

The Churches of St. Bernard and St. Bridget



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April 30, 2017

3rd Sunday of Easter

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Parish Registration: Registration forms are in the kiosk at St. Bernard's or visit 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 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 3rd 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 1st & 3rd Thursday of every month at 10:00am in the library at St. Bernard's.

Mass Schedule and Intentions

Monday, May 1	St Bernard	8:00 am
	For the Steinmetz Family	
Tuesday, May 2	St Bridget	8:30 am
	Pete Flynn+	
Wednesday, May 3	St Bernard	8:00 am
	Julius & Gladys Claeys+	
Thursday, May 4	St Bernard	8:00 am
	William Mulhern+	
Friday, May 5	St. Bernard	8:00 am
	For priests of the diocese	
	Care Center	9:15 am
	For the residents	
Saturday, May 6	St. Bernard	5:00 pm
	LaVonne Schoeppner+	
Sunday, April 7	St. Bridget	8:30 am
	For the Hilbert Family	
	St. Bernard	10:00 am
	For St Bernard's & St Bridget's	

Liturgical Ministers

Saturday, May 6

St. Bernard – 5:00 pm

Greeters: Dave & Mary Schultz

Servers: needed

Lector: Dorothy Hurley

EMC: Terri Elsbernd, Emily Kiefer, Jim Nosbisch, Bill Rinken, Rose Steinman

Ushers: Darrel Elsbernd, Dennis Graff, Warren Hauger, Dan Pyan

Sunday, May 7

St. Bridget – 8:30 am

Server: Luke Borst

Lector: Bernice Casella

EMC: needed

St. Bernard – 10:00 am

Greeters: Don & Mary Brouillard

Servers: David & Sarah Watters

Lector: Julie Watters

EMC: Karen Volkart

Ushers: Jad Mayer, Bill Oswald, Wayne Volkart

Pastor's Corner

The Gospel today gives us a most moving post resurrection appearance between two disciples and Jesus on the road to Emmaus. First of all let us consider that these disciples don't really know where they are going but Emmaus is on the way. They had put their hopes in Jesus as the Messiah but now those hopes had been dashed. Although they had heard about so called appearances, they obviously aren't taking them too seriously.

It's amazing that they don't recognize Jesus and yet we can take this meeting as a type of the Mass. Jesus explains the scriptures as they relate to himself – the liturgy of the Word if you like, with "hearts burning" within them. Then, when he was with them in their place of lodging, they recognize him in the breaking of bread – the liturgy of the Eucharist.

Jesus is on our road of life always but do we recognize him? Do we realize he is with us or are we just stumbling along without real direction? Yet we hear him speaking to us through the scriptures. Are our hearts burning within us then? Please God, when we are with our community at Mass, and everything comes together at the breaking of bread, do we realize that it is Jesus. Like the disciples we should return to the source and spread the good news, and live the good news of the risen Lord with us. God bless you all.

Stewardship Reflection

Like the two disciples going to Emmaus we must be alert and prepared to see Jesus in places we least imagine Him, in our local church, in the poor and needy and unjustly treated. Stewardship is, of course, a two-sided perspective. Not only do we need to seek and search for Jesus in others and then serve, but also others need to see and recognize Jesus in us.



Help make our church directory complete. If you didn't sign up for your picture taking appointment after Mass, please sign up online. Visit the parish website sbsbparishes.org and click the link for either St. Bernard's or St. Bridget's and then pick a day and time. Picture taking will take place May 17-26. There is no fee and just for participating, you will receive an 8"x10" portrait and a directory.

Stewardship of Treasure

Church Support for the week ending April 23

St. Bernard's

Amount Rec'd	\$ 5,985.75
Amount Budgeted	\$ 5,381.50
YTD Received	\$237,136.19
YTD Budgeted	\$231,404.50
Over Budget	\$ 5,731.69

St. Bridget's

Amount Rec'd	\$ 1,382.26
Amount Budgeted	\$ 2,767.00
YTD Received	\$112,131.74
YTD Budgeted	\$118,981.00
Under Budget	\$ 6,849.26 –

The [Catholic Foundation of Southern Minnesota](http://www.catholicfsmn.org) supports parishes, schools and ministries with the necessary resources to be vibrant centers of faith in southern Minnesota. Since its founding in 1991, the Foundation has managed and distributed contributions according to donors' wishes in areas of greatest need. Every registered household is asked to support this diocesan appeal. Every gift makes a difference. Envelopes/pledge cards are in the pews or give online at www.catholicfsmn.org

Our Parishes

Rice Bowl Collection: A total of \$1,865.70 was collected for the Catholic Relief Services through your rice bowl giving. Your generosity through your Lenten journey is overwhelming. Thank you to Judy Bunde and Patty Miller for sorting through and tallying all those rice bowls (no easy task!).

Online Ministry Scheduler: May through July is available for you to pick dates. If you need assistance, contact Pam

Widows' Support Group: Meet on Thursday, May 4 & 18 at 10am in the library at St Bernard's.

Quilting/Sewing Group: Thursday, May 4 & 18 from 1-3:30pm in the Marian Room at St. Bernard's. New faces welcome. We will teach you!

First Communion: Will be held at St. Bernard's on Sunday, May 7 during the 10am Mass.

Cancer Support Group: Tuesday, May 16 at 7pm in the library at St. Bernard's.

Our Parishes

Graduates Mass: A special blessing upon graduating seniors on Sunday, May 21 at both parishes.

33 Days to Morning Glory: Saturday, June 10 begins a 33-day preparation for Marian Consecration. We will meet each Saturday from 3-4:30pm for six weeks for the 33 Days to Morning Glory. Please sign up by May 15 so materials can be pre-ordered. Sign-up sheets are located in the gathering space at St. Bernard's. Questions, contact Cindy Meyerhofer 507-273-9847

Religious Ed

Family Fun Night ~ Wednesday, May 3

Join us at St. Bernard's to celebrate the last religious ed session of the school year!

Family Fun Night is for EVERYONE, every age!

Supper – 6pm - serving tacos and more Fun, games and prizes starting at 6:30pm

** No 5:15pm class, come for supper.



Dessert Makers: If you are willing to bring a dessert for Family Fun Night, please let Krissy know.

Totus Tuus, VBS and Fall Registration: All forms can be found in the gathering space at St. Bernard's. Contact Krissy to have forms emailed to you. We will be seeking commitment for teaching religious ed this Fall.

St. Bridget



Health & Wellness Sessions: We are starting the sessions on Monday evening May 15, 5:30pm in the old hall at St. Bridget's (downstairs in rectory). The cost is \$5 per session. Everyone is welcome to join. If you

have questions, contact Jeannette Sheehan jrsheehan@hotmail.com



Breakfast: On Sunday, May 21 we will enjoy breakfast in honor of our First Communicants and graduating seniors.

St. Bernard



Blessings to Jeremiah Harvey Vasvick, son of Justin & Jessica, as he receives the holy sacrament of baptism on Saturday.

Blessings to Tucker James Herrick, son of Tyler & Megan, as he receives the holy sacrament on Sunday.

Congratulations: Parishioners Pat and Pam Carolan are celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary on Saturday, April 29. Happy Anniversary!

Adult Choir: Practice on Sunday, May 7, 8:50am, sing at 10am

Men's Club Mtg: Tuesday, May 2 at 6:30pm in the parish library. All men are encouraged to attend.



Mother's Day Breakfast: The Men's Club plan on serving a nice breakfast in honor of moms on Sunday, May 14 after the 10am Mass ☺

Other News Around The Area

Respect Life: The One Million Rosaries for Preborn Babies prayer event is scheduled the weekend of May 5-7. Please join Catholics across the country in this powerful prayer and offer a Rosary on that weekend or whenever you can.

Brew Ha Ha 5th Birthday Bash: The St. James Coffee Brew Ha Ha Annual Fund Raiser will be on Friday, May 12 at Rochester Event Center. Doors open at 5:15pm with beer, wine and spirit tasting plus a silent and live auction. Speaker Dale Ahlquist of the G.K. Chesterton Society will speak on the Catholic and Classical Concept of Beauty. Tickets \$40 each, purchase before May 1 for a chance to win a "Fly over Rochester". Get tickets at St. James Coffee or online at www.stjamescoffee.com.

Medjugorje Pilgrimages: St. Bernard parishioner Pauline Fontaine invites you to consider a pilgrimage to Croatia with the Queen of Peace Tours. She plans on going for a 2nd time in October. Flyers are on the bulletin board.