

The Churches of St. Bernard and St. Bridget

St. Bernard
116 4th Ave SE
Stewartville, MN

St. Bridget
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Rochester, MN



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Parish Office

Location	116 4 th Ave SE Stewartville, MN 55976
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November 12, 2017

32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time November 12, 2017

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 10am

Becoming Catholic: Are you interested in 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 1-10pm. Church doors will be locked after 5pm. If you wish to stop by for Adoration after 5, knock on the door to be let inside.

St. Bernard's Adoration: Tuesdays 4am - Wednesdays 9pm. Church doors will be locked from 8pm-5am on Tuesday and Wednesdays. If you wish to stop by for Adoration, use the doorbell on the main entrance doors.

Confessions: Saturdays at St. Bernard's 4-4:30pm.
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.

Homebound: If you would like a Communion Minister to bring Communion to you or a family member at home, assisted living, or the Care Center on Sunday mornings, contact Jan Owen 533-4964

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

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

Mass Schedule and Intentions

Monday, Nov 13	St Bernard	8:00 am
	Bill & Nela Suess+	
Tuesday, Nov 14	St Bridget	8:30 am
	Noel Schoo+	
Wednesday, Nov 15	St Bernard	8:00 am
	Mike Foster+	
Thursday, Nov 16	St Bernard	8:00 am
	Jack, Donna & Patricia Suess+	
Friday, Nov 17	St Bernard	8:00 am
	For Andrew	
	Care Center	9:15 am
	For Eileen Finn	
Saturday, Nov 18	St Bernard	5:00 pm
	Rita Thompson+	
Sunday, Nov 19	St Bridget	8:30 am
	Christopher & Wilhemina Roeder+	
	St Bernard	10:00 am
	For St Bernard's & St Bridget's	

Liturgical Ministers

Saturday, November 18

St. Bernard – 5:00 pm

Greeters: Dave & Mary Schultz

Servers: Christopher & Sarah Watters

Lector: Julie Watters

EMC: Terri Elsbernd, Dorothy Hurley, Rose Steinman

Ushers: Darrel Elsbernd, Warren Hauger, Bill Rinken

Sunday, November 19

St. Bridget – 8:30 am

Server: Daniel Araoz

Lector: Rebecca Buss

EMC: Wanda Nienow

St. Bernard – 10:00 am

Servers: Leyla Drees, Jamisen Hart

Lector: needed

EMC: Joann Hinders, Jan Owen, Jean Peterson,

Janet Speltz, Karen Volkart

Ushers: Jad Mayer, Bill Oswald, Wayne Volkart

Pastor's Corner

Christ cautions us often concerning our sense of conversion and timing. It has a lot to do with procrastination — that is, putting something off or delaying something which needs to be accomplished

In today's Gospel reading: The entire purpose of the bridesmaids was to light the way for the groom through the narrow and dark streets. Five brought insufficient oil for their lamps while the others were prepared. They were told to go buy some and the groom arrived when they were gone and the wedding began. The five were left outside and missed the wedding. Moral: Keep your eyes open and keep your lamps burning brightly. Be prepared!

There is an allusion to this in the baptismal ceremony as we give a lighted candle to the newly baptized. The hope is that when we Lord comes, at the time of our earthly passing, we shall be ready for Him – and so enter eternal life. This is something we should all keep in mind as we journey towards our inevitable "Day of the Lord." God bless you all.

Stewardship Reflection

It was St. Augustine of Hippo who said, "God has promised forgiveness to your repentance, but He has not promised tomorrow to your procrastination." Like the Virgins in the parable, we cannot wait. Now, this very moment, is the time for us to do what God has called us to do, and that is live lives of stewardship in service and love to others. There are indeed no promises about tomorrow, but Christ has offered us hope for eternal life. Have we done everything we need to do to be ready?

Stewardship of Treasure

Church Support for the week ending November 6 includes Holy Day All Saints

St. Bernard's

Amount Received	\$ 5,668.45
Amount Budgeted	\$ 5,559.00
YTD Received	\$ 95,481.38
YTD Budgeted	\$105,621.00
Under Budget	\$ 10,139.62-

St. Bridget's

Amount Received	\$ 1,959.25
Amount Budgeted	\$ 2,767.00
YTD Received	\$ 47,566.85
YTD Budgeted	\$ 52,573.00
Under Budget	\$ 5,006.15-

Our Parishes

Planners: If you want to know the Advent and Christmas schedule for your planning purposes, you may go to the website. You can look at the calendar month view of December. A printable version will be coming soon.

Pastoral Council Meeting: Tuesday, November 14 at St. Bernard's, 6:30pm

Stewardship Meeting: Thursday, November 16 at St. Bernard's. Time to be determined.

Quilting/Sewing Group: Anyone who is interested in sewing and or quilting, join us every other Thursday at St. Bernard's as we get together for quilting. Upcoming dates are November 16 & 30, from 1-3pm in the Marian Room.



Adoption is the Loving Option – Adoption Fundraiser Breakfast and Bake Sale:

Join us to support the Adoption Ministry of St. Bernard's and St. Bridget's on Sunday, November 19 at St. Bridget's after 8:30am Mass.

Helpers and Bakers are Needed: Contact Lisa Behnken Kuisle 282-5714 or Kay Poss 380-6216 if you are willing to assist at the event.

Cancer Support Group: Tuesday, November 21 at 7pm at St Bernard's

Religious Ed & Youth

Regular Class: Wednesday, November 15

5:15-6:15pm | 6:30-7:30pm

Grade 6 will be going to the Care Center to play Card Bingo with the residents from 6:30-7:30pm. Please drop off and pick up your child there.

BYG (Bernie & Bridgie's Youth Group)

We meet Sunday evenings in the youth room; Middle School 4-5:15pm, High School 7-8:30pm

St Bernard's

Adult Choir: Practice on Sunday, November 26 (off on the 19th) at 8:50am followed by music ministry at 10am Mass.

Job Opportunity / Assistance for Parishioner: St. Bernard parishioner, Wayne Brooks, of Stewartville, is looking for an occasional ride to the grocery store, as well as house cleaning once a month. If interested in either of these positions, contact Wayne 533-6540.

Word Among Us Subscribers: Your December issue is ready for pick-up. Remember to pay your \$22 for the new subscription. Checks written to St. Bernard's.

St Bridget's

Christmas Greenery Orders: Those who ordered greenery from MCCL, your order will be available for pick up after 8:30am Mass on Sunday, November 19.



Christmas Caroling: You're invited to join us as we go caroling to parishioners' homes on the afternoon of Saturday, December 2. Anyone who would like us to stop by and sing a song, please call Roseann Melby 696-8760.

Area News

Adoption Day Celebration: Hosted by Catholic Charities on Saturday, Nov 11, 11am - 1:30pm at St. Bridget's. Potluck lunch: bring a dish to pass. Cookies and beverages provided. Magic show for the whole family! RSVP to Kat: 287-2047 or kwinkler@ccsomm.org include number of people attending.

Extra Adoration Opportunities at Resurrection Church in Rochester: Sunday 1am, 3pm, Monday 3am, Thursday 12pm& 1pm, Friday 3am, 10am, 1pm, 2pm, 4pm, 10pm, 11pm, Saturday 12am, 5am, 8am – 1pm , 3pm, 4pm, 9pm, 10pm. Call Resurrection 288-5528 or email adoration@rescathroch.org

Men's Bible Study at St. James Coffee: Men are invited to join this 6-week bible study beginning on Tuesday, November 14 at 6:30pm. Sign up at the coffee house or by sending an email to events@stjamescoffee.com Cost \$11 payable to St. James Coffee.

Christmas on the Hill at Assisi Heights: Saturday, December 2, 6:30 – 10pm, \$50. We invite you to begin your Advent journey at the home of the Sisters of Saint Francis. Enjoy festive surroundings and a Christmas carol sing-along. The story of the Nativity will come to life. Italian appetizer buffet and gourmet dessert bar, with sparkling wines and waters. Visit the website for a full description and registration www.rochesterfranciscan.org

March for Life Pilgrimage to Washington DC: The Diocese of Winona Office of Youth & Young Adults and Office of Life are offering this pilgrimage, January, 18-21. Seats on the bus are limited so registrations are first come first serve basis. \$325 includes bus transportation, hotel, DC Rally, tours and some meals. Questions contact Peter Martin at pmartin@dow.org 507-858-1273 or check out the Diocese of Winona website www.dow.org