



# St. Bernard's Catholic Church

**Easter Sunday**

March 31, 2024

## Contact St. Bernard's

105 Knight Ave. N.  
Thief River Falls, MN 56701

Parish Office Hours  
9AM-5PM Mon-Fri  
(Office closed from 12 to 12:30 PM)

Parish Office: 218-681-3571  
School Office: 218-681-1539

[www.stbernardscc.org](http://www.stbernardscc.org)

## Our Parish Staff

**Fr. Craig Vasek**, Pastor and Superintendent  
**Norm Betland**, Office Manager and Executive Assistant  
**Carolyn Holecek**, OCIA Coordinator  
**Misty Mehrkens**, Youth Minister  
**Manzy Peralta**, Buildings and Grounds  
**Margaret Rasmussen**, Religious Formation Coordinator  
**Charlie Vogel**, Advancement Director

## School Office Personnel

**Laura Brickson**, Principal  
**Rebecca Peralta**, Office Administrator

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## Holy Mass Schedule

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| Tuesday   | 8:00 AM                                  |
| Wednesday | 5:15 PM                                  |
| Thursday  | 8:00 AM                                  |
| Friday    | 8:30 AM School Mass                      |
| Saturday  | 8:30 AM 1st Sat. of the month<br>5:00 PM |
| Sunday    | 9:00 AM                                  |

## Confession Schedule

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| Tuesday   | 7:30-7:50 AM |
| Wednesday | 4:45-5:05 PM |
| Thursday  | 7:30-7:50 AM |
| Friday    | 8:00-8:20 AM |
| Saturday  | 4:00-4:50 PM |
| Sunday    | 8:00-8:50 AM |

Confession is also available by appointment by calling the parish office.

## From the Pastor

Greetings,

I hope every one of you has a blessed Easter. There are many fantastic ways to grow in the spiritual life during this Easter season. I hope you will consider joining in our Divine Mercy devotions of prayer and adoration next Sunday. You can see the announcements in the bulletin and the flyers in the parish for all of the details. And don't forget about the Star of the North Eucharistic Congress in Bemidji on May 17th and 18th.




I also want to offer a congratulations and a warm welcome to the newest members of the Church who received the Sacraments at the Easter Vigil. Know of my continued prayers for you.

Lastly, a huge thank you to our musicians, liturgical ministers, altar servers, hospitality, environment team, and volunteers who worked tirelessly to pull off all of our Holy Week liturgies.




Grace and peace,

Fr. Vasek

## WAYS TO CONNECT AT ST. BERNARD'S

| CONNECT   | LITURGY  | PRAYER  | COMMUNITY   |
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| <b>Become a Parishioner</b>   | <b>Get Involved at Mass</b>  | <b>Eucharistic Adoration</b>  | <b>Small Groups and Organizations</b>   |
| <p>If you aren't already registered at St. Bernard's, we encourage you to register by stopping by the parish office or calling us at 218-681-3571</p> | <p>There are many liturgical and music ministries to participate in at Mass. To get involved in liturgical or music ministries, call Margaret Rasmussen at 218-681-3571.</p> | <p>Spending an hour each week with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament is a great way to grow your interior life. Commit to an hour by visiting <a href="http://stbernardscc.weadorehim.com">stbernardscc.weadorehim.com</a></p> | <p>If you are interested in joining or starting a small group, or would like to get involved in one of the many organizations at St. Bernard's, contact the parish office at 218-681-3571</p> |
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## WAYS TO GIVE AT ST. BERNARD'S

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| <p>Give at Mass during the offertory</p> |  | <p>Mail it in or stop by the parish office</p>     |    |
|  |   | <p>On the parish website click "Online Giving"</p> |  |
|  |   |  | <p>Parish Collection:<br/>March 23 &amp; 24<br/>\$11,809.02</p>                     |

## SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

|   | THIS WEEK AT ST. BERNARDS   |
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| <p><b>Baptism</b></p> <p>If you are preparing to have your child baptized, please call the parish office at 218-681-3571 to schedule a Baptism Preparation class with Fr. Vasek.</p> <p>Adults seeking Baptism can contact the OCIA Coordinator, Carolyn Holecek, at 218-681-3571.</p>  | <p><b>Monday, April 1</b><br/>                     PARISH OFFICE CLOSED<br/>                     6 PM SAC Meeting, Parish Hall<br/>                     6 PM OCIA, Rectory Meeting Room</p>   |
| <p><b>First Reconciliation, First Communion and Confirmation</b></p> <p>Preparation for First Reconciliation, First Communion and Confirmation are coordinated by the St. Bernard's Religious Education program. To enroll your child, please contact Margaret Rasmussen at 218-681-3571.</p> <p>Adults seeking these Sacraments can contact the OCIA Coordinator, Carolyn Holecek, at 218-681-3571.</p>                    | <p><b>Tuesday, April 2</b><br/>                     3 AM-10 PM Adoration, Sanctuary</p> <p><b>Wednesday, April 3</b><br/>                     10 AM-2:30 PM St. Bernard's Quilters, Parish Hall<br/>                     4-10 PM Adoration, Sanctuary<br/>                     6:30-8 PM RE Grades 6 &amp; 8<br/>                     8 PM Cursillo Men's Group, Parish Library</p>   |
| <p><b>Holy Matrimony</b></p> <p>If you are planning a wedding, please contact the parish office at 218-681-3571 at least X months in advance to reserve the wedding date and to begin Marriage Preparation with Fr. Vasek.</p>  | <p><b>Thursday, April 4</b><br/>                     4 AM-10 PM Adoration, Sanctuary<br/>                     8:30 AM OCIA, Rectory Meeting Room<br/>                     5:30 PM Fish Fry Volunteer Pizza Party, Parish Hall</p> <p><b>Friday April 5</b><br/>                     9 AM First Friday Fellowship, Parish Hall<br/>                     10 AM Oakland Park Communion Service<br/>                     7PM First Saturday Overnight Adoration, Sanctuary</p>  |
| <p><b>Anointing of the Sick &amp; Last Rites</b></p> <p>The Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick is available for those suffering an illness or preparing for serious surgery.</p> <p>Last Rites (Confession and Holy Communion) are given when death is imminent. If your loved one is need of Last Rites, contact the parish office as soon as possible, even if there are family members who have not arrived yet.</p> | <p><b>Saturday, April 6</b><br/>                     7:50 AM Confessions &amp; First Saturday Devotions<br/>                     8:20 AM Solemn Benediction, Sanctuary<br/>                     8:30 AM First Saturday Mass<br/>                     9 AM Fellowship, Parish Hall<br/>                     4:30 PM St. Bernard's Spring Gala, Legacy Events Center</p> <p><b>Sunday, April 7</b><br/>                     10 AM Fellowship, Parish Hall<br/>                     10:15 AM Sunday School<br/>                     2-3:30 PM Adoration &amp; Divine Mercy Program</p> |

## MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

### Monday, April 1

### Monday in the Octave of Easter

No Mass

### Tuesday, April 2

### Tuesday in the Octave of Easter

7:30 AM Confession

8:00 AM Mass.....+Tony Kozojed

### Wednesday, April 3

### Wednesday in the Octave of Easter

4:45 PM Confession

5:15 PM Mass.....Ellard Thompson

### Thursday, April 4

### Thursday in the Octave of Easter

7:30 AM Confession

8:00 AM Mass.....Carol Estabrooks

### Friday, April 5

### Friday in the Octave of Easter

8:00 AM Confession

8:30 AM Mass.....+Holy Souls

### Saturday, April 6

### Saturday in the Octave of Easter

7:50 AM Confession

8:30 AM Mass.....+Holy Souls

4:00 PM Confession

5:00 PM Mass.....Pro Populo

### Sunday, April 7

### Second Sunday in Easter (Divine Mercy)

8:00 AM Confession

9:00 AM Mass.....Joseph & Mary Loeffler

Visit <https://bible.usccb.org/> to read the Mass readings each day. You can also sign up to have the readings sent to your inbox each morning!

## Prayer Intentions

### The Holy Father's Prayer Intentions for April

For the role of women: We pray that the dignity and immense value of women be recognized in every culture, and for the end of discrimination that they experience in different parts of the world.

### April Devotion in Honor of the Blessed Sacrament

Most Holy Trinity, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, I adore You profoundly. I offer You the most precious Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity of Jesus Christ, present in all the tabernacles of the world in reparation for the outrages, sacrileges and indifference by which He is offended. And, through the infinite merits of the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of Mary, I beg of You the conversion of sinners.

### For the Members of our Parish

Ray Hedlund, Matthew Kaiser, Jan Kramer, Roger Amundson, John Barry, John Wawrzyniak, Jim Breth, Carole Glass

### For the Seminarians of the Diocese of Crookston

Lawrence Wirries, Tim Guidry, Jon Stone, and Westin Gourneau

Envelopes for Mass intentions are available in the Gathering Space. Intentions can be placed in the offertory or mailed/dropped off at the parish office. Please indicate intentions for a deceased individual with a "+" in front of their name. The customary offering for a Mass intention is \$10.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

For the latest youth news, please visit [bit.ly/StBYouthNews](http://bit.ly/StBYouthNews)

**The St. Bernard's Quilters** will meet Wed., April 3, 10AM-2:30PM in the Parish Hall. Any skill level welcome. For questions, call Donna Koehmstedt at 218-681-2921

**Fish Fry numbers are in!** There were a total of 5,694 meals served across the 6 fish fries: Feb. 16-915, Feb. 23-929, Mar. 1-986, Mar. 8-866, Mar. 15-889, Mar. 22-1067. Thank you to everyone who helped make the fish fry a success.

**Fish Fry volunteers** are invited to a pizza party on Thursday, April 4 to thank you for your hard work at making this year's fish fries a huge success. The party begins at 5:30 PM in the Parish Hall.

**Dedication of the New Altar** will take place at the Saturday, May 25, weekend Mass. Bishop Cozzens will preside over dedication and consecration our new altar. Altar dedications usually only happen once-in-a-lifetime, so all are encouraged to attend this special Mass.

**Knights of Columbus scholarship** applications are due this Friday, April 5. Applications are available in the Gathering Space.

**First Friday fellowship** happens each month in the parish hall after the daily Mass. All are welcome to join for coffee and rolls after the 8:30AM school Mass on April 5.

**First Saturday Adoration vigil** begins at 7PM on Friday evening (April 5) in the Sanctuary and continues until 8:20AM Saturday, ending with Benediction and Mass. Breakfast follows in the Parish Hall.

**Divine Mercy Sunday** is this coming Sunday, April 7. St. Bernard's will host a Divine Mercy program of prayer and Adoration beginning at 2 PM. A plenary indulgence may be granted under the usual conditions to the faithful who take part in the prayers and devotions held in honor of the Divine Mercy in a church or chapel.

**St. Bernard's School enrollment** for the 2024-25 school year is now open, including for the new 6th grade class! Visit the website for more information or call the school office at 218-681-1539.

**The Proclamation Retreat** will be hosted by Fr. Bryan Kujawa on Friday, April 12 and Saturday, April 13. This 24-hour retreat centers on the story of salvation history and the mercy that Jesus pours out on humanity by rescuing us from bondage to the Evil One. The retreat begins at 5:30 PM on Friday. Call/text 218-289-4473 for more information.

**The Star of the North Eucharistic Congress** is scheduled for May 17-18 at the Sanford Center in Bemidji. This inter-diocesan event will inspire your devotion to the Eucharist and will kick-off the pilgrimage to the National Eucharistic Congress in Indianapolis. Register for the conference at [crookstoneucharist.org](http://crookstoneucharist.org).

**Check out the St. Bernard's Podcast** where you can listen to homilies, Bible studies, and more. Visit [stbernards.podbean.com](http://stbernards.podbean.com) to subscribe.

To request an announcement in the bulletin, please visit <https://bit.ly/43zCUpx>

"The piercing nail has become a key to unlock the door, that I may see the good will of the Lord. And what can I see as I look through the hole? Both the nail and the wound cry out that God was in Christ reconciling the world to himself... Through these sacred wounds we can see the secret of his heart, the great mystery of love." -St. Bernard of Clairvaux

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| <p><b>Mobile Elite Pressure Washing</b><br/> <b>Nathan Bennett – 218-686-8422</b><br/> <a href="mailto:mobilelitepw@gmail.com">mobilelitepw@gmail.com</a> &amp; on Facebook<br/> <b>Farm-Home-Commercial-Industrial</b></p> <p>Free Quotes</p> |  <p>CELEBRATING<br/> A CENTURY<br/> OF CATHOLIC<br/> EDUCATION</p> | <br><br>218-683-6930 |
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## 2024 Easter Environment



**In Memory of:** Harvey Delage (Rose Delage), Gary, Pearl & Duane Battleson (Pam Battleson), Robert & MaryAnn Verbout (Kurt and Lenay Hermanson), William Smith (Kurt and Lenay Hermanson), Tom, Jana and Jennifer Miller (Marge Miller & Family), Bernie & Evie Huot's Deceased Parents (Bernie & Evie Huot), Philion & Souto Families (Dorene & Carmen Souto), Deceased Family Members (Arlen & Carol Gustafson), Deceased Family Members of Julius & Eleanor Bjerken & Herman F. Winter (Ron & Dee Winter), Deceased Relatives and Friends (Jim & Marilyn Counter), Tony Griffith & Delap Family (Janet Griffith), Robert Wellman & James Wellman (Carolyn Wellman), Marian Langevin Bessette (Larry & Robin Langevin), Jerry & Carol Gerardy, Barb Konickson, Kevin Gerardy (Tammy Gerardy), Deceased Family Members (Dave & Judy Dupree), Daniel Bruggeman (Mary Bruggeman), Cecilia Stoltman (Hilary Stoltman), Clark Hendrickson, Mary David, Harry & Hazel Anderson (Anita Hendrickson), Stanley & Alive Stancyk, Stan Stancyk (Marcie Franson), LeRoy Nelson (Dorothy Nelson), Marv Olson (Candy Olson), Renee Hedlund, Arlen Booren (Ray Hedlund & Theda Booren), Deceased Relatives (Ray & Lynette Derouin)

**In Honor of:** Fr. Vasek & the St. Bernard's Family (Mary Ellen & Emilie Bubolz), Vincent & Frances Pulcinski (Janice Ryan)