

TRIPARISH CATHOLIC CHURCHES

Sunday December 12, 2021

3rd Sunday of Advent



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)

100 Park Street N.

Minnesota Lake, MN 56068

Pastor: Rev. Greg Havel

507-553-5391

Adoration Eucharistic Adoration for the Tri-parish will resume weekly at St. Casimir Church **Wednesday** at 9:00 pm through **Thursday** 10:00 pm. (No Adoration on Dec. 22/23)

***Monday, December 13**
No Mass
Rosary 7:30 pm STC

***Tuesday, December 14**
Mass 8:30 am STC
Rosary 7:30 pm STC

***Wednesday, December 15**
Mass 8:30 am OLMC
Rosary 7:30 pm STC

***Thursday, December 16**
Mass 8:30 am STJB
Rosary 7:30 pm STC

***Friday, December 17**
Mass 8:30 am STC
Rosary 7:30 pm STC

***Saturday, December 18**
Reconciliation 8:00 am STC
Reconciliation 9:30 am OLMC
Reconciliation 4:00 pm STJB
Mass 5:00 pm STJB
Rosary 7:30 pm STC

***Sunday, December 19**
Forth Sunday of Advent
Mass 8:00 am STC
Mass 10:00 am OLMC
Rosary 7:30 pm STC

From Fr. Havel...

The Scripture readings this weekend bring good news. The prophet Zephaniah says, "Shout for joy, O daughter Zion! Sing joyfully, O Israel! The Lord has removed the judgment against you." St. Paul writes to the Philippians, "Brothers and sisters; Rejoice in the Lord always. I shall say it again; rejoice! Your kindness should be known to all. The Lord is near."

God is truly near and calls us always to faithfulness. In keeping the commands of the Lord we open our hearts to the blessings of our God. May the Lord bless us and inspire us always to holiness of life.

~Fr. Greg

The Christmas Mass schedule will be:

12/24.....5:00 pm STJB (Fr. Stenzel)

12/24..... 5:00 pm STC

12/24.....9:00 pm OLMC

12/25..... 9:00 am STC

12/2511:00 am OLMC

12/26..... 8:00 am STC

12/26.....10:00 am OLMC



St. Casimir School Update...

I can't believe we are in December already, such a festive and cheery month!!! The most wonderful time of the year, as we prepare for the coming of Jesus in the prekindergarten room. Yes, it is the season of "Advent", and we are having so much fun getting ready, reading our amazing bible stories and making our own beautiful advent wreaths and calendars to help us count down the days. It is getting the littles (and myself included) super excited for Christmas, Jesus' birthday!!!

We have also been working on a very special and somewhat secretive project in our classroom. Let's just say, the room has not been the same ever since we started it!!! After mixing all the messy ingredients together and then baking and painting all day, we still had magical glitter and a beautiful silk ribbon to add to our creation. We are tired, and the room got a little disheveled to say the least! But the outcome was well worth the mess and chaos that comes with having a group of littles all being very willing and eager to get in there and "help". We had so much fun, and the kids feel like their parents are going to love their Christmas gifts from them (fingers crossed).

Hope everyone has a wonderful and blessed holiday season!!!

Angie Swehla (Early Childhood Coordinator)

Prayer Requests of the Tri-Parish

Let us always remember the sick and all those in need of prayer, especially: Dave Villarreal, Reta Stencel, 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, Larry & Barb Quillin, ***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.

Mass Schedule & Intentions					
Mon	12/13	No Mass			
Tues	12/14	STC	†Marcella Staloch	8:30 a.m.	
Wed	12/15	OLMC	†Carola Loonan Russell	8:30 a.m.	
Thurs	12/16	STJB	†Marian Weckwerth	8:30 a.m.	
Fri	12/17	STC	†Ron Neubauer	8:30 a.m.	
Sat	12/18	STJB	†Earl,†Gerldine and †Darwin Laitenberger	5:00 p.m.	
Sun	12/19	STC	†Mark Delgado†Darlene Delgado, and †Ben Bushlack	8:00 a.m.	
Sun	12/19	OLMC	†Lyle Stevermer	10:00 a.m.	

Tri-Parish Announcements

OLMC- The Easton Legion Auxiliary would like to send Christmas greetings to active military members from families in our area. Please send the names and addresses to Linda Swehla (DLSwehla@bevcomm.net).

OLMC choir will start practicing for Christmas every Wednesday at 7:30 beginning December 1 until the 22nd, meeting in the choir loft. New members are always welcome!

Christmas Memorials: Memorial donations for Christmas environment are now being accepted. Forms can be found at the church entrances or on the website under the "Bulletins" tab. Memorial donation envelopes may also be found in with your contribution envelopes. If you choose to designate in memory or in honor of someone, please include their name (s) on or in the envelope. Please have them in by December 15th to have the list of donors in the bulletin.

2022 Calendars are now available in all three churches. Thank you, again, to our very generous donors who supply these each year for all of us - what a blessing! Thank you to Mark Schmitz of State Farm, and Herman Manufacturing for the generous donation of the calendars.



Volunteers are needed to help decorate the Church for Christmas. Please let us know by calling the Church parish office 553-5391. We will be setting up a time after the last Sunday of Advent for everyone to meet and help set up Christmas trees and decorate for the holidays at St. Casimir's Church.

Contribution envelopes are available for pick up at all our Tri-Parishes

OLMC MCCW will have their Holiday Bake Sale on Sunday, December 12, 2021 at Club 569. Bake sale hours will be from 11:00 am to 1:00pm. Bake sale items can be dropped off at the Church kitchen on Saturday, December 11 between noon and 3 pm. Items can be dropped off at the Club beginning at 9:30 am on Sunday, December 12th. To make any other arrangements please contact Angie Doyle at 507-525-3686. Please price your items keeping in mind this is a fundraiser for the MCCW. There will be no half price items.

St Casimir School is having a Christmas Cookie



Walk, on Saturday, Dec. 18th at 9:00 am. until gone, at STC Church basement. There will be a variety of sweets and treats available for purchase. \$8.00 per pound. Your support helps fund students' field trips and help them gain experience. If you would rather bake than buy to support the school and students, we would appreciate that just as much. Please drop Christmas treats off in the Church basement Friday the 17th before 6:00 pm. Any questions please call Kristen Dulas at 507-317-2301.

STC Giving Tree The giving tree 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, Muslin 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!

The **Catholic Ministries Appeal** offers a unique opportunity for you to give back to the God of Love, from whom all things are given. Grow closer to Christ by doing your part to build up the Kingdom of God in southern Minnesota. The Appeal funds ministries to invite more than 34,000 households each year to encounter Christ and embrace His Church.

To give online, visit www.catholicismn.org

The envelopes are in the entrances of the Churches.

The deadline for the Catholic Appeal is December 31st, any donations over our appeal amount will come back to the parish.

Now that winter is upon us be aware of School Closing and St. Casimir Church cancelations.

St. Casimir Church announcements will be on the **KEYC News 12**, Radio Station **KBEW Both 1560 AM & 98.1 FM Stations**. These announcements will include Church activities and classes at the Church.

St. Casimir School follows delays, early out and cancelations with the **USC-United South Central School district**. This includes after school activities.



Weekly Contributions as of December 3

OLMC--Amount needed weekly.....\$2,452.00
Amount needed to date.....\$56,396.00
Amount given to date..... \$77,187.84

STC— Amount needed weekly.....\$5,127.00
Amount needed to date.....\$117,921.00
Amount given to date.....\$120,123.62

STJB—Amount needed weekly.....\$1,700.00
Amount needed to date.....\$39,100.00
Amount given to date.....\$32,547.45

Online giving is available at the website: olmcstcstjb.org or 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.

Catholic Ministry Appeal

OLMC Goal \$10,000.00

Amount received/pledged- \$6,663.00

% Given— 66.63%

donors— 28

STC Goal—\$20,885.00

Amount received/pledged— \$26,093.22

% Given— 124.84%

donors— 65

STJB Goal \$7,404.00

Amount received/pledged- \$5,560.00

% Given— 75%

donors- 18

Scrip is available! Please call 553-5391 Email: scasimir@bevcomm.net. Or stop into the Church Office.

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

TriParish Directory

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(Tri-Parish Catholic Faith Community of OLMC, STC & STJB)

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Faith Formation.....Chris Schultz
Music.....Mary Kayser

St. Casimir

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St. John the Baptist

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St. Casimir's School

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Office Hours Vary

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