

# The Churches of St. Bernard and St. Bridget



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## Parish Office

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| <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)            |

**April 9, 2017**

## Palm Sunday April 9, 2017

**Parish Registration:** Registration forms are in the kiosk at St. Bernard's or visit [sbsbparishes.org](http://sbsbparishes.org) and find the registration application under the 'About' tab.

**Office Hours:** Monday – Friday 8:30am -2:30pm

**Bulletin Deadline:** Wednesday mornings 10:00am 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 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 - 10:00pm

**St. Bernard's Adoration:** Tuesdays 4:00am- Wednesdays 9:00pm. Church doors will be locked from 8:00pm-5:00am 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 4:00-4:30pm.  
Sundays at St. Bridget's 7:45-8:15am

**Baptism:** Expectant and /or new parents, if you have not taken a Pre Jordan Baptism Class, contact the office.

**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?

**Catholic Cancer Support Group:** Meets every 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday at 7:00pm in the library at St. Bernard's.

**Prayer Group:** Wednesdays 9:30-10:30am in the library at St. Bernard's.

**Widows Support Group:** Meets the 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of every month at 10:00am in the library at St. Bernard's.

## Holy Week Mass Schedule

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| <b>Monday, April 10</b>                           | <b>Chrism Mass</b><br>at Resurrection Church 7:00 pm   |
| <b>Tuesday, April 11</b>                          | <b>St Bridget 8:30 am</b><br>Agnes Griffin+  |
| <b>Wednesday, April 12</b>                        | <b>St Bernard 8:00 am</b><br>Larry Coyne+  |
| <b>Thursday, April 13</b><br><i>Holy Thursday</i> | <b>St Bernard 6:30 pm</b><br>Gene Klann+   |
| <b>Friday, April 14</b><br><i>Good Friday</i>     | <b>St. Bridget 3:00 pm</b><br><b>St. Bernard 6:30 pm</b>   |
| <b>Saturday, April 15</b><br><i>Easter Vigil</i>  | <b>St. Bernard 8:00 pm</b><br>LeVerne Meyerhofer+  |
| <b>Sunday, April 16</b><br><i>Easter</i>          | <b>St. Bridget 8:30 am</b><br>James O'Neill+<br><b>St. Bernard 10:00 am</b><br>For St Bernard's & St Bridget's |

## Liturgical Ministers

### Saturday, April 15 Easter Vigil

#### **St. Bernard 8:00 pm**

Greeters: Dave & Mary Schultz

Server: Jamisen Hart

Lector: Mary Brouillard,

Readers: Amy Edholm, Nick Konrady, Terry Smith

EMC: Don Brouillard, Dorothy Hurley, Dick Koenigs,

Pat Koenigs, Laura Peters

Ushers: Brian Abbott, Dennis Graff, Ken Trisko

### Sunday, April 16 Easter

#### **St. Bridget – 8:30 am**

Server: Luke Borst

Lector: Amy Miron

EMC: Mary Elton, Jeannette Sheehan, Karen Sheehan

#### **St. Bernard – 10:00 am**

Greeters: Mychelle Henderson & Janet Speltz

Servers: Ellah Dodd, Bryttin Henderson

Lector: Rob Miller

EMC: Bayli Henderson, Mychelle Henderson,

Mary Hustak, Patty Miller, Laura Peters, Janet Speltz

Ushers: Jerry Finn, Gene Peters, Mark Severtson,

Greg Wellik

## Pastor's Corner

*Passover 2017 begins on the evening of Monday, April 10 and concludes on the evening of Tuesday, April 18. Thinking of the celebrations of Palm Sunday and Good Friday we must state the following from the USSCCB:*

"The message of the liturgy in proclaiming the passion narratives in full is to enable the assembly to see vividly the love of Christ for each person, despite their sins, a love that even death could not vanquish. The crimes during the Passion of Christ cannot be attributed indiscriminately to all Jews of that time, nor to the Jews today. The Jewish people should not be referred to as though rejected or cursed, as if this view followed from Scripture. The Church ever keeps in mind that, his mother Mary and the Apostles all were Jewish.

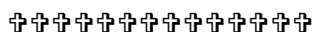
As the Church has always held Christ freely suffered his passion and death because of the sins of all, that all might be saved."

*The person of Jesus presents a challenge to every human being. May we accept this wholeheartedly as we enter Holy Week. God bless you all.*

## Stewardship Reflection

Any reflection offered on this day pales in comparison of the true Words we hear in the Passion. There is neither time nor space to offer a complete reflection on what we hear. Therefore, it might be best to focus on the one aspect of the Lord's humility.

The Lord's humility is shown throughout the Passion, but not just during the Passion, but throughout His entire life. This was a man, yes, but He was also God. Yet, His love was boundless and His humility is so obvious. If we are to be true disciples, true stewards that should be our concentration as well, especially during this Holy Week we are beginning. If we can love in some small way as Jesus has loved us, and if we can seek and find even an iota of the humility He shows, we will indeed be on the path to holiness.



**Church Directory:** Sign-up to get your family picture taken, May 17-26, for our bi-parish photo directory! There is no sitting fee and just for participating, you will receive a complimentary 8"x10" portrait and a directory. Sign up online at [www.sbsbparishes.org](http://www.sbsbparishes.org) or in person after Mass on the following dates:

- Easter Weekend, April 15-16
- Sat/Sun, April 22-23
- Sat/Sun, April 29-30

## Stewardship of Treasure

### Church Support for the week ending April 2

#### St. Bernard's

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| Amount Rec'd               | \$ 4,807.00  |
| March Auto & Online Giving | \$ 1,590.00  |
| Amount Budgeted            | \$ 5,381.50  |
| YTD Received               | \$218,810.21 |
| YTD Budgeted               | \$215,260.00 |
| Over Budget                | \$ 3,550.21  |

#### St. Bridget's

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| Amount Rec'd               | \$ 3,626.25    |
| March Auto & Online Giving | \$ 1,408.00    |
| Amount Budgeted            | \$ 2,767.00    |
| YTD Received               | \$ 99,681.01   |
| YTD Budgeted               | \$110,680.00   |
| Under Budget               | \$ 10,998.99 – |

## Holy Week Liturgical Ministers

### Holy Thursday, April 13

#### St. Bernard 6:30 pm

Servers: David, Sarah & Julie Watters  
Readers: Amy Miron, Marge Reimers  
EMC: Laura Peters, Pat Robey, Steve Sturm  
Ushers: needed

### Good Friday, April 14

#### St. Bridget – 3:00 pm

Server:  
Readers: Jim Kuisle (N), Mark Peterson (V)  
Lector: Mike Sheehan

### Good Friday, April 14

#### St. Bernard – 6:30 pm

Servers:  
Readers: Patty Miller (N), Angie Jannsen (V)  
Lector: Jean Peterson  
EMC: Mary Claeys, Laura Peters, Pat Robey  
Ushers: needed

## Our Parishes

**Bulletin Insert:** The image of Jesus can be displayed in your window on Good Friday.

**Chrism Mass:** Monday, April 10 at 7pm at Resurrection Church in Rochester. You're invited to this beautiful Mass, where the blessing of oils takes place. These holy oils will be used by the parishes in the Diocese of Winona over the next year.

**Rice Bowls:** Bring your rice bowls for the Holy Thursday Mass on April 13, 6:30pm at St. Bernard's.

## Our Parishes

**Of Special Note:** Thanks to Carol Kruger, we will be welcoming a little creature from the Animal Kingdom at the Easter Sunday Masses again this year. Also, Karen Sheehan and Julie Hayes & Company will provide hot cross buns for Holy Thursday and Good Friday.

**Pastoral Council Mtg:** Tuesday, April 18, 6:30pm at St. Bridget's.

**Cancer Support Group Mtg:** Tuesday, April 18, 7pm at St. Bernard's in the library.

**Finance Council Mtg:** Tuesday, April 25 at St. Bernard's 6pm and 7pm

**End of Life Issues from a Catholic Perspective:** You're invited to a free seminar sponsored by Catholic United Financial, held Wednesday April 26 at 6:30pm at St. Bernard's. For more details and to RSVP, contact Travis Schmitz 507 438-9827 or [tschmitz@catholicunited.org](mailto:tschmitz@catholicunited.org)

**Want to Grow in Holiness, But Feel Too Busy?** Want to transform your work, your marriage, your family, and your life, but don't have time? Pope John Paul II and Blessed Mother Teresa knew that the quickest way to be transformed into a saint is through a relationship with Our Blessed Mother, Mary. On **Saturday, June 10** we begin a 33-day preparation for Marian Consecration. We will meet each Saturday from 3-4:30pm for six weeks. We'll individually read about and reflect on four great Marian giants: St. Louis de Montfort, St. Maximilian Kolbe, Blessed Mother Teresa, and Pope John Paul II. Join us for the **33 Days to Morning Glory** Small-Group Retreat. Sign-up sheets are located in the gathering space at St. Bernard's. Please sign up by May 15 so materials can be pre-ordered. Contact Cindy Meyerhofer at 507-273-9847 with questions.

## Religious Ed

**Classes:** No classes during Holy Week, on Wednesday, April 12. Classes will resume on Wednesday, April 19.

**Highway Clean-Up:** On Saturday, April 22, we will clean our stretch of the highway. Make sure to bring gloves. We will meet at St. Bernard's at 10am.

## St. Bridget



Congratulations to the newly married couple; Nicholas Reps & Theresa Twohey as they entered the holy sacrament of matrimony on Saturday, April 8

**Choir:** The practice for Tuesday, April 11 is canceled.

**Ladies:** We are looking for a president for St. Bridget's Women's Group. This is a volunteer position and a great way to share your ministry and stewardship and a wonderful way to better know your parish family. If you are interested, please contact Bridget O'Neill 281-0387.

## St. Bernard

**Adult Choir:** Practice on Sunday, April 9 at 6:30pm. Practice on Holy Thursday & Good Friday at 5:45pm, followed by music ministry at 6:30pm. Practice for Holy Saturday/Easter Vigil at 7:15pm, followed by music ministry at 8pm



**Last Chance!** The Silent Auction bids for a 7-night stay in Costa Rica will close on Saturday, April 15 at 7pm. Accommodations consist of a new condo with two bedrooms and two baths, available the week of your choosing. The condo is located in the town of Matapalo, along the Gold Coast, with seven beaches nearby. To place your bid, email Ken Trisko [kbt2@triskos.us](mailto:kbt2@triskos.us) or call 533-4808.

**Cemetery Clean-Up:** The annual spring clean-up at St. Bernard's Cemetery will be held Saturday, April 22 at 9am. Anyone interested in helping, please join us. Bring rakes and gloves. In the event of rain, the alternative date will be the following Saturday, April 29.

**Congratulations:** The winner of the grand prize drawing at the Mama Tranchita's Spaghetti Dinner is Connie Blum of Rochester. Enjoy your new big screen tv!!



**Thank You:** We wanted to give a special shout-out to the Confirmation students who helped at the Spaghetti Dinner. What a great group of eager, hard-working young adults! Your help was incredibly appreciated!

~ The Men's Club