# SAINT BERNARD

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#### LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

#### Weekdays

Monday 6:30pm (2nd-5th)

Tuesday 12:10pm Wednesday 8:30am Thursday 12:10pm Friday 8:30am 1st Saturdays 8:30am

The rosary is prayed 20 minutes prior to each daily Mass. For a full listing of daily Mass devotional prayers, please visit our web site or call the office.

#### Weekends

Saturday 4:30pm

Sunday 8:00am and 10:00am

#### **ADORATION**

♦First Fridays, 6:00-7:00pm ♦Other times as published

#### RECONCILIATION

♦First Fridays, 6:00-7:00pm during the time of adoration.

◊First Saturdays, following Mass.

♦ Each Friday, following the 8:30am Mass (dependent on presider's schedule).

♦Saturdays, 3:30—4:15pm

#### WELCOME!

If you are traveling, or visiting this weekend, we welcome you to our parish and our community. If you have moved into the area from out of town, please consider becoming a registered member of our parish family! Registration takes place on the third weekend of each month. You may also stop by the parish office to complete a registration form or download a form from our parish web site.

#### Parish Staff

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#### **BAPTISM**

Congratulations to our new parents! Please contact the Religious Education office to register for a baptismal preparation class.

#### MARRIAGE

Please inform the pastor of your wishes to be married six months before your requested date in order for preparations to be made. To be married at St. Bernard, you must be a registered member of the parish, or have an immediate family member who is registered.

#### PASTORAL CARE

The Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick is celebrated after each weekend Mass on the third weekend of the month. If you are in special need of the Sacrament, please call the parish office. If you are hospitalized or homebound with extended illness and would like a visit, please call our pastoral care director.

#### PASTORAL EMERGENCIES/DEATH

Please call the parish office and use option one, regardless of the hour.

For more information, including our Twitter and Facebook pages, please visit us on the Internet! <a href="http://www.sbmsn.org">http://www.sbmsn.org</a>

THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD JANUARY 9, 2022

## WELCOME TO THE PARISH OF ST. BERNARD!



Dear Friends.

This weekend, we celebrate the Lord's baptism, which concludes the season of Christmas. If you're like me, you're probably saying, "It seems like we just celebrated Christmas, and now it's over!" With Christmas falling on a Saturday, we lost almost an entire week. The good news is that Christmas falls on a Sunday next year, so we'll have a whole extra week to celebrate the joy of Christmas!

With this feast comes the age-old question ... did Christ really need to be baptized? The answer, of course, is no. Christ was absolutely sinless. Through Christ's baptism, He makes holy the waters of baptism itself, which takes away original sin. This is our Lord's second epiphany. The first occurs at the moment of His glorious birth. The second occurs at the moment of His baptism – when Christ makes known that baptism configures us to Him – it is the way by which we are His sons and

daughters. There are so many parallels from the Lord's baptism and our own baptism; we cannot underestimate the power of this Sacrament of initiation. It's precisely why the Church brings such great focus to baptism. As we celebrate the Lord's baptism this weekend, we remember the fruits of our own baptism, and how we have each been called to proclaim the love of Christ by living out the promises of baptism.

You've been hearing me talk for some time now about the four holy habits. I talked about them in my Christmas homily, and I've made mention of them several times in the bulletin. We're going to begin focusing on the holy habit of prayer, and how prayer is integral to our life as a Catholic Christian. This past week, we had a very fruitful evangelization commission meeting. The commission spoke about what we're already doing in terms of embracing a life of prayer and we thought, "Wouldn't it be wonderful to ask our parishioners how they embrace prayer in their daily life and share that with the whole parish?" I thought it was a wonderful idea. We begin to embrace prayer by giving thanks for the ways in which the Lord is already working through us in the ways we come to Him in prayer.

We have homework this week! What I'd like to ask people to do is to answer the following three questions: (1) How often do you pray? (2) What forms of prayer move your heart the most? (3) What challenges do you find in prayer? You can submit your answers to these questions by email (pastor@sbmsn.org), voice mail (to Geri) at 249-9256 x230 or by simply dropping a note off at the parish office or putting a note in the collection basket marked "prayer". We'd like to assemble responses to these questions (without names) to get a sense of how we embrace a life of prayer in our daily life. This will be a good stepping stone to see where we are, and how we can deepen our life of prayer. Responses will be shared on social media and in the parish bulletin. I would ask that you please take some time to pray over these questions and give your honest, heart-felt response. Perhaps you hardly ever pray. Be honest about that; it will be good to know! This exercise has nothing to do with singling people out or judging people – it's simply a way by which we come together as a community of faith to support one another in one of the most important ways that we communicate with our loving God.

This past week, we said goodbye to a special friend and former parish staff member. Connie Hultman served our parish in pastoral care ministry for many years. She died after a lengthy illness, and her funeral Mass was celebrated this past week. Connie's passion for pastoral care and her quiet, reflective heart were incredible gifts to me and to all who knew her and benefitted from her ministry. I will miss her very much, and give thanks to God for the years we had together at St. Bernard. May she know the gift of Christ's peace and joy in thanksgiving for her loving, caring heart and for the many ways she brought the love of Christ to so many in her ministry.

I'll be away for a week and a few days visiting a priest friend in Texas. I'm grateful to Fr. Steve Kortendick, Fr. Ray Dischler and Msgr. Duane Moellenberndt for their presence with us while I'm away. I'll be back to the parish on Friday, January 21st. Please know that I will remember you in prayer during my time away.

With love, Fr. Michael



### **OUR GIFT OF TREASURE**

Financial information will be available in the next weekly bulletin.

#### HOSPITALS REMINDER

We continue to struggle with a lack of information on parishioners who are ill and in the hospital. When a patient is admitted into the hospital, the admissions process can be a bit haphazard, especially if it isn't the patient answering the questions at the time of admission. Admission can happen as soon as someone arrives at the emergency room, in a satellite emergency room or after a patient has already been transferred to the floor. Depending on where you are and who handles the admissions process, it can be different each time. If you find yourself being admitted. please remember to tell admissions personnel that: (1) You would like to receive Catholic communion each day; (2) You would like to be listed on your parish roster of those in the hospital; and (3) Specifically name your parish: St. Bernard on Atwood Ave, (as opposed to St. Bernard, Middleton and St. Bernard, Watertown). These are the best practices to ensure we are made aware of your hospitalization and can provide pastoral care to you.





#### **DRAMATIC READING**

We are looking for a few people who would like to read through a play, with the hopes of presenting it to the parish.

The play is called *Of Roses and Redemption*. Peter Williamson will lead us on January 17 and 24, at 6:30pm in the Parish Center. Please call Geri at the office to RSVP, 608-249-9256, ext. 230.

#### No Monday Evening Masses

There will be no confessions or evening Masses on Monday, January 10<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup>. Please make a note of these schedule changes.

### THIS WEEK'S LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

#### Monday, January 10th

THE FIRST WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME Weekday

1 Sm 1:1-8| PS 116 | Mk 1:14-20

NO DAILY MASS OR CONFESSIONS

#### Tuesday, January 11th

Weekday

1 Sm 1:9-20 | I SM 2 | Mk 1:21-28

12:10pm Russell Stoehr †

Following Devotions to OLO Miraculous Medal

#### Wednesday, January 12th

Weekday

1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20 | PS 40 | Mk 1:29-39

8:30am Clarence Modaff † (SS)

Following Devotions to OLO Perpetual Help

#### Thursday, January 13th

Weekday

1 Sm 4:1-11 | PS 44 | Mk 1:40-45

12:10pm Rita Frank †

#### Friday, January 14th

Weekday

1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a | PS 89 | Mk 2:1-12

8:30am Ray Hager †

Following Devotions to the Sacred Heart of Jesus

#### Saturday, January 15th

**BVM** 

1 Sm 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1 | PS 21 | Mk 2:13-17

8:00am Holy Mass (at the Schoenstatt Shrine)

#### The Second Sunday of Ordinary Time

Is 62:1-5 | PS 96 | 1 Cor 12:4-11 | Jn 2:1-11

4:30pm Jim, Catherine, Mary Ann

and Tim Phillips †

8:00am Pro populo

Following Confessions

10:00am Robert Imhoff †

Highlighted Time = Live Streaming

#### **PRAYER LINE**



The parish has many dedicated parishioners ready to assist you with prayer in times of need. To place your intentions on the Prayer Line, please call Connie (244-6624) or Carol (244-4817).

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