

The Churches of St. Bernard and St. Bridget



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October 9, 2016

28th Sunday in Ordinary Time October 9, 2016

Parish Registration: 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 – Friday 8:30 am -2:30 pm

Bulletin Deadline: Wednesday mornings 10:00 am 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 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
Not on Memorial Day or Labor Day

St. Bernard's Adoration: Tuesdays 4:00 am - Wednesdays 9:00 pm. 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 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?

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

Monday, Oct 10	St. Bernard	8:00 am
	Special Intention	
Tuesday, Oct 11	St. Bridget	8:30 am
	Peiyong Chang+	
Wednesday, Oct 12	St. Bernard	8:00 am
	Kate Towey+	
Thursday, Oct 13	St. Bernard	8:00 am
	Sylvester & Vivian Carolan+	
Friday, Oct 14	St. Bernard	8:00 am
	Stan & Sylvia Ellringer+	
	Care Center	9:15 am
	Theresa Rose+	
Saturday, Oct 15	St. Bernard	5:00 pm
	Jennie & Joe Rauh, Sr. +	
Sunday, Oct 16	St. Bridget	8:30 am
	Ralph & Jeanette Kruger+	
	St. Bernard	10:00 am
	For St. Bernard's & St. Bridget's	

Saturday, Oct 15

St. Bernard – 5:00 pm

Greeter: Sharon Theobald

Servers: David & Sarah Watters

Lector: Julie Watters

EMC: Mary Brouillard, Mary Claeys, Susan Hazelton, Emily Kiefer, Rose Steinman

Ushers: Brian Abbott, Dennis Graff, Dan Rainey, Joe Rauh

Sunday, Oct 16

St. Bridget – 8:30 am

Server: Luke Borst

Lector: Jim Kuisle

EMC: Andy, Hank & Harvey Friederichs

St. Bernard – 10:00 am

Servers: Ellah Dodd

Lector: Rob Miller

EMC: Lisa Dodd, Mary Hustak, Patty Miller, Laura Peters

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

Pastor's Corner

The Naaman of today's First Reading is a very important General in the Syrian Army. He is also rather proud, but leprosy brings him to his knees and, having heard of the healing God of Israel he appeals to Elisha for a cure. He is forced out of his comfort zone and led to wash in the Jordan. Only when he casts off his pride and becomes humble before God is he made clean. Naaman has arrived at the knowledge that there is but one true God and he does Him homage.

In the gospel we see Jesus' healing of the ten lepers and we know that, though surely all were overjoyed, only one was humble enough and grateful enough to come back to say thank you to Jesus. The Lord says, "Ten were cleansed, were they not? Where are the other nine? Has none but this foreigner (the man who thanked Jesus was a Samaritan) returned to give thanks to God?" All good things come from God and He has no favorites – are we humble enough to realize that and grateful enough to use a fair portion of all He has given to say "Thank you." as faithful stewards. God bless you all.

Stewardship Reflection

One of the most popular sayings in relation to stewardship is that Stewardship is based on having an "Attitude of Gratitude". Today's Gospel Reading from St. Luke is not very long but it bears within it a strong stewardship message about gratitude for us. Jesus heals ten lepers but only one of the ten returns to give thanks – and he not one of the chosen ones but a Samaritan. We are chosen Disciples of Christ, but are we often to be included among the nine who received an incredible gift from God, but failed to acknowledge it or to thank Him? Or are we on a constant and consistent basis offering our thanks to God by how we use our time, our talents, and our treasure as good stewards?

Stewardship of Treasure

Church Support for the week ending October 2

St. Bernard's

Amount Rec'd	\$ 6,592.75
Amount Budgeted	\$ 5,381.50
YTD Received	\$ 70,660.46
YTD Budgeted	\$ 75,341.00
Under Budget	\$ 4,680.54 -

St. Bridget's

Amount Rec'd	\$ 5,389.21
Amount Budgeted	\$ 2,767.00
YTD Received	\$ 26,348.22
YTD Budgeted	\$ 38,738.00
Under Budget	\$ 12,389.78 -

Our Parishes & Other Notes

St Bernard and St. Bridget's Widow's Group: Our next gathering will be Thursday, October 20 at 10:00 am in the library at St. Bernard's.

Quilting/Sewing Group: The next gathering will be held Thursday, October 13, 1:00-3:30 pm in the Marian Room at St. Bernard's.

Cancer Support Group Meeting: The cancer support group meets on Tuesday, October 18 at 7:00 pm in the parish library at St. Bernard's. Questions call Chet 533-0008.



This event is on Saturday, October 22 at 6:00 pm at St. Bridget's. Contests will be held so plan for your costumes and trunk decorations! Dinner will be served; pizza burgers, fruit & veggies and cookies, followed by games and loads of fun.

Everybody is welcome to attend even if you aren't bringing little ones. Come for supper, stick around to enjoy the activities and hand out goodies. Confirmation students are encouraged to help, also adult volunteers as well. Contact Brook McCarrick if you can assist 286-9376.

Parish Giving the Easy Way: Several of you have started using the online giving program. Log on to the parish website; sbsparishes.org and find the link on the front page (there is one for St. Bernard's and one for St. Bridget's). Make a profile / account for yourself and choose how much to give, when to give, and which bank account or card you want to use. Check it out!

Religious Ed

Religious Ed Classes: Wednesday, October 12 from 5:15-6:16 pm or 6:30-7:30 pm and Confirmation Class 6:15-7:45 pm

Adult Ed & Other Liturgical Offerings:

SYMBOLON: The Catholic Faith explained. Mondays at 6:30 pm in Marian Hall at St. Bernard's. Fr. Wilmot and / or Cindy Meyerhofer will lead these sessions.

Session I, Oct 10: THE JOURNEY OF FAITH

Session II, Oct 17: DIVINE REVELATION

Session III, Oct 24: THE BIBLE

Session IV, Nov 7: THE STORY OF SALVATION

Session V, Nov 14: WHO IS JESUS?

Evening Prayer & Benediction: Mondays of Advent at 6:30 pm, beginning November 28

Advent Penance Service: Thursday, Dec 15, 6:30 pm

Grade 9 Confirmation Candidates & Sponsors:

Commitment Sunday will be held Sunday, October 16 at Mass. Meet in Marian Hall at 9:45 am. After Mass, we'll have lunch and a special speaker. Our day will conclude around 2:00 pm.



Rake-n-Run: We need individuals and families willing to rake yards on the afternoon of Saturday, October 29 at 1:00 pm.

Host Homes Needed: If you are willing to share your home overnight for 2-6 members of the NET Retreat Team on Thursday, Nov 3 and Saturday, Nov 5, please let Krissy know. The NET Team will be holding a retreat that weekend for our Confirmation Students.

St. Bernard

Wedding Blessings: Heather Rysted & Tyler Tradup
Saturday, October 8

Baptism: Blessings to Edith Katherine Frost, daughter of Ben & Tisha, as she receives the holy sacrament.

Word Among Us Subscribers: Your November issue is ready for pick-up.



Breakfast: Join parishioners in the hall after Mass on Sunday, October 9 for breakfast served by The Men's Club.

Finance Council Meeting: Tuesday, October 11 at 6:00 pm at St. Bernard's.

Adult Choir: The next practice is Sunday, October 16 at 8:50 am. Music ministry at the 10:00 am Mass.

St. Bridget

Finance Council Meeting: Tuesday, October 11, at 7:00 pm at St. Bernard's.

Christmas Greenery: Volunteers from MCCL (Minnesota Citizens Concerned for Life) will be taking orders for Christmas greenery after Mass on Sunday, Oct 16, 23 & 30. If you miss seeing us, you can place an order by calling Monica Araoz at 282-4167.

Choir Sings: Sunday, October 23 for 8:30 am Mass. Meet at 7:45 am for practice.



Women's Group: Ladies, you are invited to the Annual Fall Meeting on Tuesday, October 25 at 7:00 pm in the social hall. All ladies of the parish are invited.

Around The Area

St. James Coffee & Canvas: Tuesday, October 11 at 6:30 pm. Cost \$25.

Women's Conference: The Diocese of Winona's 3rd Annual Women's Conference will be held on Saturday, October 15, at Lourdes High School in Rochester, from 9:00 am - 4:00 pm. Register at www.dow.org Contact Cindy Meyerhofer at 273-9847 or cindymeyerhofer@q.com if you would like to carpool.

Our Lady of Fatima Tour For Peace: The Diocese of Winona welcomes the world famous Virgin Statue. While the statue is in our diocese, you are welcome to visit; October 24 – Cathedral of the Sacred Heart in Winona, October 25 – St. Francis of Assisi in Rochester. St. Francis of Assisi will hold a Mass on Tuesday, October 25 at 5:30 pm with a Solemn Recessional of the statue. Rosary, Exposition, Adoration, Benediction and lectures start at noon. www.fatimatourforpeace.com