

The Churches of St. Bernard and St. Bridget



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Parish Office

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August 14, 2016

20th Sunday in Ordinary Time August 14, 2016

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 9:00 pm. 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

Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Monday, Aug 15 **St. Bridget** **8:30 am**
Rosemary Ptacek+

St. Bernard **6:00 pm**
For Sister Joy Barth

Tuesday, Aug 16 No Mass due to a funeral at St. Bernard's

Wednesday, Aug 17 **St. Bernard** **8:00 am**
Mike Foster+

Thursday, Aug 18 **St. Bernard** **8:00 am**
Julius & Gladys Claeys+

Friday, Aug 19 **St. Bernard** **8:00 am**
Charlie Taylor+

Care Center **9:15 am**
Kate Towey+

Saturday, Aug 20 **St. Bernard** **5:00 pm**
For the Schroeder & Hajek families

Sunday, August 21 **St. Bridget** **8:30 am**
For St. Bridget's & St. Bernard's

St. Bernard **10:00 am**
Arnie Block+

Saturday, August 20

St. Bernard – 5:00 pm

Rosary: Cindy Meyerhofer

Servers: needed

Lector: Cindy Meyerhofer

EMC: Judy Bunde, Rose Steinman

Ushers: Dave Bunde, Warren Hauger, Dan Rainey

Sunday, August 21

St. Bridget – 8:30 am

Server: Donovan Buss

Lector: Rebecca Buss

EMC: Marilyn Baker, Bill Kuisle

St. Bernard – 10:00 am

Rosary: Midge Block

Servers: Needed

Lector: Midge Block

EMC: Mary Hustak, Patty Miller, Rob Miller

Ushers: Jad Mayer, Bill Oswald, Jim Otto

Pastor's Corner

I hope I am back amongst you. I'm sure Monsignor Schmitz did a marvelous job in my absence. I hope some of you are glad to see me ☺

In today's Gospel we read "Jesus said to His disciples: I have come to set the earth on fire, and how I wish it were already blazing." What of the "Peace of Christ" then? How do we join new members to the Body of Christ? It would seem to go against the grain to have Jesus as a fomenter of controversy and dissention.

Jesus came to bring "The way, the truth and the Life" and the world is at odds with that. The world wishes us, the faithful, gone. For our part we must change the world, we must not be satisfied with an inflicted status quo but instead do all we can, peacefully, to ensure God's reign will be felt and His peace won. We are not called to a warm and fuzzy Christianity but to accept the way of the cross. This will mean our speaking out and challenging the world in the name of the Lord and facing whatever difficulties might arise from that. His flame must burn in our hearts and we must set the world alight with it. God bless you all.

Stewardship Reflection

In order to keep the fire of His love blazing, the Lord is, in a sense, reliant upon us, on each and every one of us, to serve His Kingdom on earth. There are incredible needs among humankind. Each of us probably realizes that but part of our frustration is viewing ourselves as such a small contributor to helping the Lord. However, if we trust in Him and if we are true to His way, the flame of His love will embrace every soul we come in contact with. We can accomplish so much as His disciples, His stewards.

Stewardship of Treasure

Church Support for the week ending August 7

St. Bernard's

Amount Rec'd \$ 4,830.00

St. Bridget's

Amount Rec'd \$ 1,876.25

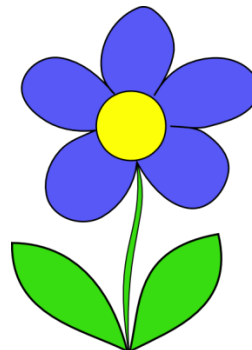
Our Parishes & Other Notes



Assumption of Mary: On Monday, August 15, we invite those who have done the *33 Day Consecration to Jesus through Mary* to renew their consecration during the 6:00 pm Mass at St. Bernard's (Rosary at 5:30 pm). Additionally, all members are invited to hear testimonials of those who have been consecrated over the past three years and enjoy refreshments in the parish library or Marian Room (social hall will be setting up for a funeral lunch) right after Mass. Any questions, contact Cindy Meyerhofer 273-9847.

Cancer Support Group: This group meets every 3rd Tuesday (August 16) at 7:00 pm in the parish library at St. Bernard's. Those who are going through an illness and those who are in remission are welcome to attend. Caregivers are welcome, too!

Quilting / Sewing Group: The group meets every other Thursday afternoon (August 18) in the Marian Room at St. Bernard's from 1:00-3:30 pm. Join them if you are interested in helping.



Religious Ed

Religious Ed Classes: We are asking you to register your children for classes. Registration forms are on the tables at both parishes. If you would like one emailed to you, contact Krissy at sbsbreligious@aol.com



St. Bridget and St. Bernard parishioners are needed for the Religious Ed Program this year. Think about how you can lend a hand. No experience needed – you will have great resources and training. Teachers and helpers are needed. Contact Krissy if you are willing to assist.

Card Bingo: On Wednesday, August 24 at 6:30 pm, we will go to the Care Center and play Bingo with the residents. Parishioners and students from both parishes are invited to join the fun. Any questions, contact Jeanette 358-7144.

St. Bridget



Coffee & Donuts: Join us after Mass on Sunday, August 21 as we enjoy fellowship and food in the social hall.

St. Bernard



Coins for the Church: The wooden box next to the office door is for donations for our building fund. Loose change from pockets or the bottom of purses is always appreciated. Thank you to a couple of you who regularly save and place a baggie of change in the box. Every coin counts and helps to pay off the loan on our beautiful church.

Around The Area

Coping with Life Alone: Widowed, divorced or separated individuals are invited to meet weekly starting Tuesday, August 16, from 6:30-8:30 pm at Bethel Lutheran Church (810 3rd Ave SE, Rochester). This is being offered by Beginning Experience of Rochester. For more information call [507-261-8248](tel:507-261-8248) or email beminnnesota@gmail.com

Men & Women's Retreat – Premiere of Reawakening Hope: Date: August 26 – 28 Presented by: King's House Preaching Team Suggested Offering: \$160.00 per person
Women's Silent Weekend Retreat - Reawakening Hope: Date: September 9 – 11 Presented by: King's House Preaching Team Suggested Offering: \$160.00 per person. For more information on retreats held at Christ the King Retreat Center in Buffalo, call 763-682-1394 or visit www.kingshouse.com

Pregnancy Information Line: Catholic Charities provides a 24/7 pregnancy information line. Facing an unplanned pregnancy can be made easier with help. Whether thinking about adoption or parenting, help is only a phone call away, anytime of the day or night, any day of the week. Call Catholic Charities at 1-800 222-5859.

Natural Family Planning: Couples can plan and space their children using modern natural methods of family planning. For more information contact Pam Mueller at fertilitycare4u@myclearwave.net or 254-9478.

