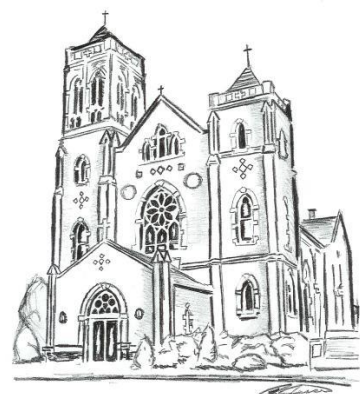




*Third Sunday
In Ordinary Time
January 21st, 2018*



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Monday: (OFF) January 15th;
Tuesday, & Thursday:
(9:00 am – 4:00 pm) @ CLC, New Baden;
Wednesday: (8 am-5 pm) @ St. Bernard or St. Damian;
Friday: (8 am-1 pm) @ St. Bernard or St. Damian.

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MASS SCHEDULE:

MONDAY, JANUARY 22ND

7:45 am Mass @ St. Damian
For All Memorial Donors

TUESDAY, JANUARY 23RD

7:45 am Mass @ St. Bernard
Dennis Gerling Family

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 24TH

7:45 am Mass @ St. Damian
For All the Sick

THURSDAY, JANUARY 25TH

7:45 am Mass @ St. Bernard
Norbert Jansen

FRIDAY, JANUARY 26TH

NO Mass or Prayer Service Scheduled

SATURDAY, JANUARY 27TH

4:00 pm Mass @ St. Damian
Randy & Mark Toennies
Alvin Toennies
Dolores "Dolly" Netemeyer

SUNDAY, JANUARY 28TH

8:30 am Mass @ St. Damian
Cliff Kolb
Cletus, Rita & Donnie Fuehne
Rosie Kalmer
10:00 am Mass @ St. Bernard
For All Parishioners
11:00 am Mass @ St. Damian
Mass in Spanish

LITURGY OF THE WORD:

There is urgency in today's readings. Nineveh will be destroyed if the people do not repent within forty days. Saint Paul tells the Christian community in Corinth that "*time is running out*". Jesus proclaims, "*This is the time of fulfillment. The kingdom of God is at hand.*" Deadlines can inspire us to action. As we listen to the readings, imagine how the folks addressed by Jonah, Paul, and Jesus responded to this urgency.

"Teach me your ways, O Lord."

HAPPENINGS/MEETINGS:

Sunday, January 21st

Children's Liturgy:

8:30 am @ St. Damian Church

10:00 am @ St. Bernard Church

Pick-up Cosgrove's Kitchen Casserole Pans/Recipes

Joint Parish Liturgy Mtg.

6:00 pm @ St. Bernard Mtg. Rm.

Monday, January 22nd

RCIA 7:00 pm @ Breese

Tuesday, January 23rd

English Classes 9:30 am @ St. Damian

Thursday, January 25th

English Classes 9:30 am @ St. Damian

St. Bernard Choir Practice 7:00 pm @ Church

Friday, January 26th

Communion to Homebound

Joint Parish Council Dinner

6:30 pm @ Albers American Legion

Hispanic Rosary 6:30 pm

Hispanic Bible Study 7:00 pm

Saturday, January 27th

Mass 4:00 pm @ St. Damian

Sunday, January 28th

Children's Liturgy:

8:30 am @ St. Damian Church

10:00 am @ St. Bernard Church

Collecting Cosgrove's Kitchen Casseroles

8:00-11:00 am @ St. Damian Parish Gym

9:00-12 noon @ St. Bernard Parish Center

Joint Parish Casserole & Prayer Blanket Making

2:00 pm @ St. Bernard Parish Center

CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS:

All Contribution Statements will be available for pick up the **weekends of Jan. 20th/21st & 27th/28th**. Please save your parish the postage and pick up your statements in the main entrance of church.

MESSENGER RENEWAL WEEKEND:

Please stay "connected" through a subscription to *The Messenger* the **weekend of Feb. 3rd/4th**. Payments can be made in "*The Messenger*" envelope (provided in your packet) or online at www.bellevillemessenger.org Subscription cost is: Print - \$25.00, Electronic - \$25.00, OR Both - \$30.00. **Thank you for your support!**

VOCATION CORNER: Today we hear about Jonah and his call to address the people of Nineveh. By selflessly following God's call, Jonah is able to save those souls from being destroyed. This same selflessness is also evident in Mark's account of the calls of Peter, Andrew, James and John. "*Come after me, and I will make you fishers of men*" (Mark 1:17). They left their careers and family to do greater work. **Are you called to follow in their footsteps?**

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) by preparing casseroles or making donations.

- **Pans with lids & recipes** will be available to pick up the **weekends of Jan. 20th/21st** at both parishes.
- **Prepare** one or more of the recipes and freeze.
- **Deliver frozen casseroles** on **Sunday, Jan. 28th** from 8:00-11:00 am @ St. Damian Parish Gym or from 9:00 am-12 noon @ St. Bernard Parish Center. Frozen casseroles can also be delivered to Germantown IGA **no later than Tuesday, Jan. 20th**.
- **ALL ARE WELCOME! Family (men, women & children) activity & fellowship** for both parishes on **Sunday, Jan. 28th** beginning at 2:00 pm @ St. Bernard Parish Center. We will make Cosgrove's Casseroles (all ingredients provided) and Prayer Blankets (supplies provided).
- **Unable to attend** but would like to donate fleece for blankets or ingredients for casseroles, please contact Janel Zurliene, Dana Lake, Linda Majchrzak or Angie Winkeler. Donations may also 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 (villageofalbers@yahoo.com or 698-3804) with questions.
- **Any and all help is greatly appreciated!**
Thank you!

PRAYER BLANKET MINISTRY:

Our parishioners have generously given more than **200 Prayer Blankets** to those needing a reminder of God's healing and comfort during difficult times or illness. Every Prayer Blanket is blessed and includes a booklet of prayers. **More Prayer Blankets** are needed as we continue this important ministry!

- Any size (As small as approximately 24"x24" to full size) or style (fleece, knotted, quilted, etc.) Prayer Blankets are being accepted.
- Fleece material is always being accepted, no assembly required.
- Neutral/Uni-sex designs are most needed, but all Prayer Blankets are welcome!

Please contact Brenda at 618-698-3804 with questions/donations or if you know of anyone in need of a Prayer Blanket. **Thank you for helping share God's love through our Prayer Blanket Ministry!**

"I have heard your prayers. I have seen your tears. I will heal you." ~ 2 Kings 20:5

ST. DAMIAN PARISH CONCERNS:

CHURCH SUPPORT: January 13th/14th, 2017

2017 Envelopes: \$1,424.00 + Loose: \$141.25

+ 2018 Envelopes: \$1,367.00

+ Mass in Spanish: \$218.00 = \$3,150.25

Budget for week: \$2,903.85

Fiscal year-to-date collected: \$82,855.29

Fiscal year-to-date budget: \$84,211.65

Over (under) year-to-date budget: **(\$ 1,356.36)**

Fiscal year (7/16-6/17) budget: \$151,000.00

(Reminder: The fiscal year budget **does not** include the \$55,850.00 transferred from: Savings, Building Fund, Cemetery & Picnic Checking Accounts, which is needed in order to balance the budget.)

2nd Collection – Cosgrove's Casseroles: \$323.84

Thanks for your faithful and generous support!

CHOIR INFORMATION:

♪ **Youth Choir** will begin practices for *Holy Week* on **Sunday, Feb. 4th** at 9:30 am. The Youth Choir will sing on *Palm Sunday* and *Easter Sunday*. All boys & girls in grades 4-12 and young adults are invited to participate. We practice about an hour a week on **Sunday mornings** from 9:30-10:30 am. Contact Jackie Toennies at 335-9562 or Geri Varel at 248-5223 if you have any questions or if a child needs a ride to/from practice. **We look forward to seeing lots of smiling faces on Feb 4!**

♪ **Adult Choir** will begin practicing for *Holy Week* on **Tuesday, Feb. 6th** at 7:00 pm. We will be singing at the *Holy Thursday* and *Good Friday* liturgies. Anyone high school age and older is welcome to join us on **Tuesday evenings**. Practices usually take about one hour. If you have and questions, please contact Chris Brandmeyer at 792-2676.

ST. DAMIAN MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Saturday, January 27th, 2018 @ 4:00 pm

Ministers of Communion — Chris & Beth

Brandmeyer, Mech Toennies

Reader — Joseph Cleeton

Ushers — Alfred Toennies, Kevin Toennies

Servers — Ethan & Simon Toennies, Aidan Toennies

Organist — Jan Hitch

Sunday, January 28th, 2018 @ 8:30 am

Ministers of Communion — Ken Mank, Julie

Langenhorst, *Deb Santel*

Reader — Denise Luitjohan

Ushers — Marvin Toennies, Jared Horstmann

Servers — Ben Kassen, Savanna Luitjohan, Evelyn

Fuehne

Organist — Jan Hitch

Collection Counters — Jan Hitch, Dave Kassen,

Sandy Kramer

Children's Liturgy — Sandy Kramer, Kenna Budde

ST. BERNARD PARISH CONCERNS:

CHURCH SUPPORT: January 14th, 2017

Envelopes: \$1,396.00 + Christmas: \$100.00

+ Loose: \$122.00 = \$1,618.00

Budget for week: \$3,012.02

Fiscal year-to-date collected: \$83,819.76

Fiscal year-to-date budget: \$87,348.58

Over (under) year-to-date budget: **(\$ 3,528.82)**

Fiscal year (7/17-6/18) budget: \$156,625.00

(Reminder: The fiscal year budget **does not** include the \$33,000.00 transferred from: Men's Club, Ladies Sodality, Capital Fund, Cemetery & Fund Raiser Checking Accounts, which is needed in order to balance the budget.)

2nd Collection – Cosgrove's Casseroles: \$178.00

Thanks for your faithful and generous support!

Gone Fishin'
Mark 1:14-20



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ST. BERNARD MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Sunday, January 28th, 2018 @ 10:00 am

Ministers of Communion — *Ray Gill*, Michelle Kennedy, Devin Rensing, Cole Schomaker

Reader — Sean Kennedy

Ushers — John & Linda Majchrzak, Ed & Sharon Wuebbels

Servers — Noah Broeckling, Elizabeth Schroeder, Jillian Kloeckner

Counters – Pat Litteken, Sean Kennedy, John Majchrzak

Children's Liturgy – Meg & Erin Schiefer

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- *Albers American Legion* is holding an all you can eat ***Chicken Dinner*** on **Sunday, Jan. 21st** from 4:30 to 6:30 pm. All Bingo Players eat for \$5.00. Fried chicken, mash potatoes & gravy, green beans, corn, slaw, applesauce, cold macaroni salad and dessert. Carryouts available.
- *St. Bernard Ladies Sodality* will hold a ***Parish Breakfast*** on **Sunday, March 11th**. More info to come including work lists, basket raffle info and more! We will need volunteers!

COMMUNITY CONCERNS/EVENTS:

St. Augustine Church, Breese: *Quilt/Cash Bingo* on **Sunday, Jan. 21st** beginning at 2:00 pm (16 quilt games, 8 cash games & 50/50 game, cash for doubles). No one under 18 years can play. ***Fried Chicken Luncheon*** from 11:00 am – 1:00 pm. Adults: \$8.00, Children: \$4.00, Under 6: Free. Carry outs 526-4341.

The Clin-Clair Fire Department:

- ❖ ***Dinner, Dance, & Comedy Show***, featuring *Comedian Jeremy Nunes*, on **Saturday, Jan. 27th** at Albers Legion. Doors open at 5:30 pm; Dinner (chicken, roast beef & sides) at 6:00 pm; Show from 7:30-9:00 pm; and Live Wire Entertainment from 9:00-12:00 pm. **Advance ticket purchases ONLY**. Tickets are \$40 for singles and \$70 for couples. For tickets call Brian at 444-8252, Ben at 401-8089, or Greg at 980-5660. (Only 500 tickets sold).
- ❖ ***Accepting bids for a 3-year (seasonal years: 2018, 2019, & 2020) Contract for Lawn Maintenance*** for approximately 1 acre of lawn at the Clin-Clair Fire Department facility in Albers. Bids must be received **no later than February 26th at 7:00 pm**. If interested, please call the fire station at: 618-248-5442 to obtain a copy of the contract specifications prior to bid submission.

Highland Knights of Columbus: *Chicken Dinner* on **Sunday, Jan. 28th** from 10:30 am – 5:30 pm @ the Knights of Columbus Hall located at 12454 Route 143, Highland. Adults: \$10, Children 8 and Under: Free. Free delivery to shut-ins in the Highland area. Call 618-654-9049 for more details. *Proceeds to be used to finance Highland Knights of Columbus charitable activities*. Auxiliary Quilt Raffle will be held.

Missions International is happy to announce that it will be coordinating a trip for sister parishes to ***Guatemala***. **The trip will be June 15th-20th**. We encourage two or three people to represent your parish, and it would be very helpful if one of the individuals traveling is fluent in Spanish. If no one traveling is fluent in Spanish, we will find a local translator. 30 seats have been reserved on American Airlines. We will have a meeting for all those interested in learning more about the trip on **Saturday, Feb. 3rd at 10:00 am**. The location of the meeting will be determined after we know the towns all are traveling from. We will try to find a central location for the initial meeting.

St. Mary Church, Trenton: *Glo Bingo* on **Saturday, Feb. 3rd** @ the parish center. Doors open at 5:30 pm with Bingo starting at 7:00 pm. \$20 per person in advance or \$25 at the door. Includes 6 bingo cards for 10 games, glow hat, & glow dabber (\$5 per additional 6 bingo cards). For tickets contact Betsy Horstmann (920-8921) or Lynnise Haselhorst (224-9810). Must be 18 or older to attend. Bring your own sacks – cash bar. Over \$1,000 in cash prizes!!

DISCERNMENT RETREAT:

“A Hungry Heart” is a three-day ***Co-Ed Discernment Retreat*** from **Monday, Jan. 22nd till Thursday, Jan. 25th** @ White House Jesuit Retreat in St. Louis, MO. Making use of Saint Ignatius' rules of discernment, Fr. Jeff Putthoff, SJ will explore with you how the senses and imagination reveal God's presence in our daily lives, thus guiding us to greater unity with God's will. Making choices, big and small, are all occasions for connecting with God. Check-in is **Monday, Jan. 22nd** at 11:30 am with check-out **Thursday, Jan. 25th** at 12:00 noon. A \$50 deposit is required at registration. A freewill offering can be made at the conclusion of the retreat if you wish.