

## The Churches of St. Bernard and St. Bridget



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### Parish Office

<b>Location</b>	116 4 <sup>th</sup> Ave SE Stewartville, MN 55976
<b>Office Hours</b>	Monday - Friday 8:30 am - 2:30 pm
<b>Phone</b>	(507) 533-8257
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September 21, 2014

**Parish Registration:** If you wish to become a member, registration forms are in the kiosk at St. Bernard's or you may contact the parish office or visit [sbsbparishes.org](http://sbsbparishes.org) and find the registration application under the 'About' tab.

**Office Hours:** Monday & Wednesday 8:30 am–5:30 pm, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday 8:30 am – 2:30 pm

**Bulletin Deadline:** Wednesday mornings 10:00 am.

**Becoming Catholic:** Are you interested in becoming Catholic or learning more about the Catholic faith? Contact Fr. Wilmot [frwilmot@aol.com](mailto:frwilmot@aol.com) 533-8257 or Mary Brouillard [mkbrouill@aol.com](mailto:mkbrouill@aol.com) 533-6596 at St. Bernard's or Sandy Woodruff 282-3854 at St. Bridget's.

**St. Bridget's Adoration:** Mondays 2:00 - 11:00 pm

**St. Bernard's Adoration:** Tuesdays 4:00 am - Wednesdays Midnight. Church doors will be locked from 8:00 pm - 5:00 am on Tuesday and Wednesdays. If you wish to stop by for Adoration during this time, use the doorbell located on the glass doors of the main entrance.

**Confessions:**

Saturdays at St. Bernard's

4:00 - 4:30 pm

Sundays St. Bridget's

7:45 - 8:15 am

You may call Father to make an appointment.

**Baptism:** Expectant or new parents, call the office to register for a PreJordan Baptism Class.

**Marriage:** Make an appointment with Father at least six months prior to the anticipated date.

**Pastor's Visit & Sick Calls:** If you would like a Communion visit from Fr. Wilmot, call the office 533-8257.

**Estate Plans:** Have you remembered St. Bernard's or St. Bridget's in your will?

**Prayer Group:** Wednesdays 9:30-10:30 am at St. Bernard's in the parish library.

**Latin Mass:** Held the first and third Sundays of the month at St. Bridget's at 1:00 pm. Questions, contact Don Hagler at 206-4355 or [www.rochesterlatinmasssociety.org](http://www.rochesterlatinmasssociety.org)

## Mass Schedule & Intentions

**Monday, Sept 22**      **St. Bernard's**      **8:00 am**  
Gary Braun+

*No daily Mass on Tuesday & Wednesday as Father will be attending diocesan priest meetings.*

**Thursday, Sept 25**      **St. Bernard's**      **8:00 am**  
Walt R. David+

**Friday, Sept 26**      **St. Bernard's**      **8:00 am**  
Patricia & Donna Sues+

**Care Center**      **9:15 am**  
Florence Donovan+

**Saturday, Sept 27**      **St. Bernard's**      **5:00 pm**  
Don & Mary Himmer+

**Sunday, Sept 28**      **St. Bridget's**      **8:30 am**  
Pete Flynn+

**St. Bernard's**      **10:30 am**  
For St. Bernard's & St. Bridget's

## Liturgical Ministries

**Saturday, Sept 27 – 5:00 pm – St. Bernard's**

Servers: Needed

Lector: Charlie O'Brien

EMC: Emma Davis, Jean Peterson

Greeters: Dave & Mary Schultz

Ushers: Joe Himmer, Jared Trisko, Ken Trisko

**Sunday, Sept 28 – 8:30 am – St. Bridget's**

Server: Luke Borst

Lector: Robert Sheehan

EMC: Jim Kuisle, Bill Kuisle, Jeannette Sheehan

**Sunday, Sept 28 – 10:30 am - St. Bernard's**

**CONFIRMATION**

Servers: Hannah Otto, Sarah Watters

Lector: Nathan Onsgard

EMC: Lisa Dodd, Ginny Hanson, Dick Koenigs, Laura Peters,

Janet Speltz, Krissy Sullivan

Ushers: Brad Kime, Bill Oswald, Jim Otto

*The new schedules for October and November are available online so please go through and choose assignments.*

## Pastor's Corner

Today's parable is the story of an owner who hires laborers at different times but, and here is the twist, he pays everyone the same. Now this is obviously not advice from the Lord on how to conduct businesses – or no one would have a printable one for very long - but we are reminded that He is the master of all and can do what He wishes, when He wishes in accordance with the will of the Father.

The Jews considered that since they came on the scene first, they would be privileged and have first place but Jesus insists that he who does the will of the Father, Jew or Gentile, will receive a just share in the heavenly reward. We are all called to respond to the Lord promptly and eagerly whenever He calls and do whatever he asks us to do, without thought of reward. For some there might be difficulty in hearing the Lord's call at first, for example St. Paul and St. Augustine, who fortunately converted in time. However, we who claim to believe must simply be ready and willing respond positively. God bless you all.

## Stewardship

“What's in it for me?” That may be a question we pose often. It is certainly part of our societal lexicon. Whatever may be proposed to us, by governments, advertisements, friends, and even our Church or our parish, we may well respond with something similar to that question, which put another way, can be phrased “What do I get out of this?”

That is surely a challenge when it comes to stewardship because the good steward's motivation is supposed to be higher, done out of love, not lived because some reward is in the offing. The point is simply that the reward for living correctly, for loving and practicing stewardship, is eternal life with the Lord. We tend to think in terms of hours or amounts given. God thinks in greater terms, and it is He to whom we need to respond.

## Stewardship of Treasure

### Church Support Received for September 13/14

#### St. Bernard's

Weekly Amount Rec'd	\$ 4,613.50
Amount Budgeted	\$ 4,897.96
Fiscal YTD Received	\$43,262.50
YTD Budgeted	\$53,877.58
Under Budget	\$10,615.08

#### St. Bridget's

Weekly Amount Rec'd	\$ 2,043.27
Amount Budgeted	\$ 1,992.65
Fiscal YTD Received	\$22,692.11
YTD Budgeted	\$21,919.19
Over Budget	\$ 772.92

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## News for Both Parishes



**Quilters:** Anyone who has a talent for sewing and quilting and those who are interested in learning more, please come to a gathering at St. Bernard's parish library on Thursday, September 25 at 6:30 pm.

**Confirmation:** Next Sunday, September 28, Bishop Harrington will confirm our students at the 10:30 am Mass



**2014 Baby Bottle Campaign:** The Baby Bottle Campaign is sponsored by the Diocese of Winona and the Catholic Charities' Pregnancy, Parenting and Adoption Program. All the money collected is used to assist women in the diocese to choose parenting or adoption as well as raising awareness concerning the day to day efforts which Catholic Charities has been engaged in on behalf of women. Take a baby bottle and put as much of your loose change in it as possible. This campaign will run through the month of October.

## St. Bernard's

**Wedding Banns:** Brandon Hanson & Mary Hurley  
Saturday, September 27

**Thank You:** The family of Lyle Abbott would like to thank our parish family for all of your comfort and support. Lyle looked forward to the visits from the Eucharistic Ministers. Those visits and extra time you took with him were much appreciated. Also, thanks to Jeanette Fortier and Fr. Wilmot for being with our family on the evening of Lyle's passing. We would also like to say thank you to the Funeral Committee for the delicious lunch served after the funeral. God Bless!

**Pastoral Council Meeting:** Thursday, Oct 2 at 6:30 pm

**Word Among Us Subscribers:** Your October issue is ready for pick-up in the gathering space.

**Singers:** We are looking for additional singers (cantors) for the weekend Masses. Prayerfully consider offering your talents for your parish. See Fr. Wilmot if you are interested.

## Faith Formation News

**Thank You:** Thank you to everyone who attended and to those who helped with the dinner last Wednesday for our Faith Formation Kick-Off. Special thanks to Dick & Pat Koenigs, Roger & Pam Mueller and Dennis & Amy Edholm for helping with the meal and clean-up and to Jeanette Fortier for greeting and helping where it was needed.

**Faith Formation Classes:** Wednesday, September 24 at St. Bernard's

**Grade 10 Confirmation Rehearsal for Confirmation:** Wednesday, September 24 in the church at St. Bernard's at 6:30 pm. Sponsors need to attend the rehearsal. If they cannot make it a parent can fill in.

## St. Bridget's

**Thank You:** Thank you to those who helped in any way with the Suzanne Idso funeral luncheon. Your help is greatly appreciated by the family.

**Pastoral Council Meeting:** Tuesday, September 30 at 6:30 pm

## Around The Area & Other News

**St. James Coffee Events:** 40 Days For Life Kick-Off Rally: Tuesday, September 23 at 7:00 pm. Guest speaker Brian Walker is the Director for the 40 Days for Life Campaign and works at Pro-Life Action Ministries in the Twin Cities. For more info on 40 Days For Life, visit [40daysforlife.com/rochester-mn](http://40daysforlife.com/rochester-mn)

**2014 Birthright State Conference:** On Saturday, September 27 an all-day conference will be held at Assisi Heights. Registration forms are on the kiosk bulletin board at St. Bernard's or email: [birthright\\_rochmn@yahoo.com](mailto:birthright_rochmn@yahoo.com)

**Love or Lust – Chastity Presentation:** Jason Evert will be coming to our Diocese on Monday, September 29 at 7:00 pm. Jason is a nationally known chastity presenter and many of our young people have seen him at NCYC and Steubenville. His presentations are dynamic and life changing and it would be worth making the trip to see him. The event is free to the public and will be held in Heron Lake. For more information contact Ben Frost at: [bfrost@dow.org](mailto:bfrost@dow.org)

**Pro-Life Novena for Unborn Babies:** You are invited to take part in the multinational Novena For Unborn Babies prayer event Monday, September 29-Tuesday, October 7. The rosary is offered across the world for the intention of "for the protection of unborn babies". Pray one Rosary each day.

**Video from Catholic Charities:** Catholic Charities is in the process of trying to inform more individuals about their services throughout the Diocese. They recently created a YouTube Video, "Love Never Fails". Check it out on the home page of Catholic Charities website [www.ccwinona.org](http://www.ccwinona.org) You most likely will recognize some of the people from our parishes.