

The Churches of St. Bernard and St. Bridget



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Parish Office

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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

29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Monday, Oct 19	St. Bernard	8:00 am
	For Joe Waugh	
Tuesday, Oct 20	St. Bridget	8:30 am
	For Kaitlyn Claeys	
Wednesday, Oct 21	St. Bernard	8:00 am
	For Eddie Bussman	
Thursday, Oct 22	St. Bernard	8:00 am
	For Lillian Gehling	
Friday, Oct 23	St. Bernard	8:00 am
	Brian Ptacek+	
	Care Center	9:15 am
	Lucy Tooke+	
Saturday, Oct 24	St. Bernard	5:00 pm
	Stan & Peg Himmer+	
Sunday, Oct 25	St. Bridget	8:30 am
	Gary Braun+	
	St. Bernard	10:00 am
	For St. Bernard's & St. Bridget's	

Liturgical Ministries

Saturday, Oct 24 - 5:00 pm – St. Bernard's

Rosary: Cindy Meyerhofer

Servers: Brandon McCrady, Zach Spitzer

Lector: Dorothy Hurley

EMC: Barb Abbott, Mary Claeys, Cindy Meyerhofer,

Jim Nosbisch

Ushers: Brian Abbott, Brad Kime, Joe Rauh, Ken Trisko, Alex VandeLoo

Sunday, Oct 25 - 8:30 am – St. Bridget's

Server: Luke Borst

Lector: Bill Kuisle

EMC: Marilyn Baker, Britt Noser, Mike Sheehan

Sunday, Oct 25 - 10:00 am - St. Bernard's

Greeter: Janet Speltz, Anna Bussman

Rosary: Jan Owen

Servers: Jamisen Hart, Bryttin Henderson

Lector: Bernice Casella

EMC: Lisa Dodd, Bayli Henderson, Mychelle Henderson, Jan Owen, Laura Peters, Janet Speltz

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

Pastor's Corner

Today's Isaiah passage is a snippet from the long Fourth Suffering Servant song. It ponders the results of the sacrifice of the suffering servant. It promises a setting free from guilt and the winning of a long life for the servant – eternal life. This is truly captured by what Jesus actually did as Son of Man, Suffering Servant.

In the Gospel Jesus emphasizes that the Kingdom is established only through suffering. If we wish to be true members of the kingdom then, like the brothers James and John, we must be willing to sacrifice, to drink "that cup" without any expectation of earthly exaltation. We know that Jesus did drink the cup and that He confronted our deepest anxieties by doing so. We can live lives of eternal promise if we are bound up in the particular path of suffering that is ours in conjunction with Him. We follow this path joyously, of course, joyously. God bless you all.

Stewardship Reflection

Are you involved in a parish ministry? If you are not, you should be from a number of perspectives. First of all, in today's Gospel Jesus tells us, and it is something He wants us to understand and pursue as a goal, "... the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve." • Service, giving of ourselves for others, is at the focal point of stewardship.

Genuine ministry is done and offered for the assistance and aid of those to whom one is ministering, not for the advantage of the one who is ministering. When we join a ministry, whether it is liturgical, educational, to serve certain social or physical parish needs, or being spiritually-supportive, although we certainly receive advantages from it, in terms of grace and satisfaction, the reality is that we should do it because of the lift and help we can give to others. The fundamental aspect is what we give, not what we receive. This is the true stewardship of time, talent and treasure.

Stewardship of Treasure

Church Support Received for the week ending Oct 11

St. Bernard's

Amount Rec'd	\$ 4,160.28 (\$17.53 youth)
Amount Budgeted	\$ 5,044.73
YTD Received	\$ 61,730.81
YTD Budgeted	\$ 75,670.96
Under Budget	\$ 13,940.15 -

St. Bridget's

Amount Rec'd	\$ 2,367.45 (\$2.45 youth)
Amount Budgeted	\$ 2,052.42
YTD Received	\$ 34,001.75
YTD Budgeted	\$ 30,786.35
Over Budget	\$ 3,215.40 +

Our Parishes

Cancer Support Group Meeting: This group meets every 3rd Tuesday (October 20) in the parish library at St. Bernard's at 7:00 pm. Those dealing with illness, those in remission and caregivers, are welcome to attend.

Respect Life: The current *40 Days for Life Campaign* runs through November 1. This now makes 64 abortion facilities where people have faithfully prayed for an end to abortion during *40 Days for Life Campaigns* outside their doors that have gone out of business. Join us in front of Planned Parenthood in Rochester. See www.40daysforlife.com or contact Paula Elefson at (507) 398-5677 or buggz25@msn.com for details.

Life & Dignity: Approximately 70 parishioners from our parishes registered for the Minnesota Catholic Conference's Catholic Advocacy Network last weekend during Life & Dignity Sunday. We thank you for participating and pray that the network continues to be successful in helping to create more public policy in Minnesota that is respectful of life and human dignity and is more just for all. If you missed filling out the card, visit www.MNCC.org

St. Bernard

Pastoral Council Mtg: Tuesday, October 20, 7:15 pm. Please note this time had been 6:30 but changed. Meet in the Marian Room on the school side.

Stewardship Meeting: Thursday, October 22, 7:00 pm.

Adult Choir: We will sing at Mass on Sunday, October 25 and November 1. Meet at 8:50 am for practice.



The Men's Club will be serving pancakes, sausage and bacon after Mass on Sunday, October 25. Plan to join them for fellowship and delicious food.

Liturgical Ministers Needed for Saturday, Oct 31 at 5:00 pm: We are in need of servers and Communion Ministers for the evening of Halloween.

Green Thumb Ministry: We would like to thank Mike & Emily Kiefer for beautifying the front of the church with flowers and plants and to Larry & Gerri Gray for their work with the colorful flower garden around the St. Bernard sign.

Edward Jones Account: In the past, those who donated using stocks, dividends, etc. had to go through the Diocese and Edward Jones in Winona. We now have an account at Edward Jones in Stewartville which makes it local and convenient for transfers. Feel free to contact the financial advisor, Troy Knutson, at 533-4404

Lost & Found: A silver hoop earring was found. Is it yours? We have it in the office.

St. Bridget's

Eagle Scout Ceremony Cancelled: Sorry to inform but the ceremony for Thomas Engessor has to be rescheduled. We will let you know the date and time when we can.

Choir: We will provide music ministry on Sunday, October 25. Meet at 7:45 am for practice.

Children's Liturgy of the Word: We will start the classes for the little ones, pre-schoolers, on Sunday, October 25 in the social hall. The children will be released during Mass after the Opening Prayer. We will follow the schedule and curriculum that has been set for both parishes. Volunteers are needed to help – if interested or if you have questions, contact Holly Braun brau0280@umn.edu or Wanda Nienow mwnienow@msn.com

Finance Council Mtg: Tuesday, October 27 at 6:15 pm

Ladies Group Meeting: All women of the parish are invited and encouraged to gather on Tuesday, October 27 at 7:00 pm in the social hall to plan for the next year. Please join us! Questions, contact Sandy Woodruff 282-3854.

Religious Ed & Youth

Religious Ed Classes: Wednesday, October 21, regular classes will be held at normal times: 5:15-6:15 pm or 6:30-7:30 pm. Grade 7 will meet at the Care Center to play Card Bingo from 6:30-7:30 pm.

Adult Session: Whether you have students in religious ed or not, all adults are invited to the Adult Session in the church area as Fr. Wilnot gives the first of his two talks on the Blessed Mother.



Annual Rake n Run: Grab your rakes, gloves and leaf blowers and meet at St. Bernard's on Saturday, October 24 at 1:00 pm as we help parishioners from both parishes clean-up their yards. If you know of someone who might benefit from this activity, contact Krissy Sullivan.



Trunk-or-Treat & Supper: On Saturday, October 24 at St. Bridget's, we'll gather at 5:30 pm for supper (pizza burgers, chips, fruit, cookie and beverage), followed by crafts, music and trick or treating in the parking lot. There will be contests for the best costume and the best decorated trunk / car. Fun for all ages – everyone is welcome to join us.

Around The Area

Sharing The Seasons: St. Mary's Church in Chatfield are having their annual display of table settings on Sunday, October 25 from 11:00 am – 1:30 pm. Over 20 tables will feature a wide array of collections of interest. A luncheon is included in the \$7 admission price. Tickets sold at the door.

Minnesota Citizens Concerned for Life: MCCL will hold its Fall Tour Meeting on Monday, October 26 from 7:00 - 8:15 pm at Holy Spirit Church in Rochester. MCCL advocates will share an audio-visual presentation, with relevant updates. Come and learn how to be most effective in efforts to protect life. Everyone is invited. Refreshments will be provided.