

Tri-Parish Catholic Faith Community

The First Sunday of Lent

Sunday, March 1, 2020

Upcoming Events

STJB Holy Name Fish Fry

Friday, March 27

SCS Celebrate with the Saints

Saturday, March 28

Tri-Parish Communal Penance

Tuesday, March 31, 7:00 p.m. at STC

Stations of the Cross

All events will be at 6:30 p.m.

~Wednesdays at St. John the Baptist March 4, 11, 18, 25, April 1

~Fridays at St. Casimir March 6, 13

~Thursdays at St. Casimir March 19, 26, April 2

~SCS will have stations every Thursday during Lent at Noon in St. Casimir Church

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, March 2		No Mass
Tuesday, March 3 STC	† Ryan Yanson	8:30 a.m.
Wednesday, March 4 OLMC at STC	† Lyle Stevermer	8:30 a.m.
Thursday, March 5 STJB	† Willis & † Gladys Swehla	8:30 a.m.
Friday, March 6 STC	† Jonathon Higgins	8:30 a.m.
Saturday, March 7 STJB	† Bob & † Loretta Johnson	5:00 p.m.
Sunday, March 8 STC	† Darlene Pyzick	8:00 a.m.
Sunday, March 8 OLMC at STJB	Pro Populo	10:00 a.m.

Beginning next weekend, Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will be held in the chapel on the North side of St. Casimir.

Please see Father's article inside for more details!

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

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: 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: On Saturdays: St. Casimir, 8:30-9:00 a.m.; Our Lady of Mt. Carmel at St. John the Baptist, 9:30-10:00 a.m.; St. John the Baptist, 4:00-4:30 p.m.

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

Tri-Parish Staff Contact Information

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Sacramental Emergencies

Fr. Havel 507-553-5391

Bulletin deadline is Noon Wednesdays

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St. Casimir

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Bookkeeper Kay Herman
Cemetery Tom Schindler
Faith Formation Lisa Bute
Liturgical Music Coordinator .. Connie Stenzel
Maintenance Bruce Roberts

St. Casimir's School

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Bookkeeper Ashley Seedorf
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St. John the Baptist

Church: 100 Park St N
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Office Hours varied
Administrative Assistant Rhonda Drager
Cemetery Bob Drager
Maintenance Quentin Staloch

Tri-Parish Faith Formation Schedule

OLMC	Sun 3/1	Grades 1-8	9:00 a.m. Class
	Sun 3/8	Grades 1-8	9:00 a.m. Class
TRI	Sun 3/1	Confirmation I	5:00-7:00 p.m.
	Sun 3/8	Confirmation I	5:00-7:00 p.m.
STC	Wed 3/4	Grades 1, 3-8	6:30-7:45 p.m.
TRI	Wed 3/4	Grade 9 TOB	6:30-7:45 p.m.

First Communion Learning Centers will be Wednesday, March 4, available from 3:30-7:00 p.m. in Fr. Mikolai Hall in St. Casimir's School.

We would like to acknowledge and thank the following for their Shoemaker's Appeal donations received through 2-26-2020. We would like to thank eleven anonymous donors who gave a total of \$2,880. Our current total is \$11,815.00! Thank you to those who have already given and we sincerely ask that others will prayerfully consider helping St. Casimir's School! Our annual Shoemaker Appeal is significant in helping us meet our financial obligations. Thank you and God Bless.



With Sincere Gratitude

There are not enough words
to fully express our heartfelt thanks
for the sympathy, love and support
you have extended to our family
during this time of loss.
The Family of Ray Kalis



Donations are now being accepted for St. Casimir's School's largest fundraising event, Celebrate with the Saints, planned for Saturday, March 28, 2020. Donations may be dropped off at the school or please contact the school office to arrange pick-up with a committee member. Thank you for your support!

SCS News

The SCS 2nd and 3rd graders are working hard at school.

The students have been busy rounding numbers, counting money, reading about interesting people, places and animals and celebrating all their blessings. This is a dynamic group of creative kids.

February brought Valentine parties and Jump Rope for Heart. Valentine boxes were decorated to the hilt and filled with cards and candy. St. Casimir's School is such a welcoming family. Many thanks to Chad and Elizabeth Bittmann for leading the Jump Rope for Heart with skills, races and lots of fun while learning about heart health! Students earned jump ropes, candy, stickers and more for their efforts.

Enjoy the crisp days... summer is just around the next snowbank!

God bless, Ms. Ann Bryson

Stewardship

*Collection amounts for the weekend of:
February 15-16, 2020*

Our Lady of Mount Carmel

Adult..... \$1,260.00
 Offertory..... \$138.00
 Church in Eastern Europe.. \$50.00
Ash Wednesday
 Adult..... \$1,260.00
 Church in Eastern Europe.. \$50.00

St. Casimir

Adult..... \$6,227.00
 Offertory..... \$73.00
 Ash Wednesday..... \$25.00
 Grain donation..... \$923.13

St. John the Baptist

Adult..... \$1,030.00
 Offertory..... \$100.00

CMA 2020 Goals

STC	OLMC	STJB
Needed	Needed	Needed
\$25,000	\$10,000	\$7,750
Received	Received	Received
\$	\$	\$

In Our Prayers

Soldiers Overseas

Troy Haugh
 Zack Adams

Recently Departed

Jim Yokiel
 Cory Greff
 Julie Latusek

A Word from Fr. Havel...

Today we hear in our Gospel reading of the temptations of Jesus. The Scriptures tell us that Jesus, who was like us in all ways but sin, faced temptations. He chose, however, not to sin!

Sin is a choice. When we sin it is by freely choosing to do something that we know is wrong and against the teachings of God. There is a difference between temptations and sins.

Lent gives us a time to reflect on our lives. To recognize where we may have accepted sinful behaviors into our journeys with the Lord and to embrace repentance and seek forgiveness.

~Fr. Greg

Adoration:

From Sunday at 9:00 a.m. till Tuesday at 8:00 a.m. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament is prayed each week at St. Casimir Church. Thank you to all who come faithfully to spend time with the Lord in prayer. Beginning next weekend, March 8-10, Adoration will move from the Church to the prayer room (through the door by the statue of the Sacred Heart of Jesus). People should come in and leave the church as you have in the past. It is my hope that the prayer room will provide a more intimate place to be in the presence of the Lord.

During Lent, St. Casimir's will be taking up a special collection for the Wells Ministerial Community Fund after each Sunday Mass at the entrances. This fund was established in 2015 and is managed by the pastors of each church in Wells. They collaborated with the Wells Police Department to be a 24/7 point of contact and distribute the help people may need. Donating to this fund allows us to minister to the community as a united front which is designated for people who live among us that need assistance with things like emergency housing vouchers, heating, fuel, or items hard to come by when times get tough. Please prayerfully consider the donation you're able to share for this very worthy, local cause. It's been a tremendous blessing to so many!

Tri-Parish Community of Prayer...

Let us always remember the sick of our parish communities and families, and all those in need of prayer, especially: Marti Paul, Brady Berberich, Linda Willette, John Walser, Sr. Carmen Sonnek, Sharon Hodge, Alice Schimek, Gerry Ziegler, Faron Bremseth, Doug Johnson, Norma Goodrich, Allan Latourelle, Zach Fendrich, Denny Swehla, Rick Herman, Lynn Ascheman, Doug Ascheman, Triston Father, Mike Redig, Helen Tatarek, Louise Giese, Mark Haler, Rita Braun ***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 or calling 553-5391 if you would like to continue prayers.

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 and we will begin our prayer lines for any need—give only the details you wish. OLMC- Margaret Stevermer at 787-2525 or Janet Schimek 854-3638, STJB- Rhonda Drager at 462-3627 or STJB Parish Office at 462-3636, STC- Lois Stenzel at 553-5423.

Community...

Wells VFW Omelet Breakfast will be held Sunday, March 1, from 7:30 a.m.-12 p.m. All proceeds will go to Wounded Warriors.

During the month of March, dollars received for the MN Food Share March Campaign can expand—\$1 can be stretched into food for two or more meals! Donations may be sent to: WAFS PO Box 12, Wells, MN 56097.

St. Theodore Catholic Church in Albert Lea is hosting a pilgrimage to Our Lady of Good Help in Green Bay, WI, May 11 & 12, 2020, location of the first Marian apparition approved in the United States. Cost is \$75/person plus additional for hotel stay. Please see poster in the back of church for more details.

The Light is On is our Diocese's initiative to reach out to those with anxiety about confession, and encouraging them God's mercy is there, waiting, and will transform your life. If you would like to receive inspirational emails about the mercy of God this holy season, please visit www.thelightisonSouthernMN.org. Please consider looking at the resources yourself and sharing this website widely: read local witness stories, how-to tips, and encouragement.

Experience beauty that refreshes and peace that renews at Broom Treat Retreat Center. If you're interested in experiencing a retreat personally or as a family, Broom Tree is a beautiful option. Visit www.broom-tree.org for schedule options or call 605-263-1040 for more details. Broom Tree is located near Irene, SD, in the Diocese of Sioux Falls, approximately 3-1/2 hours from the Tri-Parish.

Tri-Parish...

OLMC will have a meeting following 10:00 a.m. Mass on Sunday, March 1, in St. Ann's Hall for an update on the church building. All are welcome to attend.

St. Casimir's School invites you to join them for coffee & rolls this weekend after 8:00 a.m. Mass, March 1.

St. Casimir's CCW will have a meeting on Thursday, March 5, beginning at 7:00 p.m. in St. Casimir's Church Hall. All ladies of the parish are welcome and encouraged to attend.

The Second Sunday of Lent
Ministries for Saturday, March 7, & Sunday, March 8, 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 st Reading: Brian Bias 2 nd Reading: Bernard J. Steinhauer	Nancy Linder
Eucharistic Ministers	Rick Girard, Darrell Radtke, Rhonda Drager	Rick Herman, Tom Schindler, Arnie Stenzel, Mark & Lia Ignaszewski, Bev Klein, Barb Redman	Jon Rath, Eleanor Rath, Doug Ascherman
Servers	Collin Price, Paige Gonsolus, Brielle Gonsolus	Delaney Weber, Adam & Ally Stenzel	Ava Petersen, Noah Lippert, Makayla Ankeny
Ushers	Volunteer, Volunteer	Deb Widman, Linda Sonnek, Ray Yokiell, Larry Brand (U&G)	Troy Petersen, Dave O'Rourke
Sacristan		Mark & Lea Nowak	
Gift Bearers		Mark & Lea Nowak	
Rosary		Carol Linder	
Money Counters	Rick Girard, Volunteer	Team #3: Ann Marie Schuster, Randy Feist, Mark Ignaszewski	Cheryl Warmka, Mark Braunshausen
Monicas		Week of March 1-7	Week of March 8-14
		Jan Nowak, Rhonda Fuhrmann	Deb Widman, Jan Ignaszewski