

# Tri-Parish Catholic Faith Community

## The Third Sunday of Lent

### Sunday, March 15, 2020

#### Upcoming Events

**STJB Holy Name Fish Fry**  
Friday, March 27

**SCS Celebrate with the Saints**  
Saturday, March 28

**Tri-Parish Communal Penance**  
Tuesday, March 31, 7 p.m. at STC

#### Mass Schedule for the weekend of March 28 & 29, 2020

##### **Saturday, March 28**

5 p.m. Mass at STJB with Fr. Stenzel  
5 p.m. Mass at STC with Bishop Quinn & Fr. Havel  
(St. Casimir's School Celebrate with the Saints)

##### **Sunday, March 29**

8 a.m. Mass at STC  
10 a.m. Mass OLMC @ STJB

**Our Lady of Mount Carmel † St. Casimir † St. John the Baptist**

*Key: OLMC= Our Lady of Mount Carmel STC= St. Casimir STJB= St. John the Baptist PVCC= Parkview Care Center, Wells*

<b>Mass Schedule &amp; Intentions</b>		
Monday, March 16		No Mass
Tuesday, March 17 STC	Special Intentions CW	8:30 a.m.
Wednesday, March 18 OLMC at STC	† Ray Stevermer	8:30 a.m.
Thursday, March 19 STJB	† Matt & † Mag Volz	8:30 a.m.
Friday, March 20 STC	† Deceased members of St. Casimir's CCW	8:30 a.m.
Saturday, March 21 STJB	Pro Populo	5:00 p.m.
Sunday, March 22 STC	† Mary Ellen Stenzel	8:00 a.m.
Sunday, March 22 OLMC at STJB	† Andy Kalis & † Troy Kalis † Kurt Pearson	10:00 a.m.

#### Stations of the Cross

**All events will be at 6:30 p.m.**

~Wednesdays at St. John the Baptist March 18, 25, April 1

~Thursdays at St. Casimir March 19, 26, April 2

~SCS will have stations every Thursday during Lent at  
Noon in St. Casimir Church

#### **Sacraments of the Church**

**Baptism:** Expectant parents who wish to present their child for Baptism must participate in Baptism Preparation Class. Contact the Tri-Parish office at 507-553-5391.

**Marriage:** All Catholics need to meet with a Priest at least six months before being married (even if the wedding is in a non-Catholic church). Contact the Tri-Parish office at least one year before your scheduled wedding date.

**Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA):** If you or someone you know would like more information on becoming Catholic please contact the Tri-Parish office.

**Christian Burials:** Please contact Don Linder for Our Lady of Mount Carmel 787-2571; Tom Schindler for St. Casimir 553-3062; Bob Drager for St. John the Baptist 507-995-0160.

**Daily Rosary:** Evenings at St. Casimir beginning at 7:30 p.m.

**Reconciliation:** On Saturdays: St. Casimir, 8:30-9:00 a.m.; Our Lady of Mt. Carmel at St. John the Baptist, 9:30-10:00 a.m.; St. John the Baptist, 4:00-4:30 p.m.

**Eucharistic Adoration:** 9:30 a.m. Sunday- 8:00 a.m. Tuesday at St. Casimir.

### Tri-Parish Staff Contact Information

Pastor ..... Fr. Greg Havel  
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Deacon Gene Paul ..... 507-854-3676  
Tri-Parish Website ..... olmcstcstjb.org

### Sacramental Emergencies

Fr. Havel ..... 507-553-5391

**Bulletin deadline is Noon Wednesdays**

### Our Lady of Mount Carmel

27 Main Street, Easton, MN 56025  
Phone: 507-787-2303 Fax: 507-553-5391  
Email ..... olmc@bevcomm.net  
Office Hours ..... varied  
Administrative Assistant ..... Sue Cory  
Cemetery ..... Don Linder  
Custodial ..... Annette Schuster  
Faith Formation ..... Chris Schultz  
Music ..... Mary Kayser

### St. Casimir

320 2nd Ave SW, Wells, MN 56097  
Phone: 507-553-5391 Fax: 507-553-5391  
Email ..... scasimir@bevcomm.net  
Office Hours ..... M-F 8:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.  
Administrative Assistant ..... Julie Bruegger  
Bookkeeper ..... Kay Herman  
Cemetery ..... Tom Schindler  
Faith Formation ..... Lisa Bute  
Liturgical Music Coordinator .. Connie Stenzel  
Maintenance ..... Bruce Roberts

### St. Casimir's School

330 2nd Ave SW, Wells, MN 56097  
Phone: 507-553-5822 Fax: 507-553-5391  
Email ..... casimir@bevcomm.net  
Office Hours ..... M-F 8:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.  
Bookkeeper ..... Ashley Seedorf  
Custodians ..... Gene & Pat Hassing  
Maintenance ..... Bruce Roberts  
Principal .....  
Secretary ..... Ashley Dawson  
..... Sarah Oldham  
Website ..... stcasimirsschool.net

### St. John the Baptist

Church: 100 Park St N  
Mailing: PO Box 158, Minnesota Lake, MN  
Phone: 507-462-3636 Fax: 507-553-5391  
Email ..... stjeb@bevcomm.net  
Office Hours ..... varied  
Administrative Assistant ..... Rhonda Drager  
Cemetery ..... Bob Drager  
Maintenance ..... Quentin Staloch

### Tri-Parish Faith Formation Schedule

<b>OLMC</b>	Sun 3/15	Grades 1-8	9:00 a.m. Class
	Sun 3/22	Grades 1-8	No Class
<b>TRI</b>	Sun 3/15	Confirmation I	5:00-7:00 p.m.
	Sun 3/22	Confirmation I	5:00-7:00 p.m.
<b>STC</b>	Wed 3/18	Grades 1, 3-8	6:30-7:45 p.m.
<b>TRI</b>	Wed 3/18	Grade 9 TOB	6:30-7:45 p.m.

### Holy Week Schedule

Monday, April 6, Chrism Mass, Sacred Heart, Owatonna, 7 p.m.

Holy Thursday, April 9, St. Casimir, 7 p.m.

Good Friday, April 10, OLMC @ STJB 3 p.m.; STJB 5 p.m.

Holy Saturday, April 11, St. Casimir, 8 p.m.

Easter Sunday, April 12, STJB 8 a.m.; OLMC @ STJB 10 a.m.



Donations for Easter environment are now being accepted. Forms are available at each church or office and may be placed in the offering basket or sent to the respective parish office by April 5.

The Light is On is our Diocese's initiative to reach out to those with anxiety about confession, and encouraging them God's mercy is there, waiting, and will transform your life. If you would like to receive inspirational emails about the mercy of God this holy season, please visit [www.thelightisonSouthernMN.org](http://www.thelightisonSouthernMN.org). Please consider looking at the resources yourself and sharing this website widely: read local witness stories, how-to tips, and encouragement.



St. Casimir's School's annual Celebrate with The Saints event will be held on March 28th! Raffle tickets are available now for \$10, and we are still accepting donations. Please contact the school, or a student to get yours today. Any questions can be directed to Michelle Adams 507-525-2474.



### SCS News

In Language Arts, we have been learning about fables, folktales, and poetry. Most of the children have mastered all of the Dolch sight words from the First Grade level. We are also working on contractions, possessive nouns, pronouns, and dividing VCCV words into syllables. In Math, we recently completed a unit on place value, data, and graphs and are beginning a unit on money. In Science, we are learning about life cycles and food chains. During Lent, the entire school has a service project going on that incorporates the Corporal Works of Mercy. The Second Grade students completed First Communion Learning Centers this past week in preparation of receiving their First Holy Communion this Spring. Please pray for them as they prepare for this important step in their spiritual lives. God's blessings, Ms. Supalla

DOW-R Televised Mass is broadcast Sunday mornings on KEYC channels 12.1 at 7:30 a.m.; 7.1 at 9:00 a.m.; 12.2 at 9:30 a.m.

## Stewardship

*Collection amounts for the weekend of:  
March 7 & 8, 2020*

### Our Lady of Mount Carmel

Adult..... \$855.00  
Offertory..... \$70.00

### St. Casimir

Adult..... \$4,119.00  
Offertory..... \$196.82  
Aid to Cent/East Europe.....\$5.00  
Ash Wednesday.....\$10.00  
Easter Flowers.....\$170.00  
Wells Ministerial Fund.....\$251.00

### St. John the Baptist

Adult..... \$890.00  
Offertory..... \$108.36  
Latin America Comm..... \$25.00  
Aid to Cent/East Europe.... \$10.00

### Catholic Ministry Appeal

#### OLMC

Goal ..... \$10,000.00  
Given/pledged..... \$2,810.00  
*Needed to reach goal.... \$7,190.00*  
# of donors ..... 17  
% of goal reached ..... 20.6%

#### STC

Goal ..... \$25,000.00  
Given/pledged..... \$3,280.00  
*Needed to reach goal.. \$21,720.00*  
# of donors ..... 20  
% of goal reached ..... 10.1%

#### STJB

Goal ..... \$7,750.00  
Given/pledged..... \$625.00  
*Needed to reach goal.... \$7,125.00*  
# of donors ..... 7  
% of goal reached ..... 5.1%

## In Our Prayers

### Soldiers Overseas

Troy Haugh, Zack Adams

### Recently Departed

Delores Redman

## A Word from Fr. Havel...

God's people, the Israelites, were in cruel slavery in the land of Egypt. God came and brought them out of Egypt to set them free in their own land. Moses would lead them on their exodus from Egypt but not all was good. We hear in our first reading today, "In those days, in their thirst for water, the people grumbled against Moses, saying, "Why did you ever make us leave Egypt? Was it just to have us die here of thirst with our children and livestock?" God, of course, provided water for the people and their animals.

How quickly the feelings of people change. The Israelites quickly forgot how cruel life was in Egypt. They sang the praises of God but quickly the joy turned into grumbling. There wasn't enough water or food for them. Then the food God provided wasn't good enough; they wanted more variety.

In this Lenten season, we may ask ourselves: how do we speak of God, our parish, others? Do we grumble more than we praise? A time of prayer may be offered in our parish but instead of being a part of it, we talk to others about how it should have been on a different day, at a different time, led by someone other than who did it...Sometimes, in all of our lives, nothing may seem right or good enough. Through it all, the Lord comes to love us, care for us, and provide for us. May our hearts find peace in appreciation of what we have and who we are as God's people.

~Fr. Greg

**Census Day, April 1:** You will all likely be hearing a great deal about the upcoming census, urging you to participate. So why is it also in your Church bulletin? One of the principles of Catholic Social Teaching (Call to Family, Community, and Participation) reminds us that how we organize our society—in economics and politics, in law and policy—directly affects human dignity and the capacity of individuals to grow in community. We believe people have a right and a duty to participate in society, seeking together the common good and well-being of all, especially the poor and vulnerable. (USCCB) <http://www.usccb.org/beliefs-and-teachings/>

Participating in the census fulfills this mission because its results help determine how billions of dollars in federal funding flow into states and communities each year. U.S. Census Bureau data helps communities respond to natural disasters and secure funding for hospitals and fire departments. So, to benefit a community, everyone needs to be counted. And a reminder: Your responses are used only to produce statistics. The Census Bureau does not disclose any personal information. While you are required by law to participate, the Census Bureau is also required by law to protect your answers.

## Tri-Parish Community of Prayer...

***Let us always remember the sick of our parish communities and families, and all those in need of prayer, especially:***

Marti Paul, Brady Berberich, John Walser, Sr. Carmen Sonnek, Sharon Hodge, Alice Schimek, Gerry Ziegler, Faron Bremseth, Doug Johnson, Norma Goodrich, Allan Latourelle, Zach Fendrich, Denny Swehla, Rick Herman, Lynn Ascheman, Doug Ascheman, Triston Father, Mike Redig, Helen Tatarek, Louise Giese, Mark Haler, Rita Braun, Katie Woitas ***and for all our service men & women of the armed forces. Please notify the office of family members currently in active duty to include in our prayers.*** All requests will be removed after four weeks. Please notify the Tri-Parish office by emailing [scasimir@bevcomm.net](mailto:scasimir@bevcomm.net) or calling 553-5391 if you would like to continue prayers.

We want everyone to receive the powerful blessings that prayer can provide—even those who don't want to share publicly. 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- Margaret Stevermer at 787-2525 or Janet Schimek 854-3638, STJB- Rhonda Drager at 462-3627 or STJB Parish Office at 462-3636, STC- Lois Stenzel at 553-5423.

**Community...**

We are looking for people to donate blood on Monday, March 16, from 10:30 am - 6:30 pm at Wells American Legion. Schedule an appointment by calling 1-800-733-2767 or visit [www.redcrossblood.org](http://www.redcrossblood.org), sponsor code: WellsMN. We thank you for your participation. Knights of Columbus: Please help unload at **8:45 am**.

The Ss. Peter and Paul gift shop in Mankato has a very nice selection of gifts for Holy Communion, Confirmation and RCIA. You can shop any time during office hours on weekdays and after all Masses on weekends. The store is in Xavier Hall, 501 North 5<sup>th</sup> Street, Mankato. We're happy to help you find just the right gift!

Wells Firefighters Pancake Breakfast will be Sunday, March 29, from 7:30 am—12:30 pm in the Fire Hall.

St. Theodore Catholic Church in Albert Lea is hosting a pilgrimage to Our Lady of Good Help in Green Bay, WI, May 11 & 12, 2020, location of the first Marian apparition approved in the United States. Cost is \$75/person plus additional for hotel stay. Please see poster in the back of church for more details.

During the month of March, dollars received for the MN Food Share March Campaign can expand—\$1 can be stretched into food for two or more meals! Donations may be sent to: WAFS PO Box 12, Wells, MN 56097.

**Tri-Parish...**

Mark your calendars! St. John the Baptist Holy Name Society will host their Lenten Fish Fry Friday, March 27, from 5-7 pm. Come enjoy a delicious meal and good company!

Sundays during Lent, St. Casimir's will be taking up a special collection following each Sunday Mass for the Wells Ministerial Community Fund. Money donated to this fund is designated for helping people in our community that need assistance with emergency housing, heating, fuel, food, clothing—necessities that may be hard to come by when times are tough. Thank you!

The Holy Family Knights of Columbus will be meeting on Tuesday, March 17, (St. Pat's day). We will start with the community Rosary at 7:30 pm with the business meeting to follow. We will be planning the tootsie roll drive and planning for the summer months. Brothers come and say hi to our newest member Chad B. All men 18 years of age and older are welcome to join an organization that several Popes have called the "right arm of the Church". *"Brothers in solidarity with our Priests, Bishops and Pope."*

The Fourth Sunday of Lent Ministries for Saturday, March 21 & Sunday, March 22, 2020				
	STJB Saturday, 5:00 p.m.	STC Sunday, 8:00 a.m.		OLMC at STJB Sunday, 10:00 a.m.
Lector	Edie More	1 <sup>st</sup> Reading: Scott Bute 2 <sup>nd</sup> Reading: Steve Bushlack		Dianne Rauenhorst
Eucharistic Ministers	Phil Price	Don Chirpich, Mark & Lea Nowak		Chelsea Sonnek
Servers	Collin Price, Mason Schirmer	Julianna Clore, Delbert Oldham, Michael Oldham		Logan Strom, Riley Stevermer, Mason Stevermer
Ushers	Volunteer, Volunteer	Brian Bias, Ike Dulas, Joanne Haugh & Kerry Haugh (U&G)		Todd Sonnek, Chuck Stevermer
Sacristan		Brian Bias		
Gift Bearers		Jeremie Seedorf Family		
Rosary		Jan Stenzel		Sue Rath
Money Counters	Volunteer, Volunteer	Team #3: Ann Marie Schuster, Randy Feist, Mark Ignaszewski		Cheryl Warmka, Mark Braunshausen
Monicas		Week of March 15-21	Week of March 22-28	
		Jan Nowak, Rhonda Fuhrmann	Deb Widman, Jan Ignaszewski	