers.

Learn more at
ccsomn.org



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<https://formed.org>



From Alejandro Monteverde, award-winning director of Sound of Freedom, comes the powerful epic of Francesca Cabrini, an Italian immigrant who arrives in New York City in 1889 and is greeted by disease, crime, and impoverished children. Cabrini sets off on a daring mission to convince the hostile mayor to secure housing and healthcare for society's most vulnerable. With broken English and poor health, Cabrini builds an empire of hope unlike anything the world had ever seen.

FAITH COMMUNITY GENEROUS GIVING

	Weekly	Year to Date	Annual Budget
Minnesota Lake	\$1,996.00	\$15,621.00	\$120,416.00
Wells	\$2,77.90	\$43,164.55	\$349,085.00
Easton	\$2,202.00	\$28,906.77	\$137,700.00

CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL 2026

	Amount received	CMA amounts needed
Minnesota Lake	\$6,250.00	\$7,082
Wells	\$7,545.00	\$17,660
Easton	\$12,170.00	\$9,700

Next week's readings:

First Reading— Isaiah 55:6-9

Second Reading —Philippians 1:20c-24

Gospel—Matthew 20:1-16a

NOTES FOR ALL PARISHES

STJB FUNERAL

Greg Sonnek of Minnesota Lake passed away on August 28th, 2026. Funeral will be on Saturday, September 12 at STJB at 11:00 am. Visitation will be at Nasinec's Funeral Home on Friday, September 11 from 4-7.

OLMC MCCW will hold their Fall Meeting on Sunday, September 13 after Mass in Madonna Hall. All are welcome and invited to attend.

WELLS VFW BREAKFAST BUFFET

SUNDAY, Sept. 13th 8 am– noon. Scrambled eggs, sausage links & patties, ham, seasoned potatoes, biscuits & gravy, Made to order pancakes and French toast. Proceeds go to USC Backpack program.

JUBILEE Family Shrine

The Schoenstatt Family of Minnesota will celebrate its 50th Anniversary of the Jubilee Family Shrine at Schoenstatt on the Lake in Sleepy Eye, Minnesota, on September 18-20, 2026. The public is welcome to the historic celebration. The weekend will include carious family friendly activities, programs, and Holy Mass with Bishop Zielinske. For a schedule of events and to RSVP, visit schoenstattmn.com

Rochester Medical Mission Items Needed: Our annual Rochester Medical Mission collection of baby items, school items, medical supplies, and sewing materials will be held during the month of September. A full listing of items being requested may be found attached to the collection tubs which are located in entrance of OLMC church. Please search your home for any extra or gently used items you may wish to donate. The Rochester Medical Mission will have a truck at the fall WRDCCW Convention to receive our donations. Thank you for sharing your wealth with those in need. Haiti is still suffering hardships and much unrest, so shipments are unable to get to them; they need all our prayers, so things get better for them.



OCIA (formerly RCIA)

If you've been coming to Mass for a while, but are not Catholic, we invite you to look deeper into what it means to be a Catholic Christian. Our tri-parish will soon begin a set of sessions to share the truths of the Catholic faith. Join us in an open and welcoming environment as we discover what Catholics believe. These sessions will also give you the opportunity to ask those perplexing and difficult questions you may have about the Church. Our first session will be **Wednesday, September 23rd at 6:30 p.m.** This session will be introductory in nature as you begin to discern your next steps. For further information, please contact the tri-parish office at 507-553-5391 or Scott and Lisa Bute at 507-383-5895.

STC Faith Formation is excited to get started this fall. **CALLING** all incoming first grade students. Please email, Faith Formation Coordinator, Kristen Dulas at 25faithformationstc@gmail.com with your contact information. Also, any new Parish families with students, please reach out to Kristen to be added to the Faith Formation communications. **Classes start on Wednesday, September 23rd, 2026.**

OLMC Faith Formation

As we begin this year, let us commit ourselves to being a parish that forms disciples—intentionally, joyfully, and faithfully. Let us ask the Holy Spirit to guide our conversations, our learning, and our hearts. And let us remember that Christ Himself walks with us, teaching us, encouraging us, and calling us ever deeper into His love. Classes begin Sunday, September 20, 2026. Contact Chris Schultz.

SJTB FAITH FORMATION

Registration is open for the Faith Formation Program K-12 through the St. Teresa's Parish in Mapleton. Please contact Abi Lang at sjsmst.faith@gmail.com or by calling [507-995-3193](tel:507-995-3193). To register your child through the St. Casimir or the Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Faith Formation Program please contact Faith Formation Coordinator, Kristen Dulas at 25faithformationstc@gmail.com or Faith Formation Coordinator, Chris Schultz at olmc@bevcomm.net. If you have any questions or need help registering, please call Rhonda Drager, [507-462-3636](tel:507-462-3636) or [507-380-8591](tel:507-380-8591) or email at stjb@bevcomm.net