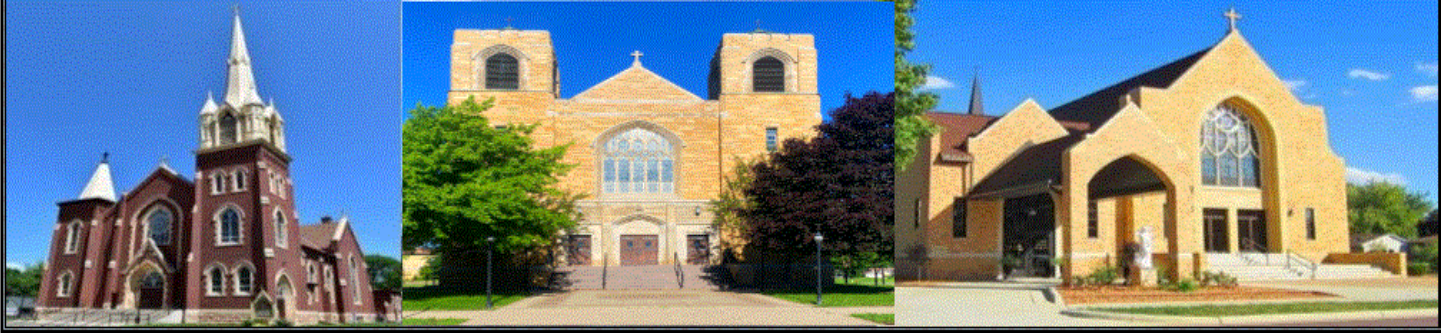


# March 29, 2026 | Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord



**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



*Prayer*  
*Fasting*  
*Almsgiving*

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## Mass Schedule and Intentions: April 1-5, 2026

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| <u>1</u> | STC Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament | Wednesday—9:00 pm to Thursday—9:00 am |
| <u>2</u> | Holy Thursday<br>Thurs. 7:00 pm        | + Lois Stenzel                        |
| <u>3</u> | Good Friday<br>Fri. 3:00 pm            |                                       |
| <u>3</u> | Fri. 6:00 pm                           |                                       |
| <u>4</u> | Easter Vigil<br>Sat. 8:00 pm           | + Pro Populo                          |
| <u>5</u> | Easter Sunday<br>Sun. 8:00 am          | + Pro Populo                          |
| <u>5</u> | Sun. 10:00 am                          | + Pro Populo                          |

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.

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:

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
Chuck Evan	Charlie Kalis	Mary Stevermer	Betty Ziegler	Tom Warmka
Rosemary Larson	Koltun Kunz	Tiffany Sonnek	Steven Nowak	Rick Girard
Ann Ehrich	Ken Tibodeau	Darrin Hueper	Scott Bull	Gregory Woitas
Grace Drager	Colton Smith	Katie Ascheman	Dale Stevermer	Frank Diaz
John Paul Herman	Tyler Doyle	Norbert Yokiell	MaryAnn Woitas	Donnie Becker
Bill Neubauer	Jane Swehla	Carol Gregor	Jennifer Pinkelman	
Sharon Obermeyer	Cathy Pluym	Mark Woitas		

# PRAYER & WORSHIP

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This weekend is Palm Sunday or otherwise known as “Passion Sunday”.

The only liturgy of the year where we hear two different Gospel stories, stories that relay two completely different reactions to the coming of Jesus into Jerusalem.

In the first Gospel reading, Jesus is greeted as a hero, honored with palm branches as if He were a King. The second has Jesus greeted as a criminal, with hatred and people despising Him, calling for His death. What is most interesting is that these two completely different reactions to the presence of Jesus came from the same group of people. How could the people’s opinion of Jesus change so rapidly?

Having the chance to walk in the very steps that Jesus walked to enter the city of Jerusalem, helped me appreciate the chaotic religiosity surrounding the city that would have created a volatile atmosphere for Jesus. Even today people are trying to sell religious goods and provide all kinds of services to make a little money. Jesus’ popularity would have attracted many people for many different reasons.

It is easy to jump on the Jesus bandwagon when things are going good and blame Him when things are hard. Unlike the crowd, His mother Mary never blamed God for the suffering of her son. Instead she suffered along with Him with the hope that God would come to His aid.

We are never alone in our suffering. Jesus walks with us in the challenges and disappointments of life. After Palm Sunday we begin Holy Week where we journey to Calvary along with Christ and await His resurrection at Easter time. Our journey will conclude with the celebration of the Triduum, which consists in the three liturgies of Holy Thursday, Good Friday and the Easter Vigil. Let us all, who are able to celebrate the Triduum, be ready and willing to fall more deeply in love with Christ our Savior.

*Love of Christ*

**Father Kurt Farrell**

## 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 the parish office 507-553-5391, 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

# HOLY WEEK APRIL 2-5, 2026

**Minnesota Lake**  
 Good Friday 3:00 pm  
 Easter Sunday 8:00 am

**Wells-**  
 Holy Thursday  
 7:00 pm

**Easton--**  
 Good Friday  
 6:00 pm

**Wells-**  
 Holy Saturday  
 8:00 pm

**Easton--**  
 Easter Sunday  
 10:00 am

**SERVERS**

Colton Mullery  
 Abby Chirpich  
 Gavin Chirpich

Claire Schimek  
 Sophia Schimek  
 Josette Schimek

Juliana Dulas  
 Grayson Dulas  
 Tilia Goette

Ava Petersen  
 Gabriel Petersen  
 Mckenna Stelpflug

**SACRISTAN**

Brian Bias

Dianne Rauenhorst

Tom Schindler

Dianne Rauenhorst

**LECTOR**

Tim Klein  
 Tom Schindler

Dan Haugh N  
 Dianne Rauenhorst V

Blaine Bias  
 Tom Schindler  
 Kristen Dulas

Julie Stevermer

**ORGANIST**

Connie Stenzel

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**EXTRAORDINARY  
 Ministers of  
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Jolene Bute  
 Bev Klein  
 Jackie Mullery

Dean Warmka  
 Jon Rath C

Ike Dulas  
 Jerry Dulas  
 Mark Nowak

Don Linder  
 Nancy Linder  
 Teresa Schimek  
 Ryan Strom C

**USHERS**

Kyle and Wendy  
 Chirpich  
 Matt Zebro  
 Mark Ignaszewski

Troy Petersen  
 Tyler Sonnek  
 Dean Schimek

Nathan & Hannah  
 Goette  
 Jon Feist  
 Randy Feist

Bernie Schultz  
 Dean Warmka  
 Dale Yokiell

**ROSARY**

Scott Bute

Maury Schimek

Larry Brand

Sue Rath

**MONEY  
 COUNTERS**

Joyce Ehrich  
 Joanne Haugh

**N-Narrator**  
**V-Voice**  
**C-Choir**

**Next week's readings:**

**Holy Thursday**

First Reading— Exodus 12:1-8, 11-14  
 Second Reading — 1 Corinthians 11:23-26  
 Gospel Acclamation — John 13:1-15

**Friday Of the Passion of the Lord Good Friday**

First Reading —Isaiah 52:13-53:12  
 Second Reading—Hebrews 4:14-16; 5:7-9

**Holy Saturday-Easter Vigil**

First Reading, Third Reading, Fifth Reading,  
 and Epistle

**Easter Sunday**

First Reading —Acts of the Apostles 10:34a, 37-43  
 Second Reading—Colossians 3:1-4  
 Gospel-John 20:1-9

**FAITH COMMUNITY GENEROUS GIVING**

	Weekly	Year to Date	Annual Budget
<b>Minnesota Lake</b>	\$923.00	\$66,198.98	\$109,876.00
<b>Wells</b>	\$10,645.91	\$234,207.16	\$350,598.00
<b>Easton</b>	\$ 3,093.00	\$111, 302.89	\$137,700.00

**IN OUR PRAYERS:**

**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

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**Mark your calendars, April 12, 2026**

Tri-Parish First Communion Weekend the Second Sunday of Easter, (Divine Mercy Sunday).

## **OLMC MCCW Church Cleaning:**

Many thanks goes out to everyone who helped with church cleaning at OLMC last week! The pride of our parish show through in everyone who helped to keep our Church clean. Everything just sparkles for our Easter celebration! God bless one and all for your hard work!

## **EASTON FIREMEN'S BREAKFAST**

This **Sunday, March 29**, 8:00 am– 1:00 pm. Easton Fire Hall. Omelets made to order! Plus ...Hashbrowns, sausages, pancakes, French toast. Take out available! Adults: \$12 –Pre-school & Under- Free. Hosted by the Easton Fire Relief Association.

## **EASTER EGG HUNT**

Saturday, April 4th at 11:00 am. Old Mill Park. Hosted by the Minnesota Lake Historical Society.

## **MESSAGE FROM Fr. Will Thompson**

Recently, Bishop Barron made the decision to place Fr. Pratap on administrative leave. Over the past several weeks, the Diocese has had increased questions and growing concerns regarding his handling of the special collections for the Franciscan Missions. Further research on the part of the Diocese may take a few weeks, and so Fr. Kurt Farrel, pastor of St. Theodore's in Albert Lea, will serve as the parochial administrator and assist the staff during this time. Thankfully, Fr. Pratap's absence has nothing to do with any concerns about parish funds or safe environment. Please pray for Fr. Pratap during his absence.

**The Very Reverend William D. Thompson, JCL**

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## **Holy Week Schedule**

**Monday of Holy Week, March 30, 2026**-Chrism Mass, is at 2 pm St. Peters and Paul, Mankato

**Holy Thursday, April 2, 2026**- Tri-Parish evening Mass of the Lord's Supper & Adoration at Wells at 7:00 pm , followed by adoration until 10:00 pm.

**Good Friday, April 3, 2026**- The Passion of the Lord-schedules  
Minnesota Lake 3:00 pm  
Easton 6:00 pm

**Holy Saturday, April 4, 2026**-Easter Vigil at 8:00 pm in Wells

**Easter Sunday, April 5, 2026**-The Resurrection of the Lord;  
Minnesota Lake at 8:00 am  
Easton at 10:00 am