

The Churches of St. Bernard and St. Bridget



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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 2:00 - 11:00 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 St. Bridget's
7:45 - 8:15 am

You may call Father to make an appointment.

Baptism: Expectant or new parents, call the office to register for a PreJordan Baptism Class.

Marriage: Make an appointment with Father at least six months prior to the anticipated date.

Pastor's Visit & Sick Calls: If you would like a Communion visit from Fr. Wilmot, call the office 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.

Latin Mass: Held the first and third Sundays of the month at St. Bridget's at 1:00 pm. Questions, contact Don Hagler at 206-4355 or www.rochesterlatinmasssociety.org

Mass Schedule & Intentions

Monday, August 4 **St. Bernard's** **8:00 am**
Jack Suess+

Saturday, August 9 **St. Bernard's** **5:00 pm**
John Steines+

Sunday, August 10 **St. Bridget's** **8:30 am**
Gary Braun+

St. Bernard's 10:30 am
For St. Bernard's & St. Bridget's

With Fr. Wilmot being gone for the next few weeks, those who attend daily Mass may opt to go to Resurrection Church in Rochester. Monday through Friday, Mass is at 8:30 am.

Liturgical Ministries

Saturday, August 9 – 5:00 pm – St. Bernard's

Servers: MaKenna & Parker Theobald

Rosary Leader: Dick Koenigs

Lector: Rita Oswald

EMC: Susan Hazelton, Dick & Pat Koenigs, Bill Rinken

Ushers: Brian Abbott, Dave Bunde, Dan Pyan, Joe Rauh

Sunday, August 10 – 8:30 am – St. Bridget's

Server: Jacob Twohey

Lector: Terry Smith

EMC: Mary Elton, Pam Kuisle, Karen Sheehan

Sunday, August 10 – 10:30 am - St. Bernard's

Servers: Joseph Gawarecki

Rosary: Julie Gawarecki

Lector: Todd Weston

EMC: Don & Mary Brouillard, Ginny Hanson, Jan Owen, Laura Peters, Pat Robey, Karen Volkart

Ushers: Jad Mayer, Brian Meyerhofer, Andy Moore, Wayne Volkart

Pastor's Corner

Today's miracle of the multiplication of the loaves and fishes is seen, especially in St. John, as a sign of the coming of the Messiah and is connected by all the Evangelists to the Eucharist. We must avoid the modern snare which thinks of this event as being purely symbolic; a true miracle occurred and demonstrates that the Lord will provide for all our needs and in abundance. The most important food for a life, our daily bread, feeds us as we journey towards the Second Coming of Christ in all His glory. It is an abundance of that spiritual food that we so need.

It is important to take from this miracle also the fact that it was the Apostles who actually distributed the bread to the crowd and that twelve baskets were left over. The Apostles will be Christ to the world and they are called upon to feed the faithful and ensure Christ's lasting presence among us. The fish are significant as we deal with those fishers of men and will become a lasting symbol in the life of our Apostolic Church. Let us always remain true to the Church established by Christ Himself for the salvation of all. Let us focus most particularly on the Eucharist which is "the Source and Summit" of all her teaching. God bless you all.

Stewardship Reflection

St. Matthew's Gospel today points out that the first thing the Lord did when He was to multiply the loaves and fish was to raise His eyes to Heaven and say the blessing. This prayer is a way of thanking God for His beneficence. It is the stewardship reminder that we need to thank God for our blessings. The disciples express concern that all these people must eat, and they cannot conceive of how they can feed them. Jesus' response shows complete trust in God. Stewardship calls us to also put our trust in the Lord. Finally, when they were all fed and satisfied, they gathered what was left so that it could be shared with others. This is a gentle sign to us that stewardship involves not wasting our gifts. Those three hints provide us with three key stewardship words: gratitude, trust, and responsibility. *Catholic Steward, August*

Stewardship of Treasure

Totals Received July 27

St. Bernard's \$ 2,869.60

St. Bridget's \$ 1,143.76

Our Parishes

Social Concerns Meeting: Join us at St. Bernard's in the parish library on Thursday, August 7 at 7:00 pm. Special speaker Rich Van Dolen, Quaker and medical doctor, will speak on the death penalty through his journey with a death row inmate in Texas. Please join us!

Welcome: Next weekend we will welcome Bishop Harrington as he celebrates all of our Masses. Fr. John Evans will say Mass for the Holy Day – The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin the evening of Thursday, August 14 at 6:30 pm at St. Bernard's. The two weekends after that, Fr. Francis Gallus will celebrate Mass for us. We thank them for their assistance while Fr. Wilmot is in Europe.



Registration for Sacraments: If your child has not yet received First Holy Communion and would like to do so this coming year, please call or email the parish office ASAP. ~ Fr.W



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St. Bernard's

Wedding Blessings: Congratulations to the new couple, Dylon Donahue & Angie Bunde



A Race To The Finish! An update as of July 15, we still owe \$431,328.63 on the building fund. We have received 45 pledge cards with a total pledge amount of \$97,085.00. Thank you to those who have pledged their support. There are many households registered in this parish and **we need the participation of every household.** This is the final phase of the campaign for paying off the loan for our church. Please consider what your contribution will be and fill out a pledge card (located on the tables in the gathering space).



The Men's Club invite you to breakfast after Mass next Sunday, August 10. Come for great food and fellowship!

Thank You: To everyone who assisted in any way with the Vi Olson funeral luncheon on Friday. Your ministry to your parish family and their guests is very much appreciated.



Thank you to Tom Graf, Dick Koenigs and Dan Schoeppner for trimming shrubs, adding fresh mulch and doing some work in the flower beds around the building. Also, thank you to Mike & Emily Kiefer for the colorful flowers around the bell tower. Thank you for your stewardship!

Around The Area & Other News

25th Annual Harvest Mass: On Friday, August 15 at 11:00 am in Slayton, MN on Knuth's Sudden Creek Shire Horse Farm (1014 140th Ave, Slayton). Grilled burgers, baked beans, fresh garden produce, bars and lemonade for \$5 per person.

Caregiver Connections Expo: Experience speakers offering expert and practical advice, find solutions to daily challenges and network with other caregivers, interact with dozens of specialty exhibitors on Tuesday, August 19 from 8:00 am – 3:00 pm at the Rochester Event Center. Tickets are free but are required. Pick them up at Fairway, Rochester Toyota, Salvation Army, Thrivent Financial and Titan Development & Investments.

Marriage Retreat: In honor of the Diocese of Winona's 125 Anniversary, the Office of Life, Marriage & Family is hosting its 1st annual married couples retreat on August 22-23 at the Alverna Center in Winona. Visit www.dow.org for more info and to register.

Golf Tournament: Holy Spirit Knights of Columbus Golf Tourney will be held on Wednesday, September 10th, 2014 at Northern Hills Golf Course, Rochester. Cost is \$80 per person which includes 18 holes of golf with cart, 4 person best shot, steak dinner, awards for all levels, prizes and refreshments. Registration forms available at St. James Coffee. The Holy Spirit Knights of Columbus Council is donating a portion of the proceeds from their annual golf tournament to St. James Coffee. The more participants the more funds donated to St. James.

125th Anniversary Celebration of the Diocese: Friday and Saturday, September 12 & 13 at the Verizon Wireless Center in Mankato. Dynamic speakers, uplifting music, games, children's programs, youth sessions and family activities. Free to all, but pre-registration is requested for the Saturday event. Register at www.dow.org