

The Churches of St. Bernard and St. Bridget



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May 29, 2016

The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ May 29, 2016

Parish Registration: 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 – Friday 8:30-2:30 pm

Bulletin Deadline: Wednesday mornings 10:00 am unless a holiday is during the week.

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
Not on Memorial Day – May 30th

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 at St. Bridget's 7:45 – 8:15 am

Baptism: Expectant and /or new parents, if you have not taken a Pre Jordan Baptism Class, contact the office. Once the class is completed, contact the office to schedule the baptism

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 at 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.

Mass Schedule & Intentions

Monday, May 30

Memorial Day

In the event of rain, these Masses will be held in the church

St Bernard Cemetery 8:00 am
Mary Meyerhofer+

St Bridget Cemetery 9:30 am
Agnes Griffin+

Tuesday, May 31

St. Bridget 8:30 am
Peiyang Chang+

Wednesday, June 1

St. Bernard No Mass

Thursday, June 2

St. Bernard 8:00 am
Fr. Paul Halloran+

Friday, June 3

St. Bernard 8:00 am
George & Teresa Woodward+

Care Center 9:15 am
Ollie Fritsche+

Saturday, June 4

St. Bernard 5:00 pm
Lyle & Colette Abbott+

Sunday, June 5

St. Bridget 8:30 am
For St. Bridget's & St. Bernard's

St. Bernard 10:00 am
Pat Mullenbach+

Saturday, June 4

St. Bernard – 5:00 pm

Servers: Needed

Lector: Needed

EMC: Judy Bunde, Susan Hazelton, Rose Steinman

Ushers: Joe Himmer, Dick Koenigs, Bill Rincken,

Dan Schoeppner

Sunday, June 5

St. Bridget – 8:30 am

Server: Victoria Nienow

Lector: Colleen Gau

EMC: Wanda Nienow, Terry Smith

St. Bernard – 10:00 am

Rosary: Julie Gawarecki

Servers: Joseph Gawarecki

Lector: Chris Gawarecki

EMC: Scott Christian

Ushers: Kevin Christian, Brian Meyerhofer, Andy Moore,

Dan Pyan

Pastor's Corner

This weekend we celebrate the Feast of Corpus Christi aka "The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ." The Feast has been celebrated by the Universal Church since around 1317 and is focused solely on the Holy Eucharist - unlike Holy Thursday which includes the institution of ordination and emphasis on service to God's people.

While the bread and wine do serve to bring a community together to share a holy meal, the Eucharist is not simply made up of symbolic actions and the species do not simply remind us of the paschal mysteries – they RE-present the paschal mysteries. Christ is truly present when Mass is celebrated by a validly ordained priest.

Jesus promised to remain with us always and He keeps that promise primarily through the Eucharist. Our belief in His real presence in the bread and wine is at the core of our Catholic Faith. The Mass is the highest liturgical expression of this. We should be aware that, as salutary as the practice of Eucharistic adoration might be the primary reason for the Eucharist is that it be the food and drink of the faithful. Let us consume the Lord's Body and Blood this weekend and realize what a great gift we are receiving. God bless you all.

Stewardship Reflection

In today's gospel, before He feeds the people, Jesus does the following: "Then taking the five loaves and the two fish, and looking up to heaven, he said the blessing over them, broke them, and gave them to the disciples to set before the crowd." We may think in terms of Jesus blessing the food before He distributes it; however, there is more to it than that. Jesus was also blessing God for supplying the food. Before we receive the Eucharist, we need to do the same — thank God for blessing us with these gifts. We show our gratitude to God through lives of stewardship, lives of loving and caring and sharing.

Stewardship of Treasure

Church Support Rec'd for the week ending May 22

St. Bernard's

Amount Rec'd	\$ 4,149.29
Amount Budgeted	\$ 5,044.73
YTD Received	\$237,930.59
YTD Budgeted	\$237,102.35
Over Budget	\$ 828.24 +

St. Bridget's

Amount Rec'd	\$ 1,146.85
Amount Budgeted	\$ 2,052.42
YTD Received	\$127,898.43
YTD Budgeted	\$ 96,463.88
Over Budget	\$ 31,434.55 +

Catholic Ministries Appeal as of Wed, May 25

St. Bernard's Goal: \$26,260

Amount pledged/given: \$10,040

Participants: 59

St Bridget's Goal: \$8,690

Amount pledged/given: \$4,300

Participants: 17

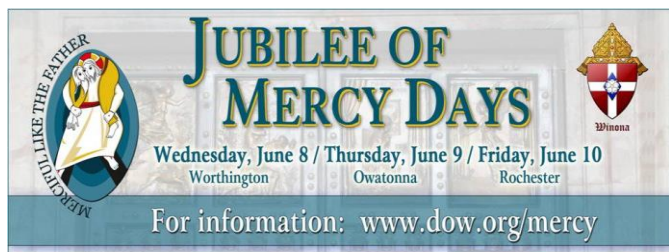
The participation and gift amount has risen since last week and we thank those who have supported this appeal. Every registered household of our parishes is expected to respond in some way. Pledge cards and envelopes are in the pews. To give online visit: www.catholicfsmn.org

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Church Support for St. Bernard's & St. Bridget's:

The *Online Giving* App allows parishioners to register for *Online Giving* for the first time and log in to manage their account. A donor can make one time gifts, schedule recurring gifts and even create pledges in the App. Search 'Online Giving' on your iPhone in the App Store or Android Google Play. Or, visit our parish website sbsbparishes.org and click on the Online Giving link. This way of donating is so much easier and convenient for people to give electronically. We encourage you to give it a try!



The Diocese of Winona invites everyone to celebrate the *Jubilee Year of Mercy*, a time to meditate upon and more actively respond to the infinite mercy of God, which he offers to every soul through His Son, Jesus Christ. Please explore the resources below to learn more about the Holy Year, how to live it, and about God's greatest attribute, mercy. Three upcoming celebrations are offered in our Diocese. Informational flyers are available on the bulletin board.

Our Parishes & Other Notes

Social Concerns Meeting: Those interested in social concerns in the community, a meeting will be held on Thursday, June 2 at 7:00 pm in the parish library at St. Bernard's.

Dave Ramsey Financial Peace University: The sessions continue on Monday, June 6, 6:30 - 8:00 pm in Marian Hall at St. Bernard's. Please enter through main entrance.

Quilting Group: Thursday, June 9 from 1:00-3:30 pm in the Marian Room at St. Bernard's.

Widow's Support Group: St. Bernard's and St. Bridget's are starting a Catholic Widow's Support Group. Widows are invited to an informational meeting after morning Mass on Thursday, June 9, at 8:45 in the parish library at St. Bernard's. Coffee and donuts will be served. We hope you can come and look forward to meeting you. If you have questions or need more information call Midge Block 507-951-4912

Religious Ed

Religious Education Office Hours: Please note, the office is closed the month of June and most of July. Please get your registrations in for Totus Tuus and Religious Ed classes for the Fall.



Mission Trip Fundraiser: Students going on the Mission Trip to Milwaukee will have a carwash and serve grilled hot dogs on June 4/5 after Masses at St. Bernard.

St. Bridget

Adorers: No Adoration on Monday, May 30: Enjoy your Memorial Day holiday.

Health and Wellness Sessions: The next session will be held Tuesday evening, May 31 at 5:30 pm in St Bridget's old social hall. Questions, contact Jeannette Sheehan.

St. Bernard

Thank You: Thank you to Gladys Claeys, and to her family and friends, for the monies received honoring her passing in March. These monies will be used for the building fund.



Men: The Men's Club is getting together for pizza and beverages on Tuesday, June 7, 6:00 pm at Florence Park. We'll be meeting at the open shelter. As always, all men of the parish are members of the Men's Club and invited. Please RSVP to Scott Christian at 533-6692 or scrhc@yahoo.com so we can plan for food.

Youth Mass: On Sunday, June 12, at the 10 am Mass, a Youth Mass will be celebrated. Most ministries will be performed by the students in the Youth Group.

Around The Area

Coffee with Sheriff Kevin Torgerson: Join Sheriff Torgerson On Thursday, June 9 at 9 am at St. James Coffee(4156 18th Ave NW, Rochester) for coffee and community updates and have the opportunity to ask him questions. Sponsored by Thrivent Financial Rochester Group and St. James Coffee.

Healing Mass: Fr. Ivo Pavic, OFM, will be at Resurrection Parish to offer Healing Masses and a Charismatic Workshop. The Charismatic Workshop will be Saturday, June 11 at 10:00 am. Healing Masses will be at 2:00 pm on Sunday, June 12 at 2:00 pm, and also 6:00 pm on Monday and Tuesday, June 13 and 14.

Ladies: You are invited to attend the Biennial Province Conference of the Council of Catholic Women. This event will feature several well-known speakers, including Jeff Cavins. It will be held at St. Henry Catholic Church in Monticello, MN. 5-9 pm on Mon., June 13, and 8am-2pm on Tues., June 14. Forms and more information are available at wccw@dow.org