

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

SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
February 12, 2023

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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 Edward Kneissel
7:00 pm Steve Lauinger - healing

6th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, February 12

8:00 am + Richard Kortakaas
10:30 am + For the Souls in Purgatory
12:30 pm (Spanish) + Rev. Fr. Leonard F. Siebenaler

MONDAY, February 13

8:30 am Steve Lauinger (healing)

TUESDAY, February 14

Sts. Cyril, Monk & Methodius, Bishop

8:30 am + For the Souls in Purgatory

WEDNESDAY, February 15

8:30 am Steve Lauinger (healing)

THURSDAY, February 16

8:30 am + For the Souls in Purgatory

FRIDAY, February 17

The Seven Holy Founders of the Servite Order

8:30 am Steve Lauinger (healing)

SATURDAY, February 18

8:30 am + Barbara Dains

SATURDAY VIGIL MASS

4:00 pm Arvid Thompson
7:00 pm Steve Lauinger (healing)

7th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, February 19

8:00 am Steve Lauinger (healing)
10:30 am + Rev. Fr. Leonard F. Siebenaler
12:30 pm (Spanish) + Dearly Departed

ASH WEDNESDAY

**Masses: 8:30 AM & 6 PM in English
7 PM in Spanish**

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

**Every Friday: 5 PM in Karenni
6 PM in English & 6:30 PM in Spanish**



Dear Brothers and Sisters,

We have been speaking of love as we hear Jesus' words from his Sermon on the Mount. Moreover, he tells us not only to love your spouse and your brother and neighbor, but to love the one who is persecuting you, or riding you. He is telling you to love your enemy.

Last week you heard that a Christian is to be salt and light to the world, and this comes from Christ, not from ourselves. When you are truly salt and light you will really love people, preserve them from evil and light the path that takes them to God. There is someone in your life that you need to do that for; you need to figure out who that is. Bring that person to your prayer, at Mass, or after communion. God will show you what to do.

I invite you to read the whole of the Sermon on the Mount, especially if you have never done so. It is chapters' five to seven in the Gospel of Matthew; it is the Magna Carta of the Christian life.

The fifth commandment says not to kill. And Jesus says, "But I say to you, anyone who says to his brother, you fool, will be liable to the fiery Gehenna." The Ten Commandments before said not to murder but now I cannot get angry either. Actually, anger is not the problem; it is what you do with the anger. When the anger leads you to call your brother, or anyone, a fool then it means you are dismissing them; you think yourself better than them; you judge them. They are disposable. Gehenna was the city dump, perpetually on fire, and the place where you brought your garbage. When you talk trash about people, and treat others like trash, you will end up in a dump. Living your life in anger is hell.

Therefore, Jesus says if you are going to do something very important and holy, like bringing your gift to the altar, better to lay it aside and go and reconcile with your brother. Repair the damage. Don't make the excuse not to reconcile by saying I don't want to hurt that person. Deep down you don't want to hurt yourself. God does not want your sacrifices, he wants a person who forgives, who loves.

Jesus also speaks about adultery and telling the truth, two very big occasions of sin in our society today. And how can we change our hearts, which is where all these desires originate? First of all, get to know yourself so that you see what is in your heart. Humble yourself, or don't reject humiliations to rid your anger. And lastly, ask the Lord to help you, to remove from your heart what does not belong there. It is wonderful opportunity that the catechesis is going on our parish where the Lord is passing to give us His spirit.

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 Feb 23 @ 6:00pm
Baptism, Sun 26th at Noon

Meetings will be held in the parish office.

SUNDAY COLLECTION

	<u>Last Week</u>	<u>Budget</u>
Sunday Envelopes	\$2,795	4,654
Plate	\$1,062	962
Church Audio & Lighting	\$551	
Worship & Liturgy	\$1,377	
Building Repair Fund Donations Received:		\$169,815

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.

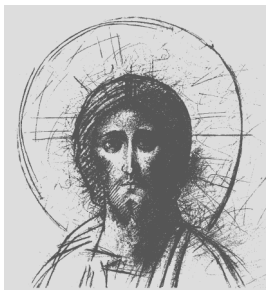
REMEMBER ST. BERNARD'S IN YOUR WILL

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.

CATECHESIS ON CHRISTIAN INITIATION

This week talks on Monday and Thursday will be on the centrality of the Christian life. If you want to know about the Good News and the beginning of the Christianity and the Anthropology of Man, please come and listen without cost and bring your friends or families. It will be in the High school gym from 7 pm to 8 pm. It is a great opportunity, don't miss it.



***Are you suffering?
Are you overwhelmed, and
do you feel alone?
Are you missing something
in your life?***

Jesus asked them:

"What are you looking for?" (John 1:38)

GOD LOVES YOU AS YOU ARE!

COME AND LISTEN!

Catechesis for Youth & Adults

Mondays and Thursdays 7pm-8pm

St. Bernard's High School Gym

187 Geranium Ave W, St Paul, MN 55117

Free Babysitting provided

SAINT OF THE WEEK

Sts. Cyril & Methodius

Because their father was an officer in a part of Greece inhabited by many Slavs, these two Greek brothers ultimately became missionaries, teachers, and patrons of the Slavic peoples.

After a brilliant course of studies, Cyril (called Constantine until he became a monk shortly before his death) refused the governorship of a district such as his brother had accepted among the Slavic-speaking population. Cyril withdrew to a monastery where his brother Methodius had become a monk after some years in a governmental post.

Cyril's first work was to invent an alphabet, still used in some Eastern liturgies. His followers probably formed the Cyrillic alphabet. Methodius continued mission work for 16 more years. He was papal legate for all the Slavic peoples, consecrated a bishop and then given an ancient see (now in the Czech Republic).

Legend has it that in a feverish period of activity, Methodius translated the whole Bible into Slavonic in eight months. He died on Tuesday of Holy Week, surrounded by his disciples, in his cathedral church.

Opposition continued after his death, and the work of the brothers in Moravia was brought to an end and their disciples scattered. But the expulsions had the beneficial effect of spreading the spiritual, liturgical, and cultural work of the brothers to Bulgaria, Bohemia and southern Poland.