

# CHURCH OF SAINT BERNARD

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

**MAY 16, 2021**



## Parish Staff

### Pastor

**Reverend Ivan Sant**

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## Parish Office

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

## *The Ascension* OF THE LORD ASCENSIÓN DEL SEÑOR

But they went forth and preached everywhere, while the  
Lord worked with them and confirmed the word through  
accompanying signs. - Mk 16: 20

Y el Señor actuaba con ellos y confirmaba su predicación con  
los milagros que hacían. - Mc 16, 20B

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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.

From Pope Francis on the Ascension,

Today, is the Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord is being celebrated. This Solemnity embraces two elements. On the one hand it directs our gaze *toward heaven*, where the glorified Jesus is seated at the right hand of God (cf. Mk 16:19). On the other, it reminds us of the *mission of the Church*: why? Because Jesus, Risen and Ascended into heaven, sends his disciples to spread the Gospel throughout the world. Therefore, the Ascension exhorts us to lift our gaze toward heaven, in order to return it immediately to the earth, to implement the tasks that the Risen Lord entrusts to us.

It is what we are invited to do in the day's Gospel passage, in which the event of the Ascension occurs immediately after the mission that Jesus entrusts to the disciples. It is a boundless mission — that is, literally without boundaries — which surpasses human strength. Jesus says, in fact: “Go into all the world and preach the Gospel to the whole creation” (Mk 16:15). The task which Jesus entrusts to a small group of common men lacking great intellectual capacity seems truly too bold! Yet this small company, insignificant compared to the great powers of the world, is sent to bring the message of Jesus' love and mercy to every corner of the earth.

But this plan of God can be accomplished only with the strength that God himself grants to the Apostles. In this sense, Jesus assures them that their mission will be supported by the Holy Spirit. And he says this: “you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria and to the end of the earth” (Acts 1:8). This is how this mission was able to be accomplished, and the Apostles began this work which was then continued by their successors. The mission that Jesus entrusted to the Apostles has continued through the centuries, and continues still today: it requires the cooperation of all of us. Each one, in fact, by the power of the Baptism that he or she received, is qualified in turn to proclaim the Gospel. Baptism is precisely what qualifies us and also spurs us to be missionaries, to proclaim the Gospel.

The Lord's Ascension into heaven, while inaugurating a new form of Jesus' presence among us, calls us to keep eyes and hearts open to encounter him, to serve him and bear witness to him to others. It is a matter of being men and women of the Ascension, that is, those who seek Christ along the paths of our time, bringing his word of salvation to the ends of the earth. On this journey we encounter Christ himself in our brothers and sisters, especially in the poorest, in those who suffer in their very flesh the harsh and humiliating experience of old and new forms of poverty. As at the beginning the Risen Christ sent his Apostles with the power of the Holy Spirit, so too does he send all of us today, with the same power, so as to establish concrete and visible signs of hope. Because Jesus gives us hope. He went to heaven and opened the gates of heaven and the hope that we will reach it.

May the Virgin Mary who, as Mother of the dead and Risen Lord, enlivened the faith of the first community of disciples, help us too to “lift up our hearts”, as the Liturgy exhorts us to do. And at the same time may she help us to keep our “feet on the ground”, and to bravely sow the Gospel in the practical situations of life and of history.



## † Mass Intentions †

### Saturday May 15

8:30pm † Marie Zimitsch

4:00pm † Marie Zimitsch

### Sunday May 16 Ascension

8:00 am † Marie Zimitsch

10:30 am John Van Delac

2:00 pm Parish

### Monday May 17

8:30am † Helen White & †Elaine Mollner

### Tuesday May 18 St. John I, Pope

8:30am † Marie Zimitsch

6:30pm (Spanish)

### Wednesday May 19

8:30am † Marie Zimitsch & †Elaine Mollner

### Thursday May 20 St. Bernardine of Siena

8:30pm † Marie Zimitsch

### Friday May 21

8:30 † Marilyn Rediske & †Elaine Mollner

6:30pm Spanish

### Saturday May 22

8:30pm Dorothy Tschida

4:00pm † Melvin Loehlein & Family

### Sunday May 23 Pentecost

8:00 am † Robert Mc Guire

10:30 am † Marilyn Rediske

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 April 16, 2021

**Sunday:** Acts 1:1-11/Eph 1:17-23/Mk 16:15-20

**Monday:** Acts 19:1-8/Jn 16:29-33

**Tuesday:** Acts 20:17-27/Jn 17:1-11a

**Wednesday:** Acts 20:28-38/Jn 17:11b-19

**Thursday:** Acts 22:30,23:6-11/Jn 17:20-26

**Friday:** Acts 25:13b-21/Jn 21:15-19

**Saturday:** Acts 28:16-20,30-31/Jn 21:20-25

**Next Sunday:** Acts 2:1-11/1 Cor12:3b-7/Jn 20:19-23

### Weekly Collection

	<u>Last Week's Contributions</u>	Budget
Envelope Income	\$4,445	\$4,731
Plate	1,085	581
Gas/Lights	42	125
Campus Repair	37	70
<u>Year to Date:</u>		
Envelope Income	\$207,562	\$212,895
Plate	42,300	26,145
Gas/Lights	3,789	5,625
Campus Repair	2,478	3,150



## Capital Campaign Update

Total Pledges: \$920,298

Payments to date: \$867,093

Amount Remaining: \$ 53,205



Building repair fund \$65,970

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

## SAINT MEMORIALS THIS WEEK

Saint Bernardine of Siena, May 20- (lived 8 September 1380 – 20 May 1444) was an Italian priest and [Franciscan](#) missionary. He is also referred to as "the Apostle of Italy" - for his efforts to revive the country's Catholic faith during the 15th century.



## JOYFUL WITNESS



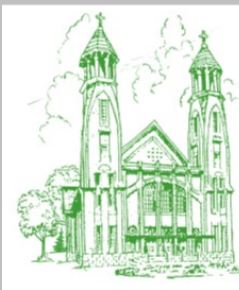
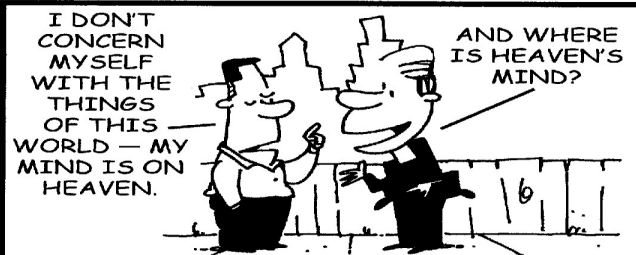
New Video Study begins Sunday, April 25 and Thursday, April 29:

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.

Saint Rita of Cascia, May 22- (lived 1381 – 22 May 1457) was an [Italian](#) widow and [Augustinian nun](#). [Pope Leo XIII canonized](#) Rita on 24 May 1900. At her canonization ceremony, she was bestowed the title of *Patroness of Impossible Causes*.



## ASCENSION



## 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





## 2021 1st Communions

Congratulations to all our candidates

Thanks also for their catechists.

Steve Polsen, Elizabeth Doherty, Jason Hernandez, Angel and Patricia Hernandez, Miriam Omana

