

## September 15, 2024 | 24th 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 & intentions Sept 17-22 2024

|           |        |          |                |                    |
|-----------|--------|----------|----------------|--------------------|
| <u>17</u> | Tues.  | 8:30 am  | Wells          | + James Bute       |
| <u>18</u> | Wed.   | 8:30 am  | Easton         | + Lois Kalis       |
| <u>19</u> | Thurs. | 8:30 am  | Minnesota Lake | + Michael McCallum |
| <u>20</u> | Fri.   | 8:30 am  | Wells          | + Richard Stenzel  |
| <u>21</u> | Sat.   | 5:00 pm  | Minnesota Lake | + Larry Stenzel    |
| <u>22</u> | Sun.   | 8:00 am  | Wells          | + Jean Stenzel     |
| <u>22</u> | Sun.   | 10:00 am | Easton         | + Kurt Pearson     |

**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:

|                                                |                   |                  |                        |
|------------------------------------------------|-------------------|------------------|------------------------|
| <b>Submit Intentions to Parish Coordinator</b> | • Kroy Kalis      | • Dace Smith     | • Tiffany Sonnek       |
|                                                | • Triston Father  | • Craig Sonnek   | • Mike Redig           |
|                                                | • Steve Sonnek    | • Zach Fendrich  | • Nancy Dylla          |
|                                                | • Sue Sonnek      | • Charlie Kalis  | • Dave Sonnek          |
|                                                | • Sheila Runquist | • John Volz      | • Jerome Leesch        |
|                                                | • Dennis Thisius  | • Don Yokiell    | • Jan Stenzel          |
|                                                | • Teresa Berry    | • Koltun Kunz    | • Dale and Marg Sonnek |
|                                                | • Chuck Evan      | • Ken Tibodeau   | • Helen Skov           |
|                                                | • Dawn Russ-Cory  | • Colton Smith   | • Tyler Doyle          |
|                                                |                   | • Lisa Stevermer |                        |

### PARISH PRIEST

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**DEACON** Gene Paul-507-854-3676

### WELLS OFFICE:

Ilda Reyerson: Office Administrator  
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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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### ST CASIMIR SCHOOL:

Jinger Woodring –School Administrator

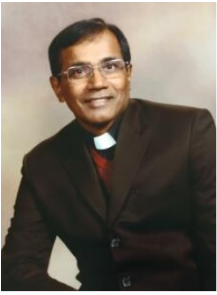
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# PRAYER & WORSHIP



24th Ordinary Sunday, September 15, 2024-B Cycle

Readings: **Isaiah 50:5-9; James 2:14-18; Mark 8:27-35**

**All human relationships are based on communication, understanding and acceptance.** The Bible tells us that God created us and called us from non-life to life, from nothingness to existence, in order to build a deep relationship expressed in honoring, loving and serving Him.

**Generally, we find three types of people in life:** people who listen attentively to God, people who suffer for God and people who deeply experience the presence of God and live in it. A well- designed life has both joy and sorrow, thought and action. Both suffering and joy; faith and good works, are necessary for the life of a good Christian.

**Every moment we live, every choice and decision we make, every good thing we do is our most revealing and telling response to the question, *who do you say I am?*** Our love for family and friends, our commitment to the highest moral and ethical standards, our willingness to take the first step toward reconciliation and forgiveness are, ultimately, our true confession of faith in Jesus Christ as the Love and Word of God Incarnate.

**Who is Jesus for me and what difference does He make in my life?** Peter, always quick to respond whenever Jesus spoke, professed that Jesus was truly the "Christ of God", "the Son of the living God". No mortal being could have revealed this to Peter, but only God.

**Through the "eyes of faith" Peter discovered that Jesus truly was the Anointed One,** consecrated by the Father and sent into the world to redeem a fallen human race. **Prophet Isaiah, filled with the Holy Spirit and his example of living faith** tells us to set our hearts on Divine things to enjoy a priceless personal relationship with the Lord God as he did.

**What good is faith if we neglect the promise that we made during the Sacrament of Confirmation?** "By the strength of the Holy Spirit," we were commanded "to spread and defend the faith by word and action and never to be ashamed of the Cross." ~ 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.

### MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND

Make plans for a fall get-away with the one you love before your calendar fills up!! A marriage Encounter Weekend is a private weekend away from life's distractions that allows a husband and wife to focus on each other. The next available weekends are Nov 22-24, 2024 in Windom, MN Early registration is highly recommended. For more information visit our website at; [southmnwwme.org](http://southmnwwme.org) or contact Mikki at [applications@southmnwwme.org](mailto:applications@southmnwwme.org) or 507-227-8229

# LITURGICAL LIFE

## Liturgical Roles -Sunday Sept. 22, 2024

| Minnesota Lake<br>Saturday   5:00 pm | WELLS<br>Sunday   8:00 am                                    | EASTON<br>Sunday   10:00 am                  |
|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------|
| <b>SERVERS</b>                       | Juliana Dulas<br>Colton Mullery<br>Nathan Mullery            | Austin Rath<br>Riley Stevermer               |
| <b>SACRISTAN</b>                     | Brian Bias                                                   | Jane Paul                                    |
| <b>LECTOR</b>                        | Blaine Bias                                                  | Jon Rath                                     |
| <b>ORGANIST</b>                      | Connie Stenzel                                               | Mary Kayser                                  |
| <b>EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS</b>         | Mark & Lea Nowak<br>Adam Henning<br>Larry Brand              | Don Linder<br>Nancy Linder<br>Teresa Schimek |
| <b>USHERS</b>                        | Matt Zebro<br>Rick Herman<br>Chris Bushlack<br>John Tibodeau | Ryan Strom<br>Dean Warmka<br>Tom Warmka      |
| <b>ROSARY</b>                        | Ray & Marti Yokiel                                           | Carolyn Willette                             |
| <b>SHEPHERD'S INN</b>                | Larry Brand                                                  |                                              |
| <b>MONEY COUNTERS</b>                | 2                                                            | Cheryl Warmka & Mark Braunshausen            |

## Adoration Schedule



### Monthly Schedule for Adoration

1st Sat.-Easton - 11:00 am -Noon  
 2nd Sat.-MN Lake-11:00 am -Noon  
 3rd Sat. - Wells; 10:00 am -12:00 pm  
 Confessions 11:00 am to 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 away for a while and pray at any time. All are invited. For more information, please call the Tri-parish office at 507 553 5391.

### This week's readings:

**Isaiah 50:5-9; James 2:14-18;  
 Mark 8:27-35**

### Next week's readings:

**Wisdom 2:12, 17-20; James 3:16-4;  
 Mark 9:30-37**

## CHURCH SUPPORT

|               | Minnesota Lake | Wells        | Easton       |
|---------------|----------------|--------------|--------------|
| <b>Needed</b> | \$ 2,173       | \$ 6,654     | \$ 2,529     |
| <b>Given</b>  | \$14,197       | \$36,509.87  | \$ 25,290.00 |
| <b>Budget</b> | \$21,730       | \$ 66,590.00 | \$ 23,821.50 |

## CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL 2024

|                       | Parish Goal     | \$ Received                         |
|-----------------------|-----------------|-------------------------------------|
| <b>Minnesota Lake</b> | <b>\$7,965</b>  | <b>\$8,373 (\$408.00 over Goal)</b> |
| <b>Wells</b>          | <b>\$21,089</b> | <b>\$16,243</b>                     |
| <b>Easton</b>         | <b>\$10,683</b> | <b>\$10,683</b>                     |

*In our Prayers:*

*Recently departed:*

***Helen Skov***

*Soldiers Overseas:*

***Bernard D.Steinhauer***

*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, STJB-Rhonda Drager 462-3627, STC-Barb Stenzel 553-3805*

# NOTES FOR ALL PARISHES

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## **OLMC**

Get Well cards to Tyler Doyle can be mailed to 705 2<sup>nd</sup> Street SE, Room #15, Rochester, MN 55901. **No visitors are allowed to see him at this time.** Tyler would appreciate cards for the next several months. Many thanks to all who are praying for Tyler on this journey and for his recovery!

## **OLMC FAITH FORMATION**

The Faith Formation Families of Easton are hosting a brunch after 10 am Mass on September 22nd. Enjoy tasty food along with the joy of being together.

## **STJB FAITH FORMATION**

Many of the St. John the Baptist Faith Formation students attend Faith Formation in Mapleton at St. Teresa. St. Teresa's Quad-Parish in Mapleton is looking for individuals who are willing to lead/co-lead middle/high school small groups. We have a GREAT NEED for men, but there are still some openings for women co-leaders as well! "Go therefore and make disciples of all nations." -Matthew 28:19 Is God calling you to make disciples right here with our youth? God Bless. Becca Kuehn, Faith Formation Coordinator, St. Josephs (GT +W) St. Matthew, St. Teresa. Office: 507-524-4606

## **CHILDRENS OFFERTORY**

Ushers, kindly allow the children to contribute to the children's offertory basket, before you take the Adult offertory collection.

## **FRANCISCAN MISSION COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND SOON AFTER THE HOMILY**

"The Order of Friars Minor (OFM – Franciscans) founded by St. Francis of Assisi (1182-1226) is a fraternity. The Franciscan Apostolate in India consists of serving Parishes; preaching parish missions; caring for Leprosy Patients and their children; ministering to orphans and people living on the streets; and sponsoring industrial training schools.

The Franciscan Province of St. Thomas the Apostle, India, has more than 100 young men aspiring to become Franciscan Friars. They are in various stages of Seminary Formation. The Franciscans depend on the generosity and goodness of people in their mission appeals so that they may reach out to the poor and those in need.

If you have any questions concerning the Franciscan Mission in India or desire to support the Franciscans in future, you are welcome to contact Fr. Pratap Reddy Salibindla, OFM, at this email address: [triparishpriestapril2024@gmail.com](mailto:triparishpriestapril2024@gmail.com) or call the Parish Office, Wells, MN.

**If you wish to make a check to the Franciscan Mission, kindly write out the check to your parish, with Franciscan Mission on the note/memo.**

## **SEPT. 15 TRI-PARISH MEETING 3:00 PM**

St. Casimir in Wells is holding a tri-parish meeting in the Church Hall at 3:00 pm The topic will be pastoral concerns, activities and feedback. All are encouraged to attend.

**KC MEETING: Tuesday Sept. 17, 2024 at 7:30 pm beginning with rosary.**

## **UPCOMING PARISH FINANCE COUNCIL MEETINGS**

At **St. Casimir, Sept. 17** in Wells on Tuesday at 6:30 pm.

At **Our Lady of Mount Carmel, Sept. 18** in Easton on Wednesday at 6:30 pm.

At **St. John the Baptist, Sept 19**, in Minnesota Lake on Thursday at 6:30 pm.

# NOTES FOR ALL PARISHES

## SACRED HEART HAITI, ITEMS NEEDED FOR MISSIONS

Our Winona-Rochester Diocese Council of Catholic Women (WRDCCW) is collecting items through the month of September for the Rochester Medical and Sacred Heart Haiti Missions. Covered totes will be located at each entrance of the OLMC church to receive your donations. Listings of requested items may be found with this bulletin or with the collection totes. Please note that NO POLYESTER CLOTHING is requested. All donated items will be delivered to the WRDCCW Convention in October.

## MANDATORY SERVER TRAINING WORKSHOP IN WELLS

Special Altar Server Training Workshop at St. Casimir's will be held on [Saturday, October 5](#), from 9:00 AM to 11:30 AM, for students interested in becoming an altar server and those students who are currently one. 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.

## 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

## LATER DATES ARE BEING CONSIDERED

The Pilgrimage to Paris and Rome is considering moving back the date 2 weeks in May; 2025 for those who are farming and are unable to join us, in this great opportunity to explore the rich Catholic tradition of these places and experience the miracles of our Faith. please sign up as soon as possible. Sign-up forms are in the brochures at the entrances of your Church.

## WELLS FIREFIGHTER PANCAKE BREAKFAST

Sunday, October 13th, 2024. 7:30 am to 12:00 pm, Wells Fire Hall. Pancakes, eggs, sausage, juice and coffee. Adults \$10.00, children 12 & Under \$5.00. All Proceeds go to Training and Equipment.

## WELLS BLOOD DRIVE

Legion Hall 145 W. Franklin. American Legion Wells, Monday, Sept 16, 2024. 10:30 am to 6:30 pm. Knights of Columbus please help unload at 8:45 am. Thank you! Visit, [RedCrossBlood.org](#) and enter WELLSMN to schedule an appointment.



Catholic Charities of Southern Minnesota  
**CHILD & FAMILY SERVICES**



## 2024 Baby Bottle Campaign

Supporting Confident Pregnancies and Stable Beginnings

- Bring home a bottle
- Fill with change, cash or a check
- Return by October 31, 2024
- Provide help & hope to new and expectant parents across Southern MN!

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### THIS WEEK ON FORMED

Week of September 15, 2024

**Bible Study: The Gospel of Matthew 1:1-25**  
Join Dr. Tim Gray and Dr. Michael Barber as they begin studying the Gospel of Matthew by introducing St. Matthew and looking at chapter 1 of this incredible gospel.

**Peter bar Jonah: How Peter Came to Rome**  
In this session, Dr. Tim Gray shows how the life of a man named Cornelius intersects with Peter's and redirects the New Covenant in a remarkable way. Peter points the Church to an all-encompassing love—and sets the stage for the work of the Apostle Paul.

**LOTR and Catholicism w/ Joseph Pearce | Chris Stefanick Show**  
You've almost definitely heard of Lord of the Rings, but do you know about its Catholic influence? Joseph Pearce, a leading Tolkien scholar, joins Chris to talk about the famed trilogy.

Our parish has a FORMED subscription.  
Visit [signup.formed.org](#) and select our parish name.

# ST. CASIMIR'S SCHOOL

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**“Do not seek to have your trials removed. Ask rather for the grace to bear them well.”**

St. Andre` Bessette

As we embark on a new school year, I am filled with joy and anticipation to share our Catholic faith with thirty-one pre-school to sixth grade children, four teachers and numerous staff, substitutes and volunteers within our vibrant, learning community. Each day begins with a morning prayer service or Mass participation. Whether at Mass or during the prayer service, we gather together to learn about the Catechism, sing uplifting songs, explore our Catholic virtues and delve into the lives of Saints. It's a beautiful and gentle way to begin our day, and one I really cherish.

In this spirit of devotion and learning, I would like to introduce you to a saint whose life offers a profound lesson for all of us. Saint Andre Bessette, canonized in 2010 by Pope Benedict XVI, serves as a remarkable example of faith, humility, and perseverance.

St. Andre Bessette was born into a poor family, the eighth of twelve children, and both of his parents died before he was twelve years old. He was moved around to various neighbors and relatives who taught him the faith and attempted to teach him his schooling. Although academic subjects were a struggle for him, his faith became a central part of his life. Andre also developed a deep devotion to St. Joseph who became a guiding force in his life. Because of this devotion, his Pastor encouraged Andre to join the religious life, and he was sent to the Congregation of Holy Cross with a note that read, “I am sending you a saint.”

Though he never became a priest, Andre worked as a porter for a boys school and continued his deep devotion to God and St. Joseph. In 1904 he asked the Archbishop of Montreal for permission to build a chapel to Saint Joseph on the mountain near the school. The Archbishop refused to go into debt and limited the project to what Brother Andre could personally fund. money did Brother Andre have? He only had nickels and dimes that he had collected as donations for Saint Joseph from haircuts that he gave the boys at school. His funds only amounted to a few hundred dollars, but Brother Andre built what he could which was a small wood shelter only fifteen feet by eighteen feet. After continuing to collect money, he approached the Archbishop three years later and requested that he be allowed to build more and was granted permission as long as he didn't go into debt. Brother Andre added a roof and walls to keep people out of the rain during Mass and later he provided heating, a paved road and a shelter for pilgrims. Through kindness, caring and devotion, Brother Andre helped many souls experience renewal and spiritual and physical healing on the mountaintop. For everything, Brother Andre always thanked St. Joseph. Despite financial troubles, he never lost his faith, devotion or his love to work for God.

Saint Andre's story is a powerful testament to trusting in God's providence, even when starting small. As we look to the year ahead for our church and school, let us draw inspiration from St. Andre Bessette. Though we may face challenges, we can seek the grace to preserve and embrace our trials with love. Like St Andre, we can look to St. Joseph for guidance and strength in our journey. Our school, with a legacy of one hundred and nine years, continues to thrive through God's grace and our collective efforts despite starting small. Let us remember St. Andre's words: **“Do not seek to have your trials removed. Ask rather for the grace to bear them well.”** Your prayers for our school, the children, and all those who contribute to our mission are deeply appreciated as we navigate this new year together. May God bless our school year and grant us the fortitude to carry forward with hope and grace.

Blessings, Jinger Woodring,  
SCCS Lead Teacher

