

The Churches of St. Bernard and St. Bridget

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October 22, 2017

29th 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 23 **St. Bernard** **8:00 am**
For the Steinmetz Family

Fr. Wilmot will be attending diocesan priest meetings for a couple of days. He will celebrate Mass while he is away and the intentions will be as such:

Tuesday, Oct 24 Jan Heitman+
Wednesday, Oct 25 For Tom Kuisle

Thursday, Oct 26 **St. Bernard** **8:00 am**
Jack, Donna & Patricia Suess+

Friday, Oct 27 **St. Bernard** **8:00 am**
Kim Everman Mason+

Care Center **9:15 am**
Fr. Don Connelly+

Saturday, Oct 28 **St. Bernard** **5:00 pm**
LaVonne Schoeppner+

Sunday, Oct 29 **St. Bridget** **8:30 am**
Christopher & Wilhelmina Roeder+

St. Bernard **10:00 am**
For St Bernard's & St Bridget's

Liturgical Ministers

Saturday, October 28

St. Bernard – 5:00 pm

Servers: Brandon & Logan McCrady

Lector: Charlie O'Brien

EMC: Dorothy Hurley, Emily Kiefer

Ushers: Dan Pyan, Dan Rainey, Joe Rauh

Sunday, October 29

St. Bridget – 8:30 am

Server: Eli Araoz

Lector: Amy Miron

EMC: Bill Kuisle

St. Bernard – 10:00 am

Rosary: Mary Hustak

Greeter: Janet Speltz

Servers: Jamisen Hart, Bryttin Henderson

Lector: Patty Miller

EMC: Bayli Henderson, Mychelle Henderson, Mary Hustak

Jan Owen, Laura Peters, Janet Speltz, Steve Sturm

Ushers: Jerry Finn, Gene Peters, Mark Severtson,

Greg Wellik

Pastor's Corner

Today's readings might have us reflecting on the relationship between this world and the world to come, between the kingdom of this world and the Kingdom of God. The tension between Church and State come into play.

For us nowadays there seems to be no way of bridging the gap between what we consider atheistic secularism and our moral principles. Today's Mass calls us to reflect and to prayer and to seek answers in our modern world. We must put God's will first of course and yet give support to a secular leader if he leads well and does not infringe upon essential rights and principles, such as the right to life and other Christian values we hold so dear.

We cannot opt out and must speak up boldly for God's Kingdom and our place in it. Somehow we must come to realize in the practical order what is Caesar's and what is God's. God bless you all. Fr.W.

Stewardship Reflection

The coin in today's Gospel may be stamped with Caesar's image, but each of us is stamped with God's image. The coin may be Caesar's but each of us belongs to God. In that regard we should be striving to be all those things to which Jesus has called us. That is in effect what a stewardship way of life is: recognizing that God is in each of us, we are to place ourselves in service to God and to one another. That is what is really meant by "Then repay to Caesar what belongs to Caesar and to God what belongs to God." We do this through fair and responsible stewardship.



Stewardship of Treasure

Church Support for the week ending Oct 15

St. Bernard's

Amount Received	\$ 4,412.27
Amount Budgeted	\$ 5,559.00
YTD Received	\$ 79,089.94
YTD Budgeted	\$ 88,944.00
Under Budget	\$ 9,854.06-

St. Bridget's

Amount Received	\$ 2,517.00
Amount Budgeted	\$ 2,767.00
YTD Received	\$ 36,545.10
YTD Budgeted	\$ 44,272.00
Under Budget	\$ 7,726.90-

Our Parishes



Priesthood Sunday is a special day set aside to honor the priesthood in the United States. This year the day falls on October 29. It is a day to reflect upon and affirm the role of the priesthood in the life of the Church as a central one. This nationwide event is coordinated by the USA Council of Serra International. It is sponsored by the USA Council of Serra International and the Serra International Foundation. Let us honor Fr. Wilmot and all priests and reaffirm the importance of their roles as priests.



Baby Bottles: We continue our Baby Bottle Collection during the month of October, Respect Life month, to benefit Catholic Charities. Bottles should be returned the end of October.

Picture Directories: If you had your picture taken for the parish directory, you receive a copy of the pictorial. Directories are labeled and set out at the parishes.

New Liturgical Ministers: Those who have been trained and are new to the online program, if you have not received an introductory email, check your spam folder. Contact Pam at the office if you have questions.

Religious Ed & Youth

Classes: Religious Ed classes meet Wednesday, Oct 25 at regular times: 5:15-6:15pm | 6:30-7:30pm

Grade 7: You will go directly to the Care Center at 6:30pm to play BINGO with the residents. Lucky you!



Rake-n-Run: Join the fun as we rake yards on Saturday, October 28. The more, the merrier! Bring rakes, leaf blowers, tarps and whatever else you think might be useful. We'll meet at St. Bernard's 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. Join us! Follow us on Facebook – 'St Bernie & Bridgie's Youth Group'

St Bernard's

Wedding Blessings: Cyd Sobczak and Sarah Lais ~ Saturday, October 21

Upcoming Nuptials: Cameron Muff & Kelsey Volkart ~ Friday, October 27

Adult Choir: Practice on Sunday, October 29 at 8:50am followed by music ministry at 10am Mass.



Smart Money Event: St. Bernard's is hosting a *Dave Ramsey Smart Money Live Stream* ... for FREE! Join us on Tuesday, November 7 in Marian Hall from 6:30-8pm for this great event. Childcare and refreshments will be provided.

Sign-up on the parish website sbsbparishes.org so we know how many to prepare for. All are welcome!

Men's Club: Please note, there will not be a November monthly meeting due to the Smart Money Event.

Thank You: Much appreciation to everyone who helped in any way with Lucy Theobald's funeral luncheon last week. Your ministry for the family is greatly appreciated.

~ St. Bernard's Funeral Committee

Word Among Us Subscribers: November issues are available for pick-up.

St Bridget's



Breakfast: We will have a breakfast to honor our newly confirmed students. Join us on Sunday, October 29 after Mass.

MCCL: Volunteers from MCCL (Minnesota Citizens Concerned for Life) will be taking orders for Christmas greenery after Mass through October. If you miss seeing us after Mass, you can place an order by calling Monica Araoz at 282-4167.



Annual Women's Group Meeting: Tuesday, November 7 at 7pm in the social hall. All ladies of the parish are welcome and encouraged to join us.

Liturgical Ministers: Please volunteer yourself or your children in the online ministry scheduler.

Other Items & News

Respect Life: When a woman is facing a difficult pregnancy, the reaction of the first person she tells tends to set the tone for her decision-making. How do we respond to our friend in a loving way that is life-affirming for both her and her baby? A truly loving approach reflects St. Paul's description of love in his first letter to the Corinthians: "If I speak in human and angelic tongues, but do not have love, I am a resounding gong or a clashing cymbal. Love is patient, love is kind" (1 Cor. 13:1, 4) Consider the four steps of the L.O.V.E. Approach™: Listen and Learn, Open Options, Vision and Value, and Extend and Empower. USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities www.goo.gl/Tb2khB

Cor Jesu: The Cathedral of the Sacred Heart in Winona invites you to join Bishop John Quinn in celebrating Cor Jesu, on Friday, November 3, from 7-9pm. Cor Jesu is an evening of Eucharistic Adoration, Confessions, and music in honor of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. All are welcome to attend. For more details, search for Winona Cor Jesu on Facebook