

# TRIPARISH CATHOLIC CHURCHES



*Our Lady of Mt Carmel (OLMC)*

27 Main Street

Easton, MN 56025

*Saint Casimir (STC)*

320 2nd Ave SW

Wells, MN 56097

*Saint John the Baptist (STJB)*

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## Sunday January 9, 2022

*The Baptism Of The Lord*

<b>*Monday,</b>	<b>January 10</b>	
No Mass		
Rosary	7:30 pm	STC
<b>*Tuesday,</b>	<b>January 11</b>	
Mass	8:30 am	STC
Rosary	7:30 pm	STC
<b>*Wednesday,</b>	<b>January 12</b>	
Mass	8:30 am	OLMC
Rosary	7:30 pm	STC
<b>*Thursday,</b>	<b>January 13</b>	
Mass	8:30 am	STJB
Rosary	7:30 pm	STC
<b>*Friday,</b>	<b>January 14</b>	
Mass	8:30 am	STC
Rosary	7:30 pm	STC
<b>*Saturday,</b>	<b>January 15</b>	
Mass	5:00 pm	STJB
Rosary	7:30 pm	STC
<b>*Sunday,</b>	<b>January 16</b>	
<i>2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>		
Mass	8:00 am	STC
Mass	10:00 am	OLMC
Rosary	7:30 pm	STC

**Adoration** Eucharistic Adoration for the Tri-parish will resume weekly at St. Casimir Church

**Wednesday** at 9:00 pm through **Thursday** 10:00 pm.

## From Fr. Havel...

This weekend we celebrate The Baptism of the Lord. Jesus, after being baptized by John, received the Holy Spirit as we read: “and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove.” And a voice came from heaven, “you are my beloved Son, with you I am well pleased.”

It is the same Holy Spirit that is given by God to us! We truly become the sons and daughters of the Heavenly Father and brothers and sisters of Jesus. We are the family of God. May our lives of faithfulness to God build up the kingdom here on the earth and may our words and actions be pleasing to God.

~Fr. Greg

### Recently departed:

**Robert Doyle**  
**Donna Schroeder**

**In Our Prayers-Soldiers Overseas:**  
**Troy Haugh, Nick Father**

Mass Schedule & Intentions				
Mon	1/10	STC	No Mass	
Tues	1/11	STC	† Hilary, † Viola and † Richard Hassing	8:30 a.m.
Wed	1/12	OLMC	† Bonnie Schuster	8:30 a.m.
Thurs	1/13	STJB	† Frank & † Arthur Sonnek	8:30 a.m.
Fri	1/14	STC	† Lois Stenzel	8:30 a.m.
Sat	1/15	STJB	† John and † Mike, † Cathy and † Mark McCullum	5:00 p.m.
Sun	1/16	STC	† Helen Herman	8:00 a.m.
Sun	1/16	OLMC	† Lyle Stevermer	10:00 a.m.

## St Casimir School Update

Happy New Year from the third-sixth grade SCS classes! We hope that your Christmas season and New Year celebrations were full of joy.

Looking back on the last month of December, we were able to accomplish and learn many things here in our classroom. Here are some of the highlights: In Math, the third graders continued building on their prior knowledge of addition to add three and four-digit numbers. They used modes to explore addition with regrouping and learned how to check their answers for reasonableness. The fourth grade students built on the foundational skills of subtraction by practicing subtraction of multi-digit whole numbers when some digits are zeros. They also learned how to solve word problems by drawing diagrams and how to solve multi-step problems that included both addition and subtraction. The fifth graders continued to estimate products of multiplications by using rounding and compatible numbers. Furthermore, they multiplied up to three-digit numbers by a two-digit number. Lastly, the sixth grade students completed the Fractions, Decimals and Percent Module by learning how to use bar diagrams, equivalent ratios, double number lines and ratio tables to find the percent of a number. They also learned to come up with their own strategy to solve problems involving sales tax. What an awesome skill to learn at such a young age!

Our favorite part of the day is when we get to do Science. We finished the Energy Unit by exploring electrical circuits. Through trial and error, students had to figure out how to make a small light bulb light up by using a copper wire, a D battery and the bulb. They found different ways to make the wire touch both the top and bottom end of the battery and the bulb to make a complete circuit. In addition to this, we learned about potential and kinetic energy. Submitted by Ethel Aranda, Classroom Teacher

## Tri-Parish Announcements

One Christmas Memorial that was not listed for St. Casimir Church

Given by :

Evelyn Neubauer

In Memory of:

Ron Neubauer

Also a memorial for the Gen Besser & Family, part of it was cut off in the bulletin. In memory of:

James Besser, Douglas Besser, Ervin Besser family and Lawrence Minkel

Sorry for the inconvenience.



A sincere thank you for the prayers, cards and gifts we received during this season. They are very much appreciated God Bless all of you . **Deacon Gene Paul**

**Contribution Envelopes** for 2022 are ready to be picked up. You'll find them in the back of church at St. Casimir, in the main entrance at St. John the Baptist, and in the elevator entrance at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel. We Still have quite a few envelopes left. Thank you for your help in picking these up—they are costly to mail. We appreciate your continued financial support. If you'd no longer like to receive envelopes because you give in a different form i.e. online giving, please contact your parish office.

**A New Year's Prayer;** As the dawn breaks on a new year, let us give thanks for all we hold dear: our health, our family and our friends. Let us release our grudges, our anger and our pains, for these are nothing but binding chains. Let us live each day in the most loving ways, **the God-conscious way.**

**The Synod of Synodality is a two-year process of listening and dialogue that will conclude in 2023. Pope Francis has asked the entire Church to take an active part in the synod, inviting people from all walks of life and from all around the world to gather together for prayer, sharing experiences, listening, and seeking the guidance and wisdom of the Holy Spirit.**

**The Synod is a way for us to all journey together in order to discern and to listen to the voice of the Holy Spirit. Its goal is to promote communion, participation, and mission. Everyone is invited to the Synod. Jan. 15th starting at 9:00 to noon at St. Casimir Church Hall. The primary way of participating in the Synod is in a spirit of listening—first to the Holy Spirit, then to each other. We are looking forward to seeing everyone.**

**STC Giving Tree** The giving tree will be up until Jan 9, 2022 It will be set up in the handicap entrance the first week of Advent. You can find donation suggestions on the giving tree ornaments. We will be collecting donations for the *Options for Women located in Mankato, MN*. Here are some of the needs this year; diapers of all sizes, wipes, white onsies, infant thermometer, audio monitor, Muslim swaddle blanket, Infant winter coats, sippy cups, diaper bags, and much more. Monetary donations can be placed in a marked envelope in the collection. Please leave unwrapped donations under the tree. Thank you!

### **Lost and Found**

There was 2 pairs of glasses left in the Church pews. They were put in the handicap entrance of the Church. Just a reminder we have a tote of lost and found items in the front entrance of St. Casimir's Church.

### Weekly Contributions as of December 31

OLMC--Amount needed weekly.....\$2,452.00  
Amount needed to date.....\$66,204.00  
Amount given to date..... \$105,839.67  
STC— Amount needed weekly.....\$5,127.00  
Amount needed to date.....\$138,429.00  
Amount given to date.....\$173,515.53  
STJB—Amount needed weekly.....\$1,700.00  
Amount needed to date.....\$45,900.00  
Amount given to date.....\$48,569.38

Online giving is available at the website: [olmcststjb.org](http://olmcststjb.org) or [triparishsouth.com](http://triparishsouth.com). Click on the Online Giving logo on the main page under the calendar for the parish you'd like to donate to. It can be one-time or recurring.

### Prayer Requests of the Tri-Parish

***Let us always remember the sick and all those in need of prayer, especially:*** Theresa Barry, Dave Villarreal, Reta Stencil, Mary McCallum, Bruce Woitas, Cassandra Walser, Jerome Goette, Jean Stenzel, Zach Fendrich, Triston Father, Mike Redig, Louise Giese, Mark Haler, Janet Yokiel, Dale Sonnek, Butch Becker, Jay Johnson, Jim Bute, Marge Bute, David Stadheim, Dick Esser, Ardean Schultz, Leshaine Sonnek, Abe Subia ***and for all our service men & women of the armed forces.*** 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- Peggy Linder 787-2575 or Linda Swehla 787-2434, STJB- Rhonda Drager at 462-3627 or STJB Parish Office at 462-3636, STC— Barb Stenzel at 553-3805.

### TriParish Directory

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*If you would like Holy Communion brought to you , please call the Church office 553-5391.*

*Scrip is available! Please call 553-5391 Email: [scasimir@bevcomm.net](mailto:scasimir@bevcomm.net). Or stop into the Church Office.*



# SYNOD 2021 - 2023



Communion  
Participation  
Mission

*"It is precisely  
this path of  
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*-Pope Francis*



## WHO?

The entire people of God are invited to the synod!

## WHAT?

The Synod is a way for us to all journey together in order to discern and to listen to the voice of the Holy Spirit. Its goal is to promote communion, participation, and mission.

## WHEN?

Jan. 15<sup>th</sup>  
starting at 9:00 A.M. till Noon.

## WHERE?

St. Casimir Church hall

## HOW?

The primary way of participating in the Synod is in a spirit of listening – first to the Holy Spirit, then to each other.

**We look forward to seeing you there!**



# QUESTIONS FOR PRAYER, REFLECTION, AND DISCUSSION

\*\*\*Please choose at least one question under each of the sections (i.e., Communion, Participation, Mission) for discussion (edit/adapt questions, as desired). And, be sure to discuss both of the questions under, "Wrapping up". (Stress the importance of honesty.)\*\*\*

## COMMUNION...

"God gathers us together as diverse peoples of one faith. We all have a role to play in discerning and living out God's call for his people."

1. What does the Eucharist mean to me? How can I help others come to a deeper understanding of the Eucharist?  
(As Catholics, we believe that Jesus is truly present Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity in the Sacrament of the Eucharist.)
2. How is it possible for me to have fruitful dialogue and collaboration with those of differing perspectives?
3. Do I feel like I belong in this parish community? Why or why not?

## PARTICIPATION...

"A call for the involvement of all who belong to the People of God — laity, consecrated and ordained — to engage in the exercise of deep and respectful listening to one another."

1. How do we as a Church listen well, and where do we fall short in hearing the voices of all who live in this area?
2. Do our decision-making methods allow us to listen to the People of God and the Holy Spirit? Are these methods employed with transparency?
3. What hinders me as a baptized Christian from being an active, missionary disciple?

## MISSION...

"The Church exists to evangelize.... Our mission is to witness to the love of God in the midst of the whole human family."  
(From the "Handbook for the Synod")

1. What areas of Christ's mission are we neglecting?
2. How do prayer and liturgical celebrations actually inspire and guide our common life and mission in our community?  
(Examples of liturgical celebrations include Mass, Funerals, Weddings, Baptisms, services, etc.)
3. What steps can be taken to grow closer to our fellow non-Catholic Christians?  
(A missionary disciple is someone who has relationship with Jesus Christ and is actively leading others to Jesus Christ.)

## WRAPPING IT UP...

1. How can we foster an approach to participation and leadership that is modelled on communion, participation and mission?
2. What signs have you seen in our community that we are fostering a life of "walking together," listening to one another, participating in mission, and engaging in dialogue — all the while paying attention to the movements of the Holy Spirit?  
(Some examples of movements of the Holy Spirit include answered prayers, people choosing to change their lives and follow Christ, newfound curiosity of Jesus, etc.)

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