

## The Churches of St. Bernard and St. Bridget



St. Bernard  
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Stewartville, MN



St. Bridget  
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Rochester, MN

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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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September 16, 2018

# The 24<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time September 16, 2018

**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

**Becoming Catholic:** Contact Fr. Wilmot or Mary Brouillard [mkbrouill@gmail.com](mailto: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. Church doors will be locked at 5pm, so knock to be let in.

**St. Bernard's Adoration:** Tuesdays 4am-Wednesdays 9pm. Church doors will be locked from 8pm-5am on Tuesdays. 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 Fr. Wilmot 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

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

**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.

**Health & Wellness:** Mondays at St Bridget's rectory from 5:30-6:30pm.

## Mass Schedule and Intentions

**Monday, Sept 17**      **St Bernard**      **8:00 am**  
Eric Heinzman+

Tuesday – Thursday      Fr. Wilmot will be attending conferences

**Friday, Sept 21**      **St Bernard**      **8:00 am**  
Fr. Donald Grubisch+

**Care Center**      **9:15 am**  
Richard Kuisle+

**Saturday, Sept 22**      **St Bernard**      **5:00 pm**  
Pat Willers+

**Sunday, Sept 23**      **St Bridget**      **8:30 am**  
For St Bridget's & St Bernard's

**St Bernard**      **10:00 am**  
Walt R. David+

## Liturgical Ministers

### Saturday, Sept 22 St. Bernard – 5:00 pm

Greeters: Dick & Pat Koenigs

Server: Brandon & Logan McCrady

Lector: Mary Brouillard

EMC: Judy Bunde

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

### Sunday, Sept 23 St. Bridget – 8:30 am

Server: Isaac Kuisle

Lector: Bill Kuisle

EMC: Jim Kuisle

### Sunday, Sept 23 St. Bernard – 10:00 am

Server: Leyla Drees

Lector: Rob Miller

EMC: Ally Drees, Mary Hustak, Pat Robey, Janet Speltz

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

## Pastor's Corner

St. Teresa of Avilla once observed that it is possible for people to “fling” a gift back in God’s face. She may have had Peter in mind as he seems to do that by rejecting the path Jesus knows lies before him. Jesus won forgiveness for us exactly by taking pain and suffering upon himself.

Isaiah’s piece today is all about the Suffering Servant who will be vindicated by God – the Suffering Servant is of course Jesus. The apostles and Peter in particular obviously fear to enter this territory. Jesus tells Peter that he must get used to this new way of looking at Christ’s mission for he, as a disciple will one day also have to suffer. Jesus says, “Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me”.

There is much joy in being Christian and this is because Jesus lifts much of our suffering off us by His death on the cross. However, we are called to sacrifice and perhaps be rejected by the world if we are to be true to our Savior. God bless you all.

## Stewardship Reflection

Today’s second reading teaches that real faith in Him is displayed through service or “works.” In fact, this passage goes so far as to state that “faith of itself, if it does not have works, is dead.”

The readings this weekend make it clear that faith and love are not alive in us until they are demonstrated through service to others for the sake of the Gospel. Service of any kind will involve some self-denial. But when I embrace this way of life, I have the joy of knowing my faith and love are real. By laying down my life for Him, I gain a life that is really worth living

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### UPCOMING MEETINGS

**Pastoral Council Meeting:** Thursday, September 20, 6:30pm at St Bernard’s

**Social Concerns Committee Meeting:** Thursday, Oct 4, 7pm at St Bernard’s

**Stewardship Meeting:** Thursday, October 11, 6:30pm at St Bernard’s

## Stewardship of Treasure

### Church Support for the week ending Sept 9

#### St. Bernard’s

Amount Rec’d	\$ 3,785.58
Amount Budgeted	\$ 5,574.38
YTD Received	\$ 59,660.90
YTD Budgeted	\$ 61,318.18
Under Budget	\$ 1,657.28 -

#### St. Bridget’s

Amount Rec’d	\$ 1,258.00
Amount Budgeted	\$ 2,567.36
YTD Received	\$ 29,244.90
YTD Budgeted	\$ 28,240.96
Over Budget	\$ 1,003.94 +

## Our Parishes

**Big Bash Success:** Thank you to everyone who attended and a huge thank you to those who helped with the event. A good time was had by all!



**Trunk or Treat:** For your planning purposes, Trunk or Treat will be held at St Bridget’s on Saturday, October 27, beginning at 6pm.

### Ten Things That Make for a Great Catholic Family: #5

**Fight Fair:** As much as we wish family life were perfect, the reality is that all families experience conflict. We’re going to fight. Not selling siblings into slavery like Joseph’s brothers did is a good start, but even fighting has rules. Families that fight fair carry with them an application of the Ten Commandments, even when they are in the middle of a family crisis. Some examples: Steering clear of using the Lord’s name in vain in a heated debate. Honoring mothers and fathers (daughters and sons and sisters and brothers, and so on) and telling the truth, gently, even though it may hurt. Family members who fight for personal victory miss out on how great it feels to work through a struggle together, and win as a team. Great Catholic families check tempers, are respectful of one another’s strengths and weaknesses, and always remember that obstacles make us stronger.

**Faith Builder:** Create and display your family’s rules for conflict: ‘No sulking, no lying, no grudges, etc.’

**Quilting Group:** Every other Thursday at St Bernard’s 1-3:30pm. The next gathering is September 20.

## Religious Education

**Regular Classes:** Wednesday, September 12  
5:15-6:15pm | 6:30-7:30pm

Thank you so much to everyone who has volunteered to help with religious ed classes this year. I appreciate your hard work and dedication to the program. ~ Krissy

## BYG (Bernie & Bridgie's Youth Group)

Search on FB @berniesyouthgroup to stay updated!

## St Bernard

**Lost & Found:** A pink and gold children's purse was found during the Big Bash. We still have an unclaimed single key on a long key chain. Contact the office.



**Food Collection:** Our Blessing Box supply is running low and we are asking for your generosity to help feed the needy of our community. We will have a cart in the gathering space the weekends of September 16 & 23 to place your donations of non-perishable food items. Thank you for your support! ~ Bryttin Henderson and Sarah Watters



**Upcoming Nuptials:** Heather Johnson & Kyle Borst ~ Saturday, September 22

**Adult Choir:** We will provide music ministry at 10am Mass on Sunday, September 23 & 30. Prior to Mass, meet on the school side at 8:50am for practice.

**Annual Cemetery Board Meeting:** St Bernard's Cemetery Board will meet on Thursday, September 27 at 6:30pm in the parish library.

**Buildings & Grounds Meeting:** Thursday, October 4 at 6:30pm

**Spend An Hour with Jesus:** We have some hours of Adoration that need filling; Tuesdays 5am and Wednesdays 12 noon. Also, we could use an evening / overnight substitute. If interested, contact Pam Mueller 254-9478

## St Bridget

**Choir:** Music ministry on Sunday, September 30. Meet at 7:45am. New voices welcome.

## Around The Area

**St. Ignatius Catholic Church Fall Festival:** Sunday September 16, serving a barbequed chicken dinner from 11am-1pm. Other festivities include a silent auction, raffle with great prizes, and children's games.

**LiveStrong Program:** A 12-week class at the Rochester YMCA meets twice a week beginning Tuesday, Sept 18. This is a free small group fitness program for adult cancer survivors. Call for more info - Paula English (507) 993-3266 or Pennie Eisenbeis (507) 287-2260

**40 Days for Life** – Sept 26 through Nov 4. See [www.40daysforlife.com](http://www.40daysforlife.com) for more info.

**Diocesan Women's Conference:** The Diocese of Winona-Rochester and the Winona Council of Catholic Women invite you to "Look to Mary" Diocesan Women's Conference on Saturday, October 13 from 9am-3pm at Sacred Heart Parish, Owatonna. Registration form on bulletin board at St Bernard's or visit the diocesan website [dow.org](http://dow.org) \$25 (lunch included)

## Kiddie's Corner

Jesus asked the disciples who they thought He was. Peter Answered,

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