

The Churches of St. Bernard and St. Bridget



St. Bernard
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Stewartville, MN



St. Bridget
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Parish Office

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August 26, 2018

The 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Parish Registration: Registration forms are in the kiosk at St. Bernard's or visit the parish office.

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

Bulletin Deadline: Wednesday mornings 10am 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@gmail.com 533-6596 at St. Bernard's or Sandy Woodruff 282-3854 at St. Bridget's.

St. Bridget's Adoration: Mondays 1 - 10pm

St. Bernard's Adoration: Tuesdays 4am - Wednesdays 9pm. Church doors will be locked from 8pm-5am on Tuesdays 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: First-time parents are required to take 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 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

Estate Plans: Have you remembered St. Bernard's or St. Bridget's in your will?

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, August 27	St Bernard For Mike Fellin	8:00 am
Tuesday, August 28	St Bridget Blake Murray+	8:30 am
Wednesday, Aug 29	St Bernard For Tony Chihak	8:00 am
Thursday, August 30	St Bernard Marlys Rentz+	8:00 am
Friday, August 31	St Bernard Sanford & Cecilia Kelly+	8:00 am
	Care Center Jan Heitman+	9:15 am
Saturday, Sept 1	St Bernard Jennie & Joe Rauh, Sr. +	5:00 pm
Sunday, Sept 2	St Bridget For St Bridget's & St Bernard's	8:30 am
	St Bernard LeVerne Meyerhofer+	10:00 am

Liturgical Ministers

Saturday, Sept 1 St. Bernard – 5:00 pm

Server: needed

Lector: Marge Reimers

EMC: Judy Bunde, Mary Claeys, Pauline Fontaine, Emily Kiefer, Rose Steinman

Ushers: Dave Bunde, Warren Hauger, Joe Himmer, Bill Rinken

Sunday, Sept 2 St. Bridget – 8:30 am

Server: needed

Lector: Bill Kuisle

EMC: needed

Sunday, Sept 2 St. Bernard – 10:00 am

Server: needed

Lector: Patty Miller

EMC: Mary Hustak, Rob Miller

Ushers: Brian Meyerhofer, Patrick Miller, Andrew Moore, Jim Otto

Pastor's Corner

"Lord, to whom can we go?" asks Peter in today's Gospel "You have the words of eternal life." Though he didn't fully comprehend the mystery of the Incarnation, he trusted Jesus and so must we. We ask that our trust in the Bread of Life will grow. Joshua in today's first reading sets an example of wholehearted commitment to the Lord and we might do well to follow that example aware of our union with people of faith throughout history.

Joshua and Peter both reach the moment of decision. The latter trusts the integrity of the Master who speaks with authority about eternal life. However, we must be humble even as we follow the examples of Joshua and Peter and keep in mind that it is only by God's graces that we are able to make our decision to accept the faith. We trust in His providence always. God bless you all.

Stewardship Reflection

There are so many stewardship themes in our readings today, but they boil down to this: they challenge us to choose whom we will serve. Will we choose God and others, or ourselves? In the first reading, Joshua poses the challenge this way, "If it does not please you to serve the Lord, decide today whom you will serve."

Peter knows he doesn't have all the answer and so, he humbly chooses to rely on God. When the going gets tough, we can keep going by relying on God and trusting more deeply in Him. So our call – and our response – to true Stewardship is quite simple really.

St Bernard's & St Bridget's BIG BASH

**FOOD, FUN AND FELLOWSHIP FOR
EVERYONE ON WEDNESDAY,
SEPTEMBER 5 IN THE PARKING LOT OF
ST BERNARD'S. DINNER WILL BE
SERVED FROM 5:30-7:30PM**

Stewardship of Treasure

Church Support for the week ending August 19 including the Holy Day

St. Bernard's

Amount Rec'd	\$ 4,568.54
Amount Budgeted	\$ 5,574.38
YTD Received	\$ 38,810.14
YTD Budgeted	\$ 44,595.04
Under Budget	\$ 5,784.90 -

St. Bridget's

Amount Rec'd	\$ 1,670.40
Amount Budgeted	\$ 2,567.36
YTD Received	\$ 18,042.65
YTD Budgeted	\$ 20,538.88
Under Budget	\$ 2,496.23 -

Our Parishes



Parish Website: Visit the website from time to time to see new photos posted on Facebook and to check the calendar. You can register your students for religious ed, print the religious ed calendar, register for 'That Man Is You', sign-up to donate to the parish with your debit or credit card, read the bulletin, and much more! Visit www.sbsbparishes.org

Ten Things That Make for a Great Catholic Family:

#2 In today's "grass is always greener" world, it is easy to look over the fence at our neighbors, or at our favorite television show where all of life's problems can be solved in 22 minutes, and long for what they have. We have found that the key to a happy family is taking stock of what we have been given. It is important to remember, and to remind our children, that everything comes from God – our material goods, our friends and family, our gifts and talents. Great Catholic families celebrate their gifts no matter how meager they may seem. That means giving thanks even in times of struggle, but especially being mindful and grateful when times are good.

Faith Builder: Give your dinner prayer a boost by pausing during grace and encouraging everyone to share something they are grateful for today.

Religious Ed

Assistance Needed in the Religious Ed Program:

Teachers and Helpers Needed: Grades 1 & 4

Helpers also Needed: CGS Level 1&2 at 5:15-6:15pm

Contact Krissy with questions.

Grade 9 Confirmation Class: Meeting on Sunday, September 9 at 11am. A parent and the student should attend.

Confirmation, Sunday, September 30: Confirmation will be held at St Bernard's during the 10am Mass, with Bishop Quinn celebrating.

BYG (Bernie & Bridgie's Youth Group)

BYG: High-schoolers and middle-schoolers meet Sunday nights from 7-8:30pm in the youth room.

St Bernard



Lost & Found: A key on a green rope was found. Is it yours? Call the office.

Lighthouse Talks from Augustine Institute: Check out the display of CDs in the gathering space - \$3 each. Grab one for your next road trip!

That Man Is You

All men are invited to attend weekly sessions of TMIY in the hall at St. Bernard's beginning Saturday, September 8 at 8 am. This program is designed to help challenge us to grow in our Catholic faith as men, husbands and fathers. To sign up, contact Andy Drees at dreez28@gmail.com 952-465-9841 or register on the parish website sbsbparishes.org

St Bridget



Upcoming Nuptials: Jennifer Flynn & Andy Kruse ~ Saturday, September 1

Around The Area

Cor Jesu: The Cathedral of the Sacred Heart in Winona invites you to attend Cor Jesu, on Friday, September 7, from 7-9pm. Cor Jesu is an evening of Eucharistic Adoration, Confessions, and music in honor of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. All are welcome to attend! For more details, search for Winona Cor Jesu on Facebook, go to cascwinona.org/prayer/corJesu or call Kristopher Kaufman at (859) 760-1619 or Steven Lehn at (507) 312-9041

Respect Life: The sixth annual *National Day of Remembrance for Aborted Children* will be Saturday, September 8. In Winona, a prayer vigil will be held at St. Mary's Cemetery from 12-1pm, with the Most Rev. Bishop John M. Quinn presiding. For other locations and more information, visit www.AbortionMemorials.com

Christian Witness Series at St. James Coffee House: On Monday, September 10 at 7pm Fr. Will Thompson will share his faith testimony "*Good Catholic Boy*" - *faith always seemed to make sense and was fun--life changed when it became real*. Come early to get your beverage.

Mayo Clinic Hospice Grief Support Groups: Begins September 24 and runs through November 12 for those who have lost someone. Monday afternoons (1-2:30pm) are for the loss of a spouse. Monday evenings (5:30-7pm) are for the death of any significant person in your life. Free of charge but registration is required. Contact Kelley Adelsman 284-4002 or adelsman.kelley@mayo.edu for details. Registration closes on September 12.