



*Sixth Sunday
In Ordinary Time
February 11th, 2018*



MARK 1:40-45
"...you can make me clean"

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Monday: (8 am-5 pm) @ St. Bernard or St. Damian;

Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday:

(9:00 am – 4:00 pm) @ CLC, New Baden;

Friday: (8 am-1 pm) @ St. Bernard or St. Damian.

CATHOLIC YOUTH MINISTER:

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MASS SCHEDULE:

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 12TH

7:45 am Mass @ St. Damian

Bob Innes

For All ALS Sufferers

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 13TH

7:45 am Mass @ St. Bernard

Cyril, Dorothy, & Marvin Foppe

ASH WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 14TH

7:45 am Mass @ St. Damian

For St. Damian Parishioners

7:45 am Prayer Service @ St. Bernard

For All the Sick

7:00 pm Mass @ St. Bernard

For St. Bernard Parishioners

7:00 pm Hispanic Service @ St. Damian

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 15TH

7:45 am Mass @ St. Bernard

For Unity of Christians

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 16TH

NO Mass or Prayer Service Scheduled

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 17TH

4:00 pm Mass @ St. Bernard

For All Parishioners

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 18TH

8:30 am Mass @ St. Damian

Cliff Kolb

Alvin Toennies

10:00 am Mass @ St. Bernard

Glen Litteken

Florence Wolters

Urban "Shorty" Behrman

11:00 am Mass @ St. Damian

Mass in Spanish

LITURGY OF THE WORD:

Leprosy features prominently in the 1st Reading and the Gospel. In the 1st Reading, the leper is kept outside the community so as to protect everyone else from this communicable disease. But the leper in the Gospel challenges Jesus and Jesus Breaks down the barrier between them, reaches out, touches him and heals him. Consider how we exclude others in our lives, perhaps because we feel they would make us “unclean” and how Jesus would respond. **All of us are called to imitate Jesus.**

**"I turn to You, Lord, in time of trouble,
and You fill me with the joy of salvation."**

HAPPENINGS/MEETINGS:

Sunday, February 11th

Children's Liturgy:

8:30 am @ St. Damian Church

10:00 am @ St. Bernard Church

St. Damian Youth Choir Practice

9:30 am @ St. Damian Church

Youth Group Soup Supper

3:30-6:30 pm @ St. Bernard Parish Center

Monday, February 12th

RCIA 7:00 pm @ Breese

Tuesday, February 13th

English Classes 9:30 am @ St. Damian

St. Damian Finance Council Mtg. 6:30 pm

St. Damian Parish Council Mtg. 7:00 pm

Both meetings @ St. Damian Meeting Room

St. Damian Adult Choir Practice 7:00 pm @ Church

Knights of Columbus Mtg. 7:30 pm @ JC Hall

Wednesday, February 14th

Ash Wednesday Masses/Services w/Ashes:

7:45 am Mass @ St. Damian

7:45 am Prayer Service @ St. Bernard

7:00 pm Mass @ St. Bernard

7:00 pm Hispanic Service @ St. Damian

Thursday, February 15th

English Classes 9:30 am @ St. Damian

Way of the Cross 7:00 pm @ St. Bernard Church

Friday, February 16th

Communion to Homebound

Hispanic Rosary 6:30 pm

Hispanic Bible Study 7:00 pm

Saturday, February 17th

Confirmation Retreat @ Ruma

Sunday, February 18th

Children's Liturgy:

8:30 am @ St. Damian Church

10:00 am @ St. Bernard Church

St. Damian Youth Choir Practice

9:30 am @ St. Damian Church

PARISHES NEEDY FUND COLLECTION:

The second collection taken **this weekend,**

Feb. 10th/11th, will be donated to *St. Bernard* & *St. Damian Ladies Sodality* to purchase supplies for the ***Mexican Fish Fry***. Please be as generous as possible to assist in this ministry.

VOCATION CORNER: A commission is a special type of command. Jesus received the commission from the Father to sacrifice and die for the sins of man. Openness to God's call and acceptance are the foundation for every commission God gives to us. As we enter the season of Lent, let us "***cleanse***" our hearts and answer God's daily call to holiness. **Here I am, Lord! Help me, equip me, and let me serve you.**

MASS CHANGE WHEN NO SCHOOL:

When there is **NO** school due to a holiday or when school has been cancelled due to the weather, there will be **NO Mass**.

LENTEN OPPORTUNITIES:

Lenten Booklets- Booklets with daily meditations, prayers & activities are available at the entrances of both churches.

Operation Rice Bowl

Containers are available in the entrances of both churches. Fill them with your spare change during the Lenten season and return to church **no later than Easter Sunday, April 1st**. Your donations will benefit *Catholic Relief Services*. If you don't receive a Rice Bowl, feel free to use your own container and deposit your spare change in the large metal bowls in the gathering spaces at each church.

Way of the Cross

Thursdays, Feb. 15th, March 1st & 15th

7:00 pm @ St. Bernard Church

Thursdays, Feb. 22nd, March 8th & 22nd

7:00 pm @ St. Damian Church

Eucharistic Adoration

Every Wednesday beginning Feb. 21st

9:00 -11:00am @ St. Damian Church

1:00-2:00 pm @ St. Bernard Church

(Sign up in the back of church)

Bible Study

Every Monday beginning Feb. 19th

7:00 pm @ Albers Elementary School

(Enter through the main entrance of the school - 1st classroom on the right hand side.)



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UPCOMING EVENTS:

- ⇒ *St. Bernard & St. Damian Youth Ministry* will be hosting a ***Soup Supper*** on **Sunday, Feb. 11th** from 3:30-6:30 pm @ St. Bernard Parish Center. **DINE-IN ONLY**. A sign-up sheet is in the back of both parishes for anyone who would like to compete for the Golden Ladle! **Who will be this year's winner?**
- ⇒ *St. Bernard Ladies Sodality* will hold a ***Parish Breakfast*** on **Sunday, March 11th** from 8:00-11:30 am @ St. Bernard Parish. More info to come including work lists, basket raffle info and more! We will need volunteers!
- ⇒ ***Wurstmarkt*** sponsored by *St. Damian Holy Name* is scheduled for **Sunday, March 25th** from 10:30 am till 5:30 pm @ St. Damian Gym.

ST. DAMIAN PARISH CONCERNS:

CHURCH SUPPORT: February 4th, 2018

Envelopes: \$761.00 + ACH: \$1,165.00 + Loose: \$8.00
+ Mass in Spanish: \$353.00 = \$2,287.00
Budget for week: \$2,903.85
Fiscal year-to-date collected: \$90,205.29
Fiscal year-to-date budget: \$92,923.20
Over (under) year-to-date budget: **(\$ 2,717.91)**
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.)

Thanks for your faithful and generous support!

ST. DAMIAN CHOIR INFORMATION:

- ♪ ***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!**
- ♪ ***Adult Choir*** 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** at 7:00 pm. Practices usually take about one hour. If you have any questions, please contact Chris Brandmeyer at 792-2676.

ST. DAMIAN HOLY NAME:

Meeting scheduled for **Monday, Feb. 26th** at 7:00 pm @ St. Damian Meeting Room.

ST. DAMIAN MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Sunday, February 18th, 2018 @ 8:30 am

Ministers of Communion — Kevin Toennies, Alice Toennies, ***Erin Korte***
Reader — Lori Jansen
Ushers — Melvin Toennies, Bill Jansen
Servers — Abby Wegmann, Ethan & Simon Toennies
Organist — Jan Hitch
Collection Counters — Mel Toennies, Gwen Toennies, Jan Hitch
Children's Liturgy — Jackie Toennies, Cece Toennies

THANK YOU!!

Thank you to ***everyone*** who helped with our 2018 Cosgrove's Casseroles! 129 casseroles (1,548 meals) were donated to St. Vincent de Paul in East St. Louis thanks to your generosity!

ST. BERNARD PARISH CONCERNS:

CHURCH SUPPORT: February 3rd/4th, 2018

Envelopes: \$1,778.00 + ACH: \$1,725.00
+ Loose: \$139.00 = \$3,642.00
Budget for week: \$3,012.02
Fiscal year-to-date collected: \$92,830.76
Fiscal year-to-date budget: \$96,384.64
Over (under) year-to-date budget: **(\$ 3,553.88)**
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.)

Thanks for your faithful and generous support!

Diocesan Special Collections Listing:

St. Bernard & St. Damian Parishes that contribute to church through ACH: since some do not receive envelopes any more, you do not receive envelopes for the Diocesan special collections (Black & Indian Missions, Catholic Home Missions, etc.). If you are interested in giving to these special collections, a list of the collections along with the dates of the collections are listed on the home page of the website (www.stbernardandstdamian.org) OR send me an email (st.bernard@charter.net) and I will reply with the list. If you wish to donate, please make sure to mark on a separate envelope which collection you wish to have it applied towards. **Thank you.**

ST. BERNARD MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Ash Wednesday, Feb. 14th, 2018 @ 7:00 pm

Ministers of Communion — Volunteers

Reader — Volunteer

Servers – Volunteers

Saturday, February 17th, 2018 @ 4:00 pm

Ministers of Communion — Kathy Engelmann,

Ken Nussbaumer, Deb Schomaker

Reader — Steve Schomaker

Ushers — Ed Broeckling, **Volunteer**

Servers — Kaitlyn & Coryn Toennies, Grant Winkeler

Sunday, February 18th, 2018 @ 10:00 am

Ministers of Communion — *Devin Rensing*, Ray

Gill, Michelle Kennedy, Robbin Netemeyer

Reader — Lynette Huegen

Ushers — Tom & Mitchell Broeckling, Dennis & Kurt Rickhoff

Servers — Bradley & Mallory Strubhart, Ryan Gill

Counters – Pat Litteken, Sean Kennedy, Kris Anne Becker

Children's Liturgy – Amy Reynolds, Brooke Rickhoff

NORTH CENTRAL VICARIATE OF CATHOLIC WOMEN:

The *Spring Luncheon Meeting* is planned for **Friday, Feb. 16th** at 11:30 pm @ St. Cecilia Parish at 304 S. Washington in Bartelso. Our guest speaker will be Deacon Linus Klostermann as well as several Mater Dei students who will report on their *March of Life Trip* to Washington DC.

Deacon Linus will also give us some pointers on having a more meaningful Lent.

ALSO just a reminder that our 2018 dues of \$30 is payable now to: *North Central Vicariate of Catholic Women*.

If no one from your sodality can attend, please mail your dues to Pat Toennies – 402 Williams – Albers, IL 62215. Hope to see many of you there. Thank you!!
-- *Pauline Albers, President*

DAMIANSVILLE DEVELOPMENT CLUB:

2018 Officers: *President* – Al Varel;

Vice-President – Denise Haselhorst;

Treasurer – Chris Horstmann;

Secretary – Allen Toennies;

Trustees – Steve Horstmann, Cole Horstmann & Dave Albers

If you are interested in renting the shed, please call Al Varel 618- 973-8527.

COMMUNITY CONCERNS/EVENTS:

Albers American Legion: *Breakfast* on **Sunday, Feb. 11th** from 8:00 to 11:30 am with sausage, ham, pancakes, eggs, fried potatoes and biscuits & gravy @ the Legion. Carry outs available. *Proceeds for Legion Youth Programs.*

St. Ann Sodality-St. Mary, Carlyle: *10th Annual Basket Bingo, Raffle & Bake Sale* on **Sunday, Feb. 11th** at 1:00 pm @ Carlyle KC Hall. Doors open at 11:15 am; Lightning raffle begins at 12 noon. 6 cards for \$5.00 or 12 for \$10.00. All players must be 18 years of age. Desserts and sandwiches will be available to purchase.

Friends of the Cougars: *Fish Fry* will be held on **Ash Wednesday, Feb. 15th & every Friday during Lent** from 4:30-7:00 pm @ Albers American Legion. Menu includes: cod, catfish, shrimp, baked potatoes, fries, homemade macaroni salad, slaw, applesauce, and hush puppies. Free dessert as well. All you can eat option available. *Proceeds benefit the athletic programs at Albers and Damiansville schools.*

Bartelso Knights of Columbus: *Chicken & Roast Beef Dinner* on **Sunday, Feb. 18th** from 11:00 am to 5:00 pm @ St. Cecilia Parish Center. All you can eat! Homemade pies & dressing. For more information call 618-765-2183.

St. Augustine Parish, Breese: *Quilt/Cash Bingo* on **Sunday, Feb. 18th** starting at 2:00 pm @ parish center. 16 quilt games, 8 cash games, & 50/50 game. No one under 18 years can play. ***Fried Chicken Luncheon*** served from 11:00 am-1:00 pm. Adults: \$8.00; Children: \$4.00, Under 6: Free. Carry outs 526-4341.

St. Anthony Parish, Beckemeyer: *Bunko & Dessert Party* on **Monday, Feb. 19th** at 1:00 pm @ the parish center. \$5.00 per person includes drink and dessert. Must be 18 or older. *Benefits St. Anthony Cemetery Fund.*

Black & Indian Missions:

Next weekend, Feb. 17th/18th, our parish will take up the 134th annual ***National Black & Indian Mission Collection.*** Our support of this collection helps build the Church in African American, Native American and Alaska Native communities from coast to coast. The Diocese of Belleville received \$150,000 in grant funding last year from this collection, benefitting seven diocesan ministries, programs and schools. Envelopes are provided in your envelope packet. Please be as generous as possible. **Thank you for your support.**