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

TWENTYNINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME October 16, 2022

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WEEKDAY MASSES: Mon—Sat 8:30 AM

WEEKEND MASSES

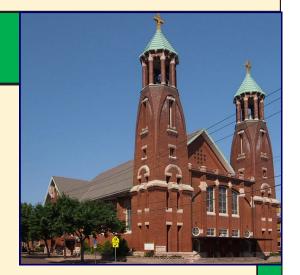
Saturday 4PM, and 7PM (Neo-catechumenal way – In Grade School)
Sunday 8:00 AM, 10:30 AM & 12:30 PM Spanish

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 BAPTSIM: Please call the office to arrange for a meeting with a priest 2months 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 pmMarion Kneissel7:00 pmStephen Lauinger

Friendship Sunday by Pastoral Council in the Parish Center. Please stop by to get something to eat & drink.

29th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, October 16

8:00 am Kujawa Family 10:30 am Valerie Mostrom 12:30 pm (Spanish) Stephen Lauinger

MONDAY, October 17

St. Ignatius of Antioch, Bishop & Martyr 8:30 am Modesto Romero

TUESDAY, October 18 St. Luke the Evangelist

8:30 am Felipe & Sabrina Bravo

WEDNESDAY, October 19 Sts. John de Brebeuf & Isaac Jogues & Companions, Martyrs

8:30 am + Mary Mercado

THURSDAY, October 20 St. Paul of the Cross

8:30 am + Ray Burg

FRIDAY, October 21

8:30 am + LeRoy & Anna Brinker

SATURDAY, October 22

8:30 am + Rose Bearth

SATURDAY VIGIL MASS

4:00 pm Edward Kneissel 7:00 pm Stephen Lauinger

30th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, October 23

8:00 am Lorraine Palmer 10:30 am Tom Thompson 12:30 pm (Spanish) Stephen Lauinger

THOSE WHO ARE INTERESTED TO RECEIVE THE CATHOLIC SPIRIT, PLEASE CONTACT THE PARISH OFFICE. THANK YOU!

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

The readings this week remind us of the importance of persevering prayer and not losing heart. The parable in the gospel points out to us to pray always and not give up. In the Christian life there are some actions that are performed only once, like the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Holy Orders. Other actions are repeated many times, such as forgiveness, understanding, and cheerfulness. They are actions which we need to repeat often, even in a given day. Among these repeated actions which are for the good of our soul is the need to pray. St. Augustine commenting on this gospel said, "When faith weakens our prayer withers." Faith is the fountain of prayer and a river cannot flow if its source is dried up. We can also say when we don't pray our faith withers. Our prayer needs to be continuous and trusting, like the prayer of Jesus Christ.

The first reading from the book of Exodus presents the Jews in battle with the Amalekites. Moses' prayer is heard by God as long as he keeps his arms raised. When he lowered his arms Israel started to lose. To keep praying Aaron and Hur supported Moses' arms, one on each side. They were thus able to keep Moses praying until sunset. What does this mean for me? That we cannot grow weary of prayer and we need to ask our friends to help us since on our own it is impossible. Jesus Christ wants to help us, but he also wants to see that we want to be helped. How often we complain to ourselves and to one another, and yet we don't ask God seriously for the things we need or we get tired after asking twice?

Let us resolve to pray as Moses did: with perseverance that nothing can shake, and at times with the help of our friends. A great deal depends on this. Did you try the prayer of the eyes, heart and hands? I found it very helpful and practical. We can also use this method to imagine what God wants us to do in our parish and in our ministries, that they ought to be a real community where people know one another and help one another and where gossip is not present. The Parish Council is working on ways to make this more of a reality. Let one of them know if you are willing to help!

Fr. Doss

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 Oct 20 @ 6:30pm Baptism, Sat 22nd at Noon

Meetings will be held in the parish office.

SUNDAY COLLECTION

	Last Week	<u>Budget</u>
Sunday Envelopes	\$2,832	4,715
Plate	\$888	962

Building Repair Fund Total: \$145,683

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.

DID YOU NOTICE THE NEW BOILER STACK?

The 1st boiler chimney stack is placed on the 1st boiler and this week will begin work on the 2nd stock. Hopefully the work will be completed before winter. Still we need your help to raise money for this cause but mainly keep this project in your prayers.

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.

NEED OF AN ACCOUNTANT

St. Bernard's parish needs an accountant to take care of our parish accounts. If you are an accountant or know of someone trustable please contact Fr. Doss. Thank you!

ALL SOULS NAMES

There is a binder available on the Altar of Mary & Joseph to write the names of the deceased of your loved ones 2021—2022 "I have found Heaven on earth, since Heaven is God, and God is my soul."

St. Elizabeth of the Trinity

UPCOMING ELECTION

"We need to participate for the common good. Sometimes we hear: a good Catholic is not interested in politics. This is not true: good Catholics immerse themselves in politics by offering the best of themselves so that the leader can govern." Pope Francis. As Catholics in this election you need to be sure the candidate's position on matters of Church teaching, especially human life issues are comparable to ours as Catholics. Also the comments of St. John Paul II in his encyclical below: are very prophetic. As he put it, "Today we see an extraordinary increase and gravity of threats to the life of individuals and peoples, especially where life is weak and defenseless. . . . The end result of this is tragic: not only is the fact of the destruction of so many human lives still to be born or in their final stage extremely grave and disturbing, but conscience itself, darkened as it were by such widespread conditioning, is finding it increasingly difficult to distinguish between good and evil."

WORLD MISSION SUNDAY

Pope Francis invites us to celebrate World Mission Sunday with the entire Church on the weekend of October 22/23. This year is very special as the society for the Propagation of the Faith is observing 200 years of supporting struggling dioceses worldwide. Pope Francis, in his 2022 World Mission Sunday message, affirms that, "Each baptized person is called to mission... "Please join our sisters and brothers in prayer and give what you are able, to support mission dioceses

throughout the world.

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