

# The Churches of St. Bernard and St. Bridget



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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
<b>Rectory</b>	(507) 533-1086 (after hours emergency)

**December 30, 2018**

## The Holy Family December 30, 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  
Additional confession times are listed in the Advent Calendar

**Baptism:** First-time parents are required to take a Pre Jordan Baptism Class. Contact the office for details.

**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, December 31, Mary, Mother of God Vigil**  
St Bernard 5:00 pm Stan & Peg Himmer+

**Tuesday, January 1, Mary, Mother of God**  
St Bridget 8:30 am James & Helen Sheehan+

**Wednesday, January 2**  
St Bernard 8:00 am For Mr & Mrs Robert  
Trenary

**Thursday, January 3**  
St Bernard 8:00 am Patricia Lohen+

**Friday, January 4**  
St Bernard 8:00 am Mary Holzer+  
Care Center 9:15 am Jan Heitman+

**Saturday, January 5**  
St Bernard 5:00 pm For our parishes

**Sunday, January 6**  
St Bridget 8:30 am Noel & Lavina Schoo+  
St Bernard 10:00 am Gene Klann+

Note Well: No 10am Mass on New Year's Day

## Liturgical Ministers for Next Weekend

### Saturday, Jan 5 St. Bernard – 5:00 pm

Greeter: Pat Koenigs

Rosary: Judy Bunde

Server: needed

Lector: Dorothy Hurley

EMC: Judy Bunde, Jim Nosbisch, Rose Steinman

Ushers: Dave Bunde, Dick Koenigs, Dan Pyan, Ken Trisko

### Sunday, Jan 6 St. Bridget – 8:30 am

Server: Marianna Miron

Lector: Bill Kuisle

EMC: Marilyn Baker, Karen Sheehan, Mike Sheehan

### Sunday, Jan 6 St. Bernard – 10:00 am

Greeter: Janet Speltz

Server: Ellah Dodd, Leyla Drees

Lector: Amy Edholm

EMC: Lisa Dodd, Karen Greenslade, Patty Miller, Jean

Peterson, Pat Robey, Janet Speltz, Karen Volkart

Ushers: Jad Mayer, Andy Moore, Bill Oswald,

Wayne Volkart

## Pastor's Corner

The Thanksgiving of Hannah in the first reading includes her willingness to let her son Samuel be of special service to the Lord. We should keep that in mind when we think of our own children. There is nothing wrong at all in serving our school and our community but service to the Lord though our local and universal Church should always come first. Do we as a family encourage this?

Our view of Jesus' childhood – except during His infancy - is limited to the one incident we see in today's Gospel. We are presented with the major tension within this unusual family, as Jesus speaks of the Jerusalem Temple as His Father's house. However, Jesus submits Himself to the care of Mary and Joseph who cherish every kindness as a manifestation of God's love for them and us.

The Holy Family: Jesus was obedient within His family, Mary stored up many things in her heart and Joseph lived within a most unusual situation, trusting in Mary and God. Let us follow their example and grow in grace, love and joy. God bless you all as this Holy Season of Christmas continues.

## Stewardship Reflection

Our Blessed Mother's example of a stewardship way of life is one that we, her children, can follow in our own lives today. With all the gifts God gives us of our time, our talents and our material possessions we, too, can offer ourselves to God by using these gifts to serve and glorify Him. In so doing, we will effectively spread the Good News to the world around us today.

**PERSONAL THANKS** for the many cards and gifts and expressions of endearment and gratitude that have come my way over this Christmas season. I am humbled. Though very busy with packing and tying up loose ends right now I shall make a point of responding personally – before Easter ☺ Fr.W.

## Stewardship of Treasure

### Church Support for the week ending Dec 23 Including Christmas

#### St. Bernard's

Amount Rec'd	\$ 8,436.77
Christmas	\$ 6,630.00
Total	\$ 15,066.77
Amount Budgeted	\$ 5,574.38
YTD Received	\$155,912.36
YTD Budgeted	\$141,812.50
Over Budget	\$ 14,099.86 +

#### St. Bridget's

Amount Rec'd	\$ 2,707.00
Christmas	\$ 4,605.90
Total	\$ 7,312.90
Amount Budgeted	\$ 2,567.36
YTD Received	\$ 74,422.99
YTD Budgeted	\$ 66,751.36
Over Budget	\$ 7,671.63 +

## Our Parishes

**A HUGE THANK YOU** on behalf of our parishes to all responsible for the liturgies, especially the music, the décor and for the pageants and festivities in general! Working together for the Lord certainly pays hearty dividends. There are several days of Christmas left, of course, so stay active in those ministries. Fr.W.

**Mary, Mother of God, Holy Day of Obligation:** The Vigil Mass will be held in the evening on December 31 at St Bernard's. The Feast Day Mass will be held in the morning on January 1 at St Bridget's. Liturgical ministers please sign up online.



**Farewell Breakfast for Fr. Wilmot  
Sunday, January 6, at St Bernard's  
after the 10am Mass**

## Religious Education

**Regular Classes:** Wednesday, January 2

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



**Follow us on Facebook:** Search 'St Bernie & Bridgie's Youth Group'

## St Bridget

**Adoration Notice:** There will be no Adoration on New Year's Eve, December 31

## St Bernard

**Baptism:** Blessings to Wesley Martin Loge and Elaine Donna Loge, son and daughter of Kevin & Marissa, as they received this holy sacrament.

**Adoration Notice:** There will be no Adoration on Tuesday, January 1. Adoration will resume Wednesday, January 2 at 6am.

**Cemetery Support:** St. Bernard, St. Bridget & Woodlawn Cemeteries are serving as a final resting place for family and friends. During this season of giving, please consider a financial contribution toward the continued upkeep and maintenance of these beautiful cemeteries. Checks can be made out to whichever cemetery you wish and sent to the parish office. We will make sure your gift goes to the proper account.

**Adult Choir:** Music ministry Sundays, January 6, 13, & 20. Practice at 8:50am.

## Around the Area

**Mugs & Muffins:** All women are invited to this social event on Saturday, January 12 from 9:30-11am in the fellowship hall at St John's Lutheran Church, Stewartville. Bring a mug! Muffins and pastries, coffee, tea and hot chocolate will be provided. There will also be door prizes. This is primarily an opportunity for women to get together, share with one another and maybe make a new friend. Join us and bring a friend--women from the community are most certainly invited. St. John's Ladies Aid is hosting the event.

## Kiddie Corner



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