

September 22, 2024 | 25th 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: 5:00 pm

Communion Service Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday, Sept 24-26, 2024

Mass on Friday Sept. 27, 2024

<u>24</u>	Tues.	8:30 am	Wells	+ Mark Kubu Family
<u>25</u>	Wed.	8:30 am	Easton	+ Jim Hassing
<u>26</u>	Thurs.	8:30 am	Minnesota Lake	+ Fr. Greg Havel
<u>27</u>	Fri.	8:30 am	Wells	+ Miles Lindholm
<u>28</u>	Sat.	5:00 pm	Minnesota Lake	+ La Rue Staloch
<u>29</u>	Sun.	8:00 am	Wells	+ Helen Herman
<u>29</u>	Sun.	10:00 am	Easton	+ Ray Rauenhorst

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.

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:

Submit Intentions to Parish Coordinator	• Dace Smith	• Tiffany Sonnek
• Kroy Kalis	• Craig Sonnek	• Mike Redig
• Triston Father	• Zach Fendrich	• Nancy Dylla
• Steve Sonnek	• Charlie Kalis	• Dave Sonnek
• Sue Sonnek	• John Volz	• Jerome Leesch
• Sheila Runquist	• Don Yokiel	• Jan Stenzel
• Dennis Thisius	• Koltun Kunz	• Dale and Marg Sonnek
• Teresa Berry	• Ken Tibodeau	• Tyler Doyle
• Chuck Evan	• Colton Smith	
	• Dawn Russ-Cory	

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Monday, Wednesday, Thursday

8:00 am—3:30 pm

Tuesday - Friday, 8:00 am-4:30pm

Daily Lunch 11:30 am—Noon

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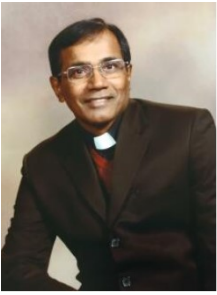
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PRAYER & WORSHIP

25th Ordinary Sunday, September 22, 2024 – B Cycle

Readings: Wisdom 2:12, 17-20; James 3:16-4:3; Mark 9:30-37



God speaks to us in many ways but there are times when we ourselves refuse to listen to Him. He is concerned about us and at every moment presents Himself as a caring Father giving the good things for His children.

But there is a lot of conflict in this world such as: wars, terrorism or violence, besides the daily conflicts we are part of at work, school, in our families and even in our Church. Small arguments, little disagreements, frustrations that other people don't quite see the world as we see it. Tiny fights we need to win each day to succeed in our work, play and faith.

There is something about being human that drives us to succeed, to want to achieve things. Ambition, drive, success and winning are the themes of today. And our teaching from Christ today seems contradictory, "If anyone wants to be first, they must make themselves last of all."

Our society tells us that being right, being first, being the best is all important. But society is wrong. There is nothing good or important about being first.

We are called to be gentle and are called to endure. We are called to bring peace to conflict. As James tells us the seeds of the peace maker will bear fruit in holiness. Jesus tells us to be the servant of all. It's in our nature to put ourselves first. Christ tells us not to, He tells us to put others first. He shows us a small child as an example.

Being the best teacher, the best student, the best driver, the best mom, the best doctor, the best anything you can be, is good, it's holy and it will bear fruit. Being better than anyone else is pointless and will only lead to conflict. Use your skills for others; welcome their needs, their vulnerabilities. Help them as you would help a child. Welcome them with open arms and you'll be welcoming Christ.

Who is the greatest in God's kingdom? The one who is humble and lowly of heart. God opposes the proud, but gives grace to the humble (James 4:6). Are we ready to humble ourselves and to serve as Jesus did?

~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.

MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND

Make plans for a fall get-away with the one you love before your calendar fills up!! A Marriage Encounter Weekend is a private weekend away from life's distractions that allows a husband and wife to focus on each other. The next available weekends are Nov 22-24, 2024 in Windom, MN Early registration is highly recommended. For more information visit our website at; southmnwwme.org or contact Mikki at applications@southmnwwme.org or 507-227-8229

LITURGICAL LIFE

Liturgical Roles -Sunday Sept. 29, 2024

Minnesota Lake Saturday 5:00 pm	WELLS Sunday 8:00 am	EASTON Sunday 10:00 am
SERVERS	Gemma Woodring Lucy Woodring Tillea Goette	Claire Schimek Sophia Schimek
SACRISTAN	Tom Schindler	Jane Paul
LECTOR	Scott Bute	Nancy Linder
ORGANIST	Connie Stenzel	Mary Kayser
EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS	Jerry Dulas Arnie Stenzel Ike Dulas Scott Bute	Brian Rath Jon Rath Chelsea Sonnek
USHERS	Mark Schimtz Rick Mueller Mark Ignazewski Mark Herman	Chuck Stevermer Sheldon Stevermer Tony Stevermer
ROSARY	Mike & Elaine Hernandez	Maury Schimek
SHEPHERD'S INN	Linda Enser	
MONEY COUNTERS	2	Cheryl Warmka & Mark Braunshausen

No Adoration for the Month of October and November, Adoration will resume in the beginning of Advent for our Tri-Parish



St. Casimir's families or persons who would like to bring up gifts please let me know, and I can sign you up. Call 507-553-5391 or let Arnie Stenzel or Lea Nowak know.

This week's readings:

**Wisdom 2:12, 17-20; James 3:16-4:3;
Mark 9:30-37**

Next week's readings:

**Numbers 11:25-29; James 5:1-6;
Mark 9:38-43,45,47-48**

Soldiers Overseas:

Bernard D. Steinhauer

In our Prayers:

Recently departed:

Helen Skov

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

CHURCH SUPPORT

	Minnesota Lake	Wells	Easton
Needed	\$ 2,173	\$ 6,654	\$ 2,529
Given	\$15,893.01	\$43,548.01	\$ 26,001.50
Budget	\$23,903.00	\$ 73,244.00	\$ 27,819.00

CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL 2024

	Parish Goal	\$ Received
Minnesota Lake	\$7,965	\$8,373 (\$408.00 over Goal)
Wells	\$21,089	\$16,243
Easton	\$10,683	\$10,683

Franciscan Mission

	\$ Received
Minnesota Lake	\$533.00
Wells	\$1,570
Easton	\$661.20

NOTES FOR ALL PARISHES

COMUNNION SERVICE

Fr. Pratap will be gone next week for Priest Ministry Days in Okoboji, Iowa for 3 days. He will return for Mass on Friday Sept. 27th in Wells. Deacon Gene Paul will be having Communion Service in all parishes next week.

SACRED HEART HAITI, ITEMS NEEDED FOR MISSIONS

Our Winona-Rochester Diocese Council of Catholic Women (WRDCCW) is collecting items through the month of September for the Rochester Medical and Sacred Heart Haiti Missions. Covered totes will be located at each entrance of the OLMC church to receive your donations. Listings of requested items may be found with this bulletin or with the collection totes. Please note that NO POLYESTER CLOTHING is requested. All donated items will be delivered to the WRDCCW Convention in October.

ALTAR SEVER TRAINING WORKSHOP DATE CHANGE

Special Altar Server Training Workshop at St. Casimir's will be held on [Saturday, October 6](#), from 4:00 pm to 6:30 pm for students interested in becoming an altar server and those students who are currently one. This workshop will feature multiple stations where you will learn about the responsibilities and duties of an altar server, learn the added roles, and get fitted for the new server vestments. We will conclude with a delicious pizza lunch.

RAISED RIGHT GIFT CARDS

What fundraiser do you have that cost you money or you have to buy something you don't want? With RaiseRight you can buy gift cards with no extra cost just the amount you need. If you need a specific card amount we can help you with that! Laura Jewison will be happy to help you with your request. Script Cards are always available during the week at St. Casimir Rectory. If you have any questions please call the rectory 507-553-5391

LATER DATES ARE BEING CONSIDERED

The Pilgrimage to Paris and Rome is considering moving back the date 2 weeks in May, 2025 for those who are farming and are unable to join us. This is a great opportunity to explore the rich Catholic tradition of these places and experience the miracles of our faith. Please sign up as soon as possible. Sign-up forms are in the brochures at your Church.

WELLS FIREFIGHTER PANCAKE BREAKFAST

Sunday, October 13th, 2024. 7:30 am to 12:00 pm, Wells Fire Hall. Pancakes, eggs, sausage, juice and coffee. Adults \$10.00, children 12 & Under \$5.00. All proceeds go to Training and Equipment.

PILLOW CLEANING

Wednesday, September 24 from 7:00 am to noon. Drop off September 24 from 6pm to 8pm, Minnesota Lake American Legion Auxiliary, Legion Hall in Minnesota Lake.

FALL FESTIVAL

Sunday, October 6, 2024. Heritage Park, Mapleton. 10:30 am—3:00 pm. Pancake Feed (9:00 am to 12:00 pm), Ecumenical Worship (10:30 am), Musical Entertainment: Nate Boots (11:30 am), Musical Entertainment: Generation Gap (1:30 pm). Learn to play Pickle Ball (noon –3pm) hay ride, pumpkin ring toss, town ball, petting zoo, classic car/truck roll in, Hot Wheels racing, vendor show, bounce house, basketball hot shot, food vendors, and so much more.

ST. CASIMIR'S CHOIR

Starting rehearsals again for the 2024-2025 year. Our first practice will be on Wednesday, September 25th at 7:15 pm. We are welcoming new singers, high school age and older, to join us for another wonderful year.

TRIPARISH FAITH FORMATION

Welcome to our 2024-2025 Faith Formation Year!

Our Lady of Mount Carmel

The Faith Formation Families of Easton will be hosting a brunch after 10 am Mass on September 22nd. Come and enjoy tasty food along with being together.

Our Lady of Mount Carmel Catechists

Chris Schultz
Amber Stevermer
Chelsea Sonnek
Lindsay Linder

ST. CASIMIR

Classes began for St. Casimir Faith Formation on Wednesday, September 18.

We warmly welcome all our students, catechists, assistants, substitutes and our hospitality/prayer team as together we share with one another the beauty of Christ's love for us and His Church. We extend sincere gratitude to the parents of our students; for their commitment and support as together, we hand on the precious gift of our Catholic faith to the next generation. We are equally grateful to our parishioners for their faithful witness and continued support.

St. Casimir Catechists

1 st Grade	Monica Miller
2 nd Grade	Linda Enser
3 rd Grade	Heather Obermeyer
4/5 th Grade	Arnie Stenzel
6 th Grade	Kayla Huper
7 th Grade	Stephanie Kayser
8 th Grade	Amanda Sonnek
9 th Grade	Jamie Yokiel & Andrew Bach
10 th Grade	Scott Bute & Dianne Rauenhorst

Assistants, Hospitality/Prayer

Dorothy Wach
Mary Merrit
Jessica Yokiel
Joann Schroeder
Whitney Varnis
Laura Foley

If you or someone you know did not receive registration information, you are still welcome to attend! We meet at 6:30 pm in the church for a time of prayer. We then proceed to the school where classes will be held until 7:45 p.m.

If you did not receive an orientation packet you may pick yours up at class this Wednesday.

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST

Many of the St. John the Baptist Faith Formation students attend Faith Formation in Mapleton at St. Teresa. St. Teresa's Quad-Parish in Mapleton is looking for individuals who are willing to lead/co-lead middle/high school small groups. We have a GREAT NEED for men, but there are still some openings for women co-leaders as well! "Go therefore and make disciples of all nations. "-Matthew 28:19 Is God calling you to make disciples right here with our youth? God Bless. Becca Kuehn, Faith Formation Coordinator, St. Josephs (GT +W) St. Matthew, St. Teresa. Office: 507-524-4606.

BREAKING OPEN THE WORD IS BACK!

Children will once again be dismissed for Breaking Open the Word at Sunday Mass at St. Casimir's Church. Fr. Pratap will dismiss the children before the Readings. They will hear the Readings from The Children's Lectionary. Song and drama will be used to teach the children the message of God's Word for each Sunday. They will return to the Prayers of the Faithful in order to be present with their families for Liturgy of the Eucharist. Any questions? Call Lea Nowak 507-391-0093.



ST. CASIMIR'S SCHOOL

Many Hands (or feet!) Make Light Work

Working towards a goal is oftentimes more satisfying when it is a group effort. With this thought in mind, the students, faculty and friends of St. Casimir's Catholic School (SCCS) have once again been invited by our local Holy Family Council Knights of Columbus to join together to raise funds during the Knights of Columbus Marathon for Non-public Education. While our Marathon Kick Off was held this week, the actual walking/running of the Marathon will be held during the school day on Friday, October 5th.

The Holy Family Council first offered this fundraising opportunity to our school members in 1980 during which \$1,635.66 was raised and donated to the school. Ever since that first Marathon 44 years ago, SCCS has participated to raise funds to help provide the "extras" that make our school experience well-rounded for our students. These "extras" include funding for field trips, prizes for Marathon participation, special holiday events such as enjoying a movie at The Flame Theater as a Christmas treat, computer software, coding programs, individual classroom needs,...the list goes on! How much has been raised over the past 43 years through the efforts of our Knights, students and the generosity of our communities? Over \$400,000.00—such a tremendous gift to our school! (Photo from 2023 Knights of Columbus Marathon)



As mentioned, the kick off for the Marathon was held this week, and you may have already been approached by a SCCS student or two soliciting your support in this all-school event. In doing so, it is hoped you are able to be generous. If you are not able to do so, please keep this event and our students in your prayers for continued success in this very worthwhile event. Thank you to our local Knights for once again making this a possibility for our school and to our communities for your continue support—prayerful and financial!

Teresa Chirpich,
SCCS Office Manager

Hello from Our Youngest Saints!

Greetings from our St. Casimir's Catholic School Preschool Program! While our tiniest Preschool Saints may not yet share classrooms with our K-6th graders, they're very much a part of our school family. Each day begins with either morning prayers or Mass, and our little ones are already mastering the basics of their faith journey. They're learning to make the sign of the cross, bless themselves as they enter the church, and practice being still during Mass. Their progress is truly inspiring!

After our spiritual start, it's time for some hands-on fun in the preschool room. This past week, our focus has been the letter "A," and we've been busy with activities that might seem simple but are essential for developing the skills they'll need for future handwriting. From tearing paper and writing their names in sand, to cutting with scissors, and molding Play-Doh, every activity is designed to enhance their fine motor skills.



Today's highlight was sorting skills and constructing towering block structures that reached towards the sky! Watching their excitement and determination as they built higher and higher was a joy to behold.

Our preschool Saints are doing an incredible job, and we look forward to sharing more of their adventures and achievements with you. Thank you for your

continued support and prayers for our youngest members as they grow in faith and learning!
Jinger Woodring, Classroom Teacher