

The Churches of St. Bernard and St. Bridget



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Stewartville, MN



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Rochester, MN

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Parish Office

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June 25, 2017

12th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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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, June 26 **St Bernard** **8:00 am**
Patricia Berkley+

Tuesday, June 27 **St Bridget** **8:30 am**
Margaret Kuethe+

Wednesday, June 28 **St Bernard** **8:00 am**
For grandchildren

Thursday, June 29 **St Bernard** **8:00 am**
Kim Everman Mason+

Friday, June 30 **St. Bernard** **8:00 am**
For the Steinmetz Family

Care Center **9:15 am**
Laurence Kuisle+

Saturday, July 1 **St. Bernard** **5:00 pm**
LaVonne Schoeppner+

Sunday, July 2 **St. Bridget** **8:30 am**
For St Bridget's & St Bernard's

St. Bernard **10:00 am**
Stan & Peg Himmer+

Liturgical Ministers

Saturday, July 1

St. Bernard – 5:00 pm

Servers: needed

Lector: Nick Konrady

EMC: Susan Hazelton, Emily Kiefer, Jim Nosbisch, Rose Steinman

Ushers: Joe Rauh, Bill Rinken, Ken Trisko

Sunday, July 2

St. Bridget – 8:30 am

Server: Luke Borst

Lector: Bill Kuisle

EMC:

St. Bernard – 10:00 am

Servers: Jamisen Hart, Bryttin Henderson

Lector: Jean Peterson

EMC: Mary Brouillard, Laura Peters

Ushers: Jerry Finn, Gene Peters, Mark Severtson, Greg Wellik

Pastor's Corner

Today's Gospel reading echoes a part of the Sermon on the Mount and is really Jesus giving his marching orders to his apostles. They are called to simplicity and poverty and told that God will always care for them if they are genuine in their service to Him. Nothing is concealed from God who exercises perfect justice - they have no need to worry about earthly concerns. The Lord is saying the same thing to us; we may indeed suffer hardships for the faith, ridicule and rejection, even real persecution, but God's care for us will be evident if only we trust in Him.

The Lord assures us, "Everyone who acknowledges me before others I will acknowledge before my heavenly Father." Being a Catholic and being a Christian is not an easy task but Jesus did not come to make our lives easy, rather He came to make us great. Just prior to today's reading Jeremiah laments all the trouble he has experienced because of God's call for him to prophesy and proclaim His Word. However, that Word was "as a burning fire" in his heart which he felt compelled to spread. So should it be for us as we strive to bring Christ's message, despite difficulty, to what is often a darkening and often hostile world. God bless you all.

Stewardship Reflection

We are blessed with the Word of God regularly at Mass. Do we listen? Do we hear it? Do we find meaning in it and try to use it in the way we live? That is what we should do. In spite of his misgivings and regardless of his fears, Jeremiah knew that he was called to proclaim. Each of us has a similar calling, but to fulfill that, we must make the effort to understand and to absorb Holy Scripture as presented to us.

It is up to us to respond to the message we receive as Christ's disciples. Our response should be to live our lives as good stewards, an essential ingredient of our discipleship.

Stewardship of Treasure

Church Support for the week ending June 18

St. Bernard's

Amount Rec'd	\$ 4,415.58
Amount Budgeted	\$ 5,381.50
YTD Received	\$273,391.39
YTD Budgeted	\$274,456.50
Over Budget	\$ 1,065.11 -

St. Bridget's

Amount Rec'd	\$ 1,928.30
Amount Budgeted	\$ 2,767.00
YTD Received	\$130,648.28
YTD Budgeted	\$141,117.00
Under Budget	\$ 10,468.72 -

Our Parishes

Directory Pictures: If you had your picture taken but did not order a package, and did not receive your free 8x10 in the mail, it may have been sent to the office. Check the tables at the parishes.



Don't forget about your parish while you're away for summer adventures. Set up donations electronically. Go to our website sbsbparishes.org and find the

links on the home page or copy and paste the links below into your browser. First time users 'Create New Account' and then follow the directions.

St. Bernard's

<https://www.osvonlinegiving.com/2910>

St. Bridget's

<https://www.osvonlinegiving.com/1897>

Quilting/Sewing Group: Thursday, June 29 at 1pm in the Marian Room at St. Bernard's.

Widows' Support Group: Thursday, July 6 at 10am in the library at St. Bernard's.

Religious Ed & Youth

BYG: Youth Group meets on Sunday, June 25 at 7pm at St. Bernard's. Prep for Mission!



Youth Group Leaves for St. Louis: Safe travels to the students and the chaperones as they leave on Tuesday for the Mission Trip.

First Communion Pictures & Crosses: Those who ordered pictures, please pick up your package on the table in the gathering space.


Register for Totus Tuus: The summer faith program is only a couple of weeks away. Please get your students registered. Totus Tuus is for Grades 1-12, July 9-14. The cost is \$20 per student plus one dozen cookies per family. Registration forms are on the tables at the parishes. If you have questions, contact Krissy.

St. Bernard



Blessings: Amanda Ellringer will receive the holy sacrament of Confirmation this weekend.

Sing-a-longs at the Care Center: Come sing with us on Friday morning June 30 at the Care Center from 10-11am. For more info contact Jeanette Fortier at 358-7144.

 **Adoration Schedule:** Adoration will not be held on Tuesday, the 4th of July. The church will be locked for the day. Adoration will resume on Wednesday after 8am Mass. Enjoy your Independence Day celebrations!

Thank You: We want to thank everyone who came to our anniversary celebration or sent cards. You all helped make our special day even more special.

~ Dick & Dory Yennie

Other News & Around the Area

Peter's Pence Collection: Monies from this collection enables the Holy Father to respond with emergency financial assistance to requests to aid the neediest throughout the world; those who suffer as a result of war, oppression, and natural disasters. It likewise provides the faithful with a tangible opportunity to not only empower the weak, defenseless, and voiceless, but also sustain those who suffer.

Catholic Charities - African Hunger Crisis: There is a drought in East Africa affecting Kenya, Somalia, South Sudan, and Uganda. In Somalia there are 6.2 million people in need which is 50% of the population. Overall, 23 million people presently across the horn of Africa are without enough to eat. Catholic Relief Services (CRS) is already on the ground coordinating with the United Nations to airlift supplies. Go to the link to learn more and for ideas on how to help: www.crs.org

Neighbors Helping Neighbors Program: Family Service Rochester now has a staff person in Stewartville. Sharon Bernard has an office at the Center for Active Adults and is there mornings especially Tuesdays from 10am-noon. Neighbors Helping Neighbors can help seniors 60 and over with many options to be able to live in their home in a safe and comfortable living situation. Some of the services we can provide with volunteer help are companionship, shopping, housekeeping, Laundry, handy man help and transportation. Personal care services are not provided. Call Sharon at 507-535-9000 or stop by for more information.

2nd Annual St. James Coffee Run - Saturday, July 29, 8am: Pre-registration cost for 5K run is \$25 and includes a coffee mug. Pre-registration for 1 mile walk/run is \$12 or \$35 family and includes coffee mug and/or kid's cup. Visit the Coffee House at 4156 18th Avenue NW or the website stjamescoffee.com for more info and to register.