

CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION



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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.



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ALL SAINTS' DAY – NOVEMBER 1, 2020

The Saints are our Role Models

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

On this Sunday, November 1st, we celebrate the Feast of All Saints. Normally we apply the word to people of extraordinary holiness who have been canonized or beatified by the Church. Today, however, we honor all saints, known and unknown. It refers to all those baptized Christians who have lived and died for the values of Christ and are now with God in glory. On this day, we honour the countless holy men and women who have loved God and loved neighbour fully in their lives. As the first reading from the book of Revelation presents it, ‘this is a great multitude, which no one could count, from every nation, race, peoples and tongue, standing before the throne and before the Lamb. These are the ones who have survived the time of great distress; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.’

The saints put their trust in Jesus Christ and lived heroic lives of faith. They enjoy heavenly bliss as a reward for their faith in Jesus. They are our role models. They teach us by their lives that Christ’s holy life of love, mercy, and unconditional forgiveness can be lived by ordinary people, of all walks of life and at all times. They are our heavenly patrons who intercede for us before Jesus, the only mediator between God and us. (1 Timothy 2:5). (James: 5:16a -18; Exodus: 32:13; Revelation. 8:4). In addition, this feast is observed to teach us to honor the saints, both by imitating their lives and by seeking their intercession for us. Each Christian has a patron saint. The saints are the instruments that God uses to work miracles at present, just as he used the rod of Moses (Exodus), the bones of the dead (II Kings 13:21), the shadow of Peter (Acts 5:15) and the towel of Paul (Acts 19:12) to work miracles.

All Saints Day is a day on which we thank God for giving ordinary men and women a share in his holiness and heavenly glory as a reward for their faith. Today, the Church reminds us that God’s call for holiness is universal, that all of us are called to live in his love and to make his love real in the lives of those around us. We are on the way to holiness when we live lives of integrity and truth in which we are close to others while being close to God.

This feast offers a challenge to each one of us: anybody can become a saint, regardless of his or her age, vocation or living conditions. St. Augustine accepted this challenge when he asked the question: “If she and he can become saints, why can’t I?” Blessed Carlo Acutis accepted this challenge in a very different way in the modern world. Carlo Acutis, who died of leukaemia in 2006 aged 15. He was beatified on October 10, 2020, in Assisi, Italy. In many ways, Carlo Acutis was a typical teenager. He loved his PlayStation and making videos of his dogs. He favored Nikes and jeans, and he had a cellphone and an email address. But in one significant respect, Carlo stands out from his peers:

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SCRIPTURE READINGS—Nov. 1-Nov. 7, 2020

11/1 All Saints Sunday: Rev 7:2-4,9-14*Ps 24:1-6*1 Jn 3:1-3*Mt 5:1-12. **11/2 All Souls; Day:** Wis 3:1-9*Ps 23:1-6*Rom 5:5-11 or 6:3-9*Jn 6:37-40. **11/3 St. Martin de Porres:** Phil 2:5-11*Ps 22:26-32*Lk 14:15-24. **11/4 St. Charles Borromeo:** Phil 2:12-18*Ps 27:1,4,13-14*Lk 14:25-33. **11/5:** Phil 3:3-8*Ps 105:2-7*Lk 15:1-10. **11/6:** Phil 3:17—4:1*Ps 122:1-5*Lk 16:1-8. **11/7 BVM:** Phil 4:10-19*Ps 112:1-2,5-6,8-9*Lk 16:9-15.



CALENDAR FOR ASCENSION AND ST. BERNARD'S PARISHES

Tuesdays — NOON; All copy must be in to the bulletin: e-mail address & e-mail to pquinn55322@hotmail.com

Fridays — NOON; All inserts and announcements must be in to the bulletin e-mail address or a paper copy in the Parish office at St. Bernard.

All events cancelled until further notice.

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He is on his way to becoming the first millennial to be recognized as a saint in the Catholic Church. He used the internet in service of the gospel, to reach as many people as possible. He had a great devotion to the Holy Eucharist. He often said, “Eucharist is my highway to heaven.” He gathered Eucharistic miracles happened all over the world and designed a website in promoting it. Since his death, Carlo has become known as the patron saint of the internet.

All Souls’ Day. There is another group, All Souls, which we remember on November 2nd. It is a day specially set apart that we may remember and pray for our dear ones who have gone to their eternal reward and need a process of purification before they can come face to face with God. Even if they were free from serious sin, there can be some minor imperfections. According to Revelation 21:27: “nothing unclean shall enter heaven.” Since it would be contrary to the mercy of God to punish such souls with venial sins in hell, they are seen as entering a place or state of purification, called *Purgatory*, which combines God’s justice with his mercy. The Church’s official teaching on Purgatory is plain and simple. There is a place or state of purification called *Purgatory*, where souls undergoing purification can be helped by the prayers of the faithful (Council of Trent).

The Catechism of the Catholic Church (No. 1032) recommends prayer for the dead in conjunction with the offering of the Eucharistic Sacrifice. The CCC also encourages “almsgiving, indulgences, and works of penance undertaken on behalf of the dead.” Let us not forget to pray for our dear departed, have Masses offered for them, visit their graves, and make daily sacrifices for them.

May our reflection on the heroic lives of the saints and the imitation of their lifestyle enable us to hear from our Lord the words of grand welcome to eternal bliss: “Well done, my good and faithful servant.... come, share your master’s joy.” (Matthew 25:21).

Yours in Christ,
Fr. Abraham Kochupurackal CMI
Pastor

Church of the Ascension Norwood Young America, MN



Every Tuesday & Friday
Eucharistic Adoration
3:00 p.m. until 6:00 p.m.

Mass Times

The Mass schedule going forward will be as follows:

Ascension: Saturday at 5:00 pm; Tues. and Fri. at 6:15 pm
Communion for those over 65 or with health concerns on
Tues at 6:45pm

St. Bernard: Sunday at 10:00 am; Wed. and Thurs. at 8:00 am

Communion for those over 65 or with health concerns on
Wed at 8:30am

Because of the limited seating, we are asking you to sign up for
one of the weekly Masses. Please go to your parish's website
and sign up there. If you don't have internet access, call the
parish office for assistance signing up.

APPALACHIA CHRISTMAS MISSION

This year it has been decided Not to participate in donating items due to the Covid-19 virus restrictions. But as you can suspect, the need is great. A financial donation could be sent instead to: Sr. S. Pleiss, Catholic Church of the Good Shepherd, P.O. Box 742; Campton, KY 41301 AND/OR Sr. M. Eilerman, Holy Family Catholic Church, 1439 KY 11S, Bonneville, KY 41314.

Thank you for your past and present donations. If questions, contact Sue Tellers 612-247-6881.

Stewardship Mailing

The annual Stewardship mailing was mailed to you last week. The committee is asking that you fill out and return the Stewardship Commitment Card and the Treasure Commitment Form by Sunday, Nov. 8th. Forms can be returned by mail or can be dropped off at church or at either parish office. We would like to say THANK YOU to all of you for supporting our parishes in all the ways that you do with the wonderful gifts Our Lord has given us. It is all of you that make us a Parish FAMILY.

All Souls Memorial Mass

The combined All Souls Memorial Mass will be held at Ascension on All Souls Day, **Monday, November 2nd at 6:30pm.** The members who have died during the last year from both parishes will be remembered at this service.

This Mass will take the place of the Tuesday 6:15pm Mass.

No Mass on Tuesday, November 3rd

The Tuesday, 6:15pm Mass will be cancelled on Nov. 3rd. The Mass was switched to Monday evening to accommodate the All Souls Memorial Mass.

Veteran's Day Program

On Wednesday, November 11th, the VFW and American Legion will be hosting a Veteran's Day Program for all veterans and their spouses at 10am at the Young America Pavilion.

JMT Members Needed:

Elections for the **Joint Mission Team** will be coming up soon. Both parishes have openings on the JMT. If you are interested in being involved in the pastoral direction of our parishes or have any questions, please contact any one of the current JMT members, Father or the parish office.

Church of St. Bernard



All Wednesday's of the Month
Eucharistic Adoration
2:00pm until 7:00pm.
Until further notice.

Spiritual Resources!

TV Diocese of St. Cloud: Sundays, 11 AM. on KSTCTV/45
— Diocese of Winona-Rochester: Sun., 11:30 AM. on Fox 9+
— Our Lady of Grace, Edina: Sunday, Noon on Fox 9+ (Dish/
Direct 29, Comcast 10/807; Over Air 9.2)
— EWTN: 7:00 AM, 11:00 AM, 6:00 PM and Rosary 6:30
AM, after the 7:00 am Mass; 2:30pm.; and at 8:30 PM
Radio: Relevant Radio 1330am: Weekdays and Sundays
at noon, and Sundays at 9 a.m.
— EWTN: ewtn.com/radio/listen-live

Please pray the Rosary daily for our nation, our world, an end to Abortion and an end to the Coronavirus.

The following is a list of a few TV and Radio stations that air the Rosary.

TV EWTN: 6:30am, After the TV Mass at Approximately
8:00am.; 2:30pm.; 8:30pm.

Catholic TV Network: 2:00 am; 9:00am; 5:30pm Nuvera Nu
Tel Cable TV Ch. 21

Radio: Revelant Radio 1330am: 7:00pm. "Family Rosary
across America"

Eucharistic Adoration to be held on Tuesday, November 3rd from 2pm. to 6pm.

This is in addition to the regular Wednesday Eucharistic Adoration. The purpose of the additional day for adoration is the most important Election of our time. Come before you vote or after you vote or whenever you can to ask our Lord and the Blessed Mother for their intercession and mercy.

**Chili Feed Cash Raffle tickets and Quilt Raffle Sheets—
All sold and unsold tickets must be dropped off by Sunday, November 1st** at the Parish Office. There is a box in the porch entrance to the Parish Office labeled for the Cash Raffle and Quilt Raffle tickets. Thank you !

Pray for Vocations! National Vocations Awareness Week will be celebrated in our country November 1-7, 2020. Please ask Our Lord for more dedicated, holy priests, deacons and consecrated men and women. May they be inspired by Jesus Christ, supported by our faith community, and respond generously to God's gift of a vocation.

Speaking of Vocations: Virtual Event—A conversation with Archbishop Hebda, Bishop Cozzens and local priests on men's vocations. November 3—Virtual Event. Registration required at 10000vocations.org.

Find out why, when considering our civic engagement as Catholics, the U.S. bishops recently affirmed, "The threat of abortion remains our preeminent priority." respectlife.org/priorities-at-the-polls

Word of Life—When considering faithful citizenship, "the U.S. bishops have reaffirmed that 'the threat of abortion remains our preeminent priority because it directly attacks life itself, because it takes place within the sanctuary of the family, and because of the number of lives destroyed.'"

Most Reverend Joseph F. Naumann, Chair of the USCCB Committee on Pro-Life Activities
"Priorities at the Polls" citing Introductory Letter to "Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship"

**CHURCH OF ST. BERNARD
STEWARSHIP OF TIME**
November 2 through November 8, 2020

SERVERS:

Sat. 8:00pm No Mass
Sun. 10:00am. Suspended until further notice

LECTORS:

Sat. 8:00 pm. No Mass
Sun. 10:00 am Volunteers Welcome

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER:

Sat. 8:00pm No Mass
Sun. 10:00am Fr. Abraham

GREETERS:

Saturday 8:00pm No Mass
Sunday 10:00am Volunteers Welcome

USHERS

Sat. 8:00pm No Mass
Sun. 10:00am Volunteers Welcome

CHURCH CLEAN: Mary Lou Wildung

NARTHEX CLEANING: Kooiman, Storms,
Hammers

MASS INTENTIONS

Sat. Oct. 31 8:00pm. No Mass
Sun. Nov. 1 10:00am. †Paul Wickenhauser,
†Phyllis Vos & All Parishioners
Mon. Nov. 2 6:30pm Memorial Mass for both
parishes at Ascension—All Souls
Tues. Nov. 3 6:15pm No Mass
Wed. Nov. 4 8:00am †Bernadette Notermann
Thurs. Nov. 5 8:00am †Hilbert & Euella Knauer
Fri. Nov. 6 6:15pm Mass at Ascension
Sat. Nov. 7 8:00 pm No Mass
Sun. Nov. 8 10:00am. †Adrian Wickenhauser,
†Robert G. Fritz & All Parishioners

Stewardship of Treasure

Budget for week	3,476.33
Contributions 10-21 through 10-27-2020	10,351.00
Total Actual Collection YTD	52,117.36
YTD Collection Over (Under) Budget	(5,238.96)

Forward in Faith

Envelope Income	15.00
Electronic Donations	0.00
Forward in Faith Total	15.00
Forward in Faith YTD	7,074.68

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

**CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION
STEWARSHIP OF TIME**

SERVERS:

Sat. 5:00 pm: Suspended until further notice
Sun. 8:00 am: No Mass

READERS:

Sat. 5:00 pm: Volunteers Welcome
Sun. 8:00 am: No Mass

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:

Sat. 5:00 pm: Volunteers Welcome
Sun. 8:00 am: No Mass

COMMUNION TO THE HOMEBOUND

Team A:

Team B:

USHERS:

Sat. 5:00 pm: Volunteers Welcome
Sun. 8:00 am: No Mass

SACRISTAN:

Sat. 5:00 pm: Father Abraham
Sun. 8:00 am: No Mass

GREETERS:

Sat. 5:00 pm: Volunteers Welcome
Sun. 8:00 am: No Mass

MASS INTENTIONS

Mon.	Nov. 2	6:30 pm	All Souls
Tues.	Nov. 3	6:15 pm	No Mass
Wed.	Nov. 4	8:00 am	Mass at St. Bernard
Thurs.	Nov. 5	8:00 am	Mass at St. Bernard
Fri.	Nov. 6	6:15 pm	For Pope Francis
Sat.	Nov. 7	5:00 pm	All Parishioners & Clayton Schindler †
Sun.	Nov. 8	8:00 am	No Mass

**Weekly Collection Report
Totals for 10/25/2020**

Weekly Operating Budget:	\$3,115.38
Contributions:	\$689.00
E-Giving:	\$785.00
Weekly Budget YTD:	\$52,961.46
Actual Collection YTD:	\$40,301.60
Total Collected Over (Under) YTD	(\$12,659.86)
Capital Improvement Offering:	\$120.00
Capital Improvement-E-Giving:	\$150.00
Capital Improvement YTD:	\$2,765.00