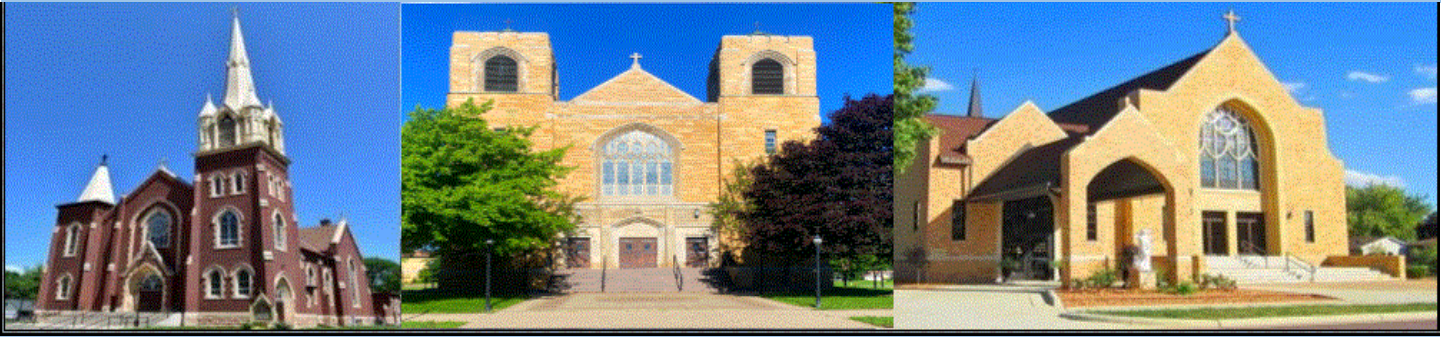


February 16, 2025 | 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time



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

Mass Schedule and Intentions February 18-23, 2025

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| <u>18</u> | Tues. | 8:30 am | Wells | +Lowell Thompson |
| <u>19</u> | Wed. | 8:30 am | Easton | +Jim Willette |
| <u>20</u> | Thurs. | 8:30 am | Minnesota Lake | +Marion Jones |
| <u>21</u> | Fri. | 8:30 am | Wells | +Deceased Wanzek Family |
| <u>22</u> | Sat. | 5:00 pm | Minnesota Lake | +Gayle Redig |
| <u>23</u> | Sun. | 8:00 am | Wells | +Lowell Schuster |
| <u>23</u> | Sun. | 10:00 am | Easton | +Tom Sonnek |

Parkview Care Center Mass, Every 3rd Friday of the month at 10:00 am
55 10th Street SE Wells, MN Everyone is welcome to attend!

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 Administrator | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Todd Schuster• Dace Smith• Triston Father• Steve Sonnek• Sue Sonnek• Sheila Runquist• Dennis Thisius• Teresa Berry• Chuck Evan• Rosemary Larson• Ann Ehrich• Sally Remington• Steve Warmka | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Mike Redig• Dave Sonnek• Jan Stenzel• Dale and Marg Sonnek• Colette Caeli Drees• Richard Stenzel• Don Leesch• Mary Stevermer• Jackie Guibert• Fr. Eugene Stenzel• Frank Diaz |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Craig Sonnek• Zach Fendrich• Charlie Kalis• Don Yokiell• Koltun Kunz• Ken Tibodeau• Colton Smith• Tyler Doyle• Jane Swehla• Brad Stenzel• Brad Stenzel• Tiffany Sonnek | |

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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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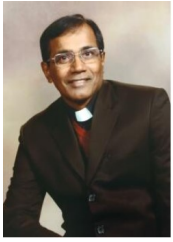
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PRAYER & WORSHIP

6th Ordinary Sunday, February 16, 2025-C Cycle

Readings: Jeremiah 17:5-8; 1 Corinthians 15:12, 16 -20; Luke 6:17, 20-26



What has been the most difficult challenge we faced in our lives? Many difficult human experiences can “turn up the heat” in our lives, causing us to question the why of things or even fall into despair.

When we encounter misfortune, grief, or tragic loss, how do you respond? *With fear or faith?* With passive resignation or with patient hope and trust in God? We know from experience that no one can escape all of the inevitable trials of life - pain, suffering, sickness, and death.

When Jesus began to teach His disciples, He gave them a "way of happiness" that transcends every difficulty and trouble that can weigh us down with grief and despair. **Jesus began His sermon on the mount** by addressing the issue of where true happiness can be found.

The word beatitude literally means happiness or blessedness. Jesus' way of happiness, however, demands a transformation from within - a conversion of heart and mind which can only come about through the gift and working of the Holy Spirit.

True happiness can only be fulfilled in God. How can one possibly find happiness in poverty, hunger, mourning, and persecution? If we want to be filled with the joy and happiness of heaven, then we must empty ourselves of all that would shut God out of our hearts.

Joy is part of our lives. No one can live without joy. God reveals to the humble of heart the true source of abundant life and happiness. Jesus promises His disciples that the joys of heaven will more than compensate for the troubles and hardships they can expect in this world.

Thomas Aquinas said: "No person can live without joy. That is why someone deprived of spiritual joy goes after carnal pleasures."

Do we know the joy and happiness of hungering and thirsting for God alone? **The beatitudes** celebrate life's ironies and tensions, holding them all together in the Kingdom of God. ~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.

LITURGICAL LIFE

Sunday, February 23, 2025

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| Minnesota Lake | WELLS | EASTON |
| Sat 5:00 pm | Sunday 8:00 am | Sunday 10:00 am |
| SERVERS | Youth Kids | Makayla Ankeny Marissa Obermeyer Kendra Obermeyer |
| SACRISTAN | Tom Schindler | Sue Rath |
| LECTOR | Youth Kids | FF Students |
| ORGANIST | Connie Stenzel | Mary Kayser |
| EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS | Mark Nowak Lea Nowak Larry Brand | Doug Ascheman Jeff Rath Yvonne Cory C |
| USHERS | Youth kids | Dan Haugh Tegan Sonnek Bernie Schultz |
| Gift Bearers | Youth kids | |
| ROSARY | Mike and Elaine Hernandez | Dianne Rauenhorst |
| Shepherd's Inn | Lea Nowak | |
| MONEY COUNTERS | 2 | Ruth Sonnek Dale Stevermer |

| FAITH COMMUNITY GENEROUS GIVING | | | |
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| | Weekly | Year to Date | Annual Budget |
| Minnesota Lake | \$939.00 | \$66,003.38 | \$110,981.00 |
| Wells | \$5,604.09 | \$192,766.21 | |
| Easton | \$2,529 | \$99,522.87 | \$131,500.00 |

IN OUR PRAYERS:

Recently departed: Ron Marsh

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.

Adoration



Confessions and Adoration; Weekend schedule for Lent season and will resume in Advent 11:00 am to Noon

1st Sat.-Easton - 11:00 am -Noon
 2nd Sat.-MN Lake-11:00 am -Noon
 3rd Sat. - Wells; 11:00 am - Noon
 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:

**Jeremiah 17:5-8; 1 Corinthians 15:12, 16 -20;
 Luke 6:17, 20-26**

Next weeks reading:

**1 Samuel 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23;
 1 Corinthians 15:45-49; Luke 6:27-38**

Lent Schedule 2025

Ash Wednesday

March 5th, 2025

8:30 am Minnesota Lake
 5:00 pm Easton
 7:00 pm Wells

Saturday, Easter Vigil

April 19, 2025
 8:00 pm Wells

Holy Thursday

April 17, 2025

7:00 pm Wells

Easter Sunday,

April 20, 2025

8:00 am Minnesota Lake
 10:00 am Easton

Passion of the Lord

Friday, April 18, 2025

3:00 pm Minnesota Lake
 5:00 pm Wells
 7:00 pm Easton

NOTES FOR ALL PARISHES

SOUP AND PIE SUPPER

The Minnesota Lake Ambulance Relief Soup and Pie Supper will be held this year on Sunday, February 16, 2025. We will be serving from 4:00 pm to 7:00 pm at St. John the Baptist Church in Minnesota Lake.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Come help, we need volunteers to help tie blankets. No sewing required. Starting on Monday at 12:30 pm the quilting group will start tying blankets at St. Casimir Church Hall.

2025 TRIVIA NIGHT

The Knights of Columbus Holy Family Council 1596 would like to express our gratitude to each and every table sponsor for our 2025 Trivia Night. Our projects within our parish and tri-parish will benefit from your donation. We are appreciative of your ongoing support and depend on the kindness of these donors. We also want to express our gratitude to everyone who came and took part in an enjoyable evening filled with games, prizes, and good times.

UPCOMING TRI-PARISH LENTEN RETREAT

Mark your calendars! A Tri-parish One-Day Lenten Retreat is being planned for Saturday, March 22nd. More details will be coming soon!

SAVE THE DATE!

Please join us for a great meal and great fun during the Annual Fish Supper and Bingo Night that will be hosted by our St. Casimir's School Home and School Association on Friday, March 7th. The fish sandwich meal will be served from 5:00–7:00 pm in our St. Casimir Church Hall. Bingo will begin at 6:00 pm and run until 8:00 pm. The meal will cost \$10 for those over two years of age and is free for all others. The game cards will cost \$2 and will earn cash prizes. All proceeds from this event will go to St. Casimir School. Feel free to spread the word of this crowd-pleasing event!

THE PILGRIMAGE TO PARIS AND ROME

Consider visiting the cities of Paris, Lourdes, Rome, and Assisi. This is an opportunity to explore the rich Catholic tradition of these places and experience the miracles of our Faith. If you are planning to take part in the tour, please sign up as soon as possible. The tour is scheduled for May 6—17, 2025. Sign up forms are in the brochures at entrances of

Rite of Election and Call to Continuing Conversion

"I have called you by name: you are Mine." ~Isaiah 43:1

Sunday, March 9 at 3:00 p.m. held at Queen of Angels, Austin

All members of the Tri-Parish are invited to celebrate with our OCIA (formerly RCIA) candidates seeking entry into the Catholic Church at the Easter Vigil by attending the Diocesan Rite of Election and Call to Continuing Conversion.

Lindsay Drager, Nathan Goette, Stephanie Kayser, Abraham Langager and, Tiffany Stenzel

The Rite of Election and Call to Continuing Conversion is a significant moment in the journey of faith for our candidates. It is also an inspiring moment for all of us as we seek daily conversion from our sins and re-commitment to our vocation to holiness. Please join us as we gather with Bishop Barron and all the catechumens and candidates from our diocese on March 9th!

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You are invited to attend the Diocesan Rite of Election and Call to Continuing Conversion on March 9th. Please pray for our Tri-Parish candidates who have been preparing to enter the Catholic Church at the Easter Vigil this year. Lindsay Drager, Nathan Goette, Stephanie Kayser, Abraham Langager, Tiffany Stenzel.

Fish Supper

With Bingo Night



St. Casimir's Church Hall

320 2nd Ave SW, Wells, MN

Friday, March 7th, 2025

Serving Meal from 5 pm to 7 pm ~ or until gone

BINGO from 6 pm to 8 pm (must be 18 to play)



*Meal Includes: Fish Sandwich
Pickle & Chips
Cold Salad
Cookie
Lemonade/Coffee*

Cost:

*2 years old and under Free
Over 2 years old: \$10*

*\$2 Bingo Game Cards
With Cash Prizes!*

*All proceeds directly support
St. Casimir's School!*



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To access the site and place an order for your fundraiser group:

Go to www.gertensfundraising.com

Enter the Store ID code provided into the text field and click 'Enter ID to Continue'.

Store ID code for St Casimir's Catholic School: 337

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FEBRUARY 17TH - 10PM ON MARCH 27TH

PLANT PICK UP WILL BE AT ST. CASIMIR'S SCHOOL GYM
AT 9 AM FOLLOWING MASS ON SUNDAY, MAY 4TH, 2025.
IF YOU ARE UNABLE TO PICK UP AT THIS TIME, PLEASE
CONTACT THE SCHOOL OFFICE @ 507-553-5822.



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