

The Churches of St. Bernard and St. Bridget



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Parish Office

Location	116 4 th Ave SE Stewartville, MN 55976
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Parish Registration: If you wish to become a member, registration forms are in the kiosk at St. Bernard's or you may contact the parish office or visit sbsbparishes.org and find the registration application under the 'About' tab.

Office Hours: Monday & Wednesday 8:30 am–5:30 pm, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday 8:30 am – 2:30 pm

Bulletin Deadline: Wednesday mornings 10:00 am.

Becoming Catholic: Are you interested in becoming Catholic or learning more about the Catholic faith? Contact Fr. Wilmot frwilmot@aol.com 533-8257 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 - 10:00 pm

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

Baptism: Expectant and /or new parents, if you have not taken a Pre Jordan Baptism Class, contact the office. Once the class is completed, contact the office to schedule the baptism

Marriage: Make an appointment with Father at least six months prior to the anticipated date. You may call earlier than that for availability.

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?

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

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

Mass Schedule & Intentions

Friday, July 17	Care Center 9:15 am Communion Word Service
Saturday, July 18	St. Bernard 5:00 pm Bill & Patty Schroeder Family & Hajek Family
Sunday, July 19	St. Bridget 8:30 am For St. Bridget & St. Bernard
	St. Bernard 10:00 am Mary Meyerhofer+

Daily Mass at Resurrection Church in Rochester is held Tuesday – Friday at 8:30 am

Liturgical Ministries

Saturday, July 18 - 5:00 pm – St. Bernard's
Greeters: Chris & Diane Gray
Servers: George & Henry Gray
Lector: Dorothy Hurley
EMC: Barb Abbott, Mary Lynch, Donna Reese
Ushers: Brian Abbott, Dennis Graff, Brad Kime

Sunday, July 19 - 8:30 am – St. Bridget's
Server: Nicholas Poss
Lector: Marilyn Baker
EMC: Wanda Nienow, Karen Sheehan

Sunday, July 19 - 10:00 am - St. Bernard's
Greeters: Tom & Kim Yennie Family
Servers: Baylie Henderson, Patrick Miller
Lector: Needed
EMC: Mychelle Henderson, Mary Hustak, Laura Peters, Janet Speltz, Kim Yennie
Ushers: Jerry Finn, Gene Peters, Mark Severtson, Greg Wellik

Pastor's Corner

Most of us are what one calls "cradle" Catholics. Catholic Christianity stresses the communal nature of the gift of faith. We have received the gift of faith through responsible sharing by family, parishes or the society in which we were raised. Others will come to the faith by individual choice but we were born into it. However, we are called to make our choice for Christ at one point or other, to have a personal commitment to the faith and to live accordingly.

One of our duties is to share our faith with others – and without cost. We should not try to enrich ourselves in any way; neither financially nor in terms of ambition, or influence. We are called to devote ourselves to the Word and to the support of souls. We are supposed to set our hearts upon the Kingdom of God as our true treasure. We should constantly ask ourselves "What is our motivation for living the ways of the Lord?" Are we content with what God gives us to live on? The twelve had to ask themselves these questions as they went about the mission that Jesus had given them and so should we.

This weekend I shall be at Masses in the beautiful Cathedral of Notre Dame and the Basilica of Sacre Coeur in Paris. Please pray for my safe return and I shall, as always, be praying for you.

God bless you all

Stewardship Reflection

If we are to be true stewards we must first be true believers. By believing, by having faith and trust, we are able to be Christ's representative. It is worth recalling and repeating that well-known quote from St. Thomas Aquinas: To one who has faith, no explanation is necessary; to one without faith, no explanation is possible.

Stewardship of Treasure

Church Support Received as of June 30 – End of the Fiscal Year Totals

St. Bernard's

YTD Received	\$249,463.90
YTD Budgeted	\$254,694.00
Under Budget	\$ 5,230.10 -

St. Bridget's

YTD Received	\$110,861.63
YTD Budgeted	\$103,618.00
Over Budget	\$ 7,243.63 +

Church Support Received for the week ending July 5

St. Bernard's

Amount Rec'd	\$ 3,658.68
Amount Budgeted	\$ 5,044.73
YTD Received	\$ 3,658.68
YTD Budgeted	\$ 5,044.73
Under Budget	\$ 1,386.05 -

St. Bridget's

Amount Rec'd	\$ 2,833.15
Amount Budgeted	\$ 2,052.42
YTD Received	\$ 2,833.15
YTD Budgeted	\$ 2,052.42
Over Budget	\$ 780.73 +

Our Parishes



Welcome: We are grateful to have Msgr. Donald Schmitz celebrate our Masses July 11 & 12. We hold Fr. Jim Russell in our prayers for healing.

Liturgical Ministers: With having substitute priests this month, please volunteer yourself so that Mass will run smoothly for our visiting priests.

Summer Faith Formation Program for all Grades: *Totus Tuus* will be held at St. Bernard's and is scheduled for July 27-31 for grades 1-6 from 9:00 am - 2:30 pm. For grades 7-12, it is scheduled July 26-30 from 7:30 - 9:40 pm. The cost is \$20 per child and one dozen cookies per family. There are registration forms on the tables at both parishes.

St. Bernard



Wedding Banns: Renae Claeys & Burke Milnes
~ Friday, July 17



We will have a picnic after Mass on Sunday, **August 16** to celebrate the feast of our patron, Saint Bernard. We will be raising funds to help Neal Abbot, who will be entering the seminary in August. Some financial support from us, his parish family, would go a long way.



Will YOU Step Forward? After the Men's Club meeting on Tuesday, the guys have agreed to be in charge of the meal for the picnic on August 16. If anyone has been contemplating heading up the event, you can be rest assured the meal is covered. If someone can step forward and help plan some form of entertainment for the kids, activities and a fundraising idea or two, please call the parish office 533-8257.



Men who are willing to cook for the picnic event on Sunday, August 16, plan to bring your grill! Get those gas tanks filled or pick-up some charcoal! Questions, call Scott Christian at 533-6692.

Adorers Needed (Some Different Times Listed): "Could you not spend one hour with Me?" Matthew 26:40 Prayerfully consider spending one hour a week before Him in Eucharistic Adoration. The times needed are: Tuesdays 7:00-8:00 am & Wednesdays 2-3 am, 4-5 am and 7-8 am & 2-3 pm. Contact Pam Mueller to sign up or with questions 254-9478 or 533-1952.

Offering Envelopes



Youth Envelopes: Parents, the envelopes for the kids have arrived. They are on the table by the windows in the gathering space.

Around The Area

Invitation: You are invited to the celebration of Fr. Greg Havel's 25 years as a priest. Mass will be celebrated at the Church of the Crucifixion in La Crescent at 10:30 am on Sunday, July 12. A lunch and fellowship will follow from 11:30 until 2:00 at the Crucifixion School Auditorium. The church is located at 415 South Second Street in La Crescent and the auditorium at 420 South Second Street.

Young Adult Bonfire: Friday, July 17, from 6:00-9:00 pm at the Church of the Resurrection. After a great turnout for our last bonfire, we would like to give all summer interns, returning college students and permanent Rochester residents the chance to meet each other, play lawn games and roast hot dogs and s'mores.

Baby Olmsted: The Olmsted County Chapter of Minnesota Citizens Concerned for Life is hosting the Baby Olmsted Contest at the Olmsted county fair. Children 2 and younger are eligible to enter. Space is limited to the first 20 contestants. For more information or to enter your child, please contact Linda McGuire at 259-4035.

Adoption: As one adoptive parent said, "Adoption has been a blessed event in our lives. We can't imagine loving anyone as much as our child. Our son has been the joy of our lives and has allowed us the opportunity of having a family. We are extremely grateful to his birthmother for bringing him into our world." If you are interested in adoption visit Catholic Charities at ccwinona.org or call Catholic Charities at 287-2047

