

# The Churches of St. Bernard and St. Bridget

St. Bernard  
116 4<sup>th</sup> Ave SE  
Stewartville, MN

St. Bridget  
2123 County Rd 16 SE  
Rochester, MN



website: [sbsbparishes.org](http://sbsbparishes.org)

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## Parish Office

<b>Location</b>	116 4 <sup>th</sup> Ave SE Stewartville, MN 55976
<b>Office Hours</b>	Monday - Friday 8:30 am - 2:30 pm
<b>Phone</b>	(507) 533-8257
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November 26, 2017

# Christ The King

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**Parish Registration:** Registration forms are in the kiosk at St. Bernard's or visit [sbsbparishes.org](http://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](mailto: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 3<sup>rd</sup> 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

<b>Monday, Nov 27</b>	<b>St Bernard</b>	<b>8:00 am</b> For Marcelle Fontaine
<b>Tuesday, Nov 28</b>	<b>St Bridget</b>	<b>8:30 am</b> Teresa Nissen+
<b>Wednesday, Nov 29</b>	<b>St Bernard</b>	<b>8:00 am</b> Donald Kiefer+
<b>Thursday, Nov 30</b> <i>yes, 7:45am</i>	<b>St Bernard</b>	<b>7:45 am</b> Rita Thompson+
<b>Friday, Dec 1</b>	<b>St Bernard</b>	<b>8:00 am</b> For priests of the diocese
	<b>Care Center</b>	<b>9:15 am</b> Lucy Theobald+
<b>Saturday, Dec 2</b>	<b>St Bernard</b>	<b>5:00 pm</b> Joe Waugh+
<b>Sunday, Dec 3</b>	<b>St Bridget</b>	<b>8:30 am</b> Margaret Mulvihill+
	<b>St Bernard</b>	<b>10:00 am</b> For St Bernard's & St Bridget's

## Liturgical Ministers

### Saturday, December 2

#### **St. Bernard – 5:00 pm**

Server: Needed

Lector: Marge Reimers

EMC: Judy Bunde, Jim Nosbisch, Bill Rinken, Rose Steinman

Ushers: Dave Bunde, Joe Himmer, Dick Koenigs, Dan Schoeppner

### Sunday, December 3

#### **St. Bridget – 8:30 am**

Server: Lily Lukes

Lector: Terry Smith

EMC: Karen Sheehan

#### **St. Bernard – 10:00 am**

Greeter: Janet Speltz

Servers: Christopher & David Watters

Lector: Bernice Casella

EMC: Mary Brouillard, Janet Speltz

Ushers: Brian Meyerhofer, Patrick Miller, Andy Moore, Jim Otto

## Pastor's Corner

Pope Pius XI instituted the Feast of Christ the King in 1925. Obviously for us Catholics – as this marks the end of the Church Year - the symbolism is that Christ is the beginning and the end of all things. The feast was instituted to counteract several negative phenomena that were arising: the totalitarianism of Communism, Nazi-ism, Nationalism, Socialist Dictatorships etc. The attitude abroad was that the supreme value of all things was the state. It also counteracted the pietism of the time which was overly sentimental and also the idea that prayer alone would save the world.

Honoring Jesus as Christ and King should help us realize that He is more than just a nice friend or favorite brother; He is the ruler of the universe and the judge of all. He is also the head of the communion of the living and the dead and should be at the very center of our lives. Jesus is merciful but He is just; human but divine, meek but mighty. May we prepare well during Advent as we celebrate His coming as Man. God bless you all.

## Stewardship Reflection

People tend to say “I go to church.” In reality, Christ does not call us to “go” to church; He calls us to be Church. We should live our lives in such a way that it is clear we are Catholic and Christian and part of Christ's Kingdom, for He is our King. Were you aware that the name “Christ” is a royal title in itself? In Greek it means “the anointed king.”

Pius XI wrote at that time: For Jesus Christ reigns over the minds of individuals by His teachings, in their hearts by His love, in each one's life by living according to His law and by imitating His example.

## Stewardship of Treasure

### Church Support for the week ending November 19

#### St. Bernard's

Amount Received	\$ 5,276.71
Amount Budgeted	\$ 5,559.00
YTD Received	\$106,145.85
YTD Budgeted	\$116,739.00
Under Budget	\$ 10,593.15-

#### St. Bridget's

Amount Received	\$ 1,515.01
Amount Budgeted	\$ 2,767.00
YTD Received	\$ 50,918.12
YTD Budgeted	\$ 58,107.00
Under Budget	\$ 7,188.88-

## Our Parishes

**Blessings:** Welcome to Jon Root, who received full Communion into the Catholic Church last weekend.

**Mass Intentions:** If you have a desire to remember someone who has passed, or if a loved one is in need of extra prayers, Mass Intentions are available for our weekday Masses. Contact Pam in the office.

**Quilting/Sewing Group:** Thursday, November 30, from 1-3pm in St Bernard's Marian Room.



**Family Promise Tree [Giving Tree]:** St Bernard/St Bridget Social Justice Team is asking you to help provide basic household items and gift cards for the homeless families cared for by Family Promise. A few of the gift cards will assist emergency needs here at the parish. Please select ornaments from the tree. Gifts are to be returned unwrapped with the ornament. Place gift cards, with the amount shown, in the collection basket or the office. All items should be brought in by Sunday, December 17. The Social Justice Team thanks each of you for your generous gifts for the homeless campaign over the years.



**Another Opportunity for Dave Ramsey's Financial Peace University:** Classes start Sunday, January 14 at 6pm in Marian Hall and will run for 9 weeks. Childcare is provided. Please register and order materials (this is a one-time fee) on [DaveRamsey.com](http://DaveRamsey.com) Questions, contact Ally or Andy Drees at 952-465-9540.

## Religious Ed & Youth News

**Classes:** Wednesday, November 29  
5:15-6:15pm | 6:30-7:30pm

**Grade 2 Parent Meeting:** Wednesday, Dec 6, 6:30pm

### BYG (Bernie & Bridgie's Youth Group)

We meet Sunday evenings in the youth room; Middle School 4-5:15pm, High School 7-8:30pm

## St Bernard's



**One-Time Men Helpers:** Breakfast with St. Nick is a big event and kitchen help is needed. Prep work will be done on Saturday, Dec 2 from 2-4pm so if you are willing to assist for an hour or two on Saturday or on the day of the event on Sunday, that would be great. Men not assigned to a committee, this would be a good opportunity for a one-time assist. If you can help, please contact Chris Gawarecki at 533-1072 (leave message) or [cngawarecki@chartermi.net](mailto:cngawarecki@chartermi.net) or contact Scott Christian at 533-6692 or [srcrhc@yahoo.com](mailto:srcrhc@yahoo.com)

**Adult Choir:** Practice on Sunday, Dec 3 at 8:50am followed by music ministry at 10am Mass.



**Children's Christmas Program:** An informational meeting will be held on Sunday, December 3 at 9:30am in Marian Hall. All ages of students are welcome to participate in the Christmas Pageant. Practices will be Sundays, December 10 & 17 at 8:30am. Any questions, contact Cheryl Terhaar 533-6704 or Brenda Trisko 533-4808.



**Breakfast with St. Nicholas:** Sunday, December 3 after 10am Mass. Enjoy a delicious breakfast made by the Men's Club. There will be games and activities for the kids to participate in while spending time with St Nick.

**80<sup>th</sup> Birthday Celebration:** The family of Dorothy Hurley invites you to an Open House at the Stewartville Sportsman's Club on Sunday, December 3 from 1-9pm, to join them in celebrating Dorothy's 80<sup>th</sup> birthday.

**Men's Club Mtg:** Tuesday, December 5 at 6:30pm

## St Bridget's

**Thank You:** We would like to thank all the ladies who helped in any way with the lunch for Dick Kuisle's funeral. Those who baked goodies, organized, served and cleaned up – you are very much appreciated. ~ The Kuisle Family



**Caroling:** Come caroling with us! Meet at St. Bridget's on Saturday, December 2 at 12:30pm if you would like to join us.

## Area News

**DivorceCare:** Separation or divorce during the holidays can be a lonely, stressful and depressing time. The DivorceCare Ministry at Pax Christi Church, Rochester, is offering a *Surviving The Holidays* seminar on Tuesday, December 12, 6:30pm. The cost is \$5. Registration deadline: December 8. To register contact Jane Meyer at 507-269-1200 or email [LESKMJ@yahoo.com](mailto:LESKMJ@yahoo.com)

**'Tis The Season (almost):** Best Advent Ever! Rediscover the joy in preparing for Christmas. Sign-up for free at Dynamic Catholic's website: [www.bestadventever.com](http://www.bestadventever.com)

**Assisi Heights Upcoming Events:** Visit the website [www.rochesterfranciscan.org](http://www.rochesterfranciscan.org)

**Neighbors Helping Neighbors Program:** Family Service Rochester now has a staff person in Stewartville. Some of the services we can provide with volunteer help are companionship, shopping, housekeeping, laundry, handy man help and transportation. Personal care services are not provided. Call Sharon at 507-535-9000 or stop by for more information.