

The Churches of St. Bernard and St. Bridget

St. Bernard
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St. Bridget
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July 2, 2017

13th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Parish Registration: Registration forms are in the kiosk at St. Bernard's or visit sbsbparishes.org and find the registration application under the 'About' tab.

Office Hours: Monday – Friday 8:30am -2:30pm

Bulletin Deadline: Wednesday mornings 10:00am 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 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 - 10:00pm

St. Bernard's Adoration: Tuesdays 4:00am - Wednesdays 9:00pm. Church doors will be locked from 8:00pm-5:00am 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 4:00-4:30pm.
Sundays at St. Bridget's 7:45-8:15am

Baptism: Expectant and /or new parents, if you have not taken a Pre Jordan Baptism Class, contact the office.

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?

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

Prayer Group: Wednesdays 9:30-10:30am in the library at St. Bernard's.

Widows Support Group: Meets the 1st & 3rd Thursday of every month at 10:00am in the library at St. Bernard's.

Mass Schedule and Intentions

Monday, July 3	St Bernard Patricia Berkley+	8:00 am
Tuesday, July 4	St Bridget Daniel Braun+	8:30 am
Wednesday, July 5	St Bernard Skip Timmons+	8:00 am
Thursday, July 6	St Bernard JoAnn Shore+	8:00 am
Friday, July 7	St. Bernard For the priests of the diocese	8:00 am
	Care Center Alex & Olivia Siebenaler+	9:15 am
Saturday, July 8	St. Bernard For the Hurley Family	5:00 pm
Sunday, July 9	St. Bridget Gary Braun+	8:30 am
	St. Bernard For St Bernard's & St Bridget's	10:00 am

Liturgical Ministers

Saturday, July 8

St. Bernard – 5:00 pm

Servers: Jamisen Hart, Lacy Jewson

Lector: Dorothy Hurley

EMC: Barb Abbott, Emily Kiefer, Pat Robey

Ushers: Bill Rincken, Ken Trisko

Sunday, July 9

St. Bridget – 8:30 am

Server: Leo Noser

Lector: Rebecca Buss

EMC: Britt Noser, Mike Sheehan, Bill Kuisle

St. Bernard – 10:00 am

Servers:

Lector: Rob Miller

EMC: Patty Miller, Laura Peters

Ushers: Jerry Finn, Gene Peters, Mark Severtson,
Greg Wellik

Pastor's Corner

A Biblical Scholar once posed the question, "If you were put on trial for being a Christian, would there be enough evidence among those close to you to convict you of being a disciple of Jesus Christ?" That is more or less the demand that Jesus makes of us in today's Gospel. Do we live God-centered lives? Do we seek and pursue daily conversion and rebirth? Jesus reminds us "whoever does not take up his cross and follow after me is not worthy of me." A Cross represents death, and that is the same kind of dying and renewal and conversion to which St. Paul refers in this week's second reading. When we are called, as were the Apostles and St. Paul and Elisha, every fiber of our being is included.

Discipleship demands ultimately a renunciation of the world in order to place God first and Jesus makes that clear. Even where family and other relationships are concerned, our relationship with God must take center stage. Some family situations may impede the living out of the Gospel, after all, and so in the case of conflict, the Kingdom of God is to be preferred over the establishment of the family.

Just as Elisha in our first reading enjoyed the hospitality of the Shunemite woman so Jesus pledges that the one who follows Him unreservedly will be the recipient of much joy and hospitality, however, with the privileges of the faith will also come very real sacrifices and responsibilities. Enjoy your Independence Day celebrations but remember, we are always dependent on God. May He bless you always.

Stewardship Reflection

Our first reading today is filled with hope, but it also is a reminder of God and salvation. We often focus on the idea of stewardship and Elisha is an excellent example of a good steward leading his life by serving others and closely following God. Elisha reminds us that as stewards we are called to lead God-centered lives, even when that may seem impossible or difficult.

We are called to discipleship and stewardship, but to fulfill that calling we will only find our lives by losing them, and we can only live by dying. In order to experience the enduring resurrection in our lives we must be willing to take up the Cross of being a Christian and a steward in what we do and how we live.

Stewardship of Treasure

Church Support for the week ending June 25

St. Bernard's

Amount Rec'd	\$ 5,005.10
Online Giving / Auto	\$ 1,710.00
Total	\$ 6,715.10
Amount Budgeted	\$ 5,381.50
YTD Received	\$280,106.49
YTD Budgeted	\$279,838.00
Over Budget	\$ 268.49

St. Bridget's

Amount Rec'd	\$ 1,882.00
Online Giving / Auto	\$ 1,358.00
Total	\$ 3,240.00
Amount Budgeted	\$ 2,767.00
YTD Received	\$133,888.28
YTD Budgeted	\$143,884.00
Under Budget	\$ 9,995.72 –

Our Parishes



Although a civic holiday, Independence Day is not a religious holy day, but Mass will be held at St. Bridget's on the 4th of July at 8:30am. Wishing everyone a fun and happy day!

Widows' Support Group: Thursday, July 6 at 10am in the library at St. Bernard's.

Stewardship Meeting: Thursday, July 13 at 7pm in the parish library at St. Bernard's

Finance Council Meetings: Tuesday, July 18 at St. Bridget's. St. Bridget's meets at 6pm and St. Bernard's meets at 7pm.

Quilting/Sewing Group: No quilting until the end of July because of Totus Tuus.

40th Anniversary Celebration: There will be a celebration for Fr. Wilmot's 40 years of Ordination to the Priesthood hosted by both parishes on Sunday, July 23 at the 10am Mass at St. Bernard's. Refreshments follow from 11am-2pm in Marian Hall.

Religious Ed & Youth

First Communion Pictures & Crosses: Those who ordered pictures, please pick up your package on the table in the gathering space.

July 9-14 - Totus Tuus: The summer faith program begins the week after the 4th of July. Please get your students registered. Totus Tuus is for Grades 1-12. The cost is \$20 per student plus one dozen cookies per family. Registration forms are on the tables at the parishes. If you have questions, contact Krissy.

Help Needed for Totus Tuus: Looking for families to host a meal for the Totus Tuus Team at 5:30pm on Sunday (9th), Monday (10th), Tuesday (11th) and people to provide a noon meal for 5 people all week July 10-14. Contact Krissy if you are willing to provide lunch or supper.

St. Bridget

Choir: Music ministry on Sunday, July 16 at the 8:30am Mass. Practice at 7:45am.

First Communicants: Please pick up your cross and package on the table in the entry way.

St. Bernard

Adoration Schedule: Adoration will not be held on Tuesday, the 4th of July. The church will be locked for the day. It will, however, begin after Mass on Wednesday, July 5.

Card Bingo: Join us at the Care Center to play Bingo with the residents on Wednesday, July 26 at 6:30pm. Parents bring your children for this fun filled evening.

Other News & Around the Area

Summer Salad Luncheon: Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Hayfield invites you to lunch on Tuesday, July 11 from 11am-1pm. They will serve BBQs, salads and bars. Cost is \$5 for adults and \$2.50 for age 13 and under.

Ladies: The Winona Diocesan Council of Catholic Women invites all ladies to our gathering at St. Stanislaus Basilica in Winona on Wednesday, July 12. It begins at 9am, with Mass at 11:30am, followed by lunch (free-will offering) then tour of the Basilica and of the Polish Museum. Bring a friend!

Neighbors Helping Neighbors Program: Family Service Rochester now has a staff person in Stewartville. Sharon Bernard has an office at the Center for Active Adults and is there mornings especially Tuesdays from 10am-noon. Some of the services we can provide with volunteer help are companionship, shopping, housekeeping, laundry, handy man help and transportation. Personal care services are not provided. Call Sharon at 507-535-9000 or stop by for more information.

Minnesota Citizens for Concerned Life (MCCL): will have an educational booth at the Olmsted County Fair, which is July 24 – 30. People will have an interactive opportunity to learn about fetal development and access free information. We are looking for volunteers to help at our booth. Shifts are 2 hours beginning at 11am and going through 9pm. If you are able to help, call Linda McGuire at (507) 259-4035

MCCL Baby Olmsted Contest: Babies (age 2 and under) can be entered into the MCCL Baby Olmsted Contest for the county fair. Prizes will be awarded for the top vote getters. For details, call Linda McGuire at (507) 259-4035

2nd Annual St. James Coffee Run - Saturday, July 29, 8am: Pre-registration cost for 5K run is \$25 and includes a coffee mug. Pre-registration for 1 mile walk/run is \$12 or \$35 family and includes coffee mug and/or kid's cup. Visit the Coffee House at 4156 18th Avenue NW or the website stjamescoffee.com for more info and to register.

