

The Churches of St. Bernard and St. Bridget



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July 31, 2016

18th Sunday in Ordinary Time July 31, 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 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

Tuesday, August 2 **St. Bridget** **8:30 am**
Communion Word Service

Wednesday, August 3 **St. Bernard** **8:00 am**
Communion Word Service

Friday, August 5 **Care Center** **9:15 am**
Communion Word Service

Saturday, August 6 **St. Bernard** **5:00 pm**
John Steines+

Sunday, August 7 **St. Bridget** **8:30 am**
For St. Bridget's & St. Bernard's

St. Bernard **10:00 am**
Mike Kean+

Saturday, August 6

St. Bernard – 5:00 pm

Greeters: Dave & Mary Schultz

Servers: Needed at time of printing

Lector: Dorothy Hurley

EMC: Judy Bunde, Terri Elsbernd, Rose Steinman

Ushers: Dave Bunde, Darrel Elsbernd, Warren Hauger, Dan Rainey

Sunday, August 7

St. Bridget – 8:30 am

Server: Luke Borst

Lector: Andy Friederichs

EMC: Bill Kuisle

St. Bernard – 10:00 am

Servers: Ellah Dodd

Lector: Rita Oswald

EMC: Mary Hustak (several needed)

Ushers: Jad Mayer, Bill Oswald, Jim Otto

Liturgical Ministers: Please sign up on the new schedule.

Pastor's Corner

Well, I should be in Ireland when you read this, meeting with my countless cousins and enjoying the sights and sounds, the food and fun and the sharing of many a happy memory. These are riches worth counting. Today is also the 39th anniversary of my priesthood. Ordained as a child ☺

As for riches, we need to have enough to get by on but shouldn't look to store up a lot of wealth. It is a great distraction and often causes us to worry too much about that which will only perish. As Billy Graham once pointed out "You never see a hearse pulling a U-Haul trailer."

Jesus calls the rich farmer a fool in today's Gospel parable because he thought he was set for life. However, life is eternal and wealth is not. He was wealthy in worldly goods but he did not grow rich in the sight of God. Jesus sees this focus on wealth as a sin and although the farmer owned much he was not in control. He did not own the future. We turn to God for that which truly lasts.

This little break won't last either but I'll enjoy it while I can ☺ God bless you all.

Stewardship Reflection

As stewards we should remember where our health, our energy, our talents and our treasure actually come from. Ultimately it is God who give us all that is good and so treasure is a blessing to be shared. If we have plenty, then we should share our plenty whether it be time, talent or treasure. There is a story about an American tourist traveling in Europe. He visited the home of a particular rabbi and was amaz4ed to see how simply he lived – in a single room with only a table a chair and some books. "Where is your furniture?" asked the tourist. "Where is yours?" The rabbi asked. The tourist answered "My furniture? I'm only passing through here." The rabbi responded wisely, "So am I."

Stewardship of Treasure

Church Support for the week ending July 24

St. Bernard's

Amount Rec'd \$ 3,285.00

St. Bridget's

Amount Rec'd \$ 1,863.50

Our Parishes & Other Notes

Thank You: We extend a thank you to the priests who traveled to Stewartville to celebrate daily Mass; Fr. Chinappa (of St. Pius), Fr. Shawn Haremza & Fr. Peter Schuster (Resurrection Church) and Bishop Harrington. Thank you also to Jeanette Fortier for providing music ministry

Communion Prayer Service: Rob Miller and Terry Smith will be leading Prayer Services at the parishes and the Care Center while Father is away. See the Mass schedule for day and time.

Please Note: Other than the days of Adoration, St. Bernard's will be closed earlier than usual over the next few weeks and most likely will be closed all day Fridays.

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

Quilting / Sewing Group: The group meets every other Thursday afternoon (August 4) in the Marian Room at St. Bernard's from 1:00-3:30 pm. Join them if you are interested in helping.

Social Concerns Meeting: On Thursday, August 4 at 7:00 pm in the parish library at St. Bernard's. All are welcome.

Calendar Item: An Appreciation Picnic will be held for both parishes on Wednesday evening, September 14.

Religious Ed

Thank You: Every Catholic has the responsibility to know and serve God. Totus Tuus is an excellent tool for the spiritual growth of Catholic youth. This past week has been an exciting opportunity to experience our faith for us teachers, the students and community. As a team, we've received tremendous hospitality and support from parishioners, for which we are eternally grateful. It's wonderful to see the Holy Spirit at work in each and every one of our lives. Thank you so much for this wonderful week. We hope to see you next summer. Please keep us in your prayers as we continue Jesus' ministry on earth.



The kids participating in Totus Tuus, singing and dancing.

Thank You: I would like to thank those who helped in any way last week with Totus Tuus. Special thanks to those who made meals and especially to Bill & Rita Oswald of St. Bernard's and Phil & Monica Araoz of St. Bridget's for hosting the team members in their homes. The children had great fun and a fantastic week of learning and fellowship. A team effort helps to make everything run smoothly and you are very much appreciated. ~ Krissy Sullivan

Jr High Summer Camp: Grades 6, 7 & 8 are invited to Camp Summit in Lanesboro at Eagle Bluff on August 8-11. Enjoy arts & crafts, games, campfires, daily Mass, and much more. The cost is \$235. Registration forms are on the bulletin boards or you can visit the diocesan website: www.dow.org and go to the Departments tab, then Youth & Young Adults, to Camp Summit to print off the registration form.

St. Bridget

Happy Birthday: Please join the Kuisle Family as we celebrate our mother Mary Kuisle's 90th birthday. The celebration is Sunday, July 31 from 1-3 pm in St. Bridget's Hall. No gifts please.

Thank You: I would like to thank my family and friends for the wonderful birthday party last Saturday. It was a wonderful day and I have many happy memories. ~ Patty Roth

Around The Area

Organ Concert: Our next concert at St. Mary's Chapel will be given by Karen Hanson Sande on Sunday, August 7 at 3:00 pm. Karen is a native of Elgin, Minnesota. Her concert is free and open to the public.

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.

Young Adults: Rochester Area Catholic Young Adult Ministry has a new name, new logo, and new website. We are called "Rochester Catholic," and our website is www.rochestercatholicmn.org

Men, ages 18-39: You are invited to join this dynamic group. Through prayer, service, and study, we break through surface level relationships to instead build true fraternity, with the challenge to build up virtuous lives among men. For more information contact Brian Kusek at bkusek@sj.org

Coping with Life Alone: Widowed, divorced or separated individuals are invited to meet weekly starting Tuesday, August 16, from 6:30-8:30 pm at Bethel Lutheran Church (810 3rd Ave SE, Rochester). This is being offered by Beginning Experience of Rochester. For more information call [507-261-8248](tel:507-261-8248) or email beminnnesota@gmail.com to start an amazing healing process for yourself or to encourage someone you love to step beyond grief and pain.

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