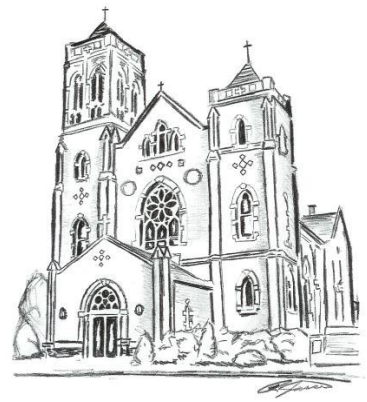




*Second Sunday
Of Lent
February 21st, 2016*



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

Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday

(9 am to 4 pm) @ CLC, New Baden;

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

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MASS SCHEDULE:

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 22ND

7:40 am Mass @ St. Damian
Casper Richter

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 23RD

7:40 am Mass @ St. Bernard
For All Parishioners

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 24TH

Eucharistic Adoration

9:00 am – 12 noon @ St. Damian

1:00 – 3:00 pm @ St. Bernard

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 25TH

7:40 am Mass @ St. Bernard

For All Cancer Victims

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 26TH

7:40 am Mass @ St. Damian

Dolores "Dolly" Netemeyer

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 27TH

5:00 pm Mass @ St. Bernard

Living & Deceased Members

Of Lewis & Agnes Huegen

Albert & Catherine Jansen

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 28TH

8:30 am Mass @ St. Damian

John, Alice & Dean Luitjohan

10:00 am Mass @ St. Bernard

Lawrence & Virginia Kalmer

11:00 am Mass @ St. Damian

Mass in Spanish

LITURGY OF THE WORD:

Today's readings speak to us about eye-opening experiences...radical insights about who we are and who Jesus is. Abraham received assurance of God's promises to him. Saint Paul affirms that our citizenship is in heaven where our lowly body will conform with Christ's glorified body. Peter, James and John experience assurance of their destiny if they listen to God's chosen Son. Learning who Jesus really is and being shaped by that knowledge often comes in unexplainable moments. **How wonderful it is when our faith becomes real and our eyes are opened to new possibilities! Let us take in all these promises of God with grateful hearts.**

LENTEN SCHEDULE / OPPORTUNITIES:

"Rice Bowl"

They are available in the gathering spaces of St. Bernard and St. Damian churches. Fill them with your spare change during the Lenten season and return them to church **before Easter on March 27th**. Your donations will benefit Food for the Poor. If you don't get 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.

"Our Lenten Journey of Love"

Daily meditations, prayers & activities are available at the entrances of both churches.

Eucharistic Adoration

Every Wednesday

9:00 am -12 noon @ St. Damian Church

1:00-3:00 pm @ St. Bernard Church

(Sign up in the back of church)

Stations of the Cross

Thursdays, Feb. 25th, March 10th

7:00 pm @ St. Bernard Church

Thursdays, March 3rd & 17th

7:00 pm @ St. Damian Church

Anointing of the Sick

Weekend of Feb. 27th/28th

During all Masses @ both parishes

Lenten Reconciliation Service

Sunday, March 6th

1:00 pm @ St. Bernard Church

SOUP SUPPER WINNERS:

Congratulations to **Jackie Toennies**, this year's *Golden Ladle* soup winner, for her Bacon Cheeseburger Soup! **Second** place went to **Brooke Rickhoff** for her Chicken Noodle Soup and **third** went to **Dana Lake** for her Cheeseburger Soup. A **BIG thanks** to all who made soup! The **50/50** winner was **Kristen Templin**!

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

February Monthly Drawing Winners:

\$400.00 Kues Bros. Auction

\$ 50.00 Terry (Snick) Rickhoff

\$ 50.00 Marvin Wuebbels

"The Lord is my light and my salvation."

HAPPENINGS/MEETINGS:

Sunday, February 21st

Children's Liturgy of the Word

8:30 am @ St. Damian Church

10:00 am @ St. Bernard Church

St. Damian Youth Choir Practice

9:30 am @ St. Damian Church

Pre-School Sunday School Classes

10:00 am @ Albers Elementary School

Catholic Youth Ministry Boys Basketball Game

11:45 am @ Germantown

Monday, February 22nd

Bible Study 7:00 pm @ St. Damian Mtg. Room

Tuesday, February 23rd

St. Damian Adult Choir Practice

7:00 pm @ St. Damian Church

Wednesday, February 24th

Eucharistic Adoration:

9:00 am-12 noon @ St. Damian

1:00-3:00 pm @ St. Bernard

Rite of Christian Initiation (RCIA)

7:00 pm @ St. George Community Life Center

Thursday, February 25th

Hispanic Men's Group

6:00-9:00 pm @ St. Damian Parish House

Stations of the Cross 7:00 pm @ St. Bernard

St. Bernard Choir Practice 7:30 pm @ St. Bernard

Friday, February 26th

Communion to Homebound

Saturday, February 27th

Anointing of the Sick during 5:00 pm Mass

Sunday, February 28th

Anointing of the Sick

8:30 am @ St. Damian Church

10:00 am @ St. Bernard Church

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Catholic Youth Ministry Boys Basketball Game

11:45 am @ Aviston

I CAN, YOU CAN, WE CAN



WHAT IS "40 CANS FOR LENT"®

It is a program designed to help fight hunger. An opportunity to take a small sacrifice, turn it into a big difference in the lives of others. The idea of a simple, straightforward one-can-per-day donation is inspired

by Christ's 40 days of fasting in the desert. All that is required is the desire to help others. **The goal of this program is for each parishioner to contribute one can of food per day during the forty days of Lent.** Drop off your cans at any time throughout the Season to the K of C Collection Boxes in the back of both Churches.

Sponsored by Frs. Peters and Keifer Knights of Columbus Council 9768

ST. DAMIAN PARISH CONCERNS:

CHURCH SUPPORT: February 14th, 2016

Envelopes: \$ 2,117.00 + Loose: \$26.00

+ Mass in Spanish: Cancelled = \$2,143.00

Budget for week: \$2,755.77

Fiscal year-to-date collected: \$88,560.80

Fiscal year-to-date budget: \$90,940.41

Over (under) year-to-date budget: **(\$2,379.61)**

Fiscal year (7/15-6/16) budget: \$143,300.00

(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.)

Parishes Needy Fund Collection: \$146.00

Ash Wednesday (Operation Rice Bowl): \$196.00

Thanks for your faithful and generous support!

ST. DAMIAN MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Sunday, February 28th, 2016 @ 8:30 am

Eucharist Ministers — Arlene Korte, Julie

Langenhorst, *Alice Toennies*

Reader — Susan Lynch

Ushers — Dave Albers, Bob Hitpas

Servers — Anthony & William Athmer, Abby Wegmann

Organist — Chris Brandmeyer

Collection Counters — Mel Toennies, Bob Hitpas, Kathleen Hodges

Children's Liturgy — Jackie Toennies, Ben Kassen

CATHOLIC YOUTH MINISTRY

Calling all Catholic Freshman through Seniors:

Are you looking for a weekend away from home? A chance to meet youth from all around the diocese and have a fun and faith filled experience? Attend the **Annual Diocesan Youth Conference March 4th-6th** held at the Gateway Convention Center in Collinsville. Check your email for more information or contact Shelly at 618-401-6007 or maschuetz@hotmail.com.

ST. DAMIAN CHOIR PRACTICES:

- **Adult Choir** practices will resume on **Tuesday, February 23rd** from 7:00-8:15 pm in church. If you have ever considered joining the choir, this is a great opportunity to do so. If you have any questions, please contact Chris Brandmeyer at 792-2676.
- **Youth Choir** practices for Holy Week are in full swing on **Sunday mornings** from 9:30-10:30 am. The Youth Choir will sing at the Masses on *Palm Sunday, March 20th* at 9:00 am & *Holy Thursday, March 24th* at 7:00 pm. All boys & girls in grades 4-12 and young adults are invited to participate in the Youth Choir and "**Make a Joyful Noise!**" Contact Jackie Toennies at 335-9562 or Geri Varel at 248-5223 if a child needs a ride to/from practice. Hope to see all your smiling faces at practice on Sunday at 9:30 am!

ST. DAMIAN LADIES SODALITY:

4 Hand Euchre Tournament on Friday, March 4th @ Damiansville Gym. Doors open at 6:30 pm/playing starts at 7:30 pm. \$10.00 per player. Water & soda available for purchase. Snacks will be provided. *Bring your own booze.* Flyers are available at the entrances of church. Please pick up and distribute as many as possible.

ST. DAMIAN PARISH COUNCIL:

Elections will take place after the Masses the **weekend of March 5th/6th** @ St. Damian. Parishioners 18 years of age and older are eligible to vote. The second terms of *Arlene Korte & Diana Jansen* have expired. *Tina Tonnie*s has agreed to serve a second 3-year term. Nine nominees have graciously agreed to be on the ballot: *Anita Arentsens, Sherri Arentsens, Barb Brandmeyer, Cathy Fox, Kathy Hitpas, Ruthi Jansen, Sharon Kalmer, JoAnn Koerkenmeier & Gwen Toennies*. Parishioners are asked to attend Mass the weekend of March 5th/6th and cast your vote for two women!

ST. BERNARD PARISH CONCERNS:

CHURCH SUPPORT: February 13th/14th, 2016

Envelopes: \$2,333.00 + Loose: \$74.00 = \$2,407.00

Budget for week: \$2,916.25

Fiscal year-to-date collected: \$95,007.04

Fiscal year-to-date budget: \$96,236.25

Over (under) year-to-date budget: **(\$1,229.21)**

Fiscal year (7/15-6/16) budget: \$151,645.00

(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.)

Parishes Needy Fund Collection: \$354.00

Thanks for your faithful and generous support!



ST. BERNARD MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Saturday, February 27th, 2016 @ 5:00 pm

Eucharist Ministers — Steve & Deb Schomaker,
Melissa Netemeyer

Reader — Janel Zurliene

Ushers — Brian & Brooke Zurliene

Servers — Rachel Zurliene, Rylee Jansen,
Kaitlyn Toennies

Sunday, February 28th, 2016 @ 10:00 am

Eucharist Ministers — *Sharon Wuebbels*, Dan
& Lee Love, Michelle Kennedy

Reader — Lynette Huegen

Ushers — Kevin & Kristen Templin, Ron & Geri
Norrenberns

Servers — Brad & Eric Higgins, Elizabeth
Schroeder

Collection Counters – Tim Schroeder, Sean
Kennedy, Kevin Templin

Children's Liturgy – Meg Schiefer, Carolyn
Timmons

BREAKFAST & BASKET RAFFLE

To be held on **Sunday, March 13th from 8:00 to 11:30 am** @ St. Bernard Parish Center with Pork Sausage & Ham, Biscuits & Gravy, Eggs, Fried Potatoes, Juice, Milk, & Coffee. Potatoes are needed for the breakfast. A signup sheet will be in the main entrance of church. Volunteers are also needed to assist with serving, cooking and donating items. We also need volunteers to peel and cook potatoes for the breakfast. Please call Janel Zurliene 248-5571 or Angie Winkler 248-1216 if you can help!

ST. BERNARD LADIES SODALITY:

First Winner of the 2016 Bi-Monthly Quilt Raffle: Sue Loeper

COMMUNITY CONCERNS/EVENTS:

Friends of the Cougars: Fish Fry held every Friday during Lent serving from **4:30-7:00 pm** @ Albers American Legion. Dine in or carry out. *Proceeds are used to support the Cougars Athletic program at Albers & Damiansville Elementary Schools.*

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

Damiansville Elementary School PTO is hosting a **Comedy Night** on **Friday, February 26th**. The event will take place at Hey Guys Comedy Club in Fairview Heights. Tickets for the 90 minute show are \$25 per person. The doors open at 7:00 pm and the show begins promptly at 8:00 pm. For ticket information please call, text or email Monica Koch at (618) 792-6529 or monicazurliene@hotmail.com or you can call Damiansville Elementary School office at 248-5725. Only 200 tickets will be sold!

All Saints Academy, Breese: Annual All You Can Eat Chicken Dinner on **Sunday, February 28th** from 11:00 am to 6:00 pm @ Breese K of C Hall. Dine in, carryout, and delivery available (in Breese only).

Preschool Screening: A free screening for children from birth to five years of age is being offered on **Friday, March 18th** @ Damiansville School. Appointments for screening begin at 9:00. The clinic includes checks of infant-toddler language development, motor coordination, and social skills. Preschool-aged children are also screened for pre-academic skills, vision, and hearing. The screenings take approximately 30 minutes, and parents are provided with immediate feedback about their child's performance. Please call the school office at 248-5188 to register your child/children.