

# STBAFF SPONSORSHIP PROGRAM 2017-2018

St Bernard/Ascension Faith Formation



*The Disciples devoted themselves to the teaching of the apostles and to the communal life, to the breaking of the bread and to the prayers. Acts 2:42*

STBAFF program has 133 students enrolled in preschool through grade 10 this year. Each week of faith formation, we strive to provide a faith enriching environment for everyone involved in the program. We have a strong volunteer base that pass on the faith to the young people as well as dedicated meal prep volunteers. It is definitely a community that cares for our young people! Our fellowship meal, which is served before class is enjoyed by 70-75 people. As a combined faith formation program, the meal is an opportunity for our families to gather, get to know each other and help with the hustle and bustle of Wednesday nights. It has been a great success. ***We are expanding our sponsorship program this year to include the opportunity to help fund the faith education for families that are struggling financially, as well as the continuation of the meal sponsorship.***

**SPONSORSHIP DETAILS** We are seeking sponsorships as a way to help meet our budgets and continue to strengthen the faith formation program. Sponsors will receive a thank you note, and a tax deduction statement. For business/organizations, we will promote your group through flyers at our meals, mention your support in the bulletin and in our faith formation newsletters.

**GOAL--11 Tuition Scholarships + \$4000 in Meal Sponsorships=\$5100**  
**TIMEFRAME OF THE PROGRAM---- November 4, 2017-December 4, 2017**

We appreciate your support,

**Fr Gregory Abbott   Julie Clemensen   Julie Kleindl   Dar Mondor   Anna Wickenhauser**

## STBAFF SPONSORSHIP PROGRAM 2017-2018

Fill out this form and return to either parish office--by mail or in the collection basket.  
Please label your envelope---STBAFF Sponsorship

Ascension Catholic Church  
323 Reform Street N.  
NYA, MN 55368

St Bernard Church  
212 Church Street E.  
Cologne, MN 55322

### SPONSORSHIP LEVELS-----Circle the level of sponsorship

Full Meal-----\$250      Tuition Scholarship----- \$110      Other\_\_\_\_\_

½ Meal-----\$125      Meal for Weekly Volunteer----\$60

**STBAFF SPONSOR**-Please provide the information below with your sponsorship to either parish. For checks, please make it payable to the parish you send the sponsorship too.

Name\_\_\_\_\_

Address\_\_\_\_\_

Phone\_\_\_\_\_

Email\_\_\_\_\_

# **STBAFF Parish Update 2017**

## **St Bernard/ Ascension Faith Formation**

As we near the end of collecting and finalizing registration paperwork for the 2017-18 faith formation year, here are a few interesting points of data:

### **Total Registered Families: 75**

- Registered Families from St. Bernard's – 36
- Registered Families from Church of the Ascension – 36
- Registered Families from Out of Parish – 3

### **Total Registered Students: 135**

- Students from St. Bernard's – 58
- Students from Church of the Ascension – 73
- Students from Out of Parish – 4

### **Total Students in Preschool – Grade 5: 86**

- Students from St. Bernard's – 37
- Students from Church of the Ascension – 39

### **Total Students in Grades 6 – 10: 49**

- Students from St. Bernard's – 21
- Students from Church of the Ascension – 24
- Students from Out of Parish – 4

### **Total Paid Families: 70**

- Families Paying for Tuition Electronically – 7
- Families Paying Bi-Annually – 4
- Families Paying in Full at Registration – 59
- Families Paying Full Cost to Educate a Child – 3

### **Total Families with Unpaid Tuition: 6**

- Total Unpaid Students from St. Bernard's – 2 (3 students)
- Total Unpaid Students from Church of the Ascension – 4 (7 students)
- Total Unpaid Students from Out of Parish – 1

### **Total Weekly Fellowship Meals Served: 74**

- Total Paid Meals – 51
- Total Paid Meals at Full Cost – 5
- Total Volunteer/Unpaid Meals – 18
- Total Unpaid – 5

(See backside)

**Total Volunteers (volunteer on a weekly basis) for ONE free child tuition: 20**

**Total Volunteers Waiving their ONE Free Tuition – 4**

**Total Regular Weekly Volunteers (Catechists/Assistants, Committee Members, Kitchen Crew, Parking Lot/Adoration/Greeter Coordinators: 39**

- Total Regular/Weekly Volunteers from St. Bernard's – 13
- Total Regular/Weekly Volunteers from Ascension – 26

**Families that DID NOT authorize photos being taken of their child – 1 family**

*Thank You to the following volunteers for making the weekly commitment to assist with our Faith Formation program this year:*

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Catechists/Guides: Amy Buckentin, Tamara Lemmer, Doris Mielke, Kara Wickenhauser and Lisa Whitaker

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Atrium Assistants: Amber Beneke, Tiffany Littfin, Paula Palaia, Rebecca Padilla, Beth Stender, Penny Stender, Sharon Sunde

Finding God/Loyola Press – Grade 4: Melissa Miller

Finding God/Loyola Press – Grade 5: Sherry Urness

EDGE Program – Grades 6 – 8: Natasha Christianson, Emma Dettmann, Jeremy Friendshuh, Sarah Foley, Josh Gallus, Melanie Kleindl, Julie Kleindl, Ann Lubenow, Julie Pexa and Laura Templin

Confirmation Preparation Program – Grades 9 & 10: Jim Louwagie, Nancy Ludovisse, Tom Monsen, Rob Wickenhauser

Kitchen Crew – Cheryl Borst, Tina Cruz, Ana Kostecka, Connie Meeker and Fran Terfehr

Parking Lot Coordinator – Steve Lemmer

Greeter Coordinator – Amy Molva

Adoration Coordinator – Linda Monsen

Office Support – Amy Raether and Lora Willems

Meal Sponsorship Committee – Julie Clemensen, Dar Mondor and Anna Wickenhauser

Faith Formation Committee – Rita Fahey, Steve Lemmer, Julie Kleindl, Fran Terfehr, Kara Wickenhauser and Father Gregory

Thanks to all the parish and community organizations for their past and present support, along with parishioner and anonymous donators, that keeps our STBAFF program strong! Your support is appreciated!

St. Bernard's  
Christmas Bazaar  
Luncheon  
Saturday Nov. 18, 2017



11:00 am - 1:00 pm  
St. Bernard's School  
Cologne, MN

**Take Out Available**

Craft Items  
Baked Goods  
Quilt Chances





# St Bernard Church Christmas Bazaar and Casserole Salad Luncheon

**Saturday November 18th 11am to 1 pm**

This is an all parish event, everyone is asked to bring a craft item and/or baked goods for the craft sale. All donations for the craft sale can be brought in Friday evening or Saturday morning before 11am. If possible please price your items.

The Ladies Guild will be making the casseroles on Friday evening. Parishioners with the last name beginning with **A-K** are asked to bring a dessert; **L-Z** are asked to bring a salad.

The following people are asked to work:

## **Friday November 17th**

**6:30 pm:** Monica Kooiman, Sarah Hammers, Diane Beckrich, Krista Buesgens, Rose Buesgens, Julie Clemensen, Carol Hoen

## **Saturday November 18th**

**Ticket sales 10:30:** Donna Cebulla, Judy Jenkins

**10am to noon:** Jane Bieniek, Ann Boelke, Brenda Buckley Jones, Nancy Elke, Sarah Foley, Judy Glander, Kim Hoen, Connie Hoen, Nancy Kerber, Katie Klein, Julie Kleindl

**Noon to 2pm:** Vicky Arnst, Kathie Broll, Carol Dahl, Kim Dhaene, Krystie Dovenmuehler, Amanda Harris, Crystal Hoen, Rose Hoen, Becky Kerber, Sarah King, Pam Kunkel, Susie Cebulla

**Please find a replacement if your unable to work your shift, if you're not scheduled to work this year and are available to help we would love extra help!**

**ST. BERNARD CATHOLIC CHURCH  
CHRISTMAS BAZAAR QUILT RAFFLE  
\$1.00 EACH CHANCE**

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## New Phone System Upgrade



Hello Fellow Ascension and St. Bernard parishioners,

11/3/2017

This last week we converted to a new phone system at both parishes. The system at St. Bernard was getting very old and it was getting harder and harder to find consultants who could help us maintain the system. The 'system' at Ascension was strictly a residential line with multiple handsets - allowing only one person on the phone at a time.

The new system is from Jaguar. While St. Bernard already used Jaguar for telephone and internet service, Jaguar was not maintaining the old phone hardware. Ascension converted over to Jaguar in order to take advantage of the fiber internet capabilities in addition to the inter-office capabilities with the phones. With our new plan, Jaguar will be maintaining the complete phone systems at both parishes.

The software within the new system will allow each parish to retain their individual main phone number and also allow each phone to have direct dial capabilities. Calls will come into a common "auto-attendant" that can direct calls to any phone at either location. It will allow us to pass calls back and forth between parishes and still maintain separate billing for each location. We will be able to have calls ring into both locations at the same time. The person answering the phone can just look at the display to see what number was dialed in order to answer with the correct parish greeting. This functionality will also allow staff to be able to transfer calls to the other location immediately without having to instruct the caller to hang up and call the other office. A much friendlier customer experience.

Due to the conversion to Jaguar, Ascension had to find a new email service provider.

Our new emails at Ascension are:

For Sherry: [BusAdmin@AscensionNYA.org](mailto:BusAdmin@AscensionNYA.org)

For Tamara: [OfficeAdmin@AscensionNYA.org](mailto:OfficeAdmin@AscensionNYA.org)

For Sarah: [Bookkeeper@AscensionNYA.org](mailto:Bookkeeper@AscensionNYA.org)

For Amy: [DataEntry@AscensionNYA.org](mailto:DataEntry@AscensionNYA.org)

No changes were needed for Father or the other St. Bernard email addresses.

We are excited for this new functionality and believe it will make our support of both offices much easier. Please bear with us while we learn how it works! If you have any questions, please contact me.

Sherry Witte,  
Parish Business Administrator



Parish Phone Directory - direct dial

**St. Bernard - 952-466-2031**

Fr. Gregory Abbott	952-856-1050
Sherry - Business Administrator	952-856-1051
Office - Tamara and Sarah	952-856-1052
Faith Formation - School Office	952-856-1055
St. Anne Rm - Narthex	952-856-1054
School Kitchen	952-856-1056

**Ascension - 952-467-3351**

Sherry - Business Administrator	952-777-0110
Office - Tamara and Sarah	952-777-0111
Faith Formation Office	952-777-0112
Ascension Rectory	952-777-0113
Social Hall Kitchen	952-777-0114