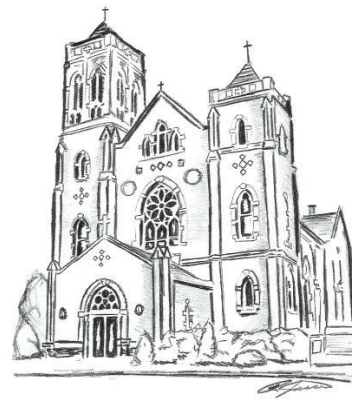




*Second Sunday  
In Ordinary Time  
January 15<sup>th</sup>, 2017*



**St. Damian Parish**

Founded 1861  
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Behold,  
the Lamb of God,  
who takes away  
the sin of the world!

John 1:29

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(9 am to 4 pm) @ CLC, New Baden;  
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**MASS SCHEDULE:**

**MONDAY, JANUARY 16<sup>TH</sup>**

*NO am Mass @ St. Damian*  
*NO Prayer Service w/Communion*

**TUESDAY, JANUARY 17<sup>TH</sup>**

*7:45 am Mass @ St. Bernard*  
*Cyril, Dorothy & Marvin Foppe*

**WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 18<sup>TH</sup>**

*7:45 am Mass @ St. Damian*  
*For All Cancer Victims*

**THURSDAY, JANUARY 19<sup>TH</sup>**

*7:45 am Mass @ St. Bernard*  
*Dan & Rose Mueth Family*

**FRIDAY, JANUARY 20<sup>TH</sup>**

*NO Mass or Prayer Service Scheduled*

**SATURDAY, JANUARY 21<sup>ST</sup>**

*5:00 pm Mass @ St. Damian*  
*William & Clara Korte*  
*Herman & Vivian Jansen*

**SUNDAY, JANUARY 22<sup>ND</sup>**

*8:30 am Mass @ St. Damian*  
*For All Parishioners*

*10:00 am @ St. Bernard*  
*Kyle Norrenberns*

*11:00 am Mass @ St. Damian*  
*Mass in Spanish*

### LITURGY OF THE WORD:

All of today's readings are about the mission that God has for those who follow Him. Isaiah speaks of being God's servant; Saint Paul says he was called to be an apostle; and John the Baptist, himself a servant of God, identifies Jesus as the Son of God. Our task is to continually deepen our relationship to Jesus that leads us to know who we are and what we are called to do. Let us make the refrain of the responsorial psalm our own prayer: *"Here am I, Lord; I come to do Your will."*

## "Here am I, Lord; I come to do Your will."

### HAPPENINGS/MEETINGS:

**Sunday, January 15<sup>th</sup>**

*Cosgrove's Casserole Pan/Recipe Pickup*

*Children's Liturgy of the Word &*

*Food for the Poor Presentation w/Fr. Thomas Singer*

8:30 am @ St. Damian

10:00 am @ St. Bernard

*Pre-School Sunday School Classes*

10:00 am @ Albers Elementary School

**Monday, January 16<sup>th</sup>**

*Martin Luther King Day – NO SCHOOL*

*NO Mass & NO Prayer Service w/Communion*

**Tuesday, January 17<sup>th</sup>**

*North Central Vicariate Cancer Mass*

7:00 pm @ Posen

**Wednesday, January 18<sup>th</sup>**

*St. Damian Finance Council Meeting*

6:30 pm @ St. Damian Parish House

*Bible Timeline Study*

7:00 pm @ St. Damian Parish House

**Thursday, January 19<sup>th</sup>**

*Communion to Homebound*

*St. Bernard Finance Council Meeting*

6:30 pm @ St. Bernard Rectory

**Friday, January 20<sup>th</sup>**

*Hispanic Rosary 6:00 pm @ St. Damian Church*

**Saturday, January 21<sup>st</sup>**

*Cosgrove's Casserole Pan/Recipe*

*& Contribution Pickup*

*Blest Art Religious Sales after Mass*

**Sunday, January 22<sup>nd</sup>**

*Cosgrove's Casserole Pan/Recipe*

*& Contribution Pickup*

*Children's Liturgy of the Word*

8:30 am @ St. Damian

10:00 am @ St. Bernard

*Blest Art Religious Sales after both Masses*

*Pre-School Sunday School Classes*

10:00 am @ Albers Elementary School

*Joint Parish Councils Dinner*

6:30 pm @ Albers American Legion

### GENERAL CONCERNS:

#### CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS:

All statements will be available for pick up the weekends of Jan. 21<sup>st</sup>/22<sup>nd</sup> & Jan. 28<sup>th</sup>/29<sup>th</sup>.

*Please save your parish the postage and pick up your statements in the main entrance of church.*

**BLEST ART** will be visiting our parishes on behalf of the Christian families in Bethlehem, Palestine. For centuries, the Christians in and around Bethlehem have earned a living by carving religious olive wood art to sell to visiting pilgrims. Fewer pilgrims are journeying to the Holy Land today, making it difficult for those Christians to support their families. As a result, there has been a dramatic rise in Christian emigration from the Holy Land. Blest Art, Inc. helps the struggling Christian families in Bethlehem by marketing their artwork in the United States. On the **weekend of Jan. 21<sup>st</sup>/22<sup>nd</sup>** they will have hand-carved nativity sets, statues, crosses, rosaries, and many other pieces of beautiful olive wood art. Please visit their display and consider purchasing a piece of art from the Holy Land. **Thank you!**

**JOINT PARISH COUNCILS DINNER** will be held on **Sunday, Jan 22<sup>nd</sup>** with Social at 6:30 pm and Dinner at 7:00 pm @ Albers American Legion. Please reply to the email that was sent stating if you plan to attend!

#### DIRECT PAYMENT BY ACH:

**Direct Payment by ACH** is the transfer of funds from an individual's account for the purpose of making a contribution to St. Bernard and recently to St. Damian Parish. If you are interested in having your contributions done electronically, please fill out the form (located on the website under St. Bernard & St. Damian) with all the required information, sign, date and return to the parish office along with a voided check. If you have any questions, please call Jeanne at 618-979-5933.

# WELCOME FR. THOMAS J. SINGER!!

### **COSGROVE'S CASSEROLES:**

Families of St. Bernard & St. Damian Parishes are asked to help feed the poor and hungry at *Cosgrove's Kitchen*, a soup kitchen in East St. Louis ([www.svdpsouthil.org/cosgrove-kitchen.html](http://www.svdpsouthil.org/cosgrove-kitchen.html)). We will be preparing casseroles and making donations to help this much needed ministry. Pans with lids and recipes will be available to pick up the **weekends of January 14<sup>th</sup>/15<sup>th</sup> - January 28<sup>th</sup>**. Prepare one or more of the recipes and freeze. Please deliver frozen casseroles on **Sunday, January 29<sup>th</sup>** from 8:00-11:00 am @ St. Damian Parish Gym & from 9:00 am-12 noon @ St. Bernard Parish Center. If your family is unable to create casseroles, please consider helping by donating \$\$ for ingredients and supplies. Donations may be placed in the collection baskets. Please label envelopes "*Cosgrove's Casseroles*". Checks may be made payable to either *St. Bernard Church* OR *St. Damian Church*. Please contact Brenda (698-3804 / [villageofalbers@yahoo.com](mailto:villageofalbers@yahoo.com)) with questions. **All help is greatly appreciated! Thank you!**

### **ST. DAMIAN PARISH CONCERNS:**

#### **CHURCH SUPPORT: January 7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup>, 2017**

Envelopes: \$3,215.00 + Loose: \$132.00  
+ Mass in Spanish: \$265.00 - \$50.00 error on  
December 4<sup>th</sup> deposit = \$3,562.00  
Budget for week: \$2,831.73  
Fiscal year-to-date collected: \$78,701.55  
Fiscal year-to-date budget: \$79,288.44  
Over (under) year-to-date budget: **(\$586.89)**  
Fiscal year (7/16-6/17) budget: \$147,250.00  
(**Reminder:** The fiscal year budget **does not** include the \$58,000.00 transferred from: Savings, Building Fund, Cemetery & Picnic Checking Accounts, which is needed in order to balance the budget.)

**Thanks for your faithful and generous support!**

#### **DAMIANSVILLE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE:**

**Annual Banquet** will be held on **Saturday, Jan. 21<sup>st</sup>** @ St. Damian gym. Cocktail hour starts at 6:00 pm with dinner at 7:00 pm. Please RSVP to Roger at 248-5857 or [rtoennies@charter.net](mailto:rtoennies@charter.net) by **Tuesday, Jan. 17<sup>th</sup>**.

#### **LADIES SODALITY QUILT COMMITTEE:**

- ✓ **Wurstmarkt & Bi-Monthly Quilt Raffle Tickets:**  
Please pick up your raffle tickets in the back of church. Please drop them in the collection basket or get them to Donna Fuehne (604-3275) or Tammy Haselhorst (401-1910). **Thanks!**
- ✓ **Quilt/Cash Sign-Up Sheet** for the picnic is posted at both entrances of the church. Please mark if you intend to donate cash or a quilt for the picnic. **Thank you!**

#### **THANK YOU!**

- To the **ladies & men** who helped clean St. Damian Parish House before Christmas.
- To **everyone** who helped put up & take down the Christmas decorations.

**All of your time, effort, and hard work is deeply appreciated!**

### **ST. DAMIAN MINISTRY SCHEDULE**

#### **Saturday, January 21<sup>st</sup>, 2017 @ 5:00 pm**

**Eucharist Ministers** — Chris & Beth Brandmeyer, Mech Toennies

**Reader** — Darlene Toennies

**Ushers** — Delmar Santel & Jerry Innes

**Servers** — Adam & Kevin Heimann, Mason Schrage

**Organist** — Jan Hitch

#### **Sunday, January 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2017 @ 8:30 am**

**Eucharist Ministers** — Ken Mank, Kristy Richter, *Florence Jansen*

**Reader** — Denise Luitjohan

**Ushers** — Ron Horstmann, Bill Jansen

**Servers** — Reece Deiters, Lily Toennies, Savanna Luitjohan

**Organist** — Jan Hitch

**Collection Counters** — Kristy Richter, Gwen Toennies, Jan Hitch

**Children's Liturgy** — Gwen Toennies, Avery Budde

### **ST. BERNARD PARISH CONCERNS:**

#### **CHURCH SUPPORT: January 8<sup>th</sup>, 2017**

Envelopes: \$1,505.00 + Christmas: \$500.00  
+ ACH: \$1,525.00 + Loose: \$65.00 = \$3,595.00  
Budget for week: \$2,964.43  
Fiscal year-to-date collected: \$83,046.00  
Fiscal year-to-date budget: \$83,004.04  
Over (under) year-to-date budget: \$41.96  
Fiscal year (7/16-6/17) budget: \$154,150.00  
(**Reminder:** The fiscal year budget **does not** include the \$32,000.00 transferred from: Men's Club, Ladies Sodality, Capital Fund, Cemetery & Fund Raiser Checking Accounts, which is needed in order to balance the budget.)

**Thanks for your faithful and generous support!**

**SECOND COLLECTION:** The **2<sup>nd</sup> collection** held **this weekend, Jan 14<sup>th</sup>/15<sup>th</sup>**, will be split equally between *Unbound* and *Food for the Poor* organizations. Please give as generously as possible. Thank you!



### CONFIRMATION FAMILY PROJECT:

The Dominating Disciples (Austyn Jansen, Eden Rolves, Erin Schiefer & Nolan Winkeler) will be helping a local non-profit organization, *Chakota Therapeutic Riding Center*, for a Confirmation Service Project. Chakota is collecting donations of clothing, shoes, accessories, books, linens, and small household items (No furniture). Items can be made at: The Big Red Barn at Chakota; Aviston Lumber in Aviston & Carlyle; State Farm Insurance in Carlyle; Detmer Automotive in Breese; or you can call Barb Johnson at 618-604-9559 or email at [President@Chakota-trc.org](mailto:President@Chakota-trc.org). The Dominating Disciples will need **sturdy boxes** for packing up the donated items, and they can use **volunteers** to help load donations on **Saturday, Jan. 21<sup>st</sup>** from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm at 6400 Munich Rd. in Bartelso.

### ST. BERNARD LADIES SODALITY:

**Faith, Fellowship, & Fun: Annual Appreciation Evening** hosted by the Ladies Sodality on **Sunday, Jan. 29<sup>th</sup>** @ Albers American Legion. Door open at 5:00 pm. ALL ladies and men are invited to join us for delicious food, fellowship and fun. We will be promoting the parish's efforts to support *Cosgrove's Kitchen*. The Ladies Sodality will donate and provide all of the necessary ingredients and supplies to make casseroles which will be delivered to Cosgrove's Kitchen in East St. Louis. **All we need is YOU!!** Please come and spend a short time generously helping to assemble the casseroles. Stay and join us for a game of euchre, bingo and other activities to enjoy the fellowship of others from our parish. A light meal and drinks will be provided, followed by our brief meeting. A signup sheet is available in the back of church or please call Janel Zurliene 248-5571 or Angie Winkeler 248-1216 to RSVP by **Thursday, January 26<sup>th</sup>**.



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### CONGRATULATIONS!

- † To **Julia Korte & Ethan Toennies** for winning the most who served on weekdays & weekends @ St. Damian Parish.
  - † To **Jennifer Heimann** for winning the server drawing @ St. Damian Parish.
- They received a \$10 gift card from Casey's.

**Congratulations to Martha Aparicio** of St. Damian Parish for placing 1<sup>st</sup> in the Diocesan competition for "Keep Christ in Christmas" poster contest sponsored by the Knights of Columbus.

### ST. BERNARD MINISTRY SCHEDULE

**Sunday, January 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2017 @ 10:00 am**

**Eucharist Ministers** — *Lynette Huegen*, Lynn Athmer, Brenda Morris, Michelle Kennedy

**Reader** — Sean Kennedy

**Ushers** — Ed & Sharon Wuebbels, Ron & Geri Norrenberns

**Servers** — Jacob & Mallory Toennies, Ben Morris

**Collection Counters** – Lynn Athmer, Brenda Morris, Sean Kennedy

**Children's Liturgy** – Brenda Richter, Brooke Rickhoff

**Sunday School Helpers** – Reagan Rickhoff, Elizabeth Schroeder

### UNDERSTANDING THE ENTIRE BIBLE!

Reading the Bible should bring us closer to Christ, but understanding it is often difficult. The good news is that *you can understand the Bible*, and the Bible Timeline makes it easy. If you want a better understanding of our faith, and a deeper relationship with God, then join us for **The Bible Timeline Study every Wednesday at 7:00 pm @ St. Damian Parish House**. The Bible Timeline is a Catholic Bible study that can help anyone to make sense of the Bible and experience the life-changing power of God's Word. The study takes you on a journey through the entire Bible and brings you deep into each period of salvation history, so that you can discover the amazing story woven throughout all of Scripture. It has helped hundreds of thousands of people and it will help you too. The study will include a series of 24 videos presented by *Jeff Cavins*. A lively group discussion will follow each video. **Hope to see you Wednesday**. No registration required.

### COMMUNITY CONCERNS/EVENTS:

**Albers American Legion:** *All You Can Eat Chicken Dinner* on **Sunday, January 15<sup>th</sup>** from 4:30-6:30 pm. Fried chicken, mash potatoes & gravy, green beans, corn, slaw and dessert. Carry outs available.

**Knight at the Races:** Gather your family and friends for *Knight at the Races* on **Saturday, Jan. 21<sup>st</sup>** in support of the Mater Dei music program. Gates open at 6:00 pm and races begin at 7:00 pm @ Mater Dei Lampe Commons. The Jazz Band will perform from 6:00 pm – 7:00 pm. Tickets (\$35 per person) include appetizers, open bar, "funny money" for wagering and chances to win prizes. The evening will also include additional raffles. For information or tickets, email [mdknightsmusic@gmail.com](mailto:mdknightsmusic@gmail.com).