



St. Bernard's Catholic Church

The 10th Sunday in Ordinary Time

June 9, 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

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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

Holy Mass Schedule

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

Confession Schedule

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

See the weekly Mass schedule in the bulletin for any changes to the standard schedule.

From Fr. Vasek

Greetings,

We closed on the 121 Duluth Ave N. house on Thursday. It is the new Rectory of St. Bernard's Parish. I live there already and the rectory appointments will be moved as spaces are made ready. There is painting and other preparations underway, and many opportunities for parishioners to use their skills and volunteerism. I'd be most grateful for assistance over the next month, both at the new rectory and in the developing Parish Office.





What was the rectory can now be called the Parish Office (the main level and the upper level). Staff will have offices and there will be multiple meeting rooms there for parishioners to use morning, daytime, and evening. That space will now be a primary gathering place for small group events and meetings.

I'm pleased that we were able to hire Pat Sagsveen so that the parish can begin to have a business office (until now various volunteers have carried various accounts in various ways, and Norm was fielding other items outside of his job description). If you'd like to connect a little history, what Carol was doing, Norm now does. What John Sherack was doing as a key volunteer, Pat will now do as a proper staff member. What is quite providential is that Pat is discerning a vocation to the priesthood at present, will live at the rectory with me for this coming year, build our business office, and have an up close look at what the priesthood looks like (at least my experience of it).



I look forward to opening the new rectory soon for an open house and then hosting parishioners often through the years.

Grace and Peace,
Father Vasek

WAYS TO CONNECT AT ST. BERNARD'S

CONNECT	LITURGY	PRAYER	COMMUNITY
<p style="text-align: center;">Become a Parishioner</p> <p>If you aren't already registered at St. Bernard's, we encourage you to register by stopping by the parish office or registering on the website:</p> <p style="text-align: center;">https://www.stbernardsc.org/parish-registration</p> <div style="text-align: center;"></div>	<p style="text-align: center;">Get Involved at Mass</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 (option 4).</p> <div style="text-align: center;"></div>	<p style="text-align: center;">Eucharistic Adoration</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:</p> <p style="text-align: center;">stbernardsc.org/weadorehim.com</p> <div style="text-align: center;"></div>	<p style="text-align: center;">Small Groups and Organizations</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> <div style="text-align: center;"></div>

WAYS TO GIVE AT ST. BERNARD'S

<p>Give at Mass during the offertory</p> <div style="text-align: center;"></div>	<p>Mail it in or stop by the parish office</p> <div style="text-align: center;"></div>	<p>Visit https://bit.ly/StBernardGiving</p> <div style="text-align: center;"></div>	<p style="text-align: right;">June 1 & 2 Offertory \$12,974.77 Weekly Target: \$11,231.00</p> <p style="text-align: right; font-size: small;"><i>Jul'23 to Apr'24 Actual: \$524,982 Jul'23 to Apr'24 Budget: \$486,233</i></p>
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SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION & FACILITY USE

Baptism
If you are preparing to have your child baptized, please call the parish office at 218-681-3571 (Option 2) to schedule a Baptism Preparation class with Fr. Vasek.

Adults seeking Baptism can contact the OCIA Coordinator, Carolyn Holecek, at 218-681-3571 (Option 6).

First Reconciliation, First Communion and Confirmation
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 (Option 4).

Adults seeking these Sacraments can contact the OCIA Coordinator, Carolyn Holecek, at 218-681-3571 (Option 6).

Holy Matrimony
If you are planning a wedding, please contact the parish office at 218-681-3571 (Option 2) at least 6 months in advance to reserve the wedding date and to begin Marriage Preparation with Fr. Vasek.

Anointing of the Sick & Last Rites
The Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick is available for those suffering an illness or preparing for serious surgery.

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.

Facility Usage
If you would like to reserve a parish space for parish or non-parish related activities, contact Norm Betland at 218-681-3571 (Option 2) for more information.

THIS WEEK AT ST. BERNARD'S

- Tuesday, June 11**
 3 AM-10 PM Eucharistic Adoration, Sanctuary
 10:30 AM Communion Service, TRF Care Center
 5 PM Faith Formation Board, Rectory Mtg. Rm.
 7 PM Knights of Columbus, Parish Hall
- Wednesday, June 12**
 7 AM Buildings and Grounds, Rectory Mtg. Rm.
 4-10 PM Eucharistic Adoration, Sanctuary
 8 PM Cursillo Men's Group, Parish Library
- Thursday, June 13**
 4 AM-11 PM Eucharistic Adoration, Sanctuary
 12 PM Cursillo Men's Group, Rectory Mtg. Rm.
 6 PM Pastoral Council, Parish Hall Mtg. Rm.
- Sunday, June 16**
 8:10 AM Lauds, Sanctuary



MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

Monday, June 10

Mon. of the 10th Week in Ord. Time

No Mass

Tuesday, June 11

St. Barnabas, Apostle

7:30 AM Confession

8:00 AM Mass.....L & D Witucki Family

Wednesday, June 12 Wed. of the 10th Week in Ord. Time

4:45 PM Confession

5:15 PM Mass.....+John Sherack

Thursday, June 13 St. Anthony of Padua, Priest & Doctor

7:30 AM Confession

8:00 AM Mass.....+Harold Schonhardt

Friday, June 14 Fri. of the 10th Week in Ord. Time

7:30 AM Confession

8:00 AM Mass.....+Christine Oliver

Saturday, June 15 Sat. of the 10th Week in Ord. Time

4:00 PM Confession

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

Sunday, June 16 The 11th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM Confession

9:00 AM Mass.....+Alice Stancyk

Prayer Intentions

The Holy Father's Prayer Intentions for June

For migrants fleeing their homes: We pray that migrants fleeing from war or hunger, forced to undertake journeys full of danger and violence, find welcome and new opportunities in the countries that receive them.

June Devotion in Honor of the Sacred Heart

O most holy Heart of Jesus, shower Thy blessings in abundant measure upon Thy holy Church, upon the Supreme Pontiff and upon all the clergy; to the just grant perseverance; convert sinners; enlighten unbelievers; bless our relations, friends and benefactors; assist the dying; deliver the holy souls in purgatory; and extend over all hearts the sweet empire of Thy love. Amen.

For the Members of our Parish

Ray Hedlund, Matthew Kaiser, Jan Kramer, Roger Amundson, John Barry, Jim Breth, Jackie Hunt, Pat Odette, Luke & Sharon Noreen, Becky Barry

Call Norm at the Parish Office to add or remove a name from the list.

For the Seminarians of the Diocese of Crookston

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

Request a Mass Intention

The customary offering for a Mass intention is \$10. Intentions can be placed in the offertory or sent to the parish office. Indicate deceased individuals with a "+" before their name. Masses are scheduled in the order they are received, Canon law requires parishes to fulfill intentions within 1 year of receipt and may be fulfilled at either public or private Masses. Intentions that are unable to be fulfilled within 1 year are sent to the diocese to be fulfilled by other priests and parishes.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Construction on the new bathrooms in the Gathering Space has begun. The bathrooms will be located where the old elevator was located and the east connection to the school. Access to the new elevator will primarily be through the new entrance and the main school hallway. Access updates for weekends can be found on the website and myParish app.

That parish staff is excited to welcome Pat Sagsveen to the team! Pat will be coming on board as the Business Manager for the parish and school office. His position will focus on the business and fiscal needs of St. Bernard's. In addition to working in the office, Pat will be living in the rectory as part of this assignment to continue discerning a possible vocation to the priesthood. If you see Pat around, please welcome him to the team! His first day will be June 27.

A Special Collection for Retired Priests of the Diocese will be taken on June 15 & 16. The funds collected help to pay for the healthcare and other retirement expenses of our retired diocesan priests. Please be generous.

Beginning Experience of Eastern North Dakota will offer a weekend program June 21-23 in Hankinson, ND, for adults grieving the loss through death, divorce and separation who are ready to come terms with their loss and move forward with their lives. For more information, visit the website www.beginningexperience-easternd.org or call Msgr. Dan Pilon in Grand Forks at (701) 361-2051.

Polish Day at Assumption Catholic Church in Florian will be on Sunday, June 23. There will be a Polka Mass at 10:30am followed by dinner in the basement at 11:30am (proceeds benefit the building fund). From 1:00 - 4:00pm the Dolina Polish Folk Dancers and the Jake Bastyr Band will perform in the church basement, and face painting also for the kids.

The St. Bernard's Parish Block Festival is scheduled for August 20 & 21. August 20 is the Solemnity of St. Bernard, which will be marked with a solemn Mass and other parish activities. On August 21, there will be a block party at the Floyd B. Olson Park, open to everyone in Thief River Falls. More details will be released as we get closer to the event.

Check out the St. Bernard's Podcast where you can listen to homilies, Bible studies, and more. Visit stbernards.podbean.com to subscribe.

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

"After you have made a decision that is pleasing to God, the Devil may try to make you have second thoughts. Intensify your prayer time, meditation, and good deeds. For if Satan's temptations merely cause you to increase your efforts to grow in holiness, he'll have an incentive to leave you alone."

-St. Ignatius of Loyola-



My name is Pat Sagsveen. I was born and raised in Bismarck ND. I moved to Thief River Falls in 2016 and have been attending St Bernard's Church since 2023. I am currently in the early phases of discerning a vocation for the Diocese of Crookston. I plan to apply for the seminary in Aug of 2025. I worked at DigiKey for the past 8 years in technical and business roles. I was a product manager in the RF and Wireless portion of the business working directly with suppliers and the last few years I spent as a Sr Product Manager in New Market Development adding companies to DigiKey.

I want to take this role as a business manager at St Bernards to help utilize the skills that I have developed at DigiKey in a more meaningful way by helping the Church. I feel passionate about St Bernard's and the community here. I want to do everything in my power to use the skills that I have to help it grow. My faith is a large part of my life and I wanted to more fully embrace it within my work life. I look forward to deepening my faith while growing with the St Bernard's community along the way.

Pat Sagsveen

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