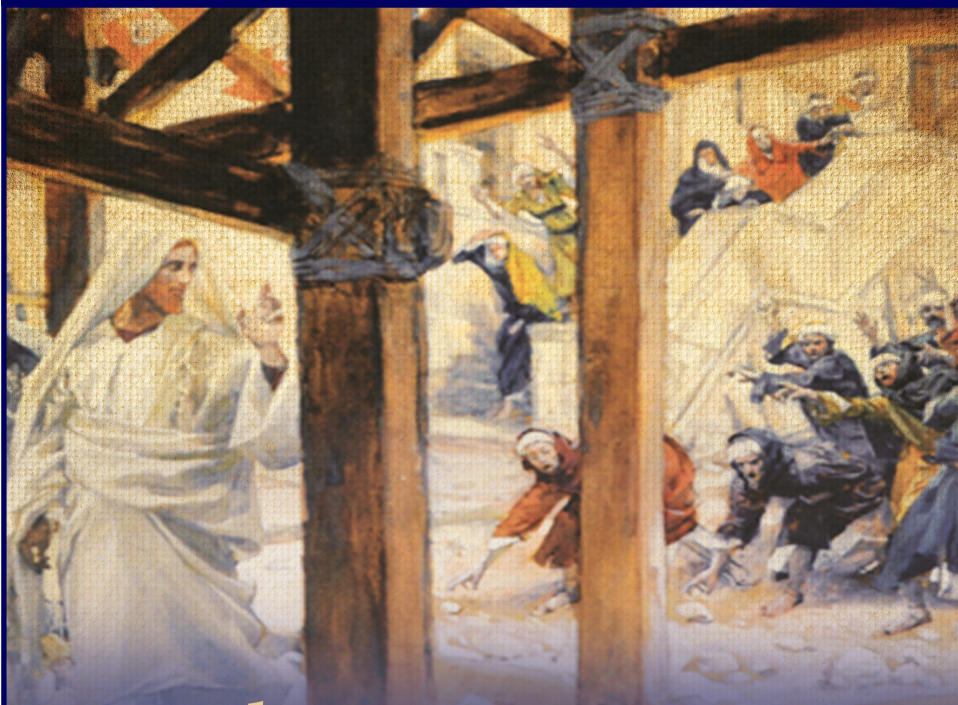


CHURCH OF SAINT BERNARD

1160 WOODBRIDGE STREET • SAINT PAUL, MN 55117
One block west of Rice Street on Geranium Avenue

AUGUST 18, 2019



20th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“There is a baptism with which I must be baptized, and how great is my anguish until it is accomplished!” - Lk 12:50

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1970 CCD.

Anointing of the Sick & Communion for the Sick & Homebound

Please call the Parish Office to make arrangements with Fr. Ivan

Baptism of Infants

It is recommended that parents who wish to present their child for Baptism make arrangements several months before the date with the priests.

Marriage Preparation

Couples anticipating Christian Marriage need to contact the Parish Office at least six months prior to the wedding date they desire. After a pre-nuptial interview with a priest, a specific date will be set. Marriage preparation classes are required.

Parish Staff

Pastor

Reverend Ivan Sant

Associate Priest

Reverend Joseph Kureh

Parish Administrator

Ryan Thornton

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Gloria Nava

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Internship Program

David Neira

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Parish Office

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Hours: Monday-Friday 8:30 am - 3:00 pm

Website: www.stbernardstpaul.org

Mass Schedule

Saturday 8:30 am & 4:00 pm & 7pm (NeoCatechumenate)

Sunday at 8:00 & 10:30 am & 2pm (Spanish)

Weekday Monday-Saturday - Mass at 8:30 am

Confessions

Mondays after the 8:30 am Mass

Saturdays 3:15pm and after the 4:00 Mass

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament:

Holy Hour Every Thursday from 6pm-7pm

A WORD FROM FR. IVAN

From Pope Francis on today's Gospel.

Dear Brothers and Sisters, Good morning!

The Gospel for this Sunday (Lk 12:49-53) is part of Jesus' teachings to the disciples during his journey to Jerusalem, where death on the cross awaits him. To explain the purpose of his mission, he takes three images: *fire*, *baptism* and *division*. Today I wish to talk about the first image: *fire*.

Jesus expresses it with these words: "I came to cast fire upon the earth; and would that it were already kindled!" (v. 49). The *fire* that Jesus speaks of is the fire of the Holy Spirit, the presence living and working in us from the day of our Baptism. It — the fire — is a creative force that purifies and renews, that burns all human misery, all selfishness, all sin, which transforms us from within, regenerates us and makes us able to love. Jesus wants the Holy Spirit to blaze like fire in our heart, for it is only from the heart that the fire of divine love can spread and advance the Kingdom of God. It does not come from the head, it comes from the heart. This is why Jesus wants fire to enter our heart. If we open ourselves completely to the action of this fire which is the Holy Spirit, He will give us the boldness and the fervor to proclaim to everyone Jesus and his consoling message of mercy and salvation, navigating on the open sea, without fear.

In fulfilling her mission in the world, the Church — namely all of us who make up the Church — needs the Holy Spirit's help so as not to let herself be held back by fear and by calculation, so as not to become accustomed to walking inside of safe borders. These two attitudes lead the Church to be a functional Church, which never takes risks. Instead, the apostolic courage that the Holy Spirit kindles in us like a fire helps us to overcome walls and barriers, makes us creative and spurs us to get moving in order to walk even on uncharted or arduous paths, offering hope to those we meet. With this fire of the Holy Spirit we are called to become, more and more, communities of people who are guided and transformed, full of understanding; people with expanded hearts and joyful faces. Now more than ever there is need for priests, consecrated people and lay faithful, with the attentive gaze of an apostle, to be moved by and to pause before hardship and material and spiritual poverty, thus characterizing the journey of evangelization and of the mission with the healing cadence of closeness. It is precisely the fire of the Holy Spirit that leads us to be neighbours to others, to the needy, to so much human misery, to so many problems, to refugees, to displaced people, to those who are suffering.

At this moment I am thinking with admiration especially of the many priests, men and women religious and lay faithful who, throughout the world, are dedicated to proclaiming the Gospel with great love and faithfulness, often even at the cost of their lives. Their exemplary testimony reminds us that the Church does not need bureaucrats and diligent officials, but passionate missionaries, consumed by ardour to bring to everyone the consoling word of Jesus and his grace. This is the fire of the Holy Spirit. If the Church does not receive this fire, or does not let it inflame her, she becomes a cold or merely lukewarm Church, incapable of giving life, because she is made up of cold and lukewarm Christians. It will do us good today to take five minutes to ask ourselves: "How is my heart? Is it cold? Is it lukewarm? Is it capable of receiving this fire?". Let us take five minutes for this. It will do everyone good.

Let us ask the Virgin Mary to pray with us and for us to the Heavenly Father, that he dispense upon all believers the Holy Spirit, the divine flame which warms hearts and helps us to be in solidarity with the joys and the sufferings of our brothers and sisters. May we be sustained on our journey by the example of St Maximilian Kolbe, martyr of charity, whose feast day is today: may he teach us to live the fire of love for God and for our neighbour.

† Mass Intentions †

Saturday August 17

8:30 am

4:00 pm † Shirley Gartner

Sunday August 18 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 am

10:30 am †

2:00pm (Spanish)

Monday August 19

8:30am

† Linda Johnson

Tuesday August 20

8:30am

† Jeanne Weiss

Wednesday August 21

8:30 am

† Merle Zechneuster

Thursday August 22

8:30 am

† Harry Churchill

Friday August 23

8:30 am

† Robert K. Kujawa

Saturday August 24

8:30 am

4:00 pm † Irene Charpentier

Sunday August 25 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 am † LaVonne Solar & Margaret Rinehart

10:30 am

2:00pm (Spanish)

Prayer Line

Please call Shirley at (651) 488-6330

Mass Readings for the

Week of August 18th :

Sunday: Jer 38:4-6,8-10/Heb 12:1-4/Lk 12:49-53

Monday: Jgs 2:11-19/Mt 19:16-22

Tuesday: Jgs 6:11-24a/Mt 19:23-30

Wednesday: Jgs 9:6-15/Mt 20:1-16

Thursday: Jgs 11:29-39a/Mt 22:1-14

Friday: Ru 1:1,3-6,14b-16,22/Mt 22:34-40

Saturday: Rv 21:9b-14/Jn 1:45-51

Sunday: Is 66:18-21/Heb 12:5-7,11-13/Lk 13:22-30



Weekly Collection

<u>Weekly-Sunday</u> 8/11/19	Actual	Budget
Envelope Income	\$5,402	\$4,612
Plate	688	360
Gas/Lights	61	125
Campus Repair	140	70
<u>Year to Date:</u>		
Envelope Income	\$28,727	\$27,672
Plate	4,598	2,160
Gas/Lights	800	750
Campus Repair	668	420

Capital Campaign Update

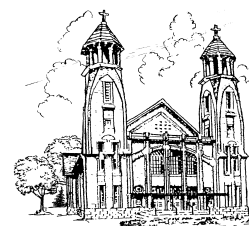
We have reached our goal of pledges to cover the restoration of the bell tower! Extra donations are accepted. If you have made a pledge to donate to this cause, please keep up on your scheduled payments.

Note: The "Total Pledge" amount has been increased to account for all pledges. Thus, the "Amount Remaining" has been affected by the corresponding amount.

Total Pledges: **\$920,298**

Payments to date: **\$776,418**

Amount Remaining: **\$143,880**



Parish News & Events

No Friendship Sundays in July and August.

Please pray for the sick and homebound

Mary Nordine	Margaret Datko
Lloyd Anderson	Lorraine Eheim
Devra Shepherd	Yur Reh
J. Harringer	Bernice Labarre
George Soloer	Manuela Llamas



First Day of Class: Sunday, September 15
 Registration Days: Sundays after Mass
 At the Parish Office: Office time 9am-3pm
 (registration at the parish office)
Parents Meeting Fr. Ivan.
 on August 23 at 7pm for parents of children in
 the elementary school.

PENNIES IN THE PARK

A huge thanks to all those that donated to
 Pennies For The Park! The collections raised
\$1,048.99 that will be used to offset the cost of the
 picnic.



Holy Hour

Every Thursday from 6—7pm
In the Church

FALL SWEEPSTAKES

This year's sweepstakes tickets with a top prize of \$1,000 have been mailed out. You should have received your sweepstakes tickets. If you have not received them or would like more, please contact the parish office at 651.488.6733. Completed sweepstakes tickets can be turned into the parish office or placed in an envelope marked "sweepstakes" and put into the weekly collection basket. Drawing will be **September 8th** at the end of the picnic. Tickets will also be available at the picnic until the drawing.

Wedding Banns II
Boe Reh And Kateri Lee

Bible Study starts up again in September

The Sunday morning and Thursday evening groups will be studying The Acts Of the Apostles, a Jeff Cavins-led DVD study.

The **Thursday** study is starting Sept. 12 and will meet in the **Parish Office** every other week from 6-8pm. This Thursday group will end for the "year" in late January or early February, having completed the first half of the 20 sessions study.

The **Sunday** morning study is continuing this study which they began last year. They meet most Sunday mornings, 9:15 to 10:15 am, in the **Parish Center**, starting on Sept. 15. The Sunday group will reach the end of the Acts study in February.

Sign up is easy! If you'd like to purchase the study materials, the cost is \$36. This price includes your personal study guide along with access to the video lessons on-line at Ascension Press. Participants who purchased an Acts study guide last year will not need to purchase a guide this year.

Please see the display in the church vestibule for more information and instructions on signing up. Contact Elizabeth Doherty at 651-387-9500 or at steelikat@polsons.net with questions.

You're Invited!!
St. Bernard's Parish Picnic
Sunday September 8
At Como Park

1199 Midway Parkway (Como & Midway Parkway)

Mass at 10am
Lunch served immediately after Mass

The picnic is quickly nearing and preparation is at full steam! Due to long food lines the past few years, we are planning to have two serving lines this year to speed up the serving line.

Entertainment this year will include:

- a magician (Magic Bob),**
- face painters,**
- treat walk (similar to cake walk),**
- spin art,**
- inflatable obstacle course for smaller kids and**
- inflatable obstacle course for older kids and**
- adults.**

We are looking forward to seeing you there! A flyer and bulletin page will be inserted in coming weeks.

Archdiocesan Women's Retreat

Date: Saturday, September 28

Time: 8:30 a.m. Registration, followed by 9 a.m. Mass and a light breakfast at 9:30 a.m. **End Time:** 3 p.m.

Location: Church of the Epiphany, Coon Rapids

Living Grace: Seeing the Extraordinary in the Ordinary

The Archdiocesan Women's Retreat includes a Mass with Bishop Cozzens, light breakfast, great keynote speakers, lunch, time for fellowship with other Catholic women, Adoration and Reconciliation. Prayer teams will also be available.

Speakers:

Dia Boyle, *Healing the Culture through Friendship and Hospitality*

Nell O'Leary, *Our Perfect Mother: Why We Need the Blessed Virgin*

Father Brian Park, *Living a Liturgical Life*