

# Tri-Parish Catholic Faith Community

## The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph

### Sunday, December 29, 2019

#### *Prayer for the New Year*

Remember us, O God;  
from age to age be our comforter.  
You have given us the wonder of time,  
blessings in days and nights, seasons and years.  
Bless your children at the turning of the year  
and fill the months ahead with the bright hope  
that is ours in the coming of Christ.  
You are our God, living and reigning, forever and ever.  
**R/. Amen.**

#### Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God

✧ Tuesday, 12/31: St. John the Baptist,  
Minn. Lake, 4:00 p.m.

✧ Wednesday, 1/1/20: St. Casimir,  
Wells, 9:00 a.m.

## 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

Mass Schedule & Intentions		
Monday, December 30	No Mass	
Tuesday, December 31 STJB Vigil Mass	† Yatz & Erma Bach	4:00 p.m.
Wednesday, January 1 STC Solemnity of Mary	† Jim Rathai	9:00 a.m.
Thursday, January 2 STJB	† Harlan & † Robert Leesch	8:30 a.m.
Friday, January 3 STC	Living & deceased members of the Knights of Columbus	8:30 a.m.
Saturday, January 4 STJB	† Darwin Laitenberger	5:00 p.m.
Sunday, January 5 STC	† Mike Ziegler	8:00 a.m.
Sunday, January 5 OLMC Mass @ STJB	Pro Populo	10:00 a.m.

#### 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:** For all burials at any of the Tri-Parish cemeteries 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:** Our Lady of Mt. Carmel at St. John the Baptist, Saturdays 9:30-10:00 a.m.; St. Casimir, Sundays 7:00-7:30 a.m.; St. John the Baptist, Saturdays 4:00-4:30 p.m.

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

#### Scripture Readings for Next Week

##### *The Epiphany of the Lord*

First Reading: Isaiah 60:1-6

Psalm: "Lord, every nation on earth will adore you."

Second Reading: Ephesians 3:2-3a, 5-6

Gospel: Matthew 2:1-12

If driving conditions/weather is unfavorable, Mass cancelations will be announced on KEYC News 12 and KBEW 98.1FM & 1560AM.

### Tri-Parish Staff Contact Information

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### Sacramental Emergencies

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

### 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.-4:00 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

PO Box 158, Minnesota Lake, MN  
Phone: 507-462-3636 Fax: 507-553-5391  
Email..... stj@bevcomm.net  
Office Hours ..... varied  
Administrative Assistant..... Rhonda Drager  
Cemetery..... Bob Drager  
Faith Formation ..... Rhonda Drager  
Maintenance..... Quentin Staloch

### Tri-Parish Faith Formation

OLMC	Sun 12/29 Sun 1/5	Grades 1-8 Grades 1-8	Christmas Break New Years Break
TRI	Sun 12/29 Sun 1/5	Confirmation I Confirmation I	Christmas Break 5:00-7:00 p.m.
STC	Wed 1/1	Grades 1-8	Christmas Break
TRI	Wed 1/1	Grade 9 TOB	Christmas Break

### SCS News

It's Christmas break! Projects (and presents) were wrapped up and celebrations took place. Before classes dismissed, 5/6 Religion has been studying the Eucharist more deeply. 4-6th graders were doing a variety of things in Math from long division to order of operations. For Language Arts they've been working on informational texts and types of fiction. In Social Studies we've been learning about ancient civilizations like the Aztec, Maya, and Inca. Maybe you noticed the beautiful paper trees the students made in art class displayed on the dessert table after Lessons and Carols? During the holidays, we're all anticipating some much needed rest and time with our families. 2019 was great, here's to having a Happy New Year, too! God Bless, Mrs. Warner

### Solemnity of Mary December 31, 2019 & January 1, 2020

	STJB Tuesday, 4:00 p.m.	STC Wednesday, 9:00 a.m.
Lector	Maxine Daly	George Bias
Eucharistic Ministers	Bill Daly, Arnie Stenzel, Darrell Radtke	Tom Schindler, Sandy Schindler
Servers	Collin Price, Martha Price	Bob Schindler, Nick Schindler
Ushers	Mike Swehla	Volunteers
Money Counters	Volunteer, Volunteer	

### Box Tops for Education

Box Tops have transitioned away from clipping labels and now have begun to have us scan our receipts. Download the app from the Apple Store or from Google Play. To learn more contact the school office or visit BFTE.COM. If you would like to turn in your receipts, they must be scanned within 14 days of purchase. Please drop them off at either the school or parish office and we'll be happy to redeem for you!



Do you shop at Mankato Hy-Vee? Do you know someone that does? St. Casimir School wants your receipts! We have the opportunity to receive up to \$2000. All you do:

1. Shop Mankato Hilltop or Riverfront Hy-Vee
2. Give your receipts to St. Casimir School office
3. Hy-Vee donates \$1 for every \$150 of receipts collected including grocery, liquor store, and pharmacy.

**A box to deposit receipts is in St. Casimir's Church by the stairs leading to the choir loft. Thank you for supporting our school!**

### Prayer Line...

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 us and we will begin our prayer lines for any need. OLMC- Margaret Stevermer at 787-2525 or Peggy Linder 787-2575, STJB- Rhonda Drager at 462-3627 or STJB Parish Office at 462-3636, STC- Lois Stenzel at 553-5423.

## Stewardship

**Collection amounts for the weekend of:  
12/22/2019**

### Our Lady of Mount Carmel

Adult.....	\$1,530.00
Offertory.....	\$111.00
Christmas.....	\$470.00
Christmas Flowers.....	\$100.00

### St. Casimir

Adult.....	\$13,407.90
Offertory.....	\$102.00
Christmas.....	\$460.00
Christmas Flowers.....	\$115.00

### St. John the Baptist

*Sunday, December 21*

Adult.....	\$2,750.00
Offertory.....	\$161.88
Christmas.....	\$720.00
Christmas Flowers.....	\$145.00

*December 24, Christmas Eve*

Adult.....	\$620.00
Offertory.....	\$555.00
Christmas.....	\$1,865.00

### Catholic Ministry Appeal

#### OLMC

Goal.....	\$10,940.00
Given/pledged.....	\$8,665.00
Needed to reach goal.....	\$2,525.00

#### STC

Goal.....	\$25,700.00
Given/pledged.....	\$24,046.00
Needed to reach goal.....	\$1,654.00
# of donors.....	67
% of goal reached.....	93.56%

#### STJB

Goal.....	\$7,990.00
Given/pledged.....	\$4,988.00
Needed to reach goal.....	\$3,002.00
# of donors.....	28
% of goal reached.....	62.43%

### A Word from Fr. Havel...

The celebration of the birth of our Lord Jesus, the child of Bethlehem, continues and blesses this holy season. God, in the incarnation of His son, raises us up to new life. May we keep the Spirit of Christmas alive in our hearts throughout the new year.

This weekend we celebrate the Feast of the Holy Family. Jesus, Mary and Joseph live in mutual love and respect for one another and provide an example for all families to follow. It has always struck me that we celebrate the Holy Family not the perfect family. In the example of their lives we are reminded that God calls us to live as holy families not perfect families. May God bless us as we give thanks for the gift of our families.

~Fr. Greg

### Annual Announcements...

**Contribution Envelopes** are available in the back of each church. Thank you for using these for your donations to the collection. Remember we have an online option as well if you'd prefer to go paperless. God bless you for your generosity to your parish.

**End Of Year Giving** As we reach the end of the calendar year, please remember your parish in your gift giving. Your financial support is appreciated as we work together for God's Kingdom here on earth. To be included in the 2019 giving, all donations should be received by December 31, 2019. Thank you for your generosity!

**2020 Calendars Available** We are once again blessed by the generous donation of church calendars by Herman Manufacturing Co., Inc. and State Farm Insurance of Wells. The calendars are available at the entrances of the churches in our Tri-Parish community. Please be sure to pick yours up today and offer thanks to our generous donors.

### Catholic Ministry Appeal

Dear Parishioners: As you can see in the bulletin all three parishes are behind in our support of the Catholic Ministry Appeal. I am asking for your support of the appeal. If you are able to help please do so before the end of the year. Any monies that are short of the goal need to be paid by the parish. Fr. Greg

### In Our Prayers

#### Soldiers Overseas

Troy Haugh, Zack Adams

#### Recently Departed

Michael McCallum

#### Upcoming Marriages

Hannah Proehl & Logan Block

### Tri-Parish Prayers...

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

Rick Herman, Marti Paul, Anne Jackson, Brady Berberich, Linda Willette, Mike Redig, Lynn Ascheman, John Walser, Sr. Carmen Sonnek, Rosemary Brand, Ginny Drager, Sharon Hodge, Triston Father, Bill Stokman, Alice Schimek, Gerry Ziegler, Faron Bremseth, Doug Johnson, Norma Goodrich, Allan Latourelle, Dick Stenzel, Zach Fendrich, Ray Kalis, Denny Swehla **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.

**Community...**

**Wells Legion Prime Rib Sandwich Supper-** Join us at the Wells American Legion for a Prime Rib Sandwich Supper on New Year's Eve serving from 5:30-7:30 p.m. Stay to listen to the Flashback Band playing from 8:30 p.m.-12:30 a.m. See you there!

**Wells VFW Omelet Breakfast-** You are invited to the Wells VFW for an Omelet breakfast Sunday, January 5, from 7:30 a.m.-12 p.m. They will be serving omelets, hash browns, eggs and more. All proceeds will go to support St. Casimir's School.

**Wells Blood Drive-** We are looking for people to donate blood on Monday, January 6, from 10:30 a.m. - 6:30 p.m. 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 a.m.** Thank you!

**Tri-Parish...**

**STC & STJB Giving Tree-** Epiphany Sunday, January 5, 2020, will be the last weekend for items to be collected for Options Mankato, a life-affirming pregnancy clinic. Please see the tags on the trees for items needed this year. Monetary donations can be placed in a marked envelope in the collection. Please leave donations in the manger in the St. Casimir's elevator entrance or under the tree at St. John the Baptist. Thank you to all that have donated!

**Christmas Flower Memorials-** This is the last weekend to submit Christmas Flower memorials. Thank you to all who've contributed to the beautification of our churches in honor and memory of your loved ones.

**Online Book Study through DOW-R-** Want to grow in your spiritual life this winter? The Diocese of Winona-Rochester is offering a free online book study of Fr. Jacques Philippe's *Fire and Light: Learning to Receive the Gift of God*, about growing in prayer in everyday life. It is led by Dr. Susan Windley-Daoust, Director of Missionary Discipleship. Tuesdays, January 7-February 11, at 7 p.m. online through Zoom technology (you need a smartphone or laptop with camera and mic to participate). All are welcome. If interested, please buy the book online and contact Michele Klein asap at [mklein@dowr.org](mailto:mklein@dowr.org).

The Epiphany of the Lord				
Ministries for Saturday, January 4 & Sunday, January 5, 2020				
	STJB Saturday, 5:00 p.m.	STC Sunday, 8:00 a.m.		OLMC at STJB Sunday, 10:00 a.m.
Lector	Bill Osdoba	1 <sup>st</sup> Reading: Kristen Dulas 2 <sup>nd</sup> Reading: Arnie Stenzel		Teresa Schimek
Eucharistic Ministers	Bill Daly, Gary Bach, Rick Girard	Barb Redman, Angie Bushlack, Adam Henning, Ronda Allis, Scott Bute, Don Chirpich, Sheila Treptow		Don Linder, Nancy Linder, Doug Ascherman
Servers	Emma Simon, Paige Gonsolus, Brielle Gonsolus	Caldyn Huper, Daylyn Huper, Delaney Weber		Aidan Rath, Justin Rath, Noah Lippert
Ushers	Volunteer, Volunteer	Tom & Marilyn Staloch, Linda Sonnek, Deb Widman, Rhonda Fuhrmann (G)		Dan Haugh, Dave O'Rourke
Sacristan		Don Chirpich		
Gift Bearers		Chris Bushlack Family		
Rosary		Scott Bute		
Money Counters	Rick Girard, Volunteer	Team #1: Julie Stenzel, Joanne Haugh, Carmen Meyer		Dale Yokiel, Yvonne Cory
Monicas		Week of December 29-January 4	Week of January 5-11	
		Marie Hassing, Jan Ignaszewski	Deb Widman	