

The Churches of St. Bernard and St. Bridget

St. Bernard
116 4th Ave SE
Stewartville, MN

St. Bridget
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Rochester, MN



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October 1, 2017

26th 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 10am

Becoming Catholic: Are you interested in 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 1-10pm. Church doors will be locked after 5pm. If you wish to stop by for Adoration after 5, knock on the door to be let inside.

St. Bernard's Adoration: Tuesdays 4am - Wednesdays 9pm. Church doors will be locked from 8pm-5am on Tuesday and Wednesdays. If you wish to stop by for Adoration, use the doorbell on the main entrance doors.

Confessions: Saturdays at St. Bernard's 4-4:30pm.
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.

Homebound: If you would like a Communion Minister to bring Communion to you or a family member at home, assisted living, or the Care Center on Sunday mornings, contact Jan Owen 533-4964

Catholic Cancer Support Group: Meets every 3rd Tuesday at 7pm in the library at St. Bernard's.

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

Mass Schedule and Intentions

Monday, Oct 2	St. Bernard Jan Heitman+	8:00 am
Tuesday, Oct 3	St. Bridget Larry Whalen+	8:30 am
Wednesday, Oct 4	St. Bernard Mike Foster+	8:00 am
Thursday, Oct 5	St. Bernard Fred Thompson+	8:00 am
Friday, Oct 6	St. Bernard For priests of the diocese	8:00 am
	Care Center For Eileen Finn	9:15 am
Saturday, Oct 7	St. Bernard LeVerne Meyerhofer+	5:00 pm
Sunday, Oct 8	St. Bridget For St Bridget's & St Bernard's	8:30 am
	St. Bernard Helen Owen+	10:00 am

Liturgical Ministers

Saturday, October 7

St. Bernard – 5:00 pm

Servers: needed

Lector: Marge Reimers

EMC: Mary Claeys, Jim Nosbisch, Rose Steinman

Ushers: Dan Pyan, Dan Rainey, Joe Rauh

Sunday, October 8

St. Bridget – 8:30 am

Server: Eli Araoz

Lector: Amy Miron

EMC: Bill Kuisle

St. Bernard – 10:00 am

Rosary: Steve Sturm

Servers: Jamisen Hart, Bryttin Henderson

Lector: Steve Sturm

EMC: Karen Greenslade, bayli Henderson, Mychelle Henderson, Mary Hustak, Laura Peters, Janet Speltz, Kim Yennie

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

Pastor's Corner

This Sunday we shall have the honor and delight of having Bishop Bernard J. Harrington at St. Bernard's to confirm our young candidates in the faith. The bishop, and all bishops, is a spiritual descendant of the Apostles. He will pour out the Holy Spirit on our candidates using the holy Oil of Chrism, a holy sign and symbol of the actual presence of the Holy Spirit. Our candidates will receive the gifts of the Holy Spirit to draw on throughout their lives. They should be encouraged to do just that, especially, but not only, in challenging times.

The Word of God today includes a fundamental statement on what the Son of God did for humanity. Jesus humbly emptied Himself so that we might grow in faith – and therefore in generosity and mercy. We should acknowledge our deficiencies and look to the blessing of a change of heart sustained by the gifts and graces of God. So thank you to Bishop Harrington, congratulations to our candidates and God bless you all.

Stewardship Reflection

With regard to today's readings: Our challenge is to love others in such a way that we become lovable as well. Christ tells us over and over again that the secret to being His disciple and the secret to being a good steward is to love your neighbor. That is how to be the kind of person Paul calls us to be as well.

Blessings to Our Confirmation Students



Luke Borst, Anna Buckmeier, Konner Dodd,
Nathan Edholm, Karsen Faulhaber,
Derek Gollither, Katie Hickman, Karli Hohn,
Bradon Holschlag, Elizabeth Hurley,
Kayla Irlbeck, Samantha Koenigs,
Kayla Meyer, Patrick Miller, David Miron,

William Mueller, Matthew Muller, Victoria Nienow,
Jack Parry, Lily Spitzer, Zane Stier, Noah VandeLoo,
Lily Welch, David Wilson

Stewardship of Treasure

Church Support for the week ending Sept 24

St. Bernard's

Amount Received	\$ 3,907.50
Amount Budgeted	\$ 5,559.00
YTD Received	\$ 63,353.41
YTD Budgeted	\$ 72,267.00
Under Budget	\$ 8,913.59-

St. Bridget's

Amount Received	\$ 1,932.00
Amount Budgeted	\$ 2,767.00
YTD Received	\$ 27,366.14
YTD Budgeted	\$ 35,971.00
Under Budget	\$ 8,604.86-

Our Parishes



11th Annual Baby Bottle Campaign: Our parishes will again be participating in this fundraiser for Catholic Charities' Mother and Child Assistance Fund, which provides assistance for women who are considering adoption for their baby. Monies stay right here in our diocese. Take a baby bottle home, fill it with your loose change and return to the parish at the end of October.

Surrounded By Saints: "Surrounded By Saints" will be presented by Jeanette Fortier on Thursday, October 5 at 10am in Marian Hall at St. Bernard's. A social will follow. Everyone is welcome. Please join us!

Quilting/Sewing Group: Thursday, October 5 from 1-3:30pm in the Marian Room at St. Bernard's

Finance Council Meetings: Tuesday, October 10 at St Bernard's

Cancer Support Group: Tuesday, October 17 at 7pm in the parish library at St Bernard's

Widows' Group: Please note, the St. Bernard and St. Bridget's Widows' Group will not be meeting during the winter months, from November on. We will resume in the Spring. Watch the bulletin for the start-up date.

Religious Ed & Youth

Regular Class: Wednesday, October 4
5:15-6:15pm | 6:30-7:30pm

9th Grade Confirmation Class: The Rite of Commitment will be on Sunday, October 8. Meet at 9:45am in Marian Hall at St. Bernard's. Students from both parishes need to attend this Rite. The students and sponsors will start the day with Mass and will end the day around 2pm. If you have any questions contact Krissy.



Rake-n-Run: If you need your yard raked or if you are willing to help rake yards please let Krissy know. We will be raking yards on Saturday, October 28 at 1pm

BYG (Bernie & Bridgie's Youth Group)



We meet Sunday evenings in the youth room; Middle School 4-5:15pm, High School 7-8:30pm

St Bernard's

Baptism: Blessings to Rhett James Gehling, son of Tony & Paula, as he receives the holy sacrament on Saturday.

Men's Club Meeting: Tuesday, Oct 3, 6:30pm in the parish library. All men of St. Bernard's are welcome and encouraged to attend.

Adult Choir: Practice on Sunday, October 8 at 8:50am followed by Mass at 10am. Off for Oct 15 & 22.

St. Bernard's Annual Cemetery Board Meeting: Thursday, October 12, 6:30pm in the parish library.

Breakfast: On Sunday, October 15, the Men's Club will be cooking up a delicious breakfast for everyone.

Thanks! Thank you to Jeanette Fortier, Mary Lynch, Millie Petersen, and Barb Ryan for your help at the Care Center for the September birthday party. Fun was had by all. Special thanks to Rita Christian for your organization.

St Bridget's



Trunk or Treat Volunteers Needed: Looking for someone to organize the annual Trunk or Treat and individuals to assist. A couple of you could share in the event planning. Contact the office or Bridget O'Neill if you are willing to help.

Wedding: Kelly Fogarty & Patrick (PJ) McIntee will be married on Saturday, October 7.

Open House: You're invited to celebrate the 90th birthday celebration of MaryAnn Caflisch Jack. An open house will be held on Sunday, October 8 from 1-3pm at St. Mary's Parish in Chatfield.

Adoration Prayer Basket: Drop your prayer requests into the Adoration prayer basket in the back of the church. Adorers will be praying for these requests during hours of Eucharistic Adoration.

Around the Area

Rochester Catholic Schools: The Home and School Association will sponsor the Third Annual Family Fun Run and 5K on Saturday, October 7 at Church of the Resurrection at 9am. You may register the morning of the event.

Stewartville Fire Department's Annual Breakfast: Sunday, October 8, 8am – noon at the American Legion.

Ladies: On Saturday, October 14, at St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church in Rochester, The Winona Diocesan Council of Catholic Women is offering an inspiring Convention for you. The day will include inspirational speakers, Mass with Bishop Quinn, food and afternoon entertainment, all included in registration fee. Registration forms are on the bulletin board.

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. 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.