

# CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION



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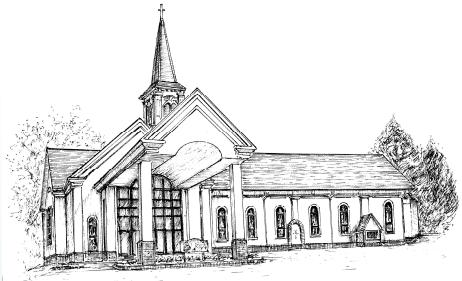
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# ST. BERNARD CHURCH



## SACRAMENTS

**Baptisms:** By appointment.

### Marriage Arrangements

The couple should contact the priest as soon as they become engaged.

They must meet with the priest twice before setting a marriage date. These two meetings need to be completed 6 months before the proposed date.

### Sacrament of Reconciliation

Ascension:Tues.5:40-6:05pm.

Sat.4:15-4:45pm.

St. Bernard:Wed.7:30-7:50am.

Sat.7:15-7:45 pm.

Additionally by appointment.

### Communion for Homebound

Call parish office.

### Anointing of the Sick

Call the parish office at any time.

### MASS SCHEDULE

Ascension-Weekend-Sat. 5 pm. Sun. 8 am.

Tuesday 6:15 pm. & Friday 7:15 am.

St. Bernard-Weekend-Sat. 8 pm. Sun. 10am.

Wednesday & Thursday 8:00 am.

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## SCRIPTURE READINGS—Aug. 4-10, 2019

**8/4 Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time:** Eccl 1:2; 2:21-23\*Ps 90:3-4,5-6,12-13,14,17\*Col 3:1-5,9-11\*Lk 12:13-21. **8/5 (The Dedication of the Basilica of St. Mary Major):** Nm 11:4b-15\*Ps 81:12-13,14-15,16-

17\*Mt 14:13-21. **8/6 The Transfiguration of the Lord:** Dn 7:9-10,13-14\*Ps 97:1-2,5-6,9\*2 Pt 1:16-19. **8/7 (St. Sixtus II and Companions; St. Cajetan):** Nm 13:1-

2,25—14:1,2,6-29a,34-35\*Ps 106:6-7,13-14,21-

22,23\*Mt 15:21-28. **8/8 St. Dominic:** Nm 20:1-13\*Ps 95:1-2,6-7,7-9\*Mt 16:13-23. **8/9 (St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross):** Dt 4:32-40\*Ps 77:12-13,14-15,16,21\*Mt 16:24-28. **8/11 St. Lawrence:** 2 Cor 9:6-10\*Ps 112:1-

2,5-6,7-8,9\*Jn 12:24-26. Copyright 2018 by Creative

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## **"One's Life does not Consist of Possessions"**

Dear Sisters and Brothers,

Jesus told a powerful parable of a rich man. The rich man reasoned that one day he would finally have everything stored up and under control, and at that point he would be able to relax and enjoy himself. But God asked to this rich man a powerful and a surprising question, "You fool, this night your life will be demanded of you; and the things you have prepared, to whom they will belong?"

Why is the rich man in the parable called a fool? He failed to become "rich in what matters to God." He forgot about God. He never thought to thank God for having blessed him with a rich harvest. He considered them as solely the fruit of his own labor. He also failed to realize that he was a steward not the owner.

*He never saw beyond himself.* He forgot about other people. He focused on himself. He used the "aggressively possessive" pronouns "I" six times and "my" four times respectively. He was possessed by his possessions, instead of possessing them. He thinks only of himself- eating, drinking and having a good time. He does not have the wisdom to say to himself that he has all this wealth; he will help the poor and the needy. The meaning of life cannot be found in hoarding wealth and possessions, but in sharing these with the needy and the poor.

*He never saw beyond this world.* He never thought of the reality that we do not have permanent home in this world. Thus, while planning to build new barns and warehouses to store his wealth, he heard the words all human beings will hear one day from their creator: "This night your life will be demanded of you."

The parable of the rich fool gives us a warning as well as an invitation. It reminds us that, we are stewards, our possessions are merely gift of God and that we are accountable for their use. We must be generous in sharing our time, our treasure, and our talents.

Jesus reminds us to avoid greed in all its forms. "Take care to guard again all greed, for though one may be rich, one's life does not consist of possessions." This parable makes us ask the question, "Do I possess things, or do things possess me?" When our happiness depends on our possessions, then we are letting our possessions control us.

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## **CALENDAR FOR ASCENSION AND ST. BERNARDS' PARISHES**

**Tues. — NOON; All copy must be in to bulletin e-mail address & e-mail to puinn55322@hotmail.com**  
**Wed. Aug 7th:** No Adoration at St. Bernard  
**Thurs. Aug. 8th 8 am-8 pm:** Adoration at Ascension  
**Fri. Aug. 9th:** No Mass at Ascension  
**Mon. Aug. 12th 7 pm:** JMT Core Meeting at Ascension  
**Wed. Aug. 14th :**No Adoration at St. Bernard  
**Wed. Aug. 14th:** No morning Mass. 6:45 pm Mass Assumption of Mary at St. Bernard.  
**Thurs. Aug. 15th 8 am-5 pm:** Adoration at Ascension  
**Thurs. Aug. 15th 6:45 pm:** Mass Assumption of Mary at Ascension  
**Thurs. Aug. 15th:** No Mass at St. Bernard  
**Sun. Aug. 18th 10 am:** Installation Mass for Fr. Abraham at St. Bernard  
**Tues. Aug. 20th 4pm:** Finance Council at Ascension  
**Wed. Aug 21st 3 pm-8 pm:** Adoration at St. Bernard  
**Thurs. Aug 22nd 8 am-8 pm:** Adoration at Ascension  
**Thurs. Aug 22nd 7 pm:** Finance Council at St. Bernard  
**Fri. Aug. 23rd 10:15 am:** Mass at The Harbor.  
**Wed. Aug. 28th 3 pm-8 pm:** Adoration at St. Bernard  
**Thurs. Aug 29th 8 am-8 pm:** Adoration at Ascension  
**Wed. Sept. 4th 8:30 am-8 pm:** Adoration at St. Bernard  
**Thurs. Sept. 5th 8 am-8 pm:** Adoration at Ascension  
**Sat. Sept. 7th:** 4 pm Mass at St. Bernard  
**Sat. Sept. 7th:** Combined Parish Picnic at St. Bernard

**Word of Life:** "Precisely in an age when the inviolable rights of the person are solemnly proclaimed and the value of life is publicly affirmed, the very right to life is being denied or trampled upon, especially at the more significant moments of existence: the moment of birth and the moment of death."

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A person may be wealthy, but his possessions do not guarantee him life and happiness. Greed leads us towards uncontrolled desires and sinful thoughts and actions. The parable is a warning for all who store up treasure for themselves, but are not rich in what matters to God. Through this parable, Jesus tells us that what counts when we die is not the wealth we acquired during life but the person we become in the process of living. In other words, how do we make use of the material wealth in order to achieve eternal life?

Yours in Christ,  
Fr. Abraham Kochupurackal CMI

**NOTICE:**

**Harbor Mass Schedule Change for August.**

The Mass at the Harbor that is scheduled on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Friday (August 9<sup>th</sup>) is being move to the 4<sup>th</sup> Friday (August 23<sup>rd</sup>). It will still be at 10:15am.

**Schedule Changes**

Wed, Aug 7<sup>th</sup>: NO Adoration at St Bernard due to Carver County Fair

Fri, Aug 9<sup>th</sup>: NO Daily Mass at St Bernard due to previously scheduled appointment

**The Assumption of Mary Holy Day is Thursday, August 15<sup>th</sup>**

The following changes are due to the Holy Day Mass Schedule

Wed, Aug 14<sup>th</sup> NO Daily Mass at St Bernard

Wed, Aug 14<sup>th</sup> NO Adoration at St Bernard

Wed, Aug 14<sup>th</sup> 6:45 pm Holy Day Mass at St Bernard

Thurs, Aug 15<sup>th</sup> NO Daily Mass at St Bernard

Thurs, Aug 15<sup>th</sup> 8am – 5pm Adoration at Ascension

Thurs, Aug 15<sup>th</sup> 6:45 pm Holy Day Mass at Ascension

**Bethany House Opening for September 2019 – May 2020 Season of Discernment!**

Applications are currently being accepted for women interested in Bethany House. Bethany House is a home for women who live in community, pray together, take meals together and discern whether they are called to consecrated life. It is sponsored by the Office of Vocations and is located in North East Minneapolis. Qualities of a good candidate for Bethany House include single women, ages 20 – 27, who are interested in dedicating a year to intentionally discerning a vocation to religious life. If this describes you, we invite you to contact us by completing the interest form at [www.10000vocations.org/bethany-house](http://www.10000vocations.org/bethany-house).

**Behold 8-Week Series for Women Ages 21-29  
Thursdays, October 3 – November 21,  
Our Lady of Grace, Edina**

Young women between the ages of 21-29 are invited to come hear the mission of **Behold**: a mission to help each woman recognize the gift she is, realize the gifts she's been given and give to the world the gifts that only she can give. This series will include time for fellowship with other young adult Catholic women, Eucharistic Adoration, awesome presentations from our Behold speaker team and time for Q&A and small group discussion. To find out more visit the [event page](#) at archspm.org.

THANK YOU so much to everyone that set-up, sorted, priced, brought items for our bake sale or rummage sale for the Catholic United Financial Matching Grant Sale last weekend. We exceeded our goal and were able to qualify for the matching \$1000.00 Our clean-up crew was amazing and made the job seem easy. Proceeds will help our joint Faith Formation program. Thanks again.

**No Adoration Wednesday, August 7,  
due to the Carver County Fair.**

**Ladies Lunch:** We will gather at Burky's in Cologne August 15th at 11:30am for lunch. Please note the change in place because of road construction. All ladies are welcome. If you plan to attend, please call Mary Beckrich at 952-467-1294 by August 14th.

**Installation Mass for Father Abraham at St. Bernard**

Will be held on Sunday, Aug. 18<sup>th</sup> at the 10am Mass. Archbishop Hebda will be in attendance. More information to come!!

**Interested in a part time job...  
Help is needed with Cleaning  
at the St. Bernard Rectory.**

We are looking to hire someone to come in twice a month to clean in the rectory at St. Bernard. This will include dusting, vacuuming , mopping floors, cleaning bathrooms, etc. Anyone interested (from either parish), please contact Sherri at the parish office to discuss job details.

**Pray For  
The Dead**



Your Prayers are requested for the repose of the soul of **Joseph Fick**, brother of Bernice Wickenhauser and Margaret Eiden, who passed away on Tues., July 23rd. His funeral was on Tues., July 30th. And also pray for **Donald Rolf**, brother-in-law of Leon Wickenhauser, who passed away Thurs. July 25th. His funeral was Mon. July 29th. May they rest in peace and may his soul and all of the souls of the faithfully departed rest in peace. Amen. Please pray for their families.

Attention Faith Formation Families and Volunteers, we need YOU! StBAFF is relocating from Ascension to St Bernard for the 2019-20 Faith Formation season. Moving day is Saturday, August 17<sup>th</sup>. Packing will begin at 8 am at Ascension. Moving will take place around 9am. We need at least 3 trucks with trailers, preferably enclosed trailers to protect our precious items, and 15 moving volunteers. With 15 packers/movers, we anticipate to be done unpacking around noon. We are strongly requesting participation by the receiving parish, which is St Bernard this year. Our Faith Formation program cannot do this without YOU. Families are encouraged to assist as there is much to be moved. **IF WE DO NOT GET ENOUGH VOLUNTEERS, FAITH FORMATION WILL STAY AT ASCENSION.** Breakfast snacks will be provided. Sign-up sheets are in the back of church or you can email Laura Templin-Howk at [jitempy@gmail.com](mailto:jitempy@gmail.com) or call Doris Mielke at 612-910-2365. Thank you!

**CHURCH OF ST. BERNARD  
STEWARSHIP OF TIME  
AND LITURGY SCHEDULE  
August 4 through August 11, 2019**

**LECTORS:**

**Saturday, 8:00 pm.** Greg Wickenhauser

**Sunday, 10:00 am.** Brenna Jones

**SERVERS:**

**Saturday 8:00pm** Amy Wickenhauser

**Sunday 10:00am.** Kieran & Luke Allisen

**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER: CUP MINISTERS**

**Saturday 8pm.** Irene Drees John Eiden & Carol Hoen

**Sunday 10am.** Mary Sue Thaemert Pam Kunkel &  
Helen Nicklaus

**USHERS**

**Saturday 8:00pm** Ralph Laumann & Brent Buesgens

**Sunday 10:00 am.** Vern Elke & Bob Symanitz

**GREETERS:**

**Saturday 8:00pm** Roger Storms

**Sunday, 10:00am.** Vern Elke

**GIFT BEARERS: Saturday & Sunday**—Volunteers

**MASS SCHEDULE**                   **INTENTIONS:**

**Saturday Aug. 3 8:00pm.** †Adrian Wickenhauser

**Sunday Aug. 4 10:00am.** †Dennis Wickenhauser  
& The People of the Parish

**Monday Aug. 5**                   No Mass

**Tuesday Aug. 6**                   No Mass

**Wed. Aug. 7 8:00am.** †Elizabeth Ludovissie

**Thursday Aug. 8 8:00am.** †Lawrence Zimmer

**Friday Aug. 9**                   No Mass

**Saturday Aug. 10 8:00pm.** †Casper Tellers

**Sunday Aug. 11 10:00am** †Patricia Wells &  
The People of the Parish

**Sacrament of Reconciliation**

Wednesday 7:30—7:50a.m. & Saturday 7:15-7:45p.m.

**Stewardship of Treasure**

Budget for Week	3,349.25
<b>Contributions 7-24-19 through 07-30-19</b>	<b>2,115.62</b>
Total Actual Collection YTD	10,550.79
Collection Over (Under) Budget	(2,846.21)
<b>Forward in Faith</b> Envelope Income	250.00
Electronic Donations	100.00
<b>Forward in Faith Total</b>	<b>1,954.00</b>

Did you know you can have your contributions automatically deducted from your checking or savings account?  
For more information call the parish office 952-466-2031,  
or visit [www.st-bernard-cologne.org](http://www.st-bernard-cologne.org)

## CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION

## STEWARSHIP OF TIME

August 5 through August 11

### SERVERS:

**Sat. 5:00 pm:** Owen Miller, Hailey Stender

**Sun. 8:00 am:** Callie Buckentin, Lacey Buckentin

### READERS:

**Sat. 5:00 pm:** Jean Schmitz

**Sun. 8:00 am:** Cheryl Coyle

### EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:

**Sat. 5:00 pm:** Steve Helget

**Sun. 8:00 am:** Amy Gallus

### COMMUNION TO THE HOMEBOUND

**August 11 8:00 am**

**Team A:** Michael and Anita Harrison

**Team B:** Pat Johnson, Theresa Hartman

### USHERS FOR AUGUST:

**Sat. 5:00 pm:** Dennis Stoks, Mark Donnay

**Sun. 8:00 am:** Bill Dvorak, Eugene Dvorak

### SACRISTAN:

**Sat. 5:00 pm:** Ann Dettmann

**Sun. 8:00 am:** Cheryl Coyle

### GREETERS:

**Sat. 5:00 pm:** Cathleen Williams

**Sun. 8:00 am:** Steve Coyle

### MASS INTENTIONS

**Sun. Aug. 4 8:00 am** Dick Lano †

**Mon. Aug. 5** No Mass

**Tues. Aug. 6 6:15 pm** Dennis Wickenhauser †

**Wed. Aug. 7** No Mass

**Thurs. Aug. 8** No Mass

**Fri. Aug. 9 7:15 am** For All Souls in Purgatory

**Sat. Aug. 10 5:00 pm** Donaver Schrupp†

**Sun. Aug. 11 8:00 am** Polingo Family †

### Weekly Collection Report

**Totals for 07/28/2019**

**Weekly Operating Budget:** \$3,379.81

**Contributions:** \$1,278.00

**E-Giving:** \$685.00

**Weekly Budget YTD:** \$13,403.86

**Actual Collection YTD:** \$10,087.00

**Total Collected Over (Under) YTD** (\$3,316.86)

**Capital Improvement Offering:** \$290.00

**Capital Improvement-E-Giving:** \$135.00

**Capital Improvement YTD:** \$950.00