

# The Churches of St. Bernard and St. Bridget

St. Bernard  
116 4<sup>th</sup> Ave SE  
Stewartville, MN

St. Bridget  
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Rochester, MN



website: [sbsbparishes.org](http://sbsbparishes.org)

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## Parish Office

<b>Location</b>	116 4 <sup>th</sup> Ave SE Stewartville, MN 55976
<b>Office Hours</b>	Monday - Friday 8:30 am - 2:30 pm
<b>Phone</b>	(507) 533-8257
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November 19, 2017

# 33<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

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**Parish Registration:** Registration forms are in the kiosk at St. Bernard's or visit [sbsbparishes.org](http://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](mailto: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 3<sup>rd</sup> 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

<b>Monday, Nov 20</b>	<b>St Bernard</b> Jan Heitman+	<b>8:00 am</b>
<b>Tuesday, Nov 21</b>	<b>St Bridget</b> Larry Whalen+	<b>8:30 am</b>
<b>Wednesday, Nov 22</b>	<b>St Bernard</b> Arnie Block+	<b>8:00 am</b>
<b>Thursday, Nov 23</b> <i>Thanksgiving</i>	<b>St Bernard</b> Ambrose & Lucy Theobald+	<b>8:00 am</b>
<b>Friday, Nov 24</b>	<b>St Bernard</b> Kim Everman Mason+	<b>8:00 am</b>
	<b>Care Center</b> Mike Kean+	<b>9:15 am</b>
<b>Saturday, Nov 25</b>	<b>St Bernard</b> Barbara Yost+	<b>5:00 pm</b>
<b>Sunday, Nov 26</b>	<b>St Bridget</b> Noel Schoo+	<b>8:30 am</b>
	<b>St Bernard</b> For St Bernard's & St Bridget's	<b>10:00 am</b>

## Liturgical Ministers

### Saturday, November 25

#### **St. Bernard – 5:00 pm**

Rosary: Mary Lynch

Server: Ellah Dodd

Lector: Charlie O'Brien

EMC: Lisa Dodd, Terri Elsbernd, Emily Kiefer, Mary Lynch

Ushers: Darrel Elsbernd, Warren Hauger, Bill Rincken

### Sunday, November 26

#### **St. Bridget – 8:30 am**

Server: Isaac Kuisle

Lector: Jim Kuisle

EMC: Bill Kuisle

#### **St. Bernard – 10:00 am**

Rosary: Steve Sturm

Server: Jayden Gaynor

Lector: Jean Peterson

EMC: Karen Greenslade, Patty Miller, Rob Miller,

Jan Owen, Steve Sturm, Karen Volkart

Ushers: Jad Mayer, Wayne Volkart

## Pastor's Corner

It should be no surprise that the issue of our readiness for Christ Coming is again a focus of the Gospel on this Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time, as Advent is imminent (two weeks away). Advent is often perceived as getting prepared for the birth of Christ at Christmas, but it is equally a time when we should be concentrating on preparing for Christ Coming.

The meaning of today's parable is that the Lord expects us to grow in His grace. He expects a return on His investment in us. If we keep everything to ourselves we lose out. The Church uses zeal in spreading the faith. The basis of Christ's judgment when He comes will be on how we saw him in every person and how we used the best we have to offer in order to spread the faith and help build His kingdom on earth.

We must avoid thinking that our life and this world will last forever. We must try to show our thankfulness to God for all the good things in life. Whether we have received abundantly or modestly we must use all our gifts for the "greater glory of God." We are called to share what we have with others who are on the same faith journey and with the poor and needy. Let us be truly thankful this Thanksgiving for all the goodness in our lives. God bless you all.

## Stewardship Reflection

The Church is expected to serve Christ faithfully until He comes in glory. God gives each person distinct gifts and talents for service in His Church. Let us thank God for our time, our talents and our treasure and let us practice fair and responsible stewardship to show our Thankfulness especially this Thanksgiving.

## Stewardship of Treasure

### Church Support for the week ending November 12

#### St. Bernard's

Amount Received	\$ 5,387.76
Amount Budgeted	\$ 5,559.00
YTD Received	\$100,869.14
YTD Budgeted	\$111,180.00
Under Budget	\$ 10,310.86-

#### St. Bridget's

Amount Received	\$ 1,836.26
Amount Budgeted	\$ 2,767.00
YTD Received	\$ 49,403.11
YTD Budgeted	\$ 55,340.00
Under Budget	\$ 5,936.89-

## Our Parishes

**Please Note:** Due to Thanksgiving, the bulletin deadline will be Tuesday morning. The office will be closed Thanksgiving and the day after.

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

**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 30, from 1-3pm in the Marian Room.

**Special Thanks from Fr. Wilmot:** Many will have received their pictorials and our latest Newsletter. I thank Andy Drees for his help with the former and Diane Hart for the latter. Actually I thank all who have helped with IT work and in so many areas of practical, educational, liturgical, spiritual and pastoral life throughout the year. Stewardship of our Time & Talents and Treasure is so important to our parishes. We are called not just to get along but to thrive and you have helped us to do that. More participation is obviously needed but thank you for yours. Fr.W.



## Religious Ed & Youth News

**No Class Next Week:** Blessings to everyone over the Thanksgiving holiday!

**Classes Resume:** Wednesday, November 29  
5:15-6:15pm | 6:30-7:30pm


**Grade 2 Parent Meeting:** Wednesday, Dec 6, 6:30pm

### 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 and Dec 3 at 8:50am followed by music ministry at 10am Mass.

 **Children's Christmas Program:** An informational meeting will be held on Sunday, December 3 at 9:30am in Marian Hall. All ages of students are welcome to participate. Practices will be Sundays, December 10 & 17 at 8:30am. Any questions, contact Cheryl Terhaar 533-6704 or Brenda Trisko 533-4808.

**Job Opportunity:** 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 job positions, contact Sharon Bernard 535-9000.

## St Bridget's

**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, call Roseann Melby 696-8760.

## Area News

**Festival of Trees:** You're invited to a celebration of giving to benefit individuals with disabilities in our community. This event is held the weekend of Thanksgiving; Friday – Sunday, November 24-26, at the Mayo Civic Center, doors open at 11am.

**Cor Jesu:** The Cathedral of the Sacred Heart invites you and your friends and family to attend Cor Jesu, on Friday, December 1, from 7-9pm. Cor Jesu is an evening of Eucharistic Adoration, Confessions, and music in honor of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. For details, search for Winona Cor Jesu on Facebook, or go to [winonacorjesu.gitlab.io](http://winonacorjesu.gitlab.io)

**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](http://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](mailto:pmartin@dow.org) 507-858-1273 or check out the Diocese of Winona website [www.dow.org](http://www.dow.org)

