

The Churches of St. Bernard and St. Bridget



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Parish Office

Location	116 4 th Ave SE Stewartville, MN 55976
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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: Saturdays at St. Bernard's 4:00-4:30 pm
Sundays at St. Bridget's 7:45 – 8:15 am

Baptism: Expectant and /or new parents, if you have not taken a Pre Jordan Baptism Class, contact the office. Once the class is completed, contact the office to schedule the baptism

Marriage: Make an appointment with Father at least six months prior to the anticipated date. You may call earlier than that for availability.

Pastor's Visit & Sick Calls: If you would like a Communion visit from Fr. Wilmot or if you would like to be added to Fr. Wilmot's First Friday Communion List, call the office at 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.

Mass Schedule & Intentions

18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Monday, August 3	St. Bernard	8:00 am
	For Marvin Sommer	
Tuesday, August 4	St. Bridget	8:30 am
	Janet Iedema+	
Wednesday, August 5	St. Bernard	8:00 am
	Henry Bussman+	
Thursday, August 6	St. Bernard	8:00 am
	For priests of the diocese	
Friday, August 7	St. Bernard	8:00 am
	For Helen Carver	
	Care Center	9:15 am
	For the residents	
Saturday, August 8	St. Bernard	5:00 pm
	LaVonne Schoeppner+	
Sunday, August 9	St. Bridget	8:30 am
	For St. Bridget's & St. Bernard's	
	St. Bernard	10:00 am
	Bill and Nela Sues+	

Liturgical Ministries

Saturday, August 8 - 5:00 pm – St. Bernard's

Greeters: Chris & Diane Gray

Rosary: Cindy Meyerhofer

Server: George & Henry Gray

Lector: Marge Reimers

EMC: Barb Abbott, Terri Elsbernd, Emily Kiefer,

Cindy Meyerhofer

Ushers: Darrel Elsbernd, Warren Hauger, Dan Rainey

Sunday, August 9- 8:30 am – St. Bridget's

Server: Jacob Twohey

Lector: Coleen Gau

EMC: Britt Noser, Mike Sheehan

Sunday, August 9 - 10:00 am - St. Bernard's

Rosary: Mary Hustak

Servers: Erica Lamb, Hannah Otto

Lector: Needed

EMC: Scott Christian, Mary Hustak, Graham Mueller, Karen

Volkart (3 needed)

Ushers: Jad Mayer, Jim Otto, Wayne Volkart

Pastor's Corner

Last Sunday's Gospel was about Jesus' feeding of the 5,000 with five loaves and two fish. The people were impressed and wanted to make him their king. He couldn't shake them off and they followed him to Capernaum. They were thinking in earthly terms, of their stomachs, if you will, but Jesus wanted to draw them to a deeper feeding.

Jesus wanted them, and wants us now, to have completely changed lives; that was his mission. A "new self" must be born. This must begin with a deep sense of gratitude for the sacrificial gift of the Son of God. In the Holy Eucharist, where Jesus comes as the bread of life we encounter the death and resurrection of the Lord. We Catholics are defined as a Eucharistic people. We do not stock pile the Eucharist, however. It is a relationship. It is our relationship with God who became poor and mortal out of love for us. Only Jesus can fill our deepest hunger.

Hopefully I am back now and looking forward to working with you all to make our parishes even more pleasing to God. If we pull together as true stewards of our time, our talent and our treasure, we will accomplish great things. God bless you all.

Stewardship Reflection

Each of us has a Covenant with the Lord. However, living out that covenant can be a challenge for us. We often speak of stewardship, and indeed that commitment to stewardship is a real indication of our covenant with God. Nevertheless, we must live it out through actions for it to be fully effective.

Jesus sacrificed Himself for us. This sacrifice is perfect. It is perfect in the sense that it was voluntary, rational, and completely motivated by love. As we approach the Eucharist, we need to think of all of this, and in humility we receive the real body and blood of Christ. Then we are expected to take that gift and live it out among those in our families, our communities, and our workplaces with the same love that motivated it.

Stewardship of Treasure

Church Support Received for the week ending July 26

St. Bernard's

Amount Rec'd	\$ 3,794.00
Amount Budgeted	\$ 5,044.73
YTD Received	\$ 14,676.89
YTD Budgeted	\$ 20,178.92
Under Budget	\$ 5,502.03 -

St. Bridget's

Amount Rec'd	\$ 1,564.66 (\$12.41 youth)
Amount Budgeted	\$ 2,052.42
YTD Received	\$ 6,962.78
YTD Budgeted	\$ 8,209.69
Under Budget	\$ 1,246.91 -

Our Parishes

Quilting / Sewing Group: The next gathering will be Thursday, August 6 from 1:00-3:30 pm in the Marian Room at St. Bernard's.

Social Concerns Meeting: Thursday, August 6 at 7:00 pm in St. Bernard's parish library. Anyone interested in social concerns in our community is welcome to attend.

From the Totus Tuus Team: This past week has been an exciting opportunity to experience our faith for us teachers, the students and community. As a team, we've received tremendous hospitality and support from parishioners, for which we are eternally grateful. Thank you so much for this wonderful week. We hope to see you next summer. Please keep us in your prayers as we continue Jesus' ministry on earth.

Thank You! Thank You! I would like to extend a sincere thank you to those who helped in any way with Totus Tuus. Special thanks to St. Bernard parishioners Kim & Michelle Nelson and Roger & Pam Mueller for hosting the Totus Tuus Team at your lovely homes. Also, a huge thank you to those parishioners from St. Bridget's and St. Bernard's for the delicious home cooked meals you provided for the Team. Please know the appreciation and gratitude for your gracious assistance.

~ Krissy Sullivan

St. Bernard

Baptism: Blessings to Carissa Maureen Bredesen, daughter of Christopher and Tanya, as she receives the holy sacrament of baptism.

Catholic Lighthouse CDs: Several new titles are now available in the display in the gathering space. Help yourself. A \$3 donation is suggested.

Men's Club Meeting: Meet on Tuesday, August 4 at 6:30 pm in the parish library. All men of the parish are encouraged to attend.



Card Bingo: Wednesday, August 5 at 6:30 pm at Stewartville Care Center. Volunteers are needed! Contact Jeanette 358-7144.

Cemetery Committee: A special meeting of the St. Bernard Cemetery Committee will be on Thursday, August 6, at 6:30 pm in the social hall.

Check it Out! St. Bernard's Parish is very blessed as one of our own, Neal Abbott, son of Brian & Barb, will be attending Immaculate Heart of Mary Seminary in Winona this fall. In addition to spiritual support, we will be hosting fundraising events at the picnic, Sunday, August 16, 11:00 am – 3:00 pm.

Fundraising events include:

***Silent Auction:** Donations of gift baskets, gift certificates, etc. are needed. Drop off at the parish office. Contact Pam Mueller with questions 533-1952 or 254-9478.

***Confirmation Students' Service Hours Live Auction:** Bid for students to help with housework, babysitting, yardwork, etc.

***Home Business Fundraising Tables:** Set up a table of your own items to sell ie Divine Designs Rosaries, Essential Oils, Pampered Chef, Tupperware, Avon, etc. Contact Diane Carlson for a table 358-6580.

***Pie Sales:** Make and donate a homemade pie. Contact Judy Bunde with questions 254-0135.

More volunteers are needed, please contact Pam Mueller if you're willing to help in any way.



Parish Picnic/Neal Abbott

Fundraiser: Everyone is invited after the 10 am Mass on Sunday, August 16. This event will include a Silent and Live Auction, music, kids' games, food, pie sales and

more! Generous free-will offerings are welcome as we are sending one of our own, Neal Abbott, to the seminary to give his life for the Lord.

St. Bridget's

Choir: We will sing for Mass on Sunday, August 16. Meet at 7:45 am for practice. New voices welcome!

Around The Area

Architectural Tour: Assisi Heights can be seen from nearly every direction in the Rochester area. Come up close to see some of the architectural features, aesthetic design aspects and few often overlooked artistic features. Hear the stories of some functional characteristics of the building and how they have now been adapted for other needs. Join us on Wednesday, August 5 from 6:30-8:00 pm. To register online: www.rochesterfranciscan.org and click on "What's Happening/Events". For more information, call Angie Grimm at 280-2195 or email: ahsc@rochesterfranciscan.org

Invitation: Assisi Heights invite you to join them at THURSDAYS on FIRST, August 6, 11:30 am – 1:30 pm in the Peace Plaza, downtown Rochester. Come visit our booth. Assisi Heights is known as the "Powerhouse of Prayer" – we welcome your prayer requests via notecards provided. In addition, register at our booth to win a festive "Honey Basket" from Assisi Heights Gift Shop.

The Enchanted Garden: An Afternoon Garden Party at Assisi Heights Charm School, August 18-19 Tuesday: 10:00 am-3:30 pm, Wednesday: 12:30-3:30 pm \$50 per child. Calling all girls 9-12, let's plan a garden party, while learning all that goes into the preparation. Join us for this interactive workshop on etiquette, manners, decorum, handling awkward social situations, sports etiquette, proper introductions, party preparations and more. To register online: www.rochesterfranciscan.org and click on "What's Happening/Events". For more information, call Angie Grimm at 280-2195 or email: ahsc@rochesterfranciscan.org