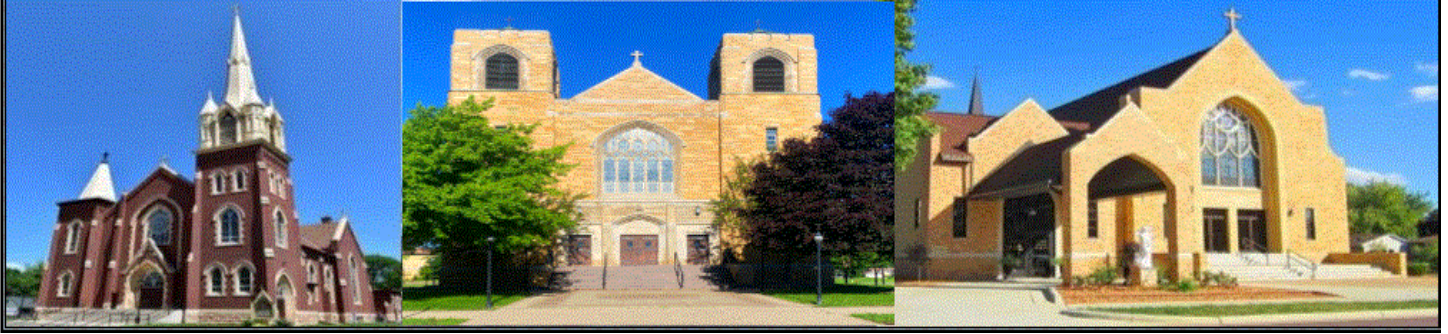


October 18, 2026 | Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time



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: 4:00 pm

Mass Schedule and Intentions: Oct. 20-25, 2026

<u>20</u>	Tues.	8:30 am	Wells	+ Deceased Wanzek Family
<u>21</u>	Wed.	8:30 am	Easton	+ Patricia Krenik
<u>22</u>	Thurs.	8:30 am	Mn Lake	+ Duane & + Ursula Behnke
<u>23</u>	Fri.	8:30 am	Wells	+ Donald D. Staloch
<u>24</u>	Sat.	4:00 pm	Mn Lake	+ Connie, + Tony & + Kelli Staloch
<u>25</u>	Sun.	8:00 am	Wells	+ Jenny Wiltse
<u>25</u>	Sun.	10:00 am	Easton	+ Fred Cole

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Tri-Parish Reconciliations: available 30 minutes prior to each weekend Mass.

Tri-Parish Funerals: When a funeral will be held in the Tri-Parish during the week, please remember that there will not be the regular weekday Mass.

You are invited to pray the rosary 1/2 hour prior to masses; 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

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Can you spend an hour with Jesus? Adoration is held at St. Casimir Church, Wells, Wednesdays at 9:00pm through Thursday 10:00 pm. You are invited to sign up for a weekly hour or just come and pray anytime.

In our Prayers:

Recently departed; Lorna Feist

Soldiers Overseas: Andrea Schultz

Families in need of special prayers, please call OLMC-Sue Cory 507-787-2598, STJB- Rhonda Drager 507-462-3627, and Barb Stenzel 507-553-3805

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Tri Parish Prayer Intentions:

Triston Father	Dace Smith	Dave Sonnek	Vincent Schultz	Rick Girard
Steve Sonnek	Craig Sonnek	Jan Stenzel	Geri Peyton	Bryan Linder
Sue Sonnek	Zach Fendrich	Colette Caeli Drees	Grant Supalla	Donnie Bruckhoff
Chuck Evan	Charlie Kalis	Mary Stevermer	Betty Ziegler	Ben Stevermer
Rosemary Larson	Koltun Kunz	Tiffany Sonnek	Steven Nowak	Eileen Flohrs
Ann Ehrich	Ken Tibodeau	Darrin Hueper	Scott Bull	Sandy Anderson
Grace Drager	Colton Smith	Katie Ascheman	Jennifer Pinkelman	Harry Kayser
Bill Neubauer	Tyler Doyle	Carol Gregor	Katie Woitas	Jerry Sime
Sharon Obermeyer	Jane Swehla	Mark Woitas	Gerard Bach	Darlene Holte
Jan Elmer	Cathy Pluym	Donnie Becker	Bill Kalis	Chuck Tibodeau
Mike Redig	Frank Diaz	Gregory Woitas	Angie Roeker	

PRAYER & WORSHIP

Moral Choices ...

For each of us, life presents us with an ever expanding display of choices. We find our pathway to heaven through those choices. Indeed, even to accept Jesus Christ and God's will for us in our lives, is a choice that we all must make if we want heaven. We live in a country where we value our freedom. Unfortunately, there have been some who have been trying to whittle away at our freedom under the guise of promoting choice.

The choice to love and be generous should never be taken away from us, but that is exactly what abortion does. It removes the opportunity to love and care for a person who is dependent on others for everything. Liberalism tries to convince us that we should not speak up for tiny little babies. Liberalism is not about freedom to choose. It is about imposing its own ideals on everybody else.

Those who promote it impose the way they live and believe on us who will never chose such horrendous ideals on our own. It's taken them 50 to 60 years to get to this point of where they have conditioned an entire population who once valued their freedom not to stand up for themselves, not to exercise freedom, not to speak outside the acceptable norms. Liberalism does this by portraying those who defend life as being against freedom. Those who defend life also defend freedom. Without a life to be free, freedom too is robbed of its existence. The person can choose because he is free. But he cannot choose whatever he wants. He can only choose to respond to the good that is before him, even if that good choice means he must sacrifice. Indeed, we would not be here right now if somebody had not made the good choice to sacrifice for us at one time or another.

We are called to be Christ like. If we choose to follow Christ then we can have nothing to do with anything that erodes the freedom of man. However, there is a charity façade of offering care for others by trapping them into a structured system of enabling handouts. The system seeks not only to destroy the will of the one who receives, but also of the one who could and should eventually choose to give. With a system that gives the rank-and-file population a free lunch, we render each and every person in the class a victim by taking away their God given right to strive for the very best. We also rob others of the chance to choose to help where help is truly needed.

Peace,

Fr. Timothy J. Hall, priest

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. We are 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 the parish office 507-553-5391, if interested.

BAPTISM PREPARATION: Contact the Tri-parish office a month in advance to fill out the form and to attend Baptism Mentoring Sessions. For OLMC, STC and STJB call the Tri-parish office 507-553-5391.

LITURGICAL LIFE



Sunday, October 25, 2026		
Minnesota Lake	Wells	Easton
Sat. 4:00 pm	Sun. 8:00 am	Sun. 10:00 am
SERVERS	Calvin Jewison Carson Mullery Leona Bushlack	Cameron Linder Austin Rath Ellie Rath
SACRISTAN	Arnie Stenzel	Dianne Rauenhorst
LECTOR	Tom Schindler Mark Nowak	Faith Formation
EXTRAORDINARY Ministers of Holy Communion	Scott Bute Jackie Mullery Mark Schmitz	Don Linder Nancy Linder Lindsay Linder Dean Warmka
USHERS	Marilyn Staloch Dave Meyer Rick Herman Ryan Feist	Faith Formation
ROSARY	Maike & Elaine Hernandez	Dawn Doyle
Shepherd's Inn	Linda Enser	
MONEY COUNTERS	Rick Herman Jan Nowak Lynn Fendrich	Rachel Petersen Doug Ascheman

A Diocesan Prayer for Vocations

Heavenly Father, Giver of all good things, your Son told us to beg You to send workers into Your rich harvest, and so we have the confidence to ask You to raise up an abundance of priests in the Diocese of Winona-Rochester. Send us good and holy men to respond to your call to lay down their lives in service to Your people. We know that the Church comes from priest to build up Your Church, through Jesus who is High Priest and Lord forever and ever. Amen

As a part of Winona-Rochester Diocese, the Diocesan Prayer for Vocations, we are to say this prayer every Sunday, praying for vocations. Please feel free to say on your own time. I will have it in the bulletin every week.

Baby Bottle Campaign Provides Help and Creates Hope

You can help Catholic Charities in providing help and hope to new and expectant parents in your community! The Baby Bottle Campaign starts next week on Respect Life Sunday, October 4th. Support women who are choosing life for their babies by taking home a bottle and filling it with change or a check and returning to church by October 31st. All donations through the Baby Bottle Campaign will be used for rent and utility assistance for new mothers.

Three ways to give:

***Fill a bottle with cash, change or check at your parish.**

***Mail your donation directly to Catholic Charities Baby Bottle Campaign, PO Box 379, Winona, MN 55987**



FAITH COMMUNITY GENEROUS GIVING			
	Weekly	Year to Date	Annual Budget
Minnesota Lake	\$11,932.97	\$30,026.97	\$120,416.00
Wells	\$3,453.90	\$58,751.85	\$349,085.00
Easton	\$1,329.00	\$38,454.77	\$137,700.00

CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL 2026		
	Amount received	CMA amounts needed
Minnesota Lake	\$6,250.00	\$7,082
Wells	\$8,095.00	\$17,660
Easton	\$12,170.00	\$9,700

Prayer for a Priest

Heavenly Father, Thank you for the gift of our priest, Bless them with wisdom, strength, and compassion as they serve Your people. Fill their hearts with Your peace and renew their spirit each day. Guide them in their ministry, protect them from discouragement, and help them remain faithful to their calling. Grant them good health, joy in their service, and the grace to lead others closer to You. May the Holy Spirit inspire them, and may the Blessed Virgin Mary watch over them with her loving care. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Amen

Next week's readings:

First Reading— Exodus 22:20-26

Second Reading — 1 Thessalonians 1:5c-10

Gospel— Matthew 22:34-40

NOTES FOR ALL PARISHES

YOUTH MASS

Sunday, October 18 at 5:00 PM

St. Casimir Faith Formation

Join us for our Faith Formation Youth Mass this Sunday at 5:00 PM. We welcome all parishioners, families, and friends to celebrate with us.

SUNDAY OCTOBER 18, 2026

World Mission Sunday is a global Catholic tradition started in 1926 by Pope Pius XI, held every year on the **second-to-last Sunday of October**. On this day, Catholics in parishes across the globe take up a special collection to support church missions worldwide. It serves as a reminder that all Catholics share a joint responsibility to spread the faith, support overseas communities, and show solidarity with fellow believers around the world.

BLANKETS NEEDED– St. Casimir quilting Group

The St. Casimir quilting group is in need of blankets to use as fillers for upcoming quilts. If you have any gently used blankets you no longer need, your donation would be greatly appreciated. The quilting group will meet on Wednesday, October 21, 2026 at 9:00 am in the Church Hall as we begin tying quilts for the next few weeks. No sewing experience is required. If you're new, we will gladly teach you. All are welcome to join us for fellowship and service.

ALL ARE WELCOME

On Sunday, October 25th please join us after 8 am Mass in St. Casimir's Hall for our 1st Catholic Council for Women meeting. I would like to revive this group and get all women of the parish together. The CCW acts through its members to support, empower, and educate all Catholic women in spirituality, leadership, and service. Refreshments will be provided. We will start planning a free will offering community dinner after Mass on Saturday, December 12 to honor Our Lady of Guadalupe, Please reach out to Laura Jewison at 507-461-1662 for questions. Thank you.

Operation Christmas Child Shoebox Ministry

Samaritan's Purse invites you to share God's love with children around the world through Operation Christmas Child. By packing a shoebox with toys, school supplies, hygiene items, and other small gifts, you can help bring joy to a child in need while sharing the Good News of Jesus Christ. For many children, this may be the first gift they have ever received.



Starting this week, we will be accepting donation for the Samaritan's Purse Operation Christmas Child. There will be totes in the entrances of the Churches. Your donations will help provide gift-filled shoeboxes to children in need around the world sharing the love of Jesus Christ and a message of the Gospel.

Please prayerfully consider packing a shoebox and helping share the love of Christ with children around the world.

OLMC Faith Formation will be packing the boxes on November 8th, 2026. We would also like to thank and bless the children of our Faith Formation program, who will be helping to pack the shoeboxes. May God bless them for their generosity, caring hearts, and willingness to share Christ's love with children around the world. Thank you for your support of this wonderful ministry. Together we can make a difference,