

## 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
<b>Rectory</b>	(507) 533-1086 (after hours-emergency)

**May 15, 2016**

## Pentecost May 15, 2016

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**Parish Registration:** 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 – Friday 8:30-2:30 pm

**Bulletin Deadline:** Wednesday mornings 10:00 am unless a holiday is during the week.

**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 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 for availability of dates.

**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 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday at 7:00 pm in the library at St. Bernard's.

## Mass Schedule & Intentions

<b>Monday, May 16</b>	<b>St. Bernard</b>	<b>8:00 am</b>
	George & Lillian Gehling+	
<b>Tuesday, May 17</b>	<b>St. Bridget</b>	<b>8:30 am</b>
	Carroll Baruth+	
<b>Wednesday, May 18</b>	<b>St. Bernard</b>	<b>8:00 am</b>
	Mike Foster+	
<b>Thursday, May 19</b>	<b>St. Bernard</b>	<b>8:00 am</b>
	Ida Wicks+	
<b>Friday, May 20</b>	<b>St. Bernard</b>	<b>8:00 am</b>
	Intention for the unborn	
	<b>Care Center</b>	<b>9:15 am</b>
	Ed & Frances O'Neill+	
<b>Saturday, May 21</b>	<b>St. Bernard</b>	<b>5:00 pm</b>
	Harold Bredesen+	
<b>Sunday, May 22</b>	<b>St. Bridget</b>	<b>8:30 am</b>
	For St. Bridget's & St. Bernard's	
	<b>St. Bernard</b>	<b>10:00 am</b>
	Elmer & Mary Wellik+	

### Saturday, May 21

#### **St. Bernard – 5:00 pm**

Rosary: Midge Block

Servers: Needed

Lector: Midge Block

EMC: Barb Abbott, Terri Elsbernd, Dick Koenigs,

Rose Steinman

Ushers: Dave Bunde, Darrel Elsbernd, Warren Hauger, Dan Rainey

### Sunday, May 22

#### **St. Bridget – 8:30 am**

Server: Eli Araoz

Lector: Bernice Casella

EMC: Pam Kuisle

#### **St. Bernard – 10:00 am**

Greeter: Janet Speltz

Servers: Sarah & David Watters

Lector: Julie Watters

EMC: Lisa Dodd, Mary Hustak, Janet Speltz, Karen Volkart

Ushers: Jad Mayer, Bill Oswald, Jim Otto, Wayne Volkart

## Pastor's Corner

The Holy Spirit is the Person of the Holy Trinity who calls the faithful to the Body of Christ. We the Church are the Body of Christ when guided by and faithful to this Spirit. We should always pray asking that the Holy Spirit be manifest in the world and in our Christian lives.

On the great night of Pentecost the promised Spirit descended upon the Apostles and all gathered and these received His gifts to carry out their particular role, or function, in the Church. The Church was born.

The Pentecost event found the Apostles speaking their own language yet being understood by people of all languages. If we work with and in the Spirit, our Christian actions will also be understood and Christ's name glorified. Let us then do this through the stewardship of our time and, our treasure and our talent. Let us be principally people of prayer and Eucharist, knowing that Christ is ever present through the continual working of the same Holy Spirit who descended on the Apostles at Pentecost. God bless you all.

## Stewardship Reflection

Pentecost Sunday marks the end of the Easter season, but at the same time it marks the beginning of our Church, of our mission, and of the work we have to do here on earth. Today is the zenith of Easter; today is the day when we realize the power of Easter as the Spirit fills us. This is the beginning of a new day in the life of our parish and the life of the Church. We are empowered by the Holy Spirit, and we are called to spread the Good News of Christ to all through the responsible use of our stewardship.



Dear Parish Family,

Your generous support of the 2016 Catholic Charities Annual Appeal is a life-changing blessing. The poor and marginalized we serve will reach their full potential because of your compassion and generosity. We are ever mindful that lives transform when we trust that, "Nothing is Impossible with God." (Luke 1:37) We send our heartfelt thanks to you for serving as the instrument of God's mercy. We carry your goodwill with us each day and pray for God's blessings in your lives.

## Stewardship of Treasure

### Church Support Rec'd for the week ending May 8

#### St. Bernard's

Amount Rec'd	\$ 5,534.10
Amount Budgeted	\$ 5,044.73
YTD Received	\$229,169.20
YTD Budgeted	\$227,012.88
Over Budget	\$ 2,156.32 +

#### St. Bridget's

Amount Rec'd	\$ 2,467.44
Amount Budgeted	\$ 2,052.42
YTD Received	\$124,936.58
YTD Budgeted	\$ 92,359.04
Over Budget	\$ 32,577.54 +

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**St. Bernard's Campaign Final Phase:** Our debt now stands at about \$154,000. We could easily clear this in a couple of years with continued support from generous donors. ~ Fr. Wilmot

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### Catholic Ministries Appeal Totals Received

St. Bernard's Goal: \$26,260

Amount pledged/given: \$4,625

Participants: 20

St. Bridget's Goal: \$8,690

Amount pledged/given: \$1,275

Participants: 6

The number of participants needs to rise. Every single gift makes a difference! Pledge cards and envelopes are in the pews. To give online visit: [www.catholicfsmn.org](http://www.catholicfsmn.org)

**Note for St. Bernard's:** Please remember that all monies in excess of our goal for the Catholic Ministries Appeal (Annual Diocesan Appeal) will go to the repair and replacement of our ancient (30 years) furnaces and boiler. ~ Fr. Wilmot

**JUBILEE OF MERCY DAYS**  
Wednesday, June 8 / Thursday, June 9 / Friday, June 10  
Worthington Owatonna Rochester  
For information: [www.dow.org/mercy](http://www.dow.org/mercy)

## Our Parishes & Other Notes

**Dave Ramsey Financial Peace University:** The sessions continue on Monday, May 16, 6:30 - 8:00 pm in Marian Hall at St. Bernard's. Please enter through main entrance.

**Relics of Saints:** On Tuesday, June 28, the relics of Saint Thomas More and Saint John Fisher, will be coming to the Diocese of Winona and be available for veneration at St. John the Evangelist Parish in Rochester from 12- 1:30 pm. Bishop Quinn will celebrate Mass at 12:10 in honor of these martyrs.

**Respect Life:** Fr Frank Pavone of **Priests for Life** shares: *"To be pro-life means to be pro-woman. It doesn't mean that we love the babies and we forget about the mothers. What it means is very simple: Why can't we love them both? Protect them both? Welcome and care for them both? We can and together we will".* To learn more, see [www.priestsforlife.org](http://www.priestsforlife.org)

## Religious Ed

**Thanks!!** Thank you to those who helped with the highway cleanup a couple of weeks ago. Your ministry in our community is greatly appreciated. ~ Krissy

**Youth Contribution Envelopes:** Parents, we have small boxes of special envelopes geared toward youth giving. These envelopes are a wonderful tool for teaching.



**Card BINGO at the Care Center:** On Wednesday, May 18 from 6:30-7:30 pm, we will play Bingo with the residents of the Stewartville Care

Center. Youth are needed for this activity. Contact Jeanette Fortier at 358-7144 if you are willing to help or if you have questions.

**Youth Group:** Middle Schoolers meet on Sundays at 4:00 pm. High Schoolers meet on Wednesdays at 7:45 pm. Gatherings are held at St. Bernard's in the parish library. If you have questions, contact our Youth Group Leader, Neal Abbott 316-5545 or [nealabbott11@gmail.com](mailto:nealabbott11@gmail.com)



Youth Group students attending the parish mission trip to Milwaukee in July are working at fundraising efforts. On May 21 & 22, they will be holding a Bake Sale after Masses at St. Bernard's. Parish members who are willing to donate baked goodies, bring them to the church kitchen on Saturday, May 21<sup>st</sup>.

**Parent Meeting for Mission Trip:** Parents of students who are going on the mission trip, please meet after Mass on Sunday, May 22, approximately 11:15 ish.

**Chaperones Needed:** We are looking for two female chaperones to attend the mission trip in July. Please contact Krissy for more information.

**Religious Ed Registration Forms:** Sign-up early for Fall religious ed classes. Forms are on the tables at the parishes.

## St. Bridget

**Easter Flowers:** Those that donated money for Easter flower memorials are welcome to take a plant.

**Health and Wellness Sessions:** The next session will be held Tuesday evening, May 17 at 5:30 pm in St Bridget's old social hall. Questions, contact Jeannette Sheehan.

## St. Bernard

**Wedding Blessings:** Karly Minter & Caleb Faulhaber

**Adult Choir:** The last music ministry of the season will be held on Sunday, May 22. Practice at 8:50 am followed by Mass at 10:00 am.

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**Diocese of Winona - Child Sexual Abuse Policy Information:** The Diocese of Winona will provide a prompt, appropriate and compassionate response to reporters of sexual abuse of a child by any diocesan agent (employees, volunteers, vendors, religious or clergy). Anyone wishing to make a report of an allegation of sexual abuse should call the Victim Assistance Coordinator at 507-454-2270, Extension 255. A caller will be asked to provide his or her name and telephone number. Individuals are also encouraged to take their reports directly to civil authorities. The Diocese of Winona is committed to protecting children, young people and other vulnerable people in our schools, parishes and ministries. The diocesan policy is available on the diocesan web site at [www.dow.org](http://www.dow.org) under the Safe Environment Program. If you have any questions about the Diocese of Winona's implementation of the Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People, please contact Peter Martin, at 507-858-1264, or [pmartin@dow.org](mailto:pmartin@dow.org)