

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

THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST SUNDAY

June 11, 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 Sunday 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 Steve Lauinger (healing)

THE MOST HOLY BODY & BLOOD OF CHRIST

SUNDAY, June 11

8:00 am Steve Lauinger (healing)

10:30 am + Fr. Ralph J. Goman
Austin & Joe Mo

12:30 pm (Spanish) + Paulraj

MONDAY, June 12

10th week in ordinary time

8:30 am Steve Lauinger (healing)

TUESDAY, June 13

St. Anthony of Padua,

Priest & Doctor of the church

8:30 am Steve Lauinger (healing)

WEDNESDAY, June 14

8:30 am Steve Lauinger (healing)

THURSDAY, June 15

8:30 am + Arlene Kitto

FRIDAY, June 16

The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus

8:30 am Talli Heim Wedding Day

SATURDAY, June 17

8:30 am + Mary & John Kujawa

SATURDAY VIGIL MASS

4:00 pm Steve Lauinger (healing)

ELEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, June 18

8:00 am + Fr. Ralph J. Goman

10:30 am + George Gardner

12:30 pm (Spanish) + Richard Garrett

Save the dates!

The regular monthly meeting of St. Bernard's Club will be on Thursday, June 15th at 7pm in the Parish Center.

All are welcome and refreshments will be served.

ALSO - watch this space next week for a SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT about our next FREE event on Saturday, July 1st. We think you'll be bowled over!



Dear Brothers and Sisters:

Today we celebrate this great Solemnity of Corpus Christ to honor the mystery of the Holy Eucharist. We did reflect on the Eucharist somewhat at the time of Holy Thursday and the Church wants to reinforce in us this belief in the presence of Jesus Christ in the Host, which today is waning. As this feast began to grow in the Church 800 years ago St. Thomas Aquinas wrote some beautiful hymns and texts that are still used today. They express our joy in being so close to Christ in this way: *Adoro te devote, latens Deitas... O Godhead hid, devoutly I adore thee*, and we can repeat these words ourselves interiorly.

When we come to the church or a chapel to visit the Lord, we can say:

***Make me believe you ever more and more,
In you my hope, in you my love to store.***

Jesus Christ presides over us in the tabernacle and we ought not to forget him there, which is easy to do today. Studies show that many Catholics do not believe in the real presence of Jesus Christ in the Eucharist; many think it is only a symbol. We think differently and we want to adore him and to make sure that when we receive him we are in the state of grace, that we are recollected and dressed appropriately, and that we bow in reverence (with a bow of the head) before we receive him. And say Amen, (I believe), when the priest or the minister says: The Body (or Blood) of Christ!

I hope you will take part in the procession, accompanying Jesus Christ, like those simple people who joyfully followed the Master during his earthly existence. It will show us the way to lead our life, by always following his lead, even publically. The saints were always amazed by this mystery of Love. Jesus Christ humbles himself to be eaten by us, never to leave us, and he never ceases to offer himself in this way. He is the true bread that gives us Life.

Let us bless and praise God for what he is doing in our life and learn to confide in him in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament, and visits to the church to pray in front of him.

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 May 25 @ 6:30pm
Baptism, Sun 28th at Noon

Meetings will be held in the parish office.

SUNDAY COLLECTION

	<u>Last Week</u>	<u>Budget</u>
Sunday Envelopes	\$2,745	4,654
Plate	\$967	962
Church Audio & Lighting	\$72	
Worship & Liturgy	\$280	
Building Repair Fund Donations Received:		\$170,905

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.

Gifted and Belonging (GAB), a Catholic fellowship of young adults with and without disabilities, will be hosting GAB in the Park on July 23 and August 27, 6-8 pm each evening, at Thompson Park in West Saint Paul. All are welcome! We will gather with prayer and thanksgiving at 6pm, and then enjoy the (hopefully) beautiful summer weather. Thompson Park has walking paths, biking paths, fishing dock and beautiful areas to enjoy one another's company. Please bring outdoor games if you have them and snacks or beverages if you would like.

THE PORN MYTH

Exposing the Reality Behind the Fantasy of Pornography by Matt Fradd
Ignatius.com or (800) 651-1531

Matt Fradd's book *The Porn Myth* is a must-read for Catholics and all those who believe in the sanctity of marriage. However, unlike many books reviewed in this venue, it is also ideal for a secular audience, since its author demonstrates the harmfulness of pornography using strictly nonreligious arguments and research. Fradd has assembled the latest knowledge of the effects of exposure to pornography. He also presents the testimony of sociologists and psychologists on the harm pornography use causes to relationships. Those who, coming from a religious perspective, assume that secularists have no misgivings about pornography may be surprised to hear that, as Fradd writes, "... all over the globe, people are reporting the ill effects of pornography — even those who have no moral qualms with it. "From the findings of neuroscience to the clinical investigations of psychologists to the couches of licensed counselors, there are widespread concerns about pornography's impact on our minds and on our culture. Pornography, says neurosurgeon Donald Hilton, is 'a visual pheromone, a powerful 100-billion-dollar-per-year brain drug that is changing human sexuality.'"

Fradd organizes his book in four parts, each subdivided into chapters that confront the various myths that porn users and purveyors tell themselves and others to deny or diminish the harm of pornography on themselves, others and society.

The problem is dauntingly huge. Fradd makes abundantly clear that pornography is a plague that is out of control — aided and abetted by a multibillion-dollar sex industry and by the availability of countless freely accessed pornographic websites. This is something that every person desiring human happiness for himself or others should care deeply about. The author urges: "... don't rip sex out of its obvious relational context, turn it into a commodity, and then expect individuals, families, and society to flourish. If we become a civilization that sells people, a civilization that takes something so central to who we are as persons — our sexuality — and industrializes it, we cannot be happy people." As a priest who hears confessions, I can testify that pornography destroys families.