

The Churches of St. Bernard and St. Bridget

St. Bernard
116 4th Ave SE
Stewartville, MN

St. Bridget
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Rochester, MN



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Parish Office

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October 29, 2017

30th 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 30	St. Bernard	8:00 am
	Roy & Helen Smith+	
Tuesday, Oct 31	St. Bridget	8:30 am
	Ralph & Jeanette Kruger+	
Wednesday, Nov 1	St Bridget	8:30 am
<i>All Saints</i>	Alex & Olivia Siebenaler+	
	St Bernard	6:30 pm
	Gary Braun+	
Thursday, Nov 2	St. Bernard	8:00 am
<i>All Souls</i>	For all souls	
	St Bridget	6:30 pm
	Eugene Edel+	
Friday, Nov 3	St. Bernard	8:00 am
	For priests of the diocese	
	Care Center	9:15 am
	Lucy Theobald+	
Saturday, Nov 4	St. Bernard	5:00 pm
	Marijane Irlbeck+	
Sunday, Nov 5	St. Bridget	8:30 am
	For St Bridget's & St Bernard's	
	St. Bernard	10:00 am
	Gene Klann+	

Liturgical Ministers

Saturday, November 4

St. Bernard – 5:00 pm

Servers: needed

Lector: Bernice Casella

EMC: Terri Elsbernd, Dorothy Hurley, Jim Nosbisch, Rose Steinman

Ushers: Darrel Elsbernd, Warren Hauger, Bill Rinken

Sunday, November 5

St. Bridget – 8:30 am

Server: needed

Lector: Terry Smith

EMC: Pam Kuisle

St. Bernard – 10:00 am

Rosary: Jan Owen

Servers: David & Matthew Watters

Lector: Steve Sturm

EMC: Mary Hustak, Jan Owen, Jean Peterson, Karen Volkart

Ushers: Jad Mayer, Bill Oswald, Wayne Volkart

Pastor's Corner

We humans are great imitators – we learn by imitating others. Sometimes others lead us astray. It would be better generally if we were to imitate God in whose image we are made. The Hebrews were reminded of their humble roots but God made them great as they became His people. They were encouraged to follow God's Law – the Law of Love.

In today's Gospel Jesus quotes two passages from the Law of Moses and he combines two commandments of love which had never before been placed side by side. He shows that we cannot love God without a practical love of our neighbor. And we cannot truly love our neighbor without loving God first. Made in God's image we should behave accordingly and be worthy of our dignity and His great love. God bless you all.

Stewardship Reflection

Today's Gospel: Most of us grasp what it means to the love the Lord with all we are, although it is nearly unattainable to accomplish. However, that second Great Commandment does not mean that it is necessary for us to love ourselves before we can love anyone else. It means, quite simply, that most of us are concerned with our own interests and our own personal situations. Jesus is telling us that just as we often think of ourselves, we need to take care and have concern for the interests of others as well.



Priesthood Sunday is October 29, a special day set aside to honor the priesthood in the United States. Thank you to Fr. Wilmot and all priests for their role in the life of the Church.

Stewardship of Treasure

Church Support for the week ending Oct 22

St. Bernard's

Amount Received	\$ 4,301.15
Amount Budgeted	\$ 5,559.00
YTD Received	\$ 83,391.09
YTD Budgeted	\$ 94,503.00
Under Budget	\$ 11,111.91-

St. Bridget's

Amount Received	\$ 1,780.00
Amount Budgeted	\$ 2,767.00
YTD Received	\$ 38,325.10
YTD Budgeted	\$ 47,039.00
Under Budget	\$ 8,713.90-

Our Parishes

Baby Bottle Collections: Return baby bottles this week.

Quilting/Sewing Group: Thursday, November 2 in the Marian Room at St Bernard's from 1-3pm

St. Bernard & St. Bridget Social Concerns Meeting: Thursday, November 2 in St Bernard's library at 7pm.

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 and if you don't find correspondence, contact Pam in the office.

National Vocations Awareness Week, November 5-11: Together with Rochester Serrans, remember in your prayers seminarians and those men and women in religious orders who are now discerning their vocation; their decision to follow Jesus, to bring people to Jesus and Jesus to the people. The Catholic Church desperately needs men and women in the Winona Diocese to hear the call, to generously respond and be willing to give their lives for the mission of the Church. We pray for God's grace and blessings for our priests and religious now serving our parishes. For information on the Rochester Serra Club, contact Mike Sheehan 288 3767 or Berny Saletel 259 8498.

Religious Ed & Youth

NO RELIGIOUS ED CLASSES ON WEDNESDAY, NOV 1ST AS IT IS A HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION. PARENTS ARE ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND MASS WITH THEIR CHILDREN AT 6:30PM THAT EVENING.

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: Cameron Winkels & Kelsey Volkart ~ Friday, October 27

Adult Choir: Practice on Sunday, November 5 & 12 at 8:50am followed by music ministry at 10am Mass.



Get Registered! 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 so we know how many to prepare for.

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



Thank you, Mike & Emily Kiefer, for your green thumb care with beautifying the front of the church. Stopping by daily to water, weed, and replanting fresh pretty plants does not go unnoticed. Your ministry to St. Bernard's is appreciated!

St Bridget's



Thank you to those who volunteered their assistance with Trunk or Treat last Saturday. Your help is greatly appreciated. Over 85 people attended and a great time was had by all. Special thanks to Nichol O'Neill for organizing the event.

Christmas Greenery: Volunteers from MCCL (Minnesota Citizens Concerned for Life) have taken orders for Christmas greenery through the month of October. If you missed ordering, you can place an order by calling Monica Araoz at 282-4167.

Choir: On Sunday, November 5, meet at 7:45am for rehearsal, followed by music ministry at 8:30am. New voices always welcome!



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

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? 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

Volunteer Opportunity: St. James Coffee is looking for people to join our team of volunteers as baristas - training is provided. We have a great team, flexible hours and a free drink each shift to offer. Other volunteers are needed to help with events, maintenance, parish engagement, fundraising and marketing needed. Must be 16 to volunteer. Sign up at stjamescoffee.com St. James Coffee is a nonprofit Catholic outreach of the New Evangelization in northwest Rochester.

Paint The Nativity: The Franciscan Spirituality Center in La Crosse is teaming up with local art studio Creative Canvas and Board for a spirited evening. *Sip and Paint* is a fun, instructor-led canvas painting class, and no experience is required. For inspiration, we will learn about the first live nativity, introduced by St. Francis. Bring a friend or make new ones. Join us Thursday, November 30, 6-9pm, \$45 includes refreshments and all painting supplies. Register www.FSCenter.org | 608-791-5295

