

CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION

ST. BERNARD'S CHURCH & SCHOOL



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SACRAMENTS

Baptisms:

By appointment.

Marriage Arrangements

Must be made with the priest at least six months before the proposed marriage date.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Ascension—Sat. 3:00—4:00 p.m.

St. Bernard —Mon. & Fri. 8:30 a.m.

Sat. 9:00 p.m.

Additionally by appointment.

Communion for Homebound

Call parish office.

Anointing of the Sick

Call the parish office at any time.

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SCRIPTURE READINGS

FOR THE WEEK OF Jan. 15 –Jan. 21, 2012

1/15 Second Sunday in Ordinary Time: 1 Sm 3:3b-10,19 * Ps 40:2,4,7-8,8-9,10 * 1 Cor 6:13-15a,17-20 * Jn 1:35-42.

1/16: 1 Sm 15:16-23 * Ps 50:8-9,16-17,21,23 * Mk 2:18-22.

1/17 St. Anthony: 1 Sm 16:1-13 * Ps 89:20,21-22,27-28 * Mk 2:23-28.

1/18: 1 Sm 17:32-33,37,40-51 * Ps 144:1,2,9-10 * Mk 3:1-6.

1/19: 1 Sm 18:6-9; 19:1-7 * Ps 56:2-3,9-10,10-12,13-14 * Mk 3:7-12.

1/20 (St Fabian; St. Sebastian): 1 Sn 24:3-21* Ps 57:2,3-4,6,11 * Mk 3:13-19.

1/21 St. Agnes: 2 Sm 1:1-4,11-12,19,23-27 * Ps 80:2-3,5-7 * Mk 3:20-21. Copyright 2011 by Creative Communications for the Parish. Used with permission.

"BEHOLD, THE LAMB OF GOD!"



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From
the
Pastor



Dear Parishioners,

We are now into the Ordinary Season and leaving Christmas, Mary the mother of God and the Epiphany behind. The decorations are down and even "Joy to the World". Those seasons were filled with wonderful opportunities for renewal and new beginnings. For this I join you, in giving thanks for all that has been a blessing. I pray with you as we say good by to our efforts to literally light up the world that as the days get longer, we find the energy to launch the New Year and the changes that will be in our future. For this to happen, that is to make choices in the Spirit that will bring about change, we can do no better than what Samuel did in the first reading. He kept hearing a voice and checking it out with the priest of God Eli who suggested that he reply directly to the call by saying, "Speak, for your servant is listening. That attitude of openness is so important as we continue our commitments to family, friends, education, our church community and our careers. We need to sort out our options with knowledge and reality, while being open to the Spirit guiding us into the future. In the Gospel, John, Jesus, Andrew and Peter, found the right balance. They listened to each other with a sense of mission and kept their focus on what God was doing in their lives as they responded to the reality of Christ in their lives. May this time of transition go well for us.

Fr. Martin Shallbetter

PSALMS CLASS CALENDAR HELD AT ASCENSION

Session 2 – Seeing and Hearing the Psalms
Sunday 6:30 pm - January 22, 2012
Monday 9:00 am - January 23, 2012

Session 3 – Learning to Pray with the Psalms
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YOU WILL SEE

In today's Gospel, John the Baptist watches Jesus go by, and announces that Jesus is the promised Lamb of God. Andrew and another man follow Jesus, who asks what they are looking for. Their answer is strange: they want to know where he lives. Jesus replies, "Come, and you will see." The next day Andrew takes his brother, Simon, to meet the Messiah—the Anointed One. Jesus looks hard at Simon and, from what he perceives, renames him Peter ("the rock"). The two encounters are ordinary and yet life-changing. Jesus walks past John, and then offers Andrew and his friend hospitality and companionship. Jesus meets Peter, looks at him, assesses his character, and accepts him as a friend. The simplicity of Jesus' manner demonstrates his willingness to receive people "as they are" but also to see their potential. He does not offer explanations of who he is, but takes people to his home and lets them see for themselves.

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CALENDAR FOR ASCENSION AND ST. BERNARDS' PARISHES

Jan. 15-Hamburg Lions Club Pancake Brunch, 8:30am to 12:30pm at Hamburg Community Hall. Adults \$7, children 5-12 \$3, children 4 and under are free. Menu: pancakes, sausage, scrambled eggs, applesauce and beverage.

Jan. 15 and 16: Session 1 of the study of "Psalms, The School of Prayer." It is not too late to join us! In this class you will discover a rich school of prayer for all life's circumstances. Experience the transforming power of the responsorial psalms in the Mass. Learn how to meditate fruitfully on the Psalms. Study the many ways the Psalms foretell the life and mission of Jesus. See how they can empower your prayer to become an honest personal dialogue with God. The cost is \$25 for materials. If you wish to attend you may register on the form found in last week's bulletin. For information contact Fran Kramer at 952-467-2275 or visit www.GreatAdventureOnline.com.

Jan. 15-Jan. 22-KC Paper Drive will be held at the Ascension in the church parking lot. Drop off between 7am and sunset. Thank you for your continued support of the paper drives.

Jan. 16-At. St. Bernard's-Parish Council meets at 7 p.m. The Finance/Board of Stewards meets at 8p.m. Joint meeting at 9 p.m.

Jan. 16- St. Joseph's Pro-Life Committee Is Proud To Present: Marriage Matters: 7 pm St. Joseph Parish Center. Presenter: Jason Adkins. Please join the St. Joseph Pro-Life Committee as we welcome Jason Adkins, Executive Director of the Minnesota Catholic Conference, as our guest speaker. Jason will explain why Catholics have a responsibility to promote laws that serve the common good, especially the institution of marriage as the union of one man and one woman.

Jan. 19-at Ascension—Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament from 8 am to 8 pm. Please consider spending some time in the presence of the Lord Jesus Christ. You will benefit yourself, the church and the world. Pray for those Catholics who have wandered away from the true faith. If you are willing to take a specific hour call Rose Flaig at 467-2678. We have need for someone to take the 5 pm hour.

Jan. 22-Mass for Life at the Cathedral at 12:00 noon. **March for Life** at the Capitol at 2:00 pm. St. Joe's Waconia is providing a bus (at their parking lot) at 10:30 am. Bus will return to Waconia about 4:30 pm. Bus is free. Bring a lunch. No RSVP needed.

Jan. 22—Knights of Columbus Free Throw Contest; Central High School Gym. Registration from 12:00 to 12:30 Contest to follow. Boys & Girls ages 10 to 14.

Jan. 23-At Ascension-Parish Council Meeting at 7:30 pm.

Jan 28-At St. Bernard's Sacrament of Reconciliation for Grade 2 at 9 a.m.

Jan. 29—Feb 3rd. Catholic Schools Week—Opening Mass Sunday, Jan. 29th at 10 a.m. Followed by the Knights of Columbus Breakfast from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Jan. 29-NYA Lions Pancake Feed-9:00 am to 12:00 pm at the NYA Pavilion. Adults \$8 and children ages 5-9 are \$4. All proceeds go to projects in the community.

Jan. 29-Ascension Knights of Columbus are sponsoring a Pancake Breakfast to Kick Off Catholic Schools' Week. The breakfast will be held from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. in the Cafeteria at St. Bernard's Catholic School in Cologne. All are invited and encouraged to attend.

FEBRUARY

Natural Family Planning Classes: Modern Natural Family Planning is based on comprehensive scientific research and is healthy and marriage building! If you are looking to enhance your married life, a series of classes taught by a qualified instructor will begin on: **Saturday, February 18, 2012** at U of M Medical Center-Fairview, Mpls To register or for more information, please call the Twin Cities FertilityCare at 651-232-3088 or register on-line at www.tcnfp.org

Weekly Collections
January 7 & January 8
Envelopes and Plate: \$2,547.75
Capital Improvement Fund: \$210.00

USHERS WANTED

A new usher list will be coming out in January for 2012. Those currently on the list will be contacted regarding the mass that works best for you. More ushers are needed. If you are interested in helping, please contact Dennis Stoks at 952-240-5001.

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Petition To Sign Downstairs — Please Help!

Downstairs there is a petition to sign that states, “We support protection for unborn babies who can feel pain.” This petition supports legislation called the “Pain Capable Unborn Child Protection Act.” The act would prohibit abortions after the point of pregnancy when the unborn child can feel pain. Medical evidence demonstrates this point is conservatively 20 weeks after conception. We believe a child who feels pain (a “pain capable unborn child”) is a member of our human family, is sufficiently developed to be recognized as such, and should be protected by law. **Please join the Minnesota Citizens Concerned for Life (MCCL) in supporting this legislation by signing the petition which supports the Pain Capable Unborn Child Protection Act.** Your signature may save the life of an unborn child.

HELP NEEDED!

Faith Formation is in need of Faith Formation teachers. If you can help, call Julie Kleindl at 952-467-3538 right away.

Catholics Come Home Evangelization Campaign
Has Begun!

As of December 16th, “Catholics Come Home” evangelization commercials are airing nationwide, inviting those away from the practice of their faith to return “home.”

This campaign is supported through the generosity of donors across the country. We can all join in the campaign by praying for those who have left the church and inviting them to join us at Ascension. Pray for those who have drifted away — pray at home, at Mass, and at Adoration.

Fr. Ardolf’s Surgery Update

Fr. Ardolf’s surgery was rescheduled. It will now be January 16th because the doctor had a cancellation. Father is asking St. Padre Pio for a miracle. Father met Padre Pio in Italy in 1967, one year before Padre Pio’s death.

School January 28th is the Sacrament of Reconciliations for Grade 2 at 9am.



Catholic Schools Week is January 29th thru Feb 3rd. There will be an Opening Mass on Sunday January 29th at 10am. Followed by the KC Breakfast 8:30am to 12:30pm, please join us.

Winter Carnival February 19th. If you have Prizes or Donations for the Carnival please drop them off at the school or in the Church as soon as possible.

Fish Fry Dates - February 24 and March 16. Please mark your calendars.

St. Bernard's School Advisory Committee met on January 9, 2012.

In attendance were: Fr. Martin, Sr.Jancy, Carol Symanitz, Casey Jones, Pam Kunkel, Jennifer Ruether, and Margaret Wickenhauser. The meeting opened with prayer. December meeting minutes were read, approved. February 19th, 2012 Winter Carnival preparations clarified, and assigned. Early raffle ticket returns are eligible for free Winter Carnival dinner ticket drawing. The monthly school operating statement reviewed. Budget Report received. Revisit of Accreditation members will be on January 10th. Fish Fry is scheduled for February 24, and tentatively March 16th with the leadership of Jim Meuwissen, and John Fasching. St. Bernard's school family is grateful to Rita Schepers for initiating the Fish Fry dinners to support our school, and her guidance with the 2012 fish dinners. All of St. Bernard's students are to sing at the January 22, 8:00 a.m. Mass at Ascension Parish in Norwood Young America for Catholic Schools week. On January 29th, the NYA Knights of Columbus will be hosting a Pancake Breakfast in the morning to celebrate, and support Catholic Schools week at St. Bernard's in Cologne. St. Bernard's constitution to be updated by April per Archdiocese. Meeting was adjourned. Respectfully submitted, St. Bernard's School Advisory Committee secretary, Margaret Wickenhauser

Scrip News: - Be sure to purchase scrip for the upcoming “Dollar Days” at Mackenthun’s: January 18th and 19th.

St. Bernard’s Sewing Circle Quilters—Quilting every Monday at 7:00 p.m. and Wednesday at 8:00 a.m. at the Paul & JoAnn Wickenhauser home. Donations of quilt battings size 90 x 108 Quilt are needed, also any, monetary donations will be greatly appreciated. We welcome anyone to come and help quilt.

Thank you all for your past donations of time, talent and treasure. We could not make all the quilts that we have without you. If you have any questions, please call Irene Drees at 952-466-2531.

Living Stewardship Now

Jesus sees you, accepts you, and welcomes you for who you are. Show your gratitude in
 WORSHIP of God, who loves and saves you;
 SERVICE to others in the parish and the community;
 GIFTS to the church and to good causes of your choice.
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STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

Gathering Our Gifts	
Envelope/Plate Income (1/8/12)	\$ 2,488.75
Electronic Donations	
Subtotal Income for Gathering Our Gifts	\$ 2,488.75
Forward in Faith	
Envelope Income (1/8/12)	\$ 305.00
Electronic Donations	
Subtotal Income for Forward in Faith	\$ 305.00
Total Weekly Income	\$ 2,793.75

CHURCH OF ST. BERNARD
STEWARDSHIP OF TIME AND LITURGY SCHEDULE
January 16, 2012 through January 22, 2012

LECTORS:

Sat. 8:00 pm. Greg Wickenhauser
Sun. 8:00 am. Tom Wickenhauser
10:00 am. Patricia Quinn

SERVERS:

Weekdays: St. Bernard School Students

Sat. 8:00 pm. Amy Broll & Samantha Wickenhauser
Sun. 8:00 am. Amber Wickenhauser & Danielle Schmieg
10:00 am. Brooke Vos and Grace Wickenhauser

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER

Sat. 8:00 pm. Megan Wickenhauser
Sun. 8:00 am. Andy Kleindl
10:00 am. Sister Jancy

USHERS:

Sat. 8:00 pm Ralph Laumann & Brent Buesgens
Sun. 8:00 am. Mike Pawelk & Andy Kleindl
10:00 am. Brian Vos & Bob Symanitz

GREETERS:

Sat. 8:00 pm. Carol Hoen
Sun. 8:00 am. Mike Pawelk
10:00 am. Bob Rademacher

GIFT BEARERS:

Sat. 8:00 pm. Helen Hilgers & Jeanette Buesgens
Sun. 8:00 am. Julie & Andy Kleindl Family
10:00 am. JoAnn & Roger Schmitz

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION: PLEASE NOTE TIME

Tuesday, February 7, 2012
After the 8:00 A.M. Mass until 6:00 PM.

MASS SCHEDULE

INTENTIONS:

Saturday	Jan. 14	8:00 pm.	†Eugene Eiden
Sunday	Jan. 15	8:00 am.	People of the Parish
		10:00 am.	†Marinus Fasching
Monday	Jan. 16	8:00 am.	†Eugene R. Quinn (A.)
Tuesday	Jan. 17	8:00 am.	†Marcella "Sally" Schwartz
Wednesday	Jan. 18	8:00 am.	NO MASS
Thursday	Jan. 19	8:00 am.	†Edward J. Tellers
Friday	Jan. 20	8:00 am.	†Warren Kahnke
Saturday	Jan. 21	8:00 pm.	Parishioners of St. Bernard's
Sunday	Jan. 22	8:00 am.	†The Unborn
		10:00 am.	†Leo & Arelene Heger

RADIO ROSARY:

Jan. 16 In Memory of Lillian Weinandt and Elmer Hartmann Family

Jan. 17 Friends of the Rosary

Jan. 18 In Memory of Jerome and Bernice Sand

Jan. 19 In Memory of Glenn Chalupsky and Holy Trinity Altar Society, Veseli

Jan. 20 Shakopee K.C. Auxiliary

**CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION
STEWARSHIP OF TIME**

January 16 Through January 22

SERVERS:

Saturday 5:00 pm: Brandon Fabel, Joey Simons

Sunday 8:00 am: Tracy & Elizabeth George

Sunday 10:00 am: Nick & Rachel Holliday

LECTORS:

Saturday 5:00 pm: Julie Pieper

Sunday 8:00 am: Brian Willems

Sunday 10:00 am: Rosemary Storms

COMMUNION MINISTERS:

Saturday 5:00 pm: Beverly Feltmann

Sunday 8:00 am: Kathy Kloempken

Sunday 10:00 am: Ann Fitz

COMMUNION TO THE HOMEBOUND:

January 15: Michael Harrison

January 22: Rita Fahey

USHERS FOR JANUARY:

Saturday 5:00 pm Kevin Raether, Jim Louwagie

Sunday 8:00 am Jim Dvorak, Gary Widmer

Sunday 10:00 am Paul Lano, Justin Buckentin

GREETERS:

Saturday 5:00 pm Sheila Hart

Sunday 8:00 am Jim Braunwarth

Sunday 10:00 am Diane Anderson

ADORATION:

Thursdays from 8:00 am-8:00 pm

MASS INTENTIONS:

Sunday	Robert Wirtz †
10:00	Parish
Monday	No Mass
Tuesday	No Mass
Wednesday	Edward Steinhagen †
Thursday	Sharon Christian †
Friday	Margaret O'Reilly †
Saturday	Bert McCarthy †
5:00 pm	Marie Neutgens †

MASS TIMES

Weekdays—7:15 am

Saturday 5:00 pm

Sunday 8:00 & 10:00 am

**(NO MASS ON MONDAY JANUARY 16
OR ON TUESDAY JANUARY 17)**

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday 3:00-4:00 pm

*Here am I, Lord;
I come to do your will.*