

The Churches of St. Bernard and St. Bridget



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Parish Office

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| Location | 116 4 th Ave SE Stewartville, MN 55976 |
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| Rectory | (507) 533-1086 (after hours-emergency) |

March 22, 2015

5th Sunday of Lent

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 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 533-8257 or Mary Brouillard mkbrouill@aol.com 533-6596 at St. Bernard's or Sandy Woodruff 282-3854 at St. Bridget's.

St. Bridget's Adoration: Mondays 1:00 - 10:00 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:

Saturday St. Bernard's 9:00-10:00 am & 4:00 - 4:30 pm
Sunday St. Bridget's 7:45 - 8:15 am
Or call Father for 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.

Catholic Cancer Support Group: Meets every 3rd Tuesday at 7:00 pm in the library at St. Bernard's.

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

Mass Schedule & Intentions

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| Monday, March 23 | St. Bernard Carol Bourquist+ | 8:00 am |
| Tuesday, March 24 | St. Bridget Mari Ahlers+ | 8:30 am |
| Wed, March 25 | St. Bernard Mike Foster+ | 8:00 am |
| Thursday, March 26 | St. Bernard Les Wernimont+ | 8:00 am |
| Friday, March 27 | St. Bernard Roy Smith+ | 8:00 am |
| | Care Center Alice Hyland+ | 9:15 am |
| Saturday, March 28 <i>Palm Sunday Vigil</i> | St. Bernard Robert Meyerhofer+ | 5:00 pm |
| Sunday, March 29 <i>Palm Sunday</i> | St. Bridget For St. Bridget's & St. Bernard's | 8:30 am |
| | St. Bernard Lyle & Colette Abbott+ | 10:00 am |

Liturgical Ministries

Saturday, March 28 - 5:00 pm – St. Bernard's

Greeters: Dave & Mary Schultz

Servers: Erica Lamb, Brandon McCrady

Lectors: Dorothy Hurley, Charlie O'Brien, Marge Reimers

EMC: Barb Abbott, Pauline Fontaine, Cindy Meyerhofer, Jim Nosbisch, Bill Rincken

Ushers: Brayde Faulhaber, Alex VandeLoo, Sam VandeLoo, Jared Trisko, Ken Trisko

Sunday, March 29 – 8:30 am – St. Bridget's

Server: Victoria Nienow

Lector: Andy Friederichs

EMC: Hank Friederichs, Harvey Friederichs, Wanda Nienow

Sunday, March 29 – 10:00 am - St. Bernard's

Rosary: Jan Owen

Greeters: Mychelle Henderson, Janet Speltz

Servers: Bayli & Bryttin Henderson

Lector: Rob Miller, Gene Peters, Julie Watters

EMC: Lisa Dodd, Ginny Hanson, Mychelle Henderson, Mary Hustak, Jan Owen

Ushers: Kevin Christian, Brian Meyerhofer, Brad Kime, Jim Otto

Pastor's Corner

During these last two weeks of Lent we get to meditate a lot on the dreadful suffering that Jesus endured for our salvation; so that salvation would be secured for all who are faithful. You'll see therefore that anything ornate in our church will be set aside. Statues are covered so that we can concentrate on the Cross. We should not concentrate on Saints etc. but on Jesus Himself during this lead up to the holiest week of the year.

There are great things ahead for us of course because through Christ's blood we become members of the New Covenant; sharing in His life through our baptism and the Eucharist. Though we seem to want everything accomplished instantly these days, let us linger in sorrow and ponder the suffering of the One who was fully human and whose blood was shed because of our sinfulness. Let us be united with Him in our commitment to the covenant by keeping His law which is written on our hearts. God bless you all.

Stewardship Reflection

Easter is two weeks from this Fifth Sunday of Lent. Our readings for today reflect that, and our own life efforts need to reflect that, as well. Whether we have fully utilized this Lenten journey or whether we have let it pass us by, it is not too late to make this a time which is memorable in our lives, and significant in our faith journeys. We can draw great encouragement and strength from this for our stewardship journey. We can remember how much God has done for us; how He gave His only Son for us. We can use His gifts of time, talent and treasure to show our gratitude.



St. Bridget's Wednesday at 5:30 pm
St. Bernard's Thursday at 6:30 pm (come early for soup at 5:30 pm)



Participate in Receiving Foot Washing on Holy Thursday, April 2, 6:30 pm at St. Bernard's: Father would like a couple of people from St. Bridget's and St. Bernard's to come forward for this.

Good Friday - Adults Needed: Father is looking for a couple of adults to serve at 3:00 pm at St. Bridget's and three to serve at 6:30 pm at St. Bernard's for Good Friday, April 3. Let Father know if you are interested in participating.

Stewardship of Treasure

Church Support Received as of March 15

St. Bernard's

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| Amount Rec'd | \$ 4,020.60 |
| Amount Budgeted | \$ 4,897.96 |
| Fiscal YTD Received | \$171,883.00 |
| YTD Budgeted | \$181,224.58 |
| Under Budget | \$ 9,341.58- |

St. Bridget's

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| Amount Rec'd | \$ 1,671.52 |
| Amount Budgeted | \$ 1,992.65 |
| Fiscal YTD Received | \$ 78,071.94 |
| YTD Budgeted | \$ 73,728.19 |
| Over Budget | \$ 4,343.75+ |

Catholic Ministries Appeal 2015

Thank you for your support of the 2015 Catholic Ministries Appeal (formerly known as the Annual Diocesan Appeal). The CMA is unique in that it provides a Christ-centered approach to helping the people served by the Diocese of Winona. This appeal is one of the major fundraisers managed by the Catholic Foundation of Southern Minnesota, an independent non-profit community foundation that financially supports parishes, schools and ministries with the necessary resources to be vibrant centers of faith. If you have not yet made a gift to this appeal, please do so. Contributions from every registered household will help us reach our goals. If you have misplaced your pledge card and information, there are additional envelopes in the pews.

Living Every Day With Passion & Purpose: Born in Sydney, Australia, Matthew Kelly is a motivational speaker, author, business consultant and founder of the Matthew Kelly Foundation. His lecture topics include identifying negative routines and actions in daily life, and the value and positive inspiration of Catholicism for practical solutions. Matthew Kelly, with special musical guest Eliot Morris, will be at St. Bernard's on **Saturday, May 16 at 7:00 pm**. Be sure to get your tickets (\$39, which includes resource materials) at the parish office or online at dynamiccatholic.com. To find out more about Matthew Kelly, go to youtube.com and search his name to watch video clips.

Our Parishes

40 Days for Life Campaign: On Saturday, March 28, St. Bridget's and St. Bernard's parishioners are invited to participate in the 40 Days for Life Campaign to pray and fast for an end to abortion. If you can pray on location at Planned Parenthood in Rochester, please call or email Cindy Meyerhofer 273-9847 cindymeyerhofer@q.com or Monica Araoz monicaaraoz3@yahoo.com with the time that you would be available. We will provide all the information you need as well as a sign to carry. For more information visit: <https://40daysforlife.com/2015/03/13/rochester-minnesota/>

St. Bernard's



Blessings to Gracelynn Noelle Drees, daughter of Cassandra, as she receives the holy sacrament of baptism.

Thank You, Thank You! To all who have graciously assisted for the funeral luncheons, you are appreciated! We've had a few of them, one right after the other, short notice and all, it gets pulled together because of YOU! ☺

Gift Baskets: If you plan on donating a gift basket for the Spaghetti Dinner, bring it to the parish office on Monday, March 23.



Men of the Parish: Meet on Monday, March 23 at 6:00 pm at Riverview Greens Clubhouse. We will set-up and go over the tasks for the Spaghetti Dinner.

Tickets for Mama Tranchita's Spaghetti Dinner: Get your tickets (\$20 each) on Monday at the parish office. After that, tickets can be purchased at the door. The dinner is on Tuesday, March 24 at Riverview Greens Clubhouse, seating is from 5:00-8:30 pm. Don't miss out on this evening of great fun and a delicious meal!



Shadow Mime Stations of the Cross: All are invited for this special presentation of the youth performing the Stations of the Cross in shadow mime form on Wednesday, March 25 at 6:30 pm. This will be held in the social hall at St. Bernard's.

Wedding Banns: Tony Gehling & Paula Pries ~ Saturday, March 28

Adult Choir: On Sunday, March 29, we'll provide music ministry at the 10:00 am Mass. Meet at 8:50 am for rehearsal.

Religious Education St. Bridget's & St. Bernard's

Class: Regular class Wednesday, March 25 at St. Bernard's from 5:00-6:00 pm. The 6:30-7:30 pm class will be attending Shadow Mime Stations. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Adult Catholicism: As of printing, Father will announce whether or not there will be this class on Wednesday, March 25.

No Class on Wednesday, April 1st: Easter vacation!

St. Bridget's

Women's Luncheon: Saturday, April 25 with a "Spring Fling" theme. Put the date on your calendar - details to follow.

Around The Area

Good Friday Procession in Rochester: *The Way of the Cross* on Friday, April 3, gather at 3:45 pm at the East entrance of the Government Center (facing the Rochester Arts Center) and will proceed to St. John's Catholic Church, 11 Fourth Avenue SW, where a Good Friday Service will follow at 5:30. Participation is free.

Marriage Retreat: Register for the April 11-12 Marriage Encounter. Weekends are held at Mt. Olivet Conference and Retreat Center in Farmington. Visit www.marriages.org for additional information or call 651-454-3238.

Medjugorije Pilgrimages: Queen of Peace Tours offer a few pilgrimages for the year of 2015; March 30-April 8, April 9-18, June 18-27, Sept 24-Oct 4. The cost is \$2189, which includes housing, meals, bus rides, but does not include airport taxes. For additional information or to register you may email Stephanie at spercie33@gmail.com or call 763-571-1933 or call St. Bernard parishioner Pauline Fontaine 533-8074.