

St. Bernard Roman Catholic Church

We are called to proclaim and celebrate the Good News. Evangelizing and supporting for the faith journey of every age at every stage is our commitment.

1160 Woodbridge Street, St. Paul. MN 55117

TWENTY FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
September 11, 2022



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WEEKDAY MASSES: Mon—Sat 8:30 AM

WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday 4PM, and 7PM (Neo-catechumenal way – In Grade School)

Sunday 8:00 AM, 10:30 AM & 12:30 PM Spanish

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE: FRIDAY 6:15 PM—6:45 PM during Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament & Sat 3:15—3:45 PM, or by appointment.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE: Please call the office to arrange for a meeting with a priest 6 months prior to your wedding date.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM: Please call the office to arrange for a meeting with a priest 2 months prior to the Sacrament. Baptism is celebrated every 4th Saturday of the month @ 12 Noon.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK: : Please call the office to arrange for an anointing.
For new parishioners, registration forms are available at our website & in parish office.



SATURDAY VIGIL MASS

4:00 pm + Cliff & Irene Charpentier

24th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, September 11

8:00 am + James Prifrel
10:30 am Tanya Townsen
12:30 pm (Spanish) + Mary Mercado

MONDAY, September 12

The Most Holy name of Mary

8:30 am + Greta Thompson

TUESDAY, September 13

St. John Chrysostom, Bishop & Doctor of the Church

8:30 am Stephen Lauinger

WEDNESDAY, September 14

The Exaltation of the Holy Cross

8:30 am Stephen Lauinger

THURSDAY, September 15

Our Lady of sorrows

8:30 am Stephen Lauinger

FRIDAY, September 16

Sts. Cornelius, Pope & Cyprian, Bishop

8:30 am + Marie Goering

SATURDAY, September 17

8:30 am + Robert Kujawa

SATURDAY VIGIL MASS

4:00 pm + Gerald Sonny Morriseau

25th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, September 18

8:00 am + Floyd Heidderberger
10:30 am + Mercedes Nava
12:30 pm (Spanish) + Caroline Doss

**Blessed Sacrament Adoration is on Friday
at 6 pm to 7 pm with Sacrament of
confession available.**

Dear brothers and sisters,

This Sunday's liturgy brings to our consideration once again the mercy of God. Our God is a God who forgives and takes delight in the conversion of a single sinner. In the first reading Moses interceded with God to save his people, and God listens to him. The chosen people had strayed from the Covenant even while Moses was conversing with God on the top of Mount Sinai. Moses makes no attempt to excuse the sin of the people. He relies instead on the ancient promises of the Lord and his great mercy. Many centuries later, St. Paul understood his personal experience in a similar light. He wrote to Timothy these words that we hear today: "Jesus Christ came into the world to save sinners. And I am the foremost of sinners, but I received mercy for this reason, that in me as the foremost, Jesus Christ might display his perfect patience." We all share in this same experience. God never tires of forgiving us, of helping us to come closer to him.

In the gospel St. Luke relates Christ's parables about divine compassion. God is overjoyed at the recovery of a single sinner. The central figure in these parables is God himself. He does everything he can to recover those of his children who have gone astray. He is the Good Shepherd who goes out in search of the lost sheep. Once he has found it, he brings it home on his shoulders since it is exhausted and worn out. God is represented as the woman who, having lost the coin, sweeps the house in search of it.

Finally, he is seen as the loving father who goes out every day to await the return of his dissolute son. He strains his eyes to see if the newest figure on the horizon is his youngest son. Given the prospect of such heavenly delight, how can we fail to make the most of the sacrament of reconciliation? Should we not do our utmost to bring our family and friends to this sacrament? There they will discover their inner peace, their joy, their transcendent dignity. The incredible mercy of God should be our greatest motivation for repentance, even when we have wandered off a great distance. Before we manage to stretch out our hand for help, God is awaiting us.

Please call the parish office if you would like to add a name to our prayer list.

Prayer Line: Shirley Collett (651)488-6330;
Judy Cloutier at (651)224-2966

BAPTISMS

“In all truth I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born through water and the Spirit; what is born of flesh is flesh, and what is born of the spirit is spirit.”

**Next Baptism Class, Thursday Sep 22 @ 6:30pm
Baptism, Sat, Sep 25 at Noon**

Meetings will be held in the parish office.

SUNDAY COLLECTION

	<u>Last Week</u>	<u>Budget</u>
Sunday Envelopes	\$3,186	4,715
Plate	\$740	960
Gas & Lights	\$41	-
Campus Repairs	\$134	-
Building Repair Fund Total:		\$143,043

WE ARE GRATEFUL FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!!

E-Giving or auto-pay from your bank, helps our parish a lot. Please consider giving in this way!

SICK OR “HOMEBOUND”

If you are sick or “homebound” (or know someone who is), and would like to have Communion, please contact the parish office.

UPDATE ON OUR BOILER STACK PROJECT

The boilers are being cleaned and prepared for the installation of the new chimney stacks (one for each boiler). The stacks have arrived and the work is in process. We still need your help to raise money for this cause but mainly to keep this project in your prayers to complete before winter.

HUGE THANKS FOR FRANK BRUNS for leaving us some of his stock to our parish fund.

REMEMBER ST. BERNARD’S IN YOUR WILL

Do you have a will?

A wonderful way to help our parish and to save taxes is to remember St. Bernard’s in your will.

There is still plenty of work to be done in our church and also in the other buildings.

Jesus: The Way, the Truth, and the Life

Jesus is our savior, our redeemer, our Lord, and our God. Our belief in Jesus is what makes us who we are as Catholics, as Christians, but do we really know him as we should? Is Jesus a part of your life, or is he at the center of your life as he should be? We invite you to make him the center of your life by joining us for *Jesus: The Way, the Truth, and the Life*, a 54-week video study program that explores the entirety of Jesus’ life and what he means for us as Catholics today. Our parish will begin the study on Sunday Oct. 2 at 9:00 am, and repeat on Thursdays starting Oct. 6 at 6:00 pm, in the Parish Center (door #10). Participants will meet every week on Sundays, or every other week on Thursdays, to view an engaging video presentation by Marcellino D’Ambrosio, Jeff Cavins, and Edward Sri, followed by a lively group discussion and fellowship. For more information or to register, visit the display in the Church vestibule or contact Elizabeth at 651-387-9500 or steelikat@polsons.net. We hope you can join us!

The 2022 **Men’s Club Booya** will be held on **Saturday, September 17th**. As we did last year, we’ll be seeking lots of help cutting up vegetables and preparing the booya on Friday, September 16th. It was a lot of fun last year and we hope you can join us again.

Sign up now

Friday September 16

Noon-4pm – set up, prepare meat

6pm-10pm – cut veggies and assemble booya

10pm-6am – overnight simmer

Saturday September 17

6am-noon – Package and sell

Noon-2pm – Cleanup

Please sign up via email –

stevenj.griffith@gmail.com or phone – 612-751-6924

Many hands make light work. We look forward to spending time with you!

Save the Date – Mark Your Calendars!

Appreciation Gala Dinner with cocktail hour for Fr. Mark Moriarty on Friday, October 7th at 6:30 PM in the gym, tickets will be available to buy as individuals and as tables. Please join us to say thanks to Fr. Moriarty for being with us 6 months in the absence of the Pastor.