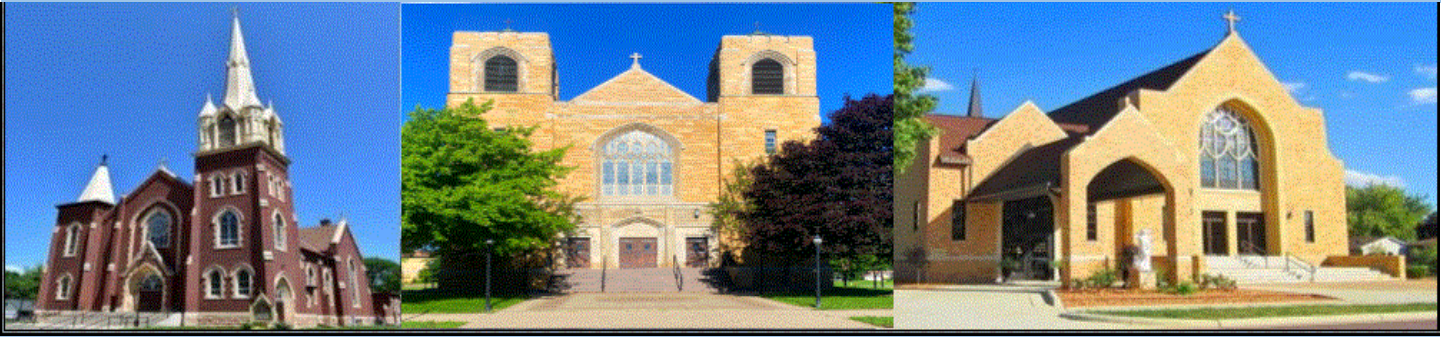


February 9, 2025 | 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time



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 11-16, 2025

<u>11</u>	Tues.	8:30 am	Wells	+Cleone Meyer
<u>12</u>	Wed.	8:30 am	Easton	+Ron Paul
<u>13</u>	Thurs.	8:30 am	Minnesota Lake	+ Burton & + Donna Schroeder
<u>14</u>	Fri.	8:30 am	Wells	+Genelle Lenort
<u>15</u>	Sat.	5:00 pm	Minnesota Lake	+Robert & +Reta Stencil
<u>16</u>	Sun.	8:00 am	Wells	+Regino Navarro
<u>16</u>	Sun	10:00 am	Easton	+Butch Becker

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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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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.

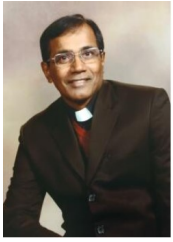
Tri Parish Prayer Intentions:

Submit Intentions to Parish Administrator	• Todd Schuster	• Mike Redig
• Triston Father	• Dace Smith	• Dave Sonnek
• Steve Sonnek	• Craig Sonnek	• Jan Stenzel
• Sue Sonnek	• Zach Fendrich	• Dale and Marg Sonnek
• Sheila Runquist	• Charlie Kalis	• Colette Caeli Drees
• Dennis Thisius	• Don Yokiell	• Richard Stenzel
• Teresa Berry	• Koltun Kunz	• Don Leesch
• Chuck Evan	• Ken Tibodeau	• Mary Stevermer
• Rosemary Larson	• Colton Smith	• Jackie Guibert
• Ann Ehrich	• Tyler Doyle	• Fr. Eugene Stenzel
• Sally Remington	• Jane Swehla	
• Steve Warmka	• Brad Stenzel	
	• Tiffany Sonnek	

PRAYER & WORSHIP

5th Ordinary Sunday, February 9, 2025-C Cycle

Readings: Isaiah 6:1-2, 3-8; 1 Corinthians 15:1-11; Luke 5:1-11



“Depart from me, Lord, for I am a sinful man,” these words, uttered by Simon Peter, can be found on any one of our lips. What real significance do I have in the big picture of God’s Divine plan? Even though we try our best to hide it, we all suffer from a lack of faith. We get tired, confused, and often lack any sincere desire to put anything into our relationship with God.

It’s easier to simply reap whatever benefits the world has to offer and call it a day. Floating along on the superficial currents of life doesn’t require much effort and seems to get us through the day. Confronting our own infidelity, apathy, weakness of spirit, and doubt in God’s providence, how can we even remotely be considered a worthy vessel of God’s presence or credible voice for His message?

This is the irony of faith. God doesn’t seek the perfect vessels. He likes the broken ones. There is something to be said about living honestly and sincerely, and wrestling with sin, imperfection, and weakness rather than skipping through the peripheries of life with pretention, arrogance, and mendacity or untruthfulness.

If we believe ourselves to be our own “god” and serve only ourselves, we close the door to ever being used by the real and only True God. But, if we at least acknowledge that there is One greater than ourselves, then even in our deepest poverty and lowliness, God can enter.

Lessons are best learned from those who suffer. Only someone who has been lonely and lost can attest to the beauty of both Divine and human friendship. Only those who have really lost their way know what happens when they are found. Only those who are afraid know what it is to be calmed by God.

When our hesitancy to encounter God gets replaced by friendship with God, we become more aware of our dignity and the fact that we are loved just as we are. We cannot be afraid to share our struggles, reservations, fears, and sinfulness with others. Our genuineness and sincerity will speak of the God who blesses us in our weakness. ~ 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.

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

“Yet, O LORD, you are our father; we are the clay and you the potter; we are all the work of your hands.” As we begin the waiting of advent, let us strive to become the work of his hands by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. The next Weekends are Feb 14-16, 2025 in WINDOM, MN and Feb 14-16, 2025 in Buffalo, MN. For more information, call Miki Schultz at [507-227-8229](tel:507-227-8229) or visit them at southmnwwme.org.

LITURGICAL LIFE

Sunday, February 16, 2025

Minnesota Lake	WELLS	EASTON
Sat 5:00 pm	Sunday 8:00 am	Sunday 10:00 am

SERVERS	Clara Bushlack Abby Chirpich Gemma Woodring	Ava Petersen Gabriel Petersen Cameron Linder
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SACRISTAN	Joanne Tibodeau	Dianne Rauenhorst
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LECTOR	Brian Bias	Teresa Schimek
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ORGANIST	Connie Stenzel	Mary Kayser
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EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS	Scott Bute Ike Dulas Adam Henning	Don Linder Nancy Linder Dean Warmka C
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USHERS	Jon Feist Randy Feist Matt Zebro Rick Herman	Dave O'Rourke Troy Petersen Dean Schimek
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Gift Bearers	Amanda Sonnek	
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ROSARY	Larry Brand	Carolyn Willette
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Shepherd's Inn	Linda Esner	
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MONEY COUNTERS	2	Ruth Sonnek Dale Stevermer
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Adoration



Confessions and Adoration 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:

Isaiah 6:1-2, 3-8; 1 Corinthians 15:1-11; Luke 5:1-11

Next weeks reading:

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

IN OUR PRAYERS:

Recently departed: Robert Neubauer

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.



FAITH COMMUNITY GENEROUS GIVING

	Weekly	Year to Date	Annual Budget
Minnesota Lake	\$496.00	\$65,064.38	\$110,981.00
Wells	\$3,393.25	\$187,510.24	
Easton	\$2,259.00	\$97,938.30	\$131,500.00



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NOTES FOR ALL PARISHES

SECOND SUNDAY SOCIAL

Please join us for coffee and roll and fellowship following the 8:00 am Mass in the St. Casimir's Church Hall. Free will donation. All proceeds will benefit the students at St. Casimir's School.

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!

OLMC MASS SERVERS

Many thanks goes out to the OLMC servers who are role models and helping the younger servers get their start serving Mass. What a great help you have been to these younger servers! Your efforts are not unnoticed. May God bless one and all in your ministry as Mass Servers!

FUNERALS AND APPOINTMENTS

Please refrain from making funeral arrangements and meeting appointments on Mondays as Fr. Pratap is not available.

LECTOR TRAINING FOR ST. CASIMIR ONLY

Calling all Lectors: New, old and wannabe's. There will be a brief training on Tuesday, February 11, at 7:00 pm upstairs in St. Casimir's Church. If you are interested in becoming a lector or if you have lectored for years, come and have questions answered and some new information shared. Any questions about the training can be directed to Lea Nowak 507-391-0093

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 your church.



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

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

ST. CASIMIR'S SCHOOL

"Intelligence plus character--that is the goal of true education." -Martin Luther King Jr.

Greetings from the fourth through sixth grade class! Students and staff celebrated Catholic Schools Week the last week of January, and a lot of fun was had! During this time, we gave special reflections on community and vocations, as well as the families, staff, and students who make everything possible. I personally reflected on how Catholic Schools benefit my students. As the quote from Reverend King states, intelligence is the obvious goal of a quality education. Yet the students of St. Casimir should feel pride in the character they show when they step foot in the halls of their school. Their Catholic faith and education help pave their paths as servants of Christ, and mold them into persons of character which will favor them well throughout their lives.



It is hard to believe we are in the third quarter of the school year! In Math, fourth graders are being introduced to fractions. Our fifth grader is mastering the skill of multiplying and dividing decimals, and the sixth graders are getting their first taste of Algebra! In Social Studies, students are learning about the Civil War, and are focusing on one specific topic in which they are preparing a slideshow to present to their classmates. In Science, the sixth graders are hard at work preparing for their upcoming Science Fair which will be held at Mankato State at the end of the month.

Blessings for a happy and fulfilling February to you all!
Submitted by Julia Gray, SCCS Classroom Teacher

ST. CASIMIR'S SCHOOL
Gertens Spring
Plant Fundraiser

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**

ORDERS ARE ACCEPTED ON-LINE STARTING
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.



Fundraising Chair: Danielle Elg
507-995-7924 (Text)

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!





RITE OF ELECTION AND CALL TO CONTINUING CONVERSION

Sunday, March 9, 2025 | 3:00 p.m. | Queen of Angels, Austin

“I have called you by name: you are mine.” – Isaiah 43:1

The Rite is a significant moment in the journey of faith for our catechumens and 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.

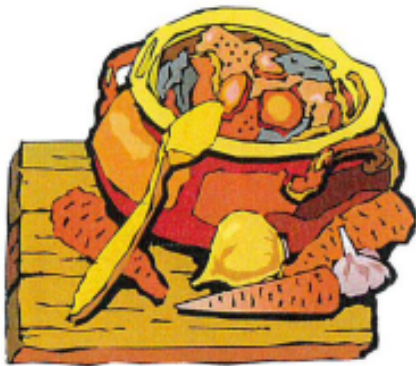
We invite all the faithful of the Diocese of Winona-Rochester to join Bishop Robert Barron as we celebrate this momentous step for those seeking to receive the Sacraments of Initiation at the Easter Vigil.



Diocese of Winona-Rochester
MINNESOTA

For more information please contact:
Todd Graff | 507-923-2163 | tgraff@dowr.org

Minnesota Lake Ambulance Relief Soup & Pie Supper



Sunday
February 16, 2025
4:00 – 7:00 p.m.

\$12.00 – age 12+
\$10.00 - age 6-11
\$2.00 – age 3 to 5
Free – under 2



St. John the Baptist Catholic Church

Tickets may be purchased at the door.

Any monetary or food donation will be gladly accepted.
Please contact Dusty Russ 641-440-0724 or
Erin Schnoor 507-380-7188

**If you are unable to attend but would like to make a donation, please send check to:
MLVRA, PO Box 112, Minnesota Lake MN 56068*