

# CHURCH OF SAINT BERNARD

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

**MAY 9, 2021**



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Parish Life at St. Bernard's Catholic  
Church, St. Paul, MN



## 6<sup>th</sup> Sunday OF EASTER

### 6º DOMINGO DE PASCUA

“It was not you who chose me, but I who chose you and appointed you to go and bear fruit that will remain.” - Jn 15:16A

“No son ustedes los que me han elegido, soy yo quien los ha elegido y los ha destinado para que vayan y den fruto.” - Jn 15, 16A

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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.

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

We honor today all our mothers living and deceased. I found a beautiful catechesis of Pope Francis, speaking about motherhood on a Wednesday Audience on January 7, 2015.

“Every human person owes his or her life to a mother, and almost always owes much of what follows in life, both human and spiritual formation, to her. Yet, despite being highly lauded from a symbolic point of view — many poems, many beautiful things said poetically of her — the mother is rarely listened to or helped in daily life, rarely considered central to society in her role. Rather, often the readiness of mothers to make sacrifices for their children is taken advantage of so as to ‘save’ on social spending.

It also happens that in Christian communities the mother is not always held in the right regard, she is barely heard. Yet the centre of the life of the Church is the Mother of Jesus. Perhaps mothers, ready to sacrifice so much for their children and often for others as well, ought to be listened to more. We should understand more about their daily struggle to be efficient at work and attentive and affectionate in the family; we should better grasp what they aspire to in order to express the best and most authentic fruits of their emancipation. A mother with her children always has problems, always work. I remember there were five of us children at home, and while one was doing one thing, the other wanted to do another, and our poor mama went back and forth from one’s side to another, but she was happy. She gave us so much.

“Mothers are the strongest antidote to the spread of self centered individualism. ‘Individual’ means ‘what cannot be divided’. Mothers, instead, ‘divide’ themselves, from the moment they bear a child to give him to the world and help him grow. It is they, mothers, who most hate war, which kills their children. Many times I have thought of those mothers who receive the letter: ‘I inform you that your son has fallen in defense of his homeland...’. The poor women! How a mother suffers! It is they who testify to the beauty of life. Archbishop Oscar Arnulfo Romero said that mothers experience a maternal martyrdom . . . ‘Yes, like it is given by a mother, who without fear and with the simplicity of the maternal martyrdom, conceives a child in her womb, gives birth to him, nurses him, helps them grow and cares for them with affection. She gives her life. That’s martyrdom’. End quote. Yes, being a mother doesn’t only mean bringing a child to the world, but it is also a life choice. What does a mother choose? What is the life choice of a mother? The life choice of a mother is the choice to give life. And this is great, this is beautiful.

“A society without mothers would be a dehumanized society, for mothers are always, even in the worst moments, witnesses of tenderness, dedication and moral strength. Mothers often pass on the deepest sense of religious practice: in a human being’s life, the value of faith is inscribed in the first prayers, the first acts of devotion that a child learns. It is a message that believing mothers are able to pass on without much explanation: these come later, but the seed of faith is those early precious moments. Without mothers, not only would there be no new faithful, but the faith would lose a good part of its simple and profound warmth. And the Church is mother, with all of this, she is our mother! We are not orphans, we have a mother! Our Lady, mother Church, is our mom. We are not orphans, we are children of the Church, we are children of Our Lady, and we are children of our mothers. Dearest mothers, thank you, thank you for what you are in your family and for what you give to the Church and the world. And to you, beloved Church, thank you, thank you for being mother. And to you, Mary, Mother of God, thank you for letting us see Jesus. And thank you for all the mammas present here: let us salute them with a round of applause.”

Wishing you a blessed Sunday and Happy Mother’s Day!

Fr. Ivan Sant

## † Mass Intentions †

### Saturday May 8

8:30pm † Lucy Soler  
4:00pm † Beverly Olriksen

### Sunday May 9 6th Sunday of Easter

8:00 am † Marie Zimitsch  
10:30 am † Ethel Gardner  
2:00 pm Parish

### Monday May 10 St. Damien de Veuster

8:30am † Leo McCormick & Elaine Mollner

### Tuesday May 11

8:30am † Marie Zimitsch  
6:30pm (Spanish)

### Wednesday May 12

8:30am † Marie Zimitsch & Elaine Mollner

### Thursday May 13 Our Lady of Fatima

8:30pm † Marie Zimitsch

### Friday May 14 St. Matthias, apostle

8:30 † Marilyn Redeske  
6:30pm Spanish

### Saturday May 15

8:30pm † Marie Zimitsch  
4:00pm † Marie Zimitsch

### Sunday May 16 Tje

8:00 am † Marie Zimitsch  
10:30 am † John Van Delac  
2:00 pm Parish

### Prayer Line Please call

Shirley Collett at (651) 488-6330  
Judy Cloutier at (651) 224-2966

## WEEKLY READINGS

Readings for the week of May 9th, 2021

**Sunday:** Acts 10:25-26,34-35,44-48/1 Jn 4:7-10/Jn 15:9-17

**Monday:** Acts 16:11-15/Jn 15:26-16:4a

**Tuesday:** Acts 16:22-34/Jn 16:5-11

**Wednesday:** Acts 17:15,22-18:1/Jn 16 12-15

**Thursday:** Acts 1-11/Eph 1:17-28/Jn 16:15-20

**Friday:** Acts 1:15-17,20-26/Jn 15:9-17

**Saturday:** Acts 18:23-28/Jn 16:23b-28

**Next Sunday:** Acts 1:15-17/1 Jn 1:11-16/Jn 17:11b-19

### Weekly Collection

	<u>Last Week's Contributions</u>	Budget
Envelope Income	\$6,070	\$4,731
Plate	1,563	581
Gas/Lights	161	125
Campus Repair	73	70
<u>Year to Date:</u>		
Envelope Income	\$203,117	\$208,164
Plate	41,215	25,564
Gas/Lights	3,747	5,500
Campus Repair	2,478	3,080



## Capital Campaign Update

Total Pledges: \$920,298  
Payments to date: \$867,093  
Amount Remaining: \$ 53,205



Building repair fund \$65,535.

Thanks for all the donations we have received from January 1, 2021 to continue repair our buildings and proceed with the Projects ahead of us. Such as:

Grade School Building Tuck Pointing

Church Skyline and Bell Tower Waterproofing.

Church Circle renewal to repair the water mitigation and surface and renovation of the bowling lanes. More information will be coming up.

## Please pray for the sick and homebound

MaryAnn Nordine	Margaret Datko
Lorraine Eheim	Theresa Griffith
Bernice Labarre	Devra Shepherd
Yur Reh	J. Harringer
Delores Schloesser	Steve Lauinger





## Easter Time Catechesis



for Youth and Adults  
Every Tuesday and Friday  
@ 7PM  
At St Bernard's Parish  
Center

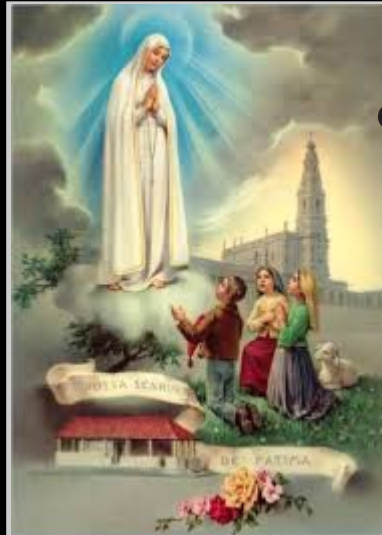
### New Video Study begins Sunday, April 25 and Thursday, April 29:

Join us for a 10 week study on the early Church (the first 500 years). We will hear of courageous saints, brilliant philosophers, eloquent theologians, ruthless emperors, and heroic martyrs. Epic: The Early Church will show us how the Church Fathers boldly confronted early challenges to the Faith, we'll learn the stories behind the first ecumenical councils and the Roman persecutions, and meet many of the people who gave their lives to defend the Faith. A \$25 workbook can be purchased that will also give you access on-line to the video lessons. The study will be held between the Sunday Masses in the Parish Center, 9 to 10:15 am, and will be repeated on Thursdays starting April 29, 6:00 to 7:30 pm. Please see the display in the vestibule for sign-up information or contact Elizabeth Doherty at 651-387-9500.

### Drive Thru Free Store

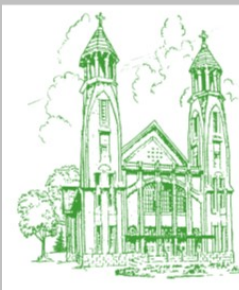
This Sunday from 9 to 11am we will have our Free Store in the form of drive thru same as last month. In our Rose and Rice Street Parking lot.

## Parish News



Our Lady of Fatima  
Feast day

May 13



## St . Bernard's Recreational Soccer

Recreational Soccer for children from ages 5-15 years.  
Every Saturday starting on June 5th from 9am - 2pm  
Age Group Categories 5-6 year old @ 9am  
7-8 year old @10am  
9-10 year old @11am  
11-12 year old @12pm  
13-15 year old @ 1pm

Registration are available after the 10:30am and 2pm Masses



## CHOOSING TO LOVE ONE ANOTHER

Love one another. The greatest commandment, the simplest commandment — and if you've ever loved anyone, you know it's also the hardest.

I'm man enough to admit it. I've seen one or two of those cheesy Hallmark movies that are especially popular around the holidays. Boy meets Girl. Boy and Girl encounter a catastrophic roadblock to their relationship — they're coaches of rival high school volleyball teams, or he runs a dog kennel and she works at a feline rescue, so it could never, ever work out, right? But sprinkle a little movie magic over the whole situation and Boy and Girl find what Hallmark tells us is true love.

I could make a list of all the things that are inaccurate about these movies, and something I would put right near the top — maybe even above the sometimes-unbelievable storylines — is the idea that love is a feeling.

See, I'm not sure if it's accurate to call these movies love stories. Attraction stories, sure. But if you've ever forgiven someone who's hurt you, nursed a dying parent, gotten up for an infant's night feeding or let your kid have the last piece of cake, you know that real love is a verb. It's something you do. And it is almost always a choice.

Love one another. How often do we hear this? How often do we think about what it really means? How often do we take a moment to consider the action Jesus is asking us to take and the choice he is asking us to make?

—Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

## WHAT IS THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN A “SAINT” AND A “BLESSED”?

The process of proclaiming someone as a saint in the Catholic Church has evolved over the course of many centuries. In the beginning, those honored as saints were almost exclusively biblical figures or martyrs. However, after the legalization of Christianity in the fourth century, new holy women and men came to be honored as saints, and this was often done by popular acclaim or by the local bishop or abbot.

It was Pope Gregory IX (who was pope from 1227 to 1241) who officially proclaimed that only the pope had the authority to add someone to the official list (the “canon”) of saints. This is the meaning of the word “canonization.”

Today, the saint-making process includes several steps, including detailed studies of the person's life and a recognition that they died as a martyr or lived a life of “heroic virtue.” Once someone is recognized as a martyr or if a miracle is attributed to their intercession, they will be beatified and honored as “Blessed.” This means that they can be celebrated

by Catholics in a particular country or region or by the members of certain religious community. If another miracle occurs and is approved, then the “Blessed” is canonized and honored with the title “Saint,” meaning that they are now officially recognized as a universal model of holiness and an intercessor.



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