

CHURCH OF SAINT BERNARD

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

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OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

“Come, you who are blessed by my Father. Inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world.” - Mt 25:34

“Vengan, benditos de mi Padre; tomen posesión del Reino preparado para ustedes desde la creación del mundo”. - Mt 25, 34

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Anointing of the Sick & Communion for the Sick & Homebound

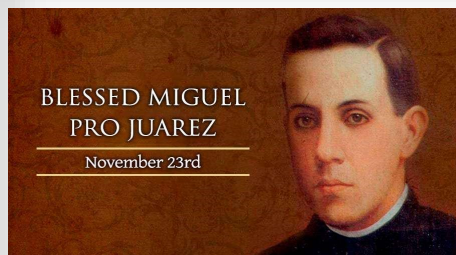
Please call the Parish Office to make arrangements with Fr. Ivan

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.



A Word from Fr. Ivan

Today the Church celebrates the Solemnity of Christ the King of the Universe – the last Sunday of the liturgical year. It was instituted in 1925 by Pope Pius XI. The First paragraph of Quas Primus, the encyclical letter promulgating the feast-day, summarizes the situation we are living in the world even today: “As long as individuals and states refuse to submit to the rule of our Savior, there would be no really hopeful prospect of a lasting peace among nations.” How true! Society has apostatized from the True Faith, and after rejecting Christ, it is readily accepting a form of totalitarianism, which Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI aptly called, “The Dictatorship of Relativism.”

Lately we have also had to face an ever-growing number of terror attacks, both locally and internationally. Many people remark that it is becoming ever more dangerous to even walk out of the door. Meanwhile, the number of people who find no purpose in life and end their lives voluntarily keep on rising.

Yet, even in the midst of rampant confusion and fear, there is hope. It is a theological virtue because, along with faith and charity, it comes from God. It has often been said that you can tell the faith of a people by the zeal of its shepherds. Miguel A. Pro (1891-1927) remains a shining example of priestly fervor and love of Christ, the King of the Universe. He was a young Mexican priest who after his ordination in Belgium served his people in Mexico during a fierce persecution of the Catholic Church. Trumped up accusations were fabricated against him, and he was condemned to be executed on November 23, 1927.



Pictures of the execution were taken, because government officials wanted to show the international media how cowardly priests would act when faced with imminent death. However, Father Pro very bravely stepped up before the firing squad, rejected the blindfold he was offered, forgave his executioners, stretched out his arms and boldly shouted, “Viva Cristo Rey!” (Long live Christ the King!). Then he was riddled with bullets. The volley of gunfire did not kill him, so a single shot was fired into his temple. Because he had faced death so bravely, there was an order to suppress the execution photos, but some of them got out, including the two reproduced here: one taken the morning of his execution (top left), and the other just a few seconds before Fr. Miguel gave up his life. The funeral for Father Pro was huge, with people openly praying the rosary and shouting “Viva Cristo Rey!” as the procession passed through the streets, at a time when any form of public manifestation of the faith was absolutely forbidden in Mexico.

Yet Fr. Miguel Pro was not the only person to demonstrate such fearless faith. A movie released six years ago, “For Greater Glory,” recounts the struggle of several Christians (called Cristeros) who stood up to the tyranny that sought to undermine the Catholic Church. Particularly fascinating is the witness of Jose’ Sanchez del Rio (pictured left). He was 14 years old when he witnessed to the execution of his pastor, St. Christopher Magalles. He told his mother, “In order to go to Heaven, we have to go to war.” He begged her to permit him to accompany the Cristeros, saying “Never has it been so easy to obtain Heaven!”



Saint José Luis Sánchez del Río
Cristero Martyr
1913 - 1928
Canonized a Saint
on 16 October 2016
Memorial - 10 February
(Anniversary Date of His Martyrdom)

After being captured by the government troops, neither cruel torture, nor the presence of his mother at the moment of his execution, nor the pleas of his baptismal godfather begging him to deny the Faith and be freed, swayed him from his resolve to remain steadfast in his love of Jesus Christ. As Jose’ walked towards his grave, after having the soles of his feet sliced off to compound his sufferings, he cried out Viva Cristo Rey. Pope Francis canonized this amazing young man two years ago. The blood of these martyrs, both laity and clergy, continues to beautify the Church and calls many others to follow their lead.

Long Live Christ the King!

† Mass Intentions †

Saturday November 21 The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

8:30am † Nanette Hilgert

4:00 pm † Leona Tacik

Sunday November 22 Christ King of the Universe

8:00 am Thanksgiving

10:30 am † Maria Reinhardt

2:00 pm Parish

Monday November 23

8:30am Thanksgiving

Tuesday November 24

8:30am † Nanette Hilgert

6:30pm (Spanish)

Wednesday November 25

8:30am Phil Buettner

Thursday November 26

8:30am † Anna Elli

Friday November 27

8:30am † Nanette Hilgert

6:30pm (Spanish) †

Saturday November 28

8:30am † Nanette Hilger

4:00 pm † Tom Tacik

Sunday November 29 1st Sunday of Advent

8:00 am Rick Zech

10:30 am † Nanette Hilgert

2:00 pm Parish

Prayer Line Please call

Shirley Collett at (651) 488-6330

Judy Cloutier at (651) 224-2966



Weekly Collection

<u>Weekly Collection</u>	<u>Last Week's Contributions</u>	Budget
Envelope Income	\$3,607	\$4,731
Plate	846	581
Gas/Lights	17	125
Campus Repair	15	70
<u>Year to Date:</u>		
Envelope Income	\$87,757	\$94,620
Plate	15,680	11,620
Gas/Lights	1,546	2,500
Campus Repair	886	1,400

NOTICE ON GIVING VIA CREDIT/DEBIT CARD OR BY CHECK:

We have implemented a new way giving to our parish through online, on our website www.stbernardstpaul.org.

with a **credit or debit card**, you can make a donation on the window on our parish website entitled "**Donation to our Parish**". At this window there is also an option to set up **recurring direct deposits** on a weekly or monthly basis.

Capital Campaign Update

Total Pledges: \$920,298

Payments to date: \$849,169

Amount Remaining: \$ 71,129



Boiler repair funds collected: \$34,536

Please pray for the sick and homebound

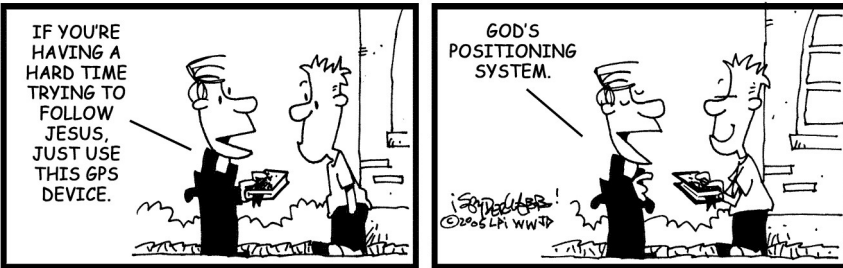
Mary Nordine
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Theresa Griffith
Devra Shepherd
J. Harringer
Steve Lauinger

Margaret Datko
Lorraine Eheim
Bernice Labarre
Yur Reh
Delores Schloesser



Parish News

CHRIST THE KING



Archdiocesan Day of Prayer and Fasting Against the Sin of Racism

Will be observed on December 2. We will offer mass for against the sin of racism at 8:30am.

You can follow the prayer service at the Cathedral at 7pm celebrated by Archbishop Hebda and feature guest homilist Fr. Prentice Tipton, rector of the Cathedral of Mary of the Assumption in Saginaw, MI.

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Year of St. Joseph

Begin on Tuesday, December 8, 2020, the 150' anniversary of Blessed Pius IX' s declaration of St. Joseph as the Universal Patron of the Church.

Mass will be celebrated at the Cathedral of St. Paul at 7: 00 a.m. and all would be welcome to participate, whether in-person or virtually (the Mass will be live -streamed and available at the Archdiocese' s Events page). In the course of the Mass, we will be offering a special prayer consecrating the Archdiocese to St. Joseph, especially in this second year of our Synod preparations.

NE-SC Block Nurse Program - NES-CBNP - Home

The North End-South Como Block Nurse Program is a non-profit resource for seniors residing in District 6 and the Frogtown Neighborhood north of University Avenue and east of Dale Street in St. Paul, MN. We are dedicated to helping our senior neighbors remain happy, healthy and at home rather than early nursing home placement. " I couldn't stay in my home without you"

Thanksgiving meal delivered to seniors in our neighborhood on November 25th. Please contact the Block nurse program in this information.

  **Contact Us**

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Archdiocesan Synod News

Praying with the Scriptures. You can follow 4 videos about praying with the scriptures on the archdiocese website <https://www.archspm.org/synod/>

New HEALING AND HOPE SERIES—Date: October 18 - November 15 (Livestreams Tuesdays beginning October 20 at 7 p.m.) **Location:** Online and on [Facebook](#) and [YouTube](#)

It is a virtual five-part retreat grounds each person's fundamental identity as a beloved child of God. Yet each has experienced wounds that bind. This retreat explores how to unbind these knots through the intercession of Our Lady, Un-doer of Knots, and open these wounds to the Sacred Heart of Jesus. Encountering Jesus' love and mercy brings healing and hope.

For more information, visit: www.archspm.org/healing-and-hope-series/





Prayer of Thanksgiving Day

O God, when I have food, help me to remember the hungry;
When I have work, help me to remember the jobless;
When I have a home, help me to remember those who have no home at all;
When I am without pain, help me to remember those who suffer,
And remembering, help me to destroy my complacency;
bestir my compassion, and be concerned enough to help;
By word and deed, those who cry out for what we take for granted.
Amen.