

Tri-Parish Catholic Faith Community

Our Lady of Mount Carmel † St. Casimir † St. John the Baptist

Key: OLMC= Our Lady of Mount Carmel STC= St. Casimir STJB= St. John the Baptist PVCC= Parkview Care Center, Wells

The Fifth Sunday of Lent Sunday, March 29, 2020

All events of the Tri-Parish have been cancelled or postponed.

Masses at Parkview Care Center have been suspended.

Sunday & weekday Masses are suspended through Friday, May 15, 2020.

Church and School offices will be staffed from home for the next two weeks.

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(Tri-Parish Catholic Faith Community of OLMC, STC & STJB)

Sacramental Emergencies

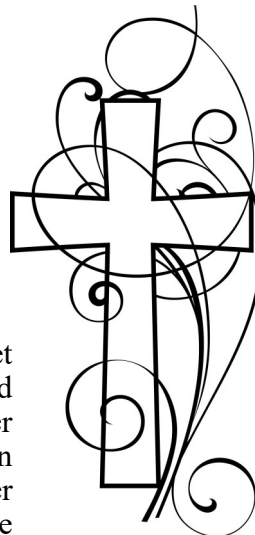
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Our Lady of Mount Carmel

27 Main Street, Easton, MN 56025
Phone: 507-787-2303 Fax: 507-553-5391
Email.....olmc@bevcomm.net
Office Hours..... varied
Administrative Assistant..... Sue Cory
Cemetery..... Don Linder
Custodial.....Annette Schuster
Faith Formation..... Chris Schultz
Music..... Mary Kayser

St. Casimir

320 2nd Ave SW, Wells, MN 56097
Phone: 507-553-5391 Fax: 507-553-5391
Email..... scasimir@bevcomm.net
Office Hours..... varied
Administrative Assistant.....Julie Bruegger
Bookkeeper.....Kay Herman
Cemetery..... Tom Schindler
Faith Formation.....Lisa Bute
Liturgical Music Coordinator ..Connie Stenzel
Maintenance..... Bruce Roberts



St. John the Baptist

Church: 100 Park St N
Mailing: PO Box 158, Minnesota Lake, MN
Phone: 507-462-3636 Fax: 507-553-5391
Email.....stjb@bevcomm.net
Office Hours..... varied
Administrative Assistant... Rhonda Drager
Cemetery..... Bob Drager
Maintenance..... Quentin Staloch

St. Casimir's School

330 2nd Ave SW, Wells, MN 56097
Phone: 507-553-5822 Fax: 507-553-5391
Email..... casimir@bevcomm.net
Office Hours..... varied
Bookkeeper..... Ashley Seedorf
Custodians..... Gene & Pat Hassing
Maintenance..... Bruce Roberts
Principal.....
Secretary.....Ashley Dawson
..... Sarah Oldham
Website.....stcasimirsschool.net

Prayer Requests of the Tri-Parish

Let us always remember the sick and all those in need of prayer, especially: Marti Paul, Brady Berberich, John Walser, Sr. Carmen Sonnek, Sharon Hodge, Alice Schimek, Gerry Ziegler, Faron Bremseth, Doug Johnson, Norma Goodrich, Allan Latourelle, Zach Fendrich, Denny Swehla, Rick Herman, Lynn Ascheman, Doug Ascheman, Triston Father, Mike Redig, Helen Tatarek, Louise Giese, Mark Haler, Rita Braun, Katie Woitas ***and for all our service men & women of the armed forces. Please notify the office of family members currently in active duty to include in our prayers.***

All requests will be removed after four weeks. Please notify the Tri-Parish office by emailing scasimir@bevcomm.net or calling 553-5391 if you would like to continue prayers.

We want everyone to receive the powerful blessings that prayer can provide—even those who don't want to share publicly. 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- Margaret Stevermer at 787-2525 or Janet Schimek 854-3638, STJB- Rhonda Drager at 462-3627 or STJB Parish Office at 462-3636, STC- Lois Stenzel at 553-5423.

Mass Schedule & Intentions

All Masses will be offered privately by Fr. Havel

Monday, March 30	No Mass	
Tuesday, March 31	STC	† Dick Stenzel
Wednesday, April 1	OLMC	† Lyle Stevermer
Thursday, April 2	STJB	† Jean Evan
Friday, April 3	STC	† Alex Staloch & † Marjean Simpson
Saturday, April 4	STJB	† Frank Wingen
Sunday, April 5	STC	Pro Populo
Sunday, April 5	OLMC	† Jerry Paul & † Karel Paul

Holy Week Schedule

To be in compliance with the order of Mass suspension from Bishop Quinn, we will not be having Holy Week or Easter Masses. The letter written March 18, and many other resources of information, may be found at:

<https://www.dowr.org/statements/index.html>

Faith Resources

Faith Formation resources are plentiful online and on television right now. Praise God! We will feature some each week beginning with:

My Catholic Life—www.mycatholic.life

Formed.org—www.formed.org

To sign up for Formed, click “sign-up” on the upper right side, go through the steps (you can enter 56097 when it asks for your organization), enter your name and email and follow the directions from there. If you need help please let us know! There are TONS of great things available on this site alone!

Sacraments of the Church

Baptism: Expectant parents who wish to present their child for Baptism must participate in Baptism Preparation Class. Contact the Tri-Parish office at 507-553-5391.

Marriage: All Catholics need to meet with a Priest at least six months before being married (even if the wedding is in a non-Catholic church). Contact the Tri-Parish office at least one year before your scheduled wedding date.

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA): If you or someone you know would like more information on becoming Catholic please contact the Tri-Parish office.

Christian Burials: Please contact Don Linder for Our Lady of Mount Carmel 787-2571; Tom Schindler for St. Casimir 553-3062; Bob Drager for St. John the Baptist 507-995-0160.

Reconciliation: On Saturdays: St. Casimir, 8:30-9:00 a.m.; Our Lady of Mt. Carmel at St. John the Baptist, 9:30-10:00 a.m.; St. John the Baptist, 4:00-4:30 p.m.

In Our Prayers

Soldiers Overseas

Troy Haugh, Zack Adams

Recently Departed

Delores Redman

Catholic Ministry Appeal

OLMC

Goal.....\$10,000.00
 Given/pledged\$4,660.00
Needed to reach goal\$5,340.00
 # of donors20
 % of goal reached..... 39.1%

STC

Goal.....\$25,000.00
 Given/pledged\$7,650.00
Needed to reach goal ...\$17,350.00
 # of donors28
 % of goal reached..... 26.1%

STJB

Goal.....\$7,750.00
 Given/pledged\$930.00
Needed to reach goal\$6,820.00
 # of donors9
 % of goal reached..... 9.7%

DOW-R Televised Mass

Sunday Mornings

KEYC 12 or 12.1 at 7:30 a.m.

KAAL Channel 6 at 9:00 a.m.

KEYC-DT 12.2 at 9:30 a.m.

Charter Channel 19 at 9:30 a.m.

Dish 12 or 6701

Direct TV Channel 12

Cable Channel 10 or 12

HD Cable 407, 412 or 812

Tri-Parish Website and Facebook Page Information

The Tri-Parish website is the abbreviations of our Tri-Parish churches in alphabetical order: olmcstcstjb.org OR you can search in your top browser bar: triparishsouth.com and that will bring you to our website as well. Several years ago we were dubbed “Tri-Parish South” and the Tri-Parish of Good Thunder, Mapleton and Vernon Center was nicknamed “Tri-Parish North”. Not many people know that, but, it makes more sense when you know the origins of it :) Once you’re at our website you’ll find the online giving and Facebook links on the bottom right side. Click on the Resources tab and you’ll find several links to great Catholic content and free resources! We are working on adding to this page so feel free to check back each week!

Our Facebook page is the same option for searching: Tri-Parish Catholic Faith Community of OLMC, STC & STJB (which we know is super long) but you can also search “tri-parish south” and it will connect you to our page. Please click “Like” and “Follow” to receive our information in your newsfeed!

Financial Support Option



Do you want to continue your church support but don’t know how to do this when there are no Masses and the office is closed? Our Sunday Visitor (OSV) Online Giving is the online giving site that enables parishioners to easily continue to support our churches. This also is a great option to continue with your church support while on vacation or other events that prevent you from giving

with an envelope. OSV accepts credit card contributions either as a recurring donation or as a single time donation. You decide the frequency of your contribution-every week, once or twice a month, whatever is convenient for you.

Go to our website, click the OSV Online Giving Icon located on the bottom right of the home page, select which parish you’d like to donate to and follow the steps to create a new account. There is a pdf file on the website under the “Resources” tab which shows step by step how to create your account. If you have any questions or problems, please call the parish office.

Dear Parishioners,

The words of Jesus, “Peace be with you” are truly at the heart of our lives in this time of change. Trust in the Lord and God’s love for his people. May the peace of Christ be always with you.

Everyday changes seem to come from our government leaders. It is sometimes difficult to understand and follow. This morning, Thursday, March 26, I received an email from the diocese giving instructions for our churches in response to Governor Walz’s announcement on stronger state measures regarding COVID-19. Some listed items are:

- 1.) All offices should be closed. Our parish offices will be closed beginning Friday, March 27, and for the next two weeks;
- 2.) The church doors will be open for private prayer;
- 3.) More information will be coming to me regarding the Sacrament of Reconciliation. The Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick will continue;
- 4.) The Bishop continues to watch this situation and, when we are able, Masses will resume. Until that time please pray each day and pray along with the televised Masses.

Regarding staff at our parishes and school:

- ◆ I have asked our staff at the parishes to do their work from home for the next two weeks. Teachers at the school will be doing distance teaching for their classes as long as needed.
- ◆ I am waiting for instructions from the diocese on all employees regarding the Federal Fund Benefits but it is not yet known if our churches and school are eligible for assistance.
- ◆ I assure you I will try to do my best to treat our employees in a Christian manner but I also need to be aware of the parish funds. Bills continue to come in and payrolls need to be met. I ask you to do what you are able to continue to support our parishes. The only monies we have to use in the church are from your church support and without Masses there is no collection. If you are able, I would ask you to send any support you are able to give to St. Casimir’s Church, 320 2nd Ave SW, Wells, MN 56097, and I will forward it to the proper parish.

Please pray for one another and for Fr. Havel each day. Know that you are in my prayers and remembered each day during the celebration of the Eucharist. Trust in God and the love of the Lord and keep the peace of Christ always in your hearts. May God bless you and keep you safe in these changing times.

~Fr. Greg

Confessions

Confessions will be Saturday mornings in the church sacristies with safe distancing practices in place.

Wells 8:30—9:00 a.m.

MN Lake 9:30—10:00 a.m.

Begin with prayer in the church. Father will come out of the sacristy so you know when he is available. The door will be closed for privacy. Please keep a safe distance between yourselves while you’re praying.

 *Lord, Be Near*

Spiritual Communion

When we’re prevented from receiving Holy Communion at Mass, the Church encourages us to make an act of “spiritual communion,” where we unite ourselves to God through prayer. It is a beautiful way to express to God our desire to be united with him.

Spiritual Communion Prayer

My Jesus,

I believe that You

are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.

I love You above all things,

and I desire to receive You into my soul.

Since I cannot at this moment

receive You sacramentally,

come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if

You were already there and unite myself wholly to You.

Never permit me to be separated from You.

Amen.