

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 1:00 - 10:00 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.

Catholic Cancer Support Group: Meets every 3rd Tuesday at 7:00 pm in the library at St. Bernard's.

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, Jan 26	St. Bernard's 8:00 am Darrel Splittstoesser+
Tuesday, Jan 27	St. Bridget's 8:30 am Alex & Olivia Siebenaler+
Wednesday, Jan 28	St. Bernard's 8:00 am For Gloria Leeper
Thursday, Jan 29	St. Bernard's 8:00 am Margaret Wagner Case+
Friday, Jan 30	St. Bernard's 8:00 am Peg Himmer+
	Care Center 9:15 am Anna Riedel+
Saturday, Jan 31	St. Bernard's 5:00 pm Lyle & Colette Abbott+
Sunday, Feb 1	St. Bridget's 8:30 am Msgr. Roger A. Swenson+
	St. Bernard's 10:00 am For St. Bernard's & St. Bridget's

Liturgical Ministries

Saturday, Jan 31 - 5:00 pm – St. Bernard's

Rosary: Judy Bunde

Greeters: Chris & Diane Gray

Servers: George & Henry Gray

Lector: Charlie O'Brien

EMC: Judy Bunde, Dorothy Hurley, Pat Koenigs, Mary Lynch, Donna Reese

Ushers: Brian Abbott, Dave Bunde, Joe Himmer, Dick Koenigs

Sunday, Feb 1 – 8:30 am – St. Bridget's

Server: Jackie Galbraith

Lector: Terry Smith

EMC: Andy Friederichs, Hank Friederichs, Harvey Friederichs

Sunday, Feb 1 – 10:00 am - St. Bernard's

Rosary: Jan Owen

Greeters: Mychelle Henderson, Janet Speltz

Servers: Joseph Gawarecki, Connor McDonald

Lector: Needed

EMC: Jan Owen, Janet Speltz, Karen Volkart

Cantor: Choir sings

Ushers: Jad Mayer, Andy Moore, Bill Oswald, Wayne Volkart

Pastor's Corner

The book of Jonah, which is really a long parable, tells us that even pagans can respond to God's grace and repent and reform. Actually, the message of the readings today is that we should treat our every day as if it were our last – and be ready for the final coming of Christ. We are called upon to put everything in our lives behind this top priority. We should change our attitudes; reform our lives, if necessary. This not only means giving up on past sins but also dedicating ourselves, with renewed purpose, to the following of Christ.

If Jesus is the heart and center of our lives already, we don't need reform. If He is the meaning of everything we think, say or do, we don't need repentance. However, if there are areas which are untouched by the gospel, now is the time to do something dramatic about it. God bless you all as we journey together through this season of grace, this season of the pilgrim Church.

Stewardship Reflection

“Come after me and I will make you fishers of Men.” (Mk. 1:17) Peter, Andrew, James, and John were not theologians; they were fishermen. God has gifted each of us with various skills and stewardship calls us to use those skills. Just as the Lord recognized something in those first Apostles, He sees the same in us. It was not what Jesus thought those men could accomplish, but His understanding of what they could do with Him, and Him working through them. In the same way we can accomplish much if we allow the Lord to work within us and through us. The well-known late broadcaster Paul Harvey once said, “Too many Christians are no longer fishers of men, but keepers of the aquarium.” Stewardship is the means by which we, just as the first Apostles did, can become evangelists and “fishermen,” so to speak.

Stewardship of Treasure

Church Support Received as of January 18

St. Bernard's

Amount Rec'd	\$ 11,798.85
Amount Budgeted	\$ 4,897.96
Fiscal YTD Received	\$134,450.67
YTD Budgeted	\$142,040.88
Under Budget	\$ 7,590.21

St. Bridget's

Amount Rec'd	\$ 1,620.35
Amount Budgeted	\$ 1,992.65
Fiscal YTD Received	\$ 66,444.00
YTD Budgeted	\$ 57,786.96
Over Budget	\$ 8,657.04+

Our Parishes

Thank You: Our parishes have been overwhelmingly supportive again in the Giving Tree Christmas Collection of items and gift cards for Interfaith Hospitality and Zumbro Valley Crisis Unit. Three deliveries were made to Interfaith of household items which will be used to help families furnish their new homes. Interfaith was also given \$500 in gift cards for Target, Kwik Trip, Walmart and Hy-Vee. Zumbro Valley received two large shopping bags filled with warm winter items for their clients. Thank you for your generous support.

~ The Social Justice Committee

Mass Intentions: St. Bernard's and St. Bridget's is accepting Mass Intentions for your loved ones, living or deceased. Each Mass is \$5, and limited to four Masses per person at this time. Checks are to be made out to the parish. Contact Pam in the office.

Social Justice Committee Meeting: Thursday, February 5 at 7:00 pm in the parish library at St. Bernard's. All are welcome to attend.

Diocesan History Books: We still have some history books. Samples are at each parish. Stop in to the parish office or if you can't make it during office hours, contact Pam to make arrangements for payment and pick-up. Cost is \$35 each.

St. Bernard's



Choir: Practice will be held on Sunday, February 1 & 8 at 8:50 am followed by singing at 10:00 am Mass.

Men's Club Meeting: Tuesday, February 3 at 6:30 pm in the parish library.



Men's Club Meat Ball Making Day: Saturday February 7. Contact Rob Miller rpmliller7@northlc.com or Nick Sullivan nicksullivan1188@gmail.com for a shift time to help 7:00-11:00 am, 11:00 am-3:00 pm, 3:00-7:00 pm.

Cemetery Meeting: The St. Bernard Cemetery Association will hold its annual meeting on Tuesday, February 10 at 6:30 pm in the parish library.

Mama Tranchita's Spaghetti Dinner Tickets: Several of the men in the parish are selling tickets and tickets are also available for purchase in the office. The Spaghetti Dinner will be held on Tuesday, March 24 at Riverview Greens Club House. Tickets are \$20 each, which includes a full spaghetti meal, non-stop entertainment, prizes, a grand prize drawing for a HDTV and much more! Makes checks payable to St. Bernard's Men's Club.

Thanks! Thank you for your recent gift to The Salvation Army. Here at The Salvation Army, we try to pass on warm feelings to those we serve as we offer nutritious food and other emergency assistance to the needy. Because of compassionate friends and supporters like you, we are able to do this. On behalf of the needy men, women and children in our area, thank you again for your generosity.

Religious Ed News

Faith Formation Classes: Grades in both parishes will have regular religious ed classes Wednesday, January 28 at St. Bernard's from 5:00-6:00 pm or 6:30-7:30 pm.

Adult Catholicism: All adults are welcome at St. Bernard's on Wednesdays at 6:30 pm in the church area. Come when you can!

St. Bridget's

Thank You: We are so thankful that God has blessed us with three beautiful and healthy babies. With that, we feel even more blessed to have the support and warmth given from the members of St. Bridget's as we embark on this adventure of raising triplets! We were overwhelmed by the thoughtfulness of all those great frozen meals that were so generously packaged for us and the countless offers to help with babysitting, running errands, etc. Words cannot describe how thankful we are to all of you that took so much time out of your days to help us out in such a busy time in our lives.

Kristi and Clint Hart
Isabelle, Catherine & Wyatt

St. Bridget's Luncheon Servers: Thank you so much for helping with the preparation, serving and clean-up during John's funeral luncheon. We so appreciated all your help. The John Meilander Family

Around The Area

Color Your Winter Green at Assisi Heights: Leave the winter whites outside your frosted window! All levels of talent welcome. Mondays, January 26, February 2, 9, 16, 23 and March 2 from 2:00-4:00 pm, \$60 per person, includes supplies and all six sessions. To register, call Angie at 280-2195 or email: ahsc@rochesterfranciscan.org

Invitation: The objectives and purposes of Serra Clubs are to foster, promote, encourage and affirm vocations to the religious life in the Catholic Church, to support our priests in their sacred ministry. The Serra Club of Rochester will celebrate 50 years of supporting vocations. There is no better time than now to be an active and vocal supporter of our clergy. We welcome you to join us for our monthly meeting on Friday, February 6 at Resurrection Church, beginning with Mass at 11:30 am, followed by lunch and a presentation. Call Ed Rowley 287-0153 with your reservation and any questions.

Forgiveness Workshop: Forgiveness is a process that eventually leads to freedom.

When: Saturday, February 7, 9:00 am – 4:00 pm
Cost: \$45 includes lunch

Where: Franciscan Spirituality Center, 920 Market St., La Crosse, WI. Visit www.FSCenter.org or call 608-791-5295 to register or for information.

Troop 56 Boy Scouts Chili Feed (& Chicken Noodle Soup) & Bake Sale: Sunday, February 8 from 11:00 am – 2:00 pm at the Stewartville Sportsman's Club. Adults \$6, Seniors & Children \$4.