

The Churches of St. Bernard and St. Bridget



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June 26, 2016

13th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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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 and find the registration application under the 'About' tab.

Office Hours: Monday – Friday 8:30 am -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 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
Not on Memorial Day – May 30th

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 3rd Tuesday at 7:00 pm in the library at St. Bernard's.

Mass Schedule & Intentions

Monday, June 27	St Bernard	8:00 am
	Michelle Herrold+	
Tuesday, June 28	St. Bridget	8:30 am
	Special Intention	
Wednesday, June 29	St. Bernard	8:00 am
	Rosemary Ptacek+	
Thursday, June 30	St. Bernard	8:00 am
	For Jerry & Nancy Finn	
Friday, July 1	St. Bernard	8:00 am
	Ernie Fontaine+	
	Care Center	9:15 am
	For Heitman families	
Saturday, July 2	St. Bernard	5:00 pm
	For St. Bernard's & St. Bridget's	
Sunday, July 3	St. Bridget	8:30 am
	Margaret Kuethe+	
	St. Bernard	10:00 am
	Vernon Diehthelm+	
Monday, July 4	St. Bernard	8:00 am
	<i>Independence Day</i>	
Saturday, July 2	St. Bernard – 5:00 pm	
	Rosary: Midge Block	
	Servers: Needed	
	Lector: Dorothy Hurley	
	EMC: Judy Bunde, Susan Hazelton, Cindy Meyerhofer	
	Ushers: Brian Abbott, Dennis Graff, Brad Kime, Joe Rauh	
Sunday, July 3	St. Bridget – 8:30 am	
	Server: Eli Araoz	
	Lector: Bill Kuisle	
	EMC: Marilyn Baker	
	St. Bernard – 10:00 am	
	Servers: Ellah Dodd, Annie Welch	
	Lector: Rita Oswald	
	EMC: Lisa Dodd, Marilyn Eisen, Laura Peters, Pat Robey	
	Ushers: Jerry Finn, Gene Peters, Mark Severtson, Greg Wellik	

Pastor's Corner

God created us to be free but freedom obviously shouldn't be just doing what we want when we want. Sin and death came into the world because of bad choices. Freedom is found in binding oneself to a particular way of life. It is best expressed in good choices and in commitment to them. Today we saw Elisha receiving the invitation to prophecy from Elijah. Elisha is practical and disposes of all his possessions and then, freed from their ties, he can better follow Elijah.

Jesus may seem a little unreasonable today – not even allowing disciples to bury their dead – but his point is clear: we must not be preoccupied with earthly “obligations” but allow ourselves to be free to concentrate on the heavenly Kingdom. We cannot all give up everything at once but ultimately we must put our time, talents and treasure at the disposal of the Lord. Once we have decided to do that, appreciating that we are at different stages of the same journey, we must heed Jesus' advice: “No one who sets his hand to the plow and looks to what was left behind is fit for the Kingdom of Heaven. Having chosen our destination, we journey resolutely in faith and, helped by the Lord's graces, we will arrive at peace and true freedom. God bless you all.

Stewardship Reflection

Stewardship requires action, but prior to acts of stewardship, one must be converted in both mind and heart, and that is internal. For us to be disciples and for us to be successful servants of God, like the plowman of today's Gospel, we must look forward to Christ and to eternity; then we must be committed and seek the strength to follow through with the commitment and the stewardship it requires to accomplish our goal.

Stewardship of Treasure

Church Support for the week ending June 19

St. Bernard's

Amount Rec'd	\$ 3,101.55
Amount Budgeted	\$ 5,044.73
YTD Received	\$259,841.72
YTD Budgeted	\$257,281.27
Over Budget	\$ 2,560.45 +

St. Bridget's

Amount Rec'd	\$ 2,403.50
Amount Budgeted	\$ 2,052.42
YTD Received	\$136,296.16
YTD Budgeted	\$104,673.58
Over Budget	\$ 31,622.58 +

Catholic Ministries Appeal as of Wed, June 22

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

Amount pledged/given: \$18,418

Participants: 78

St Bridget's Goal: \$8,690

Amount pledged/given: \$6,715

Participants: 26

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Our Parishes & Other Notes

Summer Bulletin: With summer office hours soon upon us, be sure to get your announcements in by Wednesday mornings, 10:00 am. As usual, Pam isn't in the office on Fridays in July and August.

Visit the Website: We are now streaming Facebook on the site so you can easily view it even if you don't have a Facebook account.



Wouldn't it be convenient to give your church support electronically with a credit or debit card or through your bank account? Log on to the parish website sbsbparishes.org and find the links on the home page. Click on the link and follow the directions. You control how much and how often you give; weekly, monthly, quarterly, etc.

Religious Ed

Bernie and Bridgie's Youth Group: There won't be Middle School Youth Group on Sunday, June 26 or July 3rd. Contact Neal with any questions.

Jr High Summer Camp: Grades 6,7 & 8 are invited to Camp Summit in Lanesboro at Eagle Bluff on August 8-11. Enjoy arts & crafts, games, campfires, daily Mass, and much more. The cost is \$235. Registration forms are on the bulletin boards or you can visit the diocesan website: www.dow.org and go to the Departments tab, then Youth & Young Adults, to Camp Summit to print off the registration form.

St. Bernard

Baptism: Blessings to Jayden James Gehling, son of Randy and Ashley, as he receives the holy sacrament of Baptism.

Lighthouse Catholic Media CDs: Just a reminder about the display of CDs we have in the gathering space. Grab a couple for those long summer road trips! The suggested donation is \$3 each.

Found: Pocketknife. Contact the office.

St. Bridget

Thank You: Many thanks to the family of Rosemary Ptacek for their generous memorial monies given to St. Bridget's Parish after the passing of Rosemary.



Around The Area

Relics of Saints: On Tuesday, June 28, the relics of Saint Thomas More and Saint John Fisher, will 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. FYI: There is a marvelous film about the last days of the life of Saint Thomas More, 'A Man Of All Seasons', check it out on Netflix or Amazon Prime.

Volunteer: The Elder Network is looking for individuals who are willing to provide transportation for seniors to their medical appointments. Even giving a ride once or twice a month can make a huge difference. Please call the Elder Network at (507) 285-5272 or go on our website at www.elder-network.org

Mom's Night Out at St. James Coffee: Friday, July 8 at 7:00 pm. Join other mothers on the journey of motherhood for Divine Mercy for Moms. All mothers welcome.

Music by Brian & Michelle Kusek at St. James Coffee: Saturday, July 9 at 7:00 pm. We are looking forward to Brian and Michelle sharing their musical talent with St. James Coffee. Come join us for this evening of music.

Sacred the Land, Sacred the Earth: You're invited to come and explore the 60 year history of the land at Assisi Heights. Walk the prairie and caves with us on Tuesday, July 12 from 6:30-7:30 pm. Free. Register by calling Angie Grimm 280-2195.

Stories in Stone: Come to see some of the architectural features of Assisi Heights and learn about the design aspects and a few overlooked artistic features. Two dates to choose from: Wednesday, July 13 from 6:30-7:30 pm or Saturday, July 16 from 10:00-11:00 am. \$10. Register by calling Angie Grimm 280-2195.