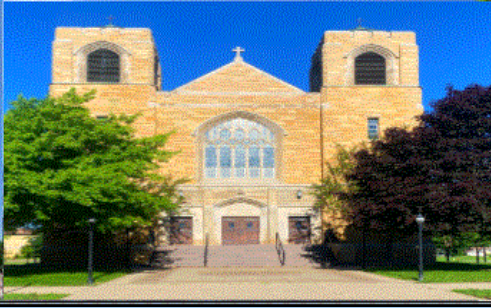


October 6, 2024 | 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time



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

Fr. Peter Klein will be covering October 5-6, and October 12-13

No Communion Service Next Week, October 7-11, 2024

Mass Schedule and Intentions October 12-13, 2024

- 12 Sat. 5:00 pm Minnesota Lake + Sister Barbara Haag and
+ Sister Helen Haag
- 13 Sun. 8:00 am Wells + Living and Deceased Rosary
Society Members
- 13 Sun. 10:00 am Easton + Butch Becker

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:

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| 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 | • Don Yokiell | • Jerome Leesch |
| • Sheila Runquist | • Koltun Kunz | • Jan Stenzel |
| • Dennis Thisius | • Ken Tibodeau | • Dale and Marg Sonnek |
| • Teresa Berry | • Colton Smith | • Tyler Doyle |
| • Chuck Evan | • Dawn Russ-Cory | • Marvel Nowak |
| | • Pam Klocek | |

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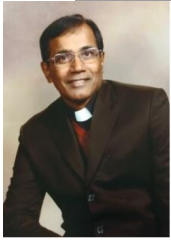
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PRAYER & WORSHIP



27th Ordinary Sunday Bulletin Message, October 6, 2024-B Cycle

Readings: Genesis 2:18-24; Hebrews 2:9-11; Mark 10:2-16

2. The Eucharist (Mass) as the Real Presence of Jesus: The Church teaches that although Christ is present to His people in many ways – the poor, in His Word, in the Sacraments, and in the prayer of two or more gathered in his name, He is uniquely present in the Eucharist. For in the Eucharist the body and blood, soul and divinity of Jesus Christ is substantially contained.

Through the Eucharist, “Christ, God & Man, makes Himself wholly and entirely present”. At the Last Supper, Jesus took bread & wine and said, “This is my body.... This is the cup of my blood...” Unlike other Christian communities that view the Eucharist merely as a sacred symbol or “reminder” of Jesus, the Catholic Church affirms that when the priest at Mass recites these words of Jesus at the moment of consecration, the bread and wine on the altar are changed into Christ’s body and blood. The theological term used to describe this change is “**Transubstantiation**”.

This change, however, is not a chemical one. All the outward sensible appearances of bread and wine remain. The host still looks like bread, tastes like bread, and feels like bread. And the chalice contains what to all the senses appears to be ordinary wine. The chemical structures of bread and wine remain the same. But underneath these appearances, Jesus’ body and blood is really present in the Eucharist. When Jesus gave his most extensive teaching about the Eucharist, he said we must really eat his flesh and drink his blood. So important was the partaking of his actual body and blood in the Eucharist that he taught, “Truly, truly I say to you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of man and drink his blood you have no life in you; he who eats my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life, and I will raise him up at the last day. For my flesh is food indeed, and my blood is drink indeed. He who eats my flesh and drinks my blood abides in me, and I in him” – John 6:53-56.

One of the biblical titles for Jesus is “Emmanuel”, which means “God with us” – Mt 1:23. Jesus is the divine Son of God who became flesh and dwelt among us. And he so desired to remain close to us that he gave us the gift of his sacramental presence in the Eucharist. This is why in every Catholic Church the Eucharist is to be reserved in a sacred space called a Tabernacle. We should reverence the presence of Christ in the Eucharist by genuflecting or making some other holy gestures as an expression adoring our Lord in the Tabernacle.

There in the Blessed Sacrament, we encounter the same Jesus who walked the streets of Palestine, healed the sick, called people to conversion, and offered them forgiveness of sins. And this Jesus continues his work of healing, forgiving, and redeeming the world; only now he comes to meet us sacramentally in the Eucharist.

~Fr. Pratap

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

Liturgical Roles -Sunday Oct. 13, 2024

Minnesota Lake Saturday 5:00 pm	WELLS Sunday 8:00 am	EASTON Sunday 10:00 am
SERVERS	Brynley Yokiel Saydie Yokiel Luther Woodring	Maykayla Ankeny Ellie Rath
SACRISTAN	Arnie Stenzel	Jane Paul
LECTOR	Tim Klein	Teresa Schimek
ORGANIST	Connie Stenzel	Mary Kayser
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS	Bev Klein Arnie Stenzel Ike Dulas Jerry Dulas	Jeff Rath Doug Ascheman Yvonne Cory
USHERS	Mark Ignazewski Mark Herman Kerry Haugh Orland Yokiel	Todd Sonnek Tyler Sonnek Logan Strom
ROSARY	Tim Klein	Dawn Doyle
SHEPHERD'S INN	Joanne Tibodeau	
MONEY COUNTERS	3	Doug Ascheman Rachel Petersen

CHURCH SUPPORT

	Minnesota Lake	Wells	Easton
Needed	\$ 2,173	\$ 6,654	\$ 2,529
Given	\$ 17,879.01	\$ 49,180.51	\$ 29,505.95
Budget	\$ 28,249.00	\$ 86,552	\$ 32,877.00

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

Adoration



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

Eucharistic Adoration for the Tri-parish will resume weekly at St. Casimir, Wednesday at 9:00 pm through Thursday 10:00 pm. You are invited to sign up for a weekly hour or just come for a while and pray anytime. All are invited. For more information, please call the Tri-parish office at 507-553-5391

This week's readings:

Genesis 2:18-24; Hebrews 2:9-11;

Mark 10:2-16

Next week's readings:

Wisdom 7:7-11; Hebrews 4:12-13;

Mark 10:17-30

In our Prayers:

Soldiers Overseas:

Bernard D. Steinhauer

Recently Departed:

John Volz

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,

Franciscan Mission

	\$ Received
Minnesota Lake	\$533.00
Wells	\$1,695
Easton	\$761.20

NOTES FOR ALL PARISHES

ROSARY COAST TO COAST

Heavenly Father, Make America Holy Again, as we unite at the foot of the cross. Let us gather together in prayer on Sunday, October 6th at 3:00 pm on the front steps of St. Casimir Church in Wells. We pray the Glorious Mysteries for the intentions that include; respect of life, at all stages of development, especially the unborn; the Sanctity of Marriage and Families based upon God's creation of man and women; upholding constitutionally protected religious freedom; and the return of our nation to God and holiness.

FALL FESTIVAL

Mapleton's Fall Festival will be held Sunday, October 6, 2024. Heritage Park, Mapleton, from 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; 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.

ALTAR SERVER TRAINING WORKSHOP DATE CHANGE

Special Altar Server Training Workshop at St. Casimir's will be held on [Sunday, October 6](#), from 4:00 pm to 6:30 pm for students interested in becoming an altar server and those students who are currently severing. 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.

CCW CONVENTION

All ladies are invited to the Rochester-Winona Council of Catholic Women Convention on October 12th, 8:00 am at Resurrection Church in Rochester. Walk-ins are welcome! —Mary Schweiss, Secretary for the Diocesan CCW.

WELLS FIREFIGHTER PANCAKE BREAKFAST

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

BABY BOTTLE CAMPAIGN PROVIDES HELP AND CREATES HOPE

Help Catholic Charities provide assistance to new and expected parents through the Mother and Child Assistance Fund by taking a baby bottle home on Respect Life Sunday, October 6th, and filling it with your spare change during the month of October. Donations go directly to assisting women across Southern Minnesota who are choosing life for their babies. Catholic Charities provides more than 200 women assistance each year. Every gift makes a difference! Unable to pick up a bottle? Please mail your donation directly to Catholic Charities Baby Bottle Campaign, PO Box 379, Winona, MN 55987. or give online at www.ccsomn.org/donate and designate your donation to the Baby Bottle Campaign in the note section.



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ST. CASIMIR'S SCHOOL

Hello from the Fourth through Sixth Grade Classroom at St. Casimir's Catholic School! My name is Julia Gray, a First-year Teacher at SCCS, and I feel blessed to have this opportunity to help grow the minds and hearts of the students at this school. I quickly learned that these children have gentle hearts, a wonderful work ethic, sharp minds, families that they hold dear and of whom they speak highly, and, above all, a deep love for Christ.

In Math, the fourth and fifth graders recently finished their first unit which taught them about place value and how to write larger numbers. So, when our next fourth grader turns 10, they will be able to accurately write out that they are three thousand, six hundred fifty days old. The sixth graders are hard at work learning all about ratios and learned that part-to-part ratios including the number of sixth-grade boys to fifth and sixth-grade girls is 2:7. They also learned how part-to-whole ratios including the number of fourth-graders to total students in class is 4:13. These students are so intelligent and are excelling in their Math lessons!

The fourth graders gained a better understanding of Narrative Nonfiction by reading excerpts from Buzz Aldrin's autobiography during Language Arts class. They also learned how a biography differs from an autobiography by reading *Rare Treasures*, the story of a pioneering paleontologist named Mary Anning. Our fifth-grade student has been discovering Informational Text and has read various stories of the Immigration Process as well as explorers of Antarctica. We spend a lot of our read-aloud time saying, "That's interesting!" Obviously, the Informational Texts must be doing their job well! The sixth graders are coming to the end of their first unit which focuses on the unique joys and challenges of childhood and growing up. As a class, we are reading the novel *Fish in a Tree* in which our main protagonist in the story struggles with undiagnosed dyslexia. The title of the book is taken from a famous Albert Einstein quote: "Everybody is a genius. But if you judge a fish by its ability to climb a tree, it will live its whole life believing that it is stupid." When I hear a student or a child claim they are that dreaded "s" word in the quote, my heart breaks for them. While we may not all be literal geniuses, every one of my students is capable of extraordinary things. My hope for my students is that they will nurture or learn to foster growth mindsets and embrace the ways in which God has gifted them.

The focus in Social Studies this year is the history of Minnesota. We had fun virtually exploring the ancient petroglyphs of Jeffers, Minnesota; and learned about the lives and habits of the early Dakota people.

The fourth and fifth graders have been learning about classification in Life Sciences, while the sixth graders have been learning about the differences in physical versus chemical changes. Every Wednesday, they receive STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Mathematics) time with classroom assistant, Heather Woodring, where hands-on learning helps immensely in understanding Science concepts. One of their recent lessons had the students reenacting how birds eat using tools representing different bird beaks, and it looked like a blast! Thank you for all that you do, Mrs. Woodring!

All of the students are learning about the Elements of Art. So far, students have created quality projects focused on lines, shapes, and values. The students are so talented, and I can't wait to see where our next project takes us! I am having a wonderful time getting to know these lovely souls. They make me happy every day, and I am so thrilled to be part of the St. Casimir's Catholic School community.

God bless, and go Saints!

Julia Gray, Classroom Teacher

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

RESPECT LIFE MONTH STATEMENT

October 2024

Most Reverend Michael F. Burbidge
Chairman, USCCB Committee on Pro-Life Activities



We are living in an exciting time of revival. Our National Eucharistic Congress, and the Eucharistic processions that led to it, involved hundreds of thousands of Catholics who will never be the same. The revival continues, and is so needed, especially in our efforts to defend human life.

Jesus, truly present in the Eucharist, gives us the fullness of life. He calls each of us to respect that gift of life in every human person. While we live in a society that often rejects those who are weak, fragile, or vulnerable, they are the most in need of our care and protection. Pope Francis reminds us that “Every child who, rather than being born, is condemned unjustly to being aborted, bears the face of Jesus Christ, bears the face of the Lord, who even before he was born, and then just after birth, experienced the world’s rejection.”¹

The law and millions of our brothers and sisters have yet to recognize this reality. We thankfully no longer live under the regime of *Roe v. Wade*, and our elected officials are now empowered to reduce or end abortion. But what we now see is that fifty years of virtually unlimited abortion has tragically created a national mindset where many Americans have become comfortable with some amount of abortion. This allows the abortion industry to continue to provide any amount of abortion. Given this challenge, the U.S. bishops have affirmed that, while it is important to address all the ways in which human life is threatened, “Abortion remains our pre-eminent priority as it directly attacks our most vulnerable brothers and sisters, destroying more than a million lives each year in our country alone.”²

In a tragic way, abortion has become the preeminent priority for others as well. We see many politicians celebrating the destruction of preborn children, and protecting access to abortion, even up until the moment of birth. Few leaders are standing up to limit the harm of chemical abortion (abortion pills) to mothers and children, which is now the most common form of abortion. And heading into the November elections, as many as ten states face gravely evil ballot initiatives that would enshrine abortion in their state constitutions. Pope St. John Paul II’s words resonate today: “We are facing an enormous and dramatic clash between good and evil, death and life, the ‘culture of death’ and the ‘culture of life’ ... we are all involved and we all share in it, with the inescapable responsibility of choosing to be unconditionally pro-life.”³

And so we need a revival of prayer and action:

- We must renew our commitment to work for the legal protection of every human life, from conception to natural death, and to vote for candidates who will defend the life and dignity of the human person.
- We must call for policies that assist women and their children in need, while also continuing to help mothers in our own communities through local pregnancy help centers and our nationwide, parish-based initiative, Walking with Moms in Need.
- We must likewise continue to extend the hand of compassion to all who are suffering from participation in abortion, through the Church’s abortion healing ministries like Project Rachel Ministry.
- Most importantly, we must rededicate ourselves to fervent prayer on behalf of life.
- I invite all Catholics to join me in a concerted effort of prayer between now and our national elections, by daily praying our Respect Life Month “Prayer for Life to Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament”:
- Jesus, you came that we might have life— and have it in abundance. Together with the Father and the Holy Spirit, you form us in our mothers’ wombs and call us to love you for all eternity. As your most precious gift of human life is attacked, draw us ever closer to your Real Presence in the Eucharist. Dispel the darkness of the culture of death, for you are the light that shines in the darkness, and the darkness cannot overcome it. By the power of your Eucharistic Presence, help us to defend the life of every human person at every stage. Transform our hearts to protect and cherish all whose lives are most vulnerable. For you are God, forever and ever. Amen.
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