

The Churches of St. Bernard and St. Bridget

St. Bernard
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St. Bridget
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Rochester, MN



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January 28, 2018

The 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Parish Registration: Registration forms are in the kiosk at St. Bernard's or visit the parish office.

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, Jan 29	St Bernard Kate Towey+	8:00 am
Tuesday, Jan 30	St Bridget Gary Braun+	8:30 am
Wednesday, Jan 31	St Bernard Clint Leeper+	8:00 am
Thursday, Feb 1	St Bernard In reparation of our sins	8:00 am
Friday, Feb 2	St Bernard Carl Emanuel+	8:00 am
	Care Center Richard Kuisle+	9:15 am
Saturday, Feb 3	St Bernard Robert Johnson+	4:00 pm
	St Bridget James P. O'Neill+	5:30 pm
Sunday, Feb 4	St Bridget Larry Whalen+	8:30 am
	St Bernard For St Bernard's & St Bridget's	10:00 am

Liturgical Ministers

Saturday, February 3

St. Bernard – 4:00 pm

Lector: Marge Reimers

EMC: Pauline Fontaine, Susan Hazelton, Terri Elsbernd

Ushers: Darrel Elsbernd, Warren Hauger, Bill Rincken

St. Bridget – 5:30 pm

Volunteers needed

Sunday, Feb 4

St. Bridget – 8:30 am

Lector: Bernice Casella

Volunteers needed

St. Bernard – 10:00 am

Greeter: Janet Speltz

EMC: Karen Volkart, Mary Brouillard, Janet Speltz

Ushers: Jad Mayer, Brian Meyerhofer, Bill Oswald, Wayne Volkart

Liturgical Ministers: The schedule for February is available online. Please volunteer where you can.

Pastor's Corner

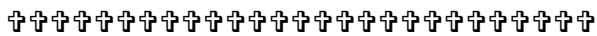
The ultimate authority is truth and truth is something which people discover in a sincere struggle for common vision. The authority of Jesus is demonstrated in His mighty works, as in today's Gospel passage. St. Mark is not sniping at the Scribes; he is simply making the distinction between them and the rabbis, those who actually had the power to impose a decision with binding force.

Jesus begins His ministry with an exercise of divine authority over the evils that beset man. We acknowledge here that the work of healing is closely bound up with God's desire for our good. Jesus is the authority, He is truth itself. We would do well to listen to Him and follow His way. God bless you all.

Stewardship Reflection

We have seen the Lord as the Son of Man Who submitted to His Father. He submitted to God in His Baptism, and to the Holy Spirit in the wilderness. To have authority also requires submission. We, too, are called to submit to God, but for us that is sometimes challenging because it requires humility, something that is not easy for many of us. If we are to be good stewards, we must submit to the will of God and do all for His greater glory and not for ours.

Later in the Gospel of John there is another account of the Lord teaching at the Temple. He is challenged, and His response is quite simply, "My teaching is not from myself; it comes from the one who sent me." We are not divine, but we, too, are sent.



One Week Away! Get Your Tickets for the Feast of Bridget! On Saturday, Feb 3, at 6:30pm, we will wine and dine while enjoying fellowship and entertainment. The

menu includes appetizers, baked chicken, roast beef, roasted red potatoes, green beans, coleslaw and assorted breads, and a variety of pies for dessert. Tickets are \$25 each available at the office.

Stewardship of Treasure

Church Support for the week ending January 21

St. Bernard's

Amount Received	\$ 8,185.51
Amount Budgeted	\$ 5,559.00
YTD Received	\$181,257.38
YTD Budgeted	\$166,770.00
Over Budget	\$ 14,487.38+

St. Bridget's

Amount Received	\$ 3,078.10
Amount Budgeted	\$ 2,767.00
YTD Received	\$ 81,177.50
YTD Budgeted	\$ 83,010.00
Under Budget	\$ 1,832.50-

Our Parishes

End of Year Contribution Statements: If you haven't received your statement, it will be coming.

Adoration Reminder: If the schools are closed due to weather, then Adoration is canceled. This applies for both parishes. As always, please use your own discretion regarding leaving your home if the weather is unfavorable and the roads are icy.

Saturday, February 3

Mass at St. Bernard's will be at 4pm, not 5pm

Mass at St. Bridget's will be held that day at 5:30pm, followed by the Feast of Bridget Celebration. Get your tickets!

Religious Ed & Youth News

Classes: Wednesday, January 31

5:15-6:15pm | 6:30-7:30pm

Grade 4 and a parent will go directly to the Care Center at 6:30pm to play Card Bingo with the residents.



Cookie Social: St. Bernard's & St. Bridget's Parishes are holding a Cookie Social during the religious ed classes on Wednesday, February 7 from 6:30-7:30pm, in the social hall. Anyone interested in meeting new people within our parishes is invited to join us. Whether or not you have children in the program, we want to see you there. For parents with younger children please bring them along with you.

Blessings to our Students who Have Received the Sacrament of First Reconciliation on Saturday:

Kellen DeBoer, Liam Gehling, Devyn Hageman, Mattie Helwig, Cora Johnson, Lainey Kolsrud, Oliver Mai, Aidan Meinecke, Hannah Meyerhofer, Hayden Olerich, Brooklyn Peterson, Kelly Piens, Irelyn Proper, Payton Roh, Owen Root, Amelia Schlager, Danika Shindelar, Maximilliano Vargas, and Aubrey Whitacre

BYG (Bernie & Bridgie's Youth Group)

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

Steubenville Rochester Conference: Rochester is once again hosting Steubenville North, a Catholic conference weekend featuring incredible speakers, live praise and worship music, and time each day for Mass, Adoration, and personal prayer. This year's conference will take place July 13-15 at the Mayo Civic Center, and St. Bernard's/St. Bridget's would love to send a group. The parishes will donate \$100 toward each student's registration cost. Contact Neal for info.

Around The Area

Fish Fry: St. Ignatius Church in Spring Valley will be holding their 33rd Annual Fish Fry on Friday, Feb 16 from 5-7:30pm. Adults \$10, children 12 & under \$5.

St Bernard's



Are you missing a camera stand?

Is your daughter missing a NF jacket? Call or email the office to identify these items.

Also, check above the coat rack in the gathering space for youth books and various gloves that have been left behind.

Invited: Please know St. Bernard parishioners are most welcome to attend the St. Bridget Feast Celebration on Saturday, February 3 at 6:30pm.

Adult Choir: Practice on Sunday, Feb 4 and 11 at 8:50am, followed by music ministry at 10am Mass.

Men's Club Meeting: All men of the parish are invited to attend the monthly meeting on Tuesday, February 6 at 6:30pm in the parish library.

St Bridget's

Contribution Envelopes: Please pick up your box of envelopes for the year. If you have questions, contact Pam in the office.



Adoration Opportunities: We have some hours that are in need of a second adorer. The Church encourages that there be two adorers at each hour. Many prayers have been answered from this peaceful time of prayer with Jesus. Please contact Marilyn Baker (206-7212) or Kathy Baruth (269-8065) if you are interested in joining our Adoration Team. It only involves one hour a week, and we have lots of subs available when you are unable to do your hour.

Prayer Basket: You may leave your prayer requests in the Adoration Prayer Basket at the back of the church and adorers will pray for your intentions each week. The Prayer Basket is brought up to the foot of the altar each Monday during Adoration.

St. Bridget's Finance Council: Tuesday, January 30 at 6:30pm