ASCENSION & SAINT BERNARD

CATHOLIC CHURCHES



Mass schedule

ASCENSION

Saturday Vigil | 5:00pm
(2nd, 4th and 5th Weekends)
Sunday | 8:00am
Tuesday | 6:15pm
Friday | 8:00am

Reconciliation
Tuesday| 5:45-6:05pm
Saturday | 4:30pm-4:50pm
(2nd, 4th and 5th Weekends) or by appointment

SAINT BERNARD

Saturday Vigil | 5:00pm
(1st and 3rd Weekends)
Sunday | 10:00am
Wednesday | 8:00am
Thursday | 08:00am

Reconciliation
Wednesdays | 7:30am - 7:50am
Saturday | 4:30pm-4:50pm
(1st and 3rd) Weekends) or by appointment

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Featured News

Thank you to everyone who completed the Stewardship Ministry Form! If you have not already done so, please prayerfully consider if God calling you to a ministry.

Please return completed Ministry Forms by November 15th.

Our joint All Souls Mass will be celebrated this Monday, November 2nd at Church of the Ascension at 7:00pm. There will be a small reception to follow in the Social Hall. All are welcome to attend!

Remembering the Communion of Saints

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

As November begins, the Church invites us to pause and reflect on two beautiful celebrations of our faith: **All Saints' Day on November 1 and All Souls' Day on November 2.** These days remind us of the bond of love that unites us in Christ, a love that even death cannot destroy.

On All Saints' Day, we honor all the saints, those officially recognized by the Church and the countless holy men and women whose names may never be known to us. They are our brothers and sisters in faith who lived their lives with love, courage, humility, and trust in God. They are our role models. Their witness reminds us that God's call for holiness is not reserved for a select few. Every Christian is called to holiness, to live in God's love and to make his love real, in the ordinary circumstances of daily life: in our families, workplaces, parish communities, and encounters with those in need. The saints encourage us to persevere in faith and to keep our eyes fixed on Christ, who is the source of all holiness.

On All Souls' Day, we remember in a special way all the faithful departed, especially our family members, friends, and loved ones who have gone before us. It is a day set aside to pray for those who have died and who may still be undergoing purification before entering into the fullness of God's presence. We pray for them, entrusting them to the infinite mercy and loving care of God. Our prayers are an expression of love that continues beyond the grave. As we remember our departed loved ones, we acknowledge both the sorrow of separation and the hope we have in Jesus Christ, who conquered sin and death through his resurrection.

These two celebrations are closely connected. On All Saints Day, we rejoice in the glory of those who are with God; on All Souls Day, we pray for those who have died and commend them to God's mercy. Together, they remind us of the Communion of Saints -the spiritual unity of all the faithful, those living on earth, those being purified, and those already enjoying the presence of God in heaven.

As we celebrate these holy days, let us take time to thank God for the example of the saints, remember our departed loved ones, attend Mass, and offer our prayers for those who have died. We may also visit a cemetery, light a candle, or share stories of faith and goodness that keep the memory of our loved ones alive.
May the saints inspire us to live faithfully, may our prayers bring comfort and hope, and may all who have died rest in the peace of Christ. As we remember those who have gone before us, let us hold firmly to the promise of eternal life, trusting that in God's loving plan, death is not the end but the doorway to the fullness of life with Him.

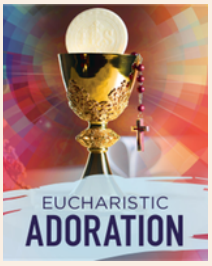
Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

Yours in Christ,
Fr. Abraham Kochupurackal CMI
Pastor

What is going on in our community

Church of the Ascension is partnering with Citizens State bank of Norwood and the Minnesota Department of Commerce to offer a fraud presentation on Tuesday, November 17th at 10:00am in the Ascension Social Hall. The presentation will go over how attendees can protect themselves from fraud and financial exploitation and what red flags to look for, as well as resources for victims and how to report fraud. This is open to parishioners from both Parishes as well as members in our community. Please RSVP to the Church Office if you would like to attend.

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION



ASCENSION
EVERY TUESDAY
3:00PM UNTIL 06:00PM

ST. BRNARD
EVERY WEDNESDAY
2:00PM UNTIL 6:00PM

Rosary Intention:

"Eternal Rest for all the Faithful Departed"

Ascension Mass Intentions

TUESDAY: 6:15pm- All Parishioners
FRIDAY: 8:00am- Mass of reparation
SATURDAY: 5:00pm- **Mass at St. Bernard**
SUNDAY: 8:00am - Church of the Ascension Veterans Living and Deceased



Ascension Weekly Collection Report
Totals as of 10/18/2026

Weekly Operating Budget:	**$** 3,211.54
Weekly Envelopes/Plate	1,154.00
Weekly E-Giving:	1,545.00
Collections Budget YTD:	$ 51,384.64
Actual Collection YTD:	**$ 38,357.00**
Total Collected Over (Under) YTD	**$ (13,027.64)**

Capital Improvement Offering:	50.00
Capital Improvement-E-Giving:	210.00
Capital Improvement YTD:	$ **4,004.00**

Interested in signing up for E-Giving or want to make a one time donation? Scan here to donate to the Church of the Ascension. Thank you for your generosity!

Ascension News

Please prayer for the repose of the soul of Carol Palaia who passed away on October 17th. Please keep her family in your prayers during this time.

Saint Bernard Mass Intentions

WEDNESDAY: 8:00am- Donna Meuleners Family
THURSDAY: 8:00am- Donna Meuleners Family
SATURDAY: 5:00pm- Richard Paul +
SUNDAY: 10:00am- Dennis & Bernice Wickenhauser ++ & all Parishioners



St. Bernard Stewardship of Treasure
Totals as of 10/18/2026

Weekly Operating Budget:	**$** 3,500.00
Weekly Envelopes/Plate	**9,475.30**
Weekly E-Giving:	410.00
Collection Budget YTD:	$ 56,000.00
Actual Collection YTD:	**$ 54,003.61**
Total Collected Over (Under) YTD	**$ (1,996.39)**

Capital Improvement Offering:	35.00
Capital Improvement E-Giving	100.00
Capital Improvement YTD:	**$ 4,287.50**

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Saint Bernard News

A sincere thank you to everyone who helped with the 2026 Soup Social! Thank you to the committee who helped plan and coordinate it, everyone who made the delicious soup, baked for the farmer's market, donated silent auction items, and sold raffle tickets.
And finally thank you to everyone who came out to support Saint Bernard by eating lunch, purchasing baked goods, bidding on auction items, purchasing raffle tickets. We appreciate your support!

Faith Formation Updates

Upcoming Events:

Feed My Starving Children Grades 6th-10th
-November 4th

Thanksgiving Family Mass (no class and no meal)
- November 18th 6:30pm

Readings for the week of November 1, 2026
Sunday: Rv 7:2-4, 9-14/Ps 24:1bc-2, 3-4ab, 5-6/1 Jn 3:1-3/Mt 5:1-12a **Monday:** Wis 4:7-14/Ps 25:6, and 7b, 17-18, 20-21/Rom 5:17-21/Mt 11:25-30 **Tuesday:** Phil 2:5-11/Ps 22:26b-27, 28-30ab, 30e, 31-32Lk 14:15-24 **Wednesday:** Phil 2:12-18/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14Lk 14:25-33 **Thursday:** Phil 3:3-8a/Ps 105:2-3, 4-5, 6-7Lk 15:1-10 **Friday:** Phil 3:17-4:1/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5/Lk 16:1-8 **Saturday:** Phil 4:10-19/Ps 112:1b-2, 5-6, 8a and 9/Lk 16:9-15 **Next Sunday:** Wis 6:12-16/Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8/1 Thes 4:13-18 or 4:13-14/Mt 25:1-13

Sacraments

Baptisms: Please call the priest to make an appointment.
Marriage Arrangements: You should contact the priest as soon as you become engaged. You must meet with the priest twice, and these meetings should be 6 months before proposed wedding date.

Communion for Homebound
Ascension - Sue Tellers…...612-247-6881
St. Bernard - Barb Knorr…...952-484-9628

Anointing of the Sick
Call the parish office at any time.

Bulletin requests are due by Wednesday for the bulletin two weekends out. All inserts and announcements are due the Thursday morning of the weekend needed. Please emailed your requests or bring them to the Parish office at St. Bernard or Ascension. St. Bernard requests should be emailed to: bulletin@st-bernard-cologne.org. Ascension requests should be emailed to: busadmin@ascensionnya.org.