

The Churches of St. Bernard and St. Bridget



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November 13, 2016

33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time November 13, 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 or Labor Day

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

Monday, Nov 14 **St. Bernard** **8:00 am**
For Roy Finn

Tuesday, Nov 15 **St. Bernard** **10am-2pm**
Fr. Wilmot and other priests will celebrate Masses to be televised. All are welcome to attend at any time during these hours. See bulletin blurb for details.

Wednesday, Nov 16 **St. Bernard** **8:00 am**
Mike Foster+

Thursday, Nov 17 **St. Bernard** **8:00 am**
Fr. Don Connelly+

Friday, Nov 18 **St. Bernard** **8:00 am**
Linda Pellerin+

Care Center **9:15 am**
Michael Kean+

Saturday, Nov 19 **St. Bernard** **5:00 pm**
Barbara Hanson+

Sunday, Nov 20 **St. Bridget** **8:30 am**
Jeanette Carlson+

St. Bernard **10:00 am**
For St. Bernard's & St. Bridget's

Saturday, Nov 19
St. Bernard – 5:00 pm

Rosary: Mary Lynch

Servers: Needed

Lector: Needed

EMC: Judy Bunde, Mary Claeys, Terri Elsbernd,

Dorothy Hurley, Mary Lynch

Ushers: Dave Bunde, Warren Hauger, Ken Trisko,

Alex VandeLoo

Sunday, Nov 20
St. Bridget – 8:30 am

Server: Leo Noser

Lector: Rebecca Buss

EMC: Pam Kuisle, Mike Sheehan

St. Bernard – 10:00 am

Rosary: Jan Owen

Servers: Jamisen Hart, Bryttin Henderson

Lector: Bernice Casella

EMC: Bayli Henderson, Mychelle Henderson, Jan Owen,

Pat Robey, Karen Volkart

Ushers: Bill Oswald, Jim Otto, Wayne Volkart

Pastor's Corner

Today's Gospel is paired with the very short passage from Malachi which stresses perseverance in the faith. While those who are not worthy will experience destruction the faithful will receive divine protection and joy. The image of the sun in Malachi, of course, is symbolic of the One Transcendent God. In the Scriptures this Sunday, including the psalm, we see a call to the Christian faithful, therefore us, to have our feet "on the ground." We must plant them firmly and be true to our calling. God's justice may seem hard to find but it begins with the full conversion of our own hearts. God bless you all.

Stewardship Reflection

The Gospel of St. Luke today gives us a warning of what we must endure for the truth. The truth is that Jesus is warning us of something subtle. If we truly strive and try to be the Lord's disciples, we may well be persecuted not only by secular forces, but also by religious forces. The Lord's point is that we must be prepared to endure and be patient.

The Gospel closes with Jesus saying, "By your perseverance you will secure your lives." The whole idea of endurance and patience is a common theme for Jesus.

We will be helped of course and it is this promise that will give us the strength and hope to practice stewardship, to be good stewards. St. Teresa of Calcutta said, "Without patience we will learn less in life. We will feel less. We will hear less. We will accomplish less."



The Diocese of Winona will be filming on location at St. Bernard's for upcoming (Advent) televised Masses. Please join us to fill the pews, sing and participate on Tuesday, November 15. Masses will start on the hour, 10am, 11am, 1pm & 2pm. Fr. Wilmot will celebrate the 11am.

Stewardship of Treasure

Church Support for the week ending Nov 6, including All Saints Holy Day, online & auto giving

St. Bernard's

Amount Rec'd	\$ 7,598.00
Amount Budgeted	\$ 5,381.50
YTD Received	\$ 97,453.79
YTD Budgeted	\$102,248.50
Under Budget	\$ 10,176.21 -

St. Bridget's

Amount Rec'd	\$ 3,471.85
Amount Budgeted	\$ 2,767.00
YTD Received	\$ 37,554.32
YTD Budgeted	\$ 52,573.00
Under Budget	\$ 15,018.68 -

Military Collection

St. Bernard's	\$ 988.00
St. Bridget's	\$ 205.00

Our Parishes & Other Notes

Year of Mercy Comes to a Close: Although the *Year of Mercy* ends on Sunday, God's mercy continues always.

Pastoral Council Mtg: Tuesday, Nov 15, 6:30 pm at St. Bernard's.

Cancer Support Group: The Cancer Support Group meets on Tuesday, November 15 7:00 pm in the parish library at St. Bernard's. Questions call Chet 533-0008.

Widows Support Group: We will be meeting the first and third Thursday of every month at 10:00 am in the St. Bernard library. The next meeting will be held November 17. Any questions call Midge Block at 951-4912.

Stewardship Mtg: Thursday, Nov 17, 7:00 pm at St. Bernard's.



Breakfast and Bake Sale: Join us to support the Adoption Is The Loving Option adoption ministry of our parishes on on Sunday, November 20 in the hall at St. Bridget's after 8:30 am Mass.

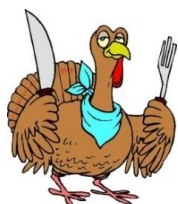
Word Among Us: If you would like a subscription to this daily devotional, the cost is \$20 for one year. Write checks to St. Bernard's. If it's cash, be sure to put your name with it. Drop it at the office.



Our annual food drive for the local food shelf, Channel One, has begun and will be held through Thanksgiving weekend. Bring in donations of canned and/or boxed items. No glass containers and no expired items please.

Religious Ed

SYMBOLON – Adult Ed: The last session, *Who Is Jesus?* will be held Monday, Nov 14 at 6:30 pm in Marian Hall at St. Bernard's.



Everyone is Invited! On Wednesday, November 16, parishioners from both parishes are invited to St. Bernard's for FAITH Night from 5:45 – 6:30 pm. We will enjoy fellowship and supper; turkey, mashed potatoes, veggies and dessert. Those willing to help with kitchen duties

or can bring a dessert, let Krissy know. Following the meal, students will have class from 6:30-7:30 pm.

Grade 6: After FAITH Night on Wednesday, November 16 the 6th graders will go to the Care Center for card bingo from 6:30-7:30 pm. Parents, please drop off and pick up your children at the Care Center, although you are welcome to stay and play bingo too ☺

No Classes Wednesday, November 23: Enjoy your Thanksgiving vacation.

Evening Prayer & Benediction: Mondays of Advent at 6:30 pm.
November 28 & Dec 12 at St Bernard
December 5 & 19 at St. Bridget's

St. Bridget

Choir: Music ministry on Sunday, November 20. Meet at 7:45 am for practice. New voices always welcome.

Cemetery Board Mtg: Monday, Nov 21 at 6:00 pm in the hall.

Volunteers Needed: We are looking for volunteers to assist with Children's Liturgy of the Word on Sunday mornings and a few of the upcoming traditional events; Family Night and the Christmas Play. Contact Fr. Wilmot 533-8257 or frwilmot@aol.com

St. Bernard

Wedding Blessings: Congratulations to Sara Prazak & Matt Parkman, who entered into the holy sacrament of marriage on Saturday, November 12.

Adult Choir: The next practices will be Sunday, Nov 20 & Dec 5 at 8:50 am followed by music ministry at 10 am.

Snow Shoveling – Help Needed: We are looking for a person or persons who would be interested in shoveling the sidewalks and entrances along the church and rectory this winter. If interested, contact Father 533-8257 or Dick Koenigs 269-1901.

Christmas Sing-along: Sunday, December 17 after the 5pm Mass, come enjoy Christmas carols sung by the Adult Choir, followed by refreshments in Marian Hall.

Around The Area

Divorce Care: The DivorceCare Ministry at Pax Christi Church in Rochester is offering a *Surviving the Holidays* seminar on Friday, Nov 18 at 6:30 pm. This is an encouraging seminar for people facing the holidays after a separation or divorce. The cost is \$5. Registration deadline is Nov 16. For more information and to register contact Jane Meyer at 507-269-1200 or lesakmj@yahoo.com

Festival of Trees – November 25-27 – Mayo Civic Center: Your gift of time contributes to the success of the Festival of Trees, which allows Hiawatha Homes Foundation to make a difference in the lives of people with disabilities. Volunteer today at www.hiawathahomes.org or contact Sharon Jones 282-8086

“Oh, Little Town of Bethlehem” on Canvas at Assisi Heights: Come and enjoy an Advent afternoon of painting a skyline view of Bethlehem. The view will include the land around the quiet town at night, while a bright star shines overhead. All skill levels are welcome. Enjoy the holiday atmosphere while sipping a relaxing beverage and nibbling Christmas cookies. Join us Saturday, Dec 3 from 1-4pm \$25 pre-register. Visit the website for registration: www.rochesterfranciscan.org