

The Churches of St. Bernard and St. Bridget



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Parish Office

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| Location | 116 4 th Ave SE Stewartville, MN 55976 |
| Office Hours | Monday - Friday 8:30 am - 2:30 pm |
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| Rectory | (507) 533-1086 (after hours-emergency) |

July 17, 2016

16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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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 am -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 9:00 pm. 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

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| Monday, July 18 | St Bernard Clint Leeper+ | 8:00 am |
| Tuesday, July 19 | St. Bridget Special Intention | 8:30 am |
| Friday, July 22 | Care Center <i>Word Service</i> | 9:15 am |
| Saturday, July 23 | St. Bernard Barbara Hanson+ | 5:00 pm |
| Sunday, July 24 | St. Bridget For St Bridget's & St Bernard's | 8:30 am |
| | St. Bernard For the Schroeder & Hajek families | 10:00 am |

Saturday, July 23

St. Bernard – 5:00 pm

Greeters: Dave & Mary Schultz

Servers: Brandon McCrady

Lector: Marge Reimers

EMC: Barb Abbott, Jim Nosbisch

Ushers: Brian Abbott, Dennis Graff, Joe Rauh

Sunday, July 24

St. Bridget – 8:30 am

Server: Eli Araoz

Lector: Mike Sheehan

EMC: Bill Rinken

St. Bernard – 10:00 am

Servers: Bryttin Henderson

Lector: Patty Miller

EMC: Mychelle Henderson, Rob Miller, Graham Mueller,

Laura Peters

Ushers: Jerry Finn, Gene Peters, Mark Severtson,

Greg Wellik

Pastor's Corner

Martha in today's Gospel is a fine woman but one who reminds us so well of ourselves at times. She should be seen as our sister in the common struggle of resisting distraction, our compulsive busyness. We do not know how many people accompanied Jesus on this trip to the house of Martha and Mary but certainly Martha seems overwhelmed by the company and the burden of serving. Frankly I think Mary could have helped her out a bit more but Jesus views Mary as playing the better part by remaining in His company rather than fussing and serving. She had time for Him.

This is a lesson for us to spend more time in the strengthening and grace filled attitude of prayer and meditation. Yes there are many things to do but we should prioritize better and we would probably do a better job as disciples if we spent more time with Jesus in prayer.

We should take time to smell the roses, as it were, and if we did the rest of our lives would be more productive and satisfying. This time next week I shall be with family and friends in Europe. Wish me well. God bless you all.

Stewardship Reflection

"Martha, Martha, you are anxious and worried about many things." Like Martha we may focus on others and provide the hospitality to which we are called as Disciples of Christ, a hospitality we need to offer as part of our parish lives. On the other hand, we also need to be like Mary; there are times when we need to "sit at Jesus' feet." A combination of both is good and wise stewardship.



Servers July 23 thru August 7th: I will be off on vacation and retreat for these weekends and Msgr. Don Schmitz will fill in for me. It is very important that we have servers for both Saturday and Sunday. Please schedule yourself for one or more of these Masses – even if you are confirmed. The Monsignor really appreciates your assistance. Fr.W.

Stewardship of Treasure

Church Support for the week ending July 10

St. Bernard's

Amount Rec'd \$ 4,533.46

St. Bridget's

Amount Rec'd \$ 3,080.61

Our Parishes & Other Notes

Cancer Support Group: Meets every 3rd Tuesday (July 19) at 7:00 pm in the parish library at St. Bernard's. Please join us for prayerful sharing and support through your journey.

Quilting /Sewing Group: Gathers on Thursday, July 21 from 1:00 -3:30 pm in the Marian Room at St. Bernard's. Anyone who sews or quilts or is interested, join us!

Ordination Anniversary: Fr. Wilmot's 39th anniversary of Ordination will be the 30th of July. Thank you, Father, for your service.

Daily Mass: During the week of Totus Tuus (July 25-29) daily Mass will be held at St. Bernard's at 11:00 am. We will have visiting priests during the week. All are welcome to attend.

First Friday Communion Visits: No visits in August as Father will be gone.

BINGO at the Care Center: Wednesday, July 27 from 6:30-7:30 pm. Students and parents are needed to play Card Bingo with the residents. Contact Jeanette Fortier with questions 358-7144.



Email Addresses: Krissy Sullivan's email address for the religious ed office has changed. It is now sbsbreliouged@aol.com Also, if you are still using the office@sbsbparishes.org to reach Pam, that will no longer be effective so be sure to use the stbernard116@aol.com address for her.

Married Couples: We are looking for one or more married couples who are willing to help with marriage preparation for the engaged couples that will be married in our parishes. Those of you who have been married for several years, you have wisdom to share. Think about it, speak with your spouse, pray about it. This is a ministry you could be involved with in your own home. Call the office for more details.

Religious Ed

Last Call for Totus Tuus: If you haven't yet registered your children for the summer program, please do so by Wednesday morning, July 20th.



Host Families Needed: We are looking for parishioners who are willing to host members of the Totus Tuus Team. If you have extra space for two males and two females during the week of July 23-30, please call the office 533-8257 or if you know Krissy's personal phone, call her on that line or email her sbsbreligious@aol.com

Youth Group: BYG Middle Schoolers will not meet on Sunday, July 17 due to the Mission Trip.

St. Bernard

Lost & Found: A pocketknife was found a few weeks ago. Call the office to describe.



Just for Fun: Have you found the Pokémon at St. Bernard's? We are told there are two of them outside 😊

St. Bridget

Choir Sings: On Sunday, July 23, meet at 7:45 am for rehearsal prior to Mass.



Birthday Party: An Open House will be held in honor of Patty Roth, for her 80th birthday on Saturday, July 23 at St. Bridget's Hall from 1:00-4:00 pm. Your presence is the only gift, please.



Please join the Kuisle Family as we celebrate our mother Mary Kuisle's 90th birthday. The celebration is Sunday, July 31 from 1:00-3:00 pm in St. Bridget's Hall. No gifts please. After all these years, she has all she needs, her family from St Bridget's.

Around The Area

Baby Olmsted Contest: The Olmsted County Chapter of Minnesota Citizens Concerned for Life is hosting the Baby Olmsted Contest at the Olmsted county fair. Children 2 and younger are eligible to enter. For more information or to enter your child, please contact Linda McGuire at 259-4035. Space is limited to the first 20 contestants.

Gifts of Faith Annual Sale: The Catholic religious store will hold its sale on July 29 & 30 (4152 18th Ave NW, Rochester).

St. James Coffee Run: The 1st Annual St. James Coffee Run will be held on Saturday, July 30. The run features both a 5 mile run and a 1 mile walk/run. Join us for this fun event as we help raise money for the ministry of St. James Coffee. Visit either the coffee house (4156 18th Ave NW Rochester) or stjamescoffee.com to register.

Married Couples: Renew your marriage by attending the August 13-14 Marriage Encounter. Weekends are held at Mt Olivet Conference and Retreat Center in Farmington. Visit www.marriages.org for additional information or call 651.454.3238.

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Respect Life: Each year, an estimated 17,000 vulnerable men, women and children are trafficked across our borders and then forced into slavery. Many are fleeing terrible situations in their home countries and come to the United States to find a better life. Unfortunately, the nightmare often begins when they reach our shores. The U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops' Anti-Trafficking Program (ATP) mission is to educate people on the scourge of human trafficking as an offense against fundamental dignity of the human person, to advocate for an end to modern day slavery, and to provide training and technical assistance. To learn more, visit www.usccb.org and then search for 'anti-trafficking'