

# TRI~PARISH CATHOLIC CHURCH

JANUARY 14, 2024 2ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

**Our Lady of Mount Carmel  
(OLMC)**

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**Mass Schedule & Intentions**

<b>Mon., Jan. 15</b>	Rosary	<b>7:30 pm</b>	<b>STC</b>
<b>Tues., Jan. 16</b>	Rosary	<b>7:30 pm</b>	<b>STC</b>
<b>Wed., Jan. 17</b>	Rosary	<b>7:30 pm</b>	<b>STC</b>
	Adoration starts	<b>9:00 pm</b>	<b>STC</b>
<b>Thurs., Jan. 18</b>	Rosary	<b>7:30 pm</b>	<b>STC</b>
	Adoration Ends	<b>10:00 pm</b>	<b>STC</b>
<b>Friday, Jan. 19</b> <i>K Of C meeting</i> <i>7:30</i>	Rosary	<b>7:30 pm</b>	<b>STC</b>
<b>Sat., Jan. 20</b>	Mass	<b>5:00 pm</b>	<b>STJB</b>
	†Gladly Walser Rosary	<b>7:30 pm</b>	<b>STC</b>
<b>Sun. Jan. 21</b> <i>3rd Sunday In</i> <i>Ordinary Time</i>	Mass	<b>8:00 am</b>	<b>STC</b>
	†Matt J Sonnek		
	Mass	<b>10:00 am</b>	<b>OLMC</b>
	†Dennis (Butch) Becker Rosary	<b>7:30 pm</b>	<b>STC</b>

**Tri-Parish Staff**

Pastoral Administrator Fr. Curt Ferrel  
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**Administration**

OLMC.....Sue Cory  
STC.....Ilda Reyerson  
Bookkeeper .....  
STJB.....Rhonda Drager

**Faith Formation**

OLMC.....Chris Schultz  
STC.....Lisa Bute

**STC School**

Principal .....John Hengel  
Office Manager.....Teresa Chirpich  
Bookkeeper.....

**Cemetery**

OLMC.....Don Linder  
STC.....Tom Schindler  
STJB.....Bob Drager

**Tri-Parish Office Hours**

OLMC.....Hours Varied  
STC.....8:00-2:00pm, Weekdays  
STJB.....Hours Varied

Second Sunday Social; Hosted by STC Home & School  
Please join us for coffee, rolls and fellowship following  
the 8am Mass in the St. Casimir Church Hall

\*Free Will Donation\*

All Proceeds will benefit the students of St. Casimir



Before I share a few words with you about the Gospel for this Sunday I would like to introduce myself to you. I am Father Kurt Farrell from Albert Lea, Minnesota presently the Pastor of St. Theodores. The Bishop has asked me to come on temporarily as the Administrator of this three parish Cluster. I am happy to do so, and will do my best to be available to serve these community spiritual needs to the best of my ability.

“Behold the Lamb of God, Behold him who takes away the sins of the world.”

In today’s Gospel, we heard these words come from the mouth of John the Baptist, and then later on in the mass we heard these words come from the mouth of the priest as he held up the host before communion. In both situations we are called upon to make an act of faith. When we hear these words we are invited to make an act of faith to allow Jesus to be our savior. He waits for us to come to Him so that He can take away our sin and bring us the healing that we so desperately need. The invitation is open to everybody, but not everyone will receive it.

In the book of revelation Jesus tells us that he stands at the door of our hearts, and that any one that would open the door for Him, he would come in and dine with him. It is important to point out that from what Jesus is telling us the knob to the door is only on our side, therefore we must be the ones to open the door to our hearts. As we receive that Eucharist this Sunday, let us welcome Christ in our hearts, and allow Him to save us. ~Fr. Kurt

**Weekly Contributions as of Jan. 7, 2024**

	OLMC	STC	STJB
Weekly Needed	\$2,500.00	\$5,519.00	\$1,925.00
Needed to Date	\$70,000.00	\$148,667.00	\$55,825.00
Given to Date	\$95,744.34	\$161,800.00	\$60,902.50
2023 Catholic Ministries Appeal			
CMA Goal	\$10,683.00	\$21,968.00	\$7,658.00
Amount Rec'd	<b>\$10,683.00</b>	<b>\$21,986.00</b>	<b>\$7,805.00</b>

**St. Casimir Liturgical Ministers**

**Sunday Jan. 21, 2024**

**Sacristan—**

**Lector—** Kristen Dulas

**Eucharistic Ministers—**Adam Henning, Ike Dulas & Don Chirpich

**Ushers—** Mark Herman, Rick Mueller & Mark Schmitz

**Servers—** Abby Chirpich & Brooke Huper

**Rosary Readers—**Mike & Elaine Hernandez

**Money counters—** 4

**Shepherds Inn—** Linda Enser

**Scripture Reading for January 21, 2024**

**First reading:** Jonah 3:1-5

**Second readings:** 1 Corinthians 7:29-31

**Gospel:** Mark 1:14-20

**St. Casimir Church Eucharistic Adoration**

*St. Casimir 's 9:00pm Wed– 10:00pm Thurs.*

***In our Prayers: Recently departed:***

*Terry Hassing*

**Soldiers Overseas:** *Connor Grunzke,*

*Paul Rauenhorst*

## Tri-Parish Events

## Prayers Request of the Tri-Parish

*Give Blood Every 2 seconds someone in the U.S. needs blood.*

Blood Drive American

Legion Hall 145 W. Franklin , Wells, Monday,  
January 15, 2024.10:30 am to 6:30 pm

Knights of Columbus please

help unload at 8:45 am . Thank You!

Visit; [RedCrossBlood.org](https://www.redcrossblood.org) and enter WELLSMN for an appointment or Call 1-800-REDCROSS

### Prayer Requests of the Tri-Parish

**Let us always remember the sick and all those in need of prayer, especially** Charlie Kalis, Charlie Traynor , Koltun Kunz Betty Thisius, Teresa Berry, Jan Stenzel, Nancy Dylla, Jerome Leesch, Lois Hund, Gary Bach, Dawn "Russ" Cory, Dale and Marg Sonnek, Triston Father, Sheila Runquist, Chuck Evan, Fr. Greg Havel, Zach Fendrich, John Volz, Jeanne Miller, Bill Minks, Don Yokiell, Ken Tibodeau, Tiffany Sonnek, Laurie Radke-Maidl, Dave Sonnek, Jan Willette, Orland Drager, Steve Heilmann, Mark Obermeyer, Jim Bute, Greg Sonnek, Ron Laitenberger, Doug Redman, Pam Klocek, Jan Elmer, Mike Redig, Steve Nowak, Dennis Thisius, Donald Klocek, Melissa Haugh, Don Becker, Steve Stenzel, **and for all our service men & women of the armed forces.** please call us and we will begin our prayer lines for any need. OLMC-Sue Cory 787-2598, STJB-Rhonda Drager at 462-3627 or STJB Parish Office at 462-3636, STC-Barb Stenzel 553-3805

**SHRINES OF FRANCE PILGRIMAGE:** Come along Nov. 4-14, 2024, to some of the most beautiful sites in all of France! We'll visit the holy Shrine of Lourdes, the home of St. Martin in Tours, the grand Chartres Cathedral, the monastery of Mont St. Michel, Normandy Beach along with both an American Cemetery and a German Cemetery, the home of St. Therese the Little Flower in Lisieux and the wonderful city of Paris! Mass each day in great Churches and Cathedrals along the way. Cost is \$4,299 with departure from Omaha. For a brochure and more information, contact Fr. Dan Guenther, 307 - 4th St. N., Humboldt, Iowa 50548 or call [712-899-6870](tel:712-899-6870) or email [frdanguenther@gmail.com](mailto:frdanguenther@gmail.com)

Fr. Guenther has been leading Catholic pilgrimages for over 25 years!

### Marriage Encounter

The best way to enrich your marriage during the month of love is to sign up for the **February 10-11 Marriage Encounter!** Weekends are held at Mt Olivet Retreat Center in Farmington. Information and register at: [www.marriages.org](http://www.marriages.org). Questions? Call: [651.454.3238](tel:651.454.3238) or email: [mary@marriages.org](mailto:mary@marriages.org)



There will be another Eucharistic enrichment opportunity on **Sunday** Jan. 21, at St. Casimir Church hall. The day will start at 3 p.m. and go till about 6p.m. below is a description of what Bishop Barron will be talking about in the presentations.

Bishop Barron offers inspiring insights into the mystery of Christ's presence in our lives and the centrality of the Eucharist as an important part of that presence. So many believers do not understand the mystery of the Eucharist, which is the "source and summit of the Christian life." This fresh look at the Eucharist brings to light its reality as sacred meal, the sacrifice necessary for communion with God, and the real presence of Christ.

The day will consist of 5 short videos from Bishop Barron and then after each videos there will be small group discussion/large group discussion. Please bring **a Bible, the Catechism of the Catholic Church**, paper and pencil. There will be no cost for this enrichment day. If you have questions about the Eucharistic enrichment day please text your questions to [507-330-9667](tel:507-330-9667).

Fr. Greg Havel's Farewell Luncheon

Since Father Greg has been very ill the last month. We have decided until he can gain his strength back the party has been postponed. Father was taken to the Hospital on Monday and still has not been released. He will be moving to LaCrescent, Minnesota to an Assist Living, following his release. Thank You for all who has be assisting Father through this difficult process. He is so touched by all the help he has received by many parishioners with food and care he is so grateful!

Our inquiry sessions have begun, but we are still waiting for YOU!

*Are you searching for...*

- A deeper relationship with God?
- A sense of belonging in a faith community?
- A greater fulfillment of your mission in life?

*Have you been curious...*

- Ever wonder about the difference between the Catholic and Protestant Bibles?
- Ever wonder why priests cannot marry? Or why women are not ordained?
- Ever wonder how Catholics relate to Mary and the saints?
- Ever wonder about the Catholic moral life?

Get answers to all your questions about the Catholic faith.

Our sessions are open to *anyone* wanting to grow deeper in their knowledge of the Catholic Faith. Questions? Call the parish office at 553-5391.

**Diocese of Winona-Rochester - Child Sexual Abuse Policy Information**

The Diocese of Winona-Rochester will provide a prompt, appropriate and compassionate response to reporters of sexual abuse of a child by any diocesan agent (employees, volunteers, vendors, religious or clergy). Anyone wishing to make a report of an allegation of sexual abuse should call the Victim Assistance Coordinator at 507-454-2270, Extension 255. A caller will be asked to provide his or her name and telephone number. Individuals are also encouraged to take their reports directly to civil authorities. The Diocese of Winona-Rochester is committed to protecting children, young people and other vulnerable people in our schools, parishes and ministries. The diocesan policy is available on the diocesan web site at [www.dowr.org](http://www.dowr.org) under the Safe Environment Program. If you have any questions about the Diocese of Winona's implementation of the Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People, please contact

Mary Hamann, at 507-858-1244, or

[mhamann@dowr.org](mailto:mhamann@dowr.org).