

The Churches of St. Bernard and St. Bridget



St. Bernard
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Stewartville, MN



St. Bridget
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November 4, 2018

The 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time November 4, 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 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 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.

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

Mass Schedule and Intentions

Monday, November 5

St Bernard 8:00 am For Alex

Tuesday, November 6

St Bridget 8:30 am Margaret Kuethe+

Wednesday, November 7

St Bernard 8:00 am Todd Kujath+

Thursday, November 8

St Bernard's 8:00 am Sanford & Cecilia Kelly+

Friday, November 9

St Bernard's 8:00 am Virginia Hoffman+
Care Center 9:15 am Mary Holzer+

Saturday, November 10

St Bernard 5:00 pm Mike Roeder+

Sunday, November 11

St Bridget 8:30 am For our parishes
St Bernard 10:00 am Stan & Sylvia Ellringer+

Liturgical Ministers

Saturday, Nov 10 St. Bernard – 5:00 pm

Greeter: Pat Koenigs

Servers: needed

Lector: Marge Reimers

EMC: Pauline Fontaine, Emily Kiefer

Ushers: Bill Rincken, Dan Schoeppner

Sunday, Nov 11 St. Bridget – 8:30 am

Server: Daniel Araoz

Lector: Marilyn Baker

EMC: Pam Kuisle, Terry Smith

Sunday, Nov 11 St. Bernard – 10:00 am

Server: Jamisen Hart

Lector: needed

EMC: Mary Brouillard, Kim Yennie

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



Pastor's Corner

We have just celebrated the feast of All Saints and surely reflected on the fact that many men and women over the ages have followed the way of the Lord and are celebrated for having done so. We are all called to be saints. We also celebrated the feast of All Souls as there are those who perhaps still journey towards the fullness of life and whom we have loved and for whom we still pray - and who hopefully pray for us. Our lives should be all about loving God and our neighbor, living and dead, but also having a healthy degree of self-respect. Each one of us is a child of God and made in his image and can, if we but trust in Him, have a lot going for us.

If we truly love God it is vital to talk to Him throughout the day, and if we really want to love Him with all our heart, soul, mind and strength, we should put Him "first" on our agenda each day and not as an afterthought.

Then I offer the abilities, skills, and interests the Lord has given me for the good of those around me. Doing so is a practical way to "love my neighbor as myself." At the same time it is also a way to love the Lord with all that I am and have, since He has told us that whatever we do for others we are also doing for Him. God wants us to win in life and that means each one of us. Therefore we must have a true respect for ourselves so that we know what others might expect of us. God bless you all.

Stewardship Reflection

The use of time refers primarily to our relationship with the Lord and we practice this mainly in prayer. The use of our talents is for the good of those around us and doing so is a practical way to "love my neighbor as myself." The use of material gifts or treasure demonstrates both love of God and of neighbor. When we trustingly offer a sacrificial gift to God through the offertory collection with our treasure we serve our neighbor in the parish community and beyond. Thus the three legs of that stool of stewardship are used well, for God's greater glory.



Stewardship of Treasure

Church Support for the week ending Oct 28

St. Bernard's

Amount Rec'd	\$ 4,501.00
Amount Budgeted	\$ 5,574.38
YTD Received	\$ 94,041.25
YTD Budgeted	\$ 100,338.84
Under Budget	\$ 6,297.59 -

St. Bridget's

Amount Rec'd	\$ 1,358.35
Amount Budgeted	\$ 2,567.36
YTD Received	\$ 43,787.75
YTD Budgeted	\$ 46,212.48
Under Budget	\$ 2,424.73 -

Our Parishes



Adoption is the Loving Option – Fundraiser Breakfast & Bake Sale to support the Adoption Ministry of St. Bernard's & St. Bridget's: Join us in the social hall at St Bridget's on Sunday, November 11 after

8:30am Mass. Good food, games and fellowship for all!
*We welcome and need bakers to donate their goodies for the bake sale. Contact Kay Poss, 507-380-6216 or Lisa Kuisle, 282-5714 for information.

Quilting Group: Meet Thursday, November 15 from 1-3:30pm at St Bernard's in the Marian Room

Baby Bottle Campaign Wraps Up Sunday, November 4: Please remember to bring the baby bottles to church with you and return them to the basket or to the office.

FYI: Bishop Quinn and bishops nationwide are joining in seven days of prayer and fasting prior to their general assembly in November, where they will make critical decisions regarding the tragedy of clergy abuse. A letter from Bishop Quinn is the insert in the bulletin. Also in the bulletin insert is a statement from Bishop Quinn regarding the Pittsburgh tragedy.

Religious Education

Regular Class: Wednesday, November 7

Thanks! Thank you to all of the families that came and helped with the Rake-n-Run this year. I am so appreciative of the great turnout and hard work by everyone. The people we have helped are very grateful. Thank you! ~ Krissy

BYG (Bernie & Bridgie's Youth Group)

Facebook: @berniesyouthgroup



Mission Trip BINGO Night Sunday, November 4: On Sunday, November 4, our youth group will be hosting a family bingo night in the social hall at St Bernard's. At 6pm they will serve a meal, followed by bingo. Bring the whole family and enjoy an evening supporting our youth!

St Bridget



Trunk or Treat was a hit! We had the biggest crowd ever! Contest winners for best costume: Jacob Griffin & Jackson Baune. Contest winner for best decorated trunk: Shane & Julie Watters Family. Thank you to Brook McCarrick and Jeannette Sheehan for organizing the event. A sincere thank you to Sekapp Orchard for donating pumpkins. Thank you to all the helpers; Bill & Lisa Kuisle, Marilyn Baker, Karen Benassi, Barb & Katie Philip and Aubrey, Sherri Twohey, Nick & Theresa Reps, Victoria Nienow, Gretchen, McKenna, & Brady Pickett

Choir: Sunday, November 18 – meet at 7:45 am for practice.



Calendar Item: Caroling will be held on Saturday, December 1, at 12:30pm. Plan to join us!

St Bernard

Men's Club Meeting: Tuesday, November 6, 6:30pm in the parish library. All men are invited to attend.

Adult Choir: Music ministry for the 10am Mass on Sunday, November 11, 18 & 25.



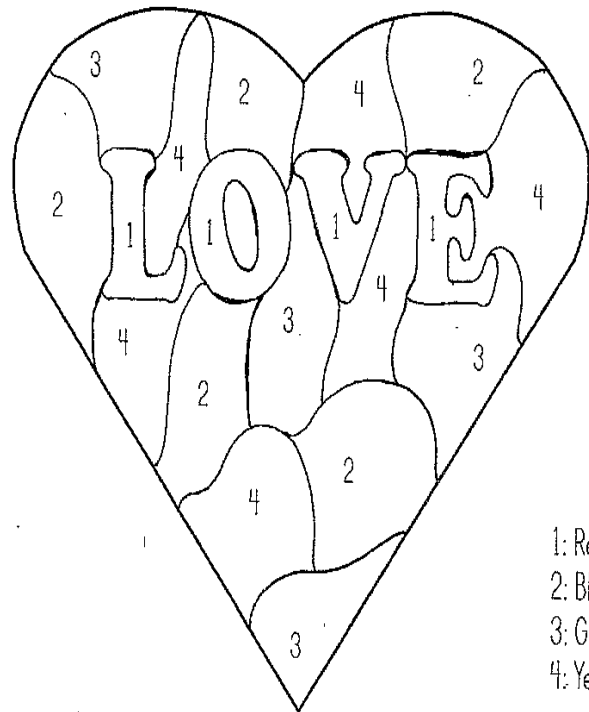
Thanks a Bunch: Thank you to Mike & Emily Kiefer and Joe & Jane Himmer for their green thumb stewardship with the flowers and plants in the front of the church and inside, as well. Your ministry is very much appreciated!

Around The Area

Catholic Charities Adoption Celebration: Saturday, November 10 at 11am at St Bridget's. Bring a dish to pass for potluck lunch. Games and fun for all ages.

Christmas on the Hill: An Umbrian Celebration at Assisi Heights: We invite you to begin your Advent journey at the home of the Sisters of Saint Francis. Experience the story of the nativity as it comes to life. Dine on heavenly treats from the Italian appetizer buffet and gourmet dessert bar. Bid on silent and live auction packages. Saturday, December 1, 6pm, \$50 per person, reservations required www.rochesterfranciscan.org

Kiddie Corner



Jesus told the scribe the most important commandments: The first is to love God, the second is to love your neighbor as yourself. How can you show love to God and your neighbors?