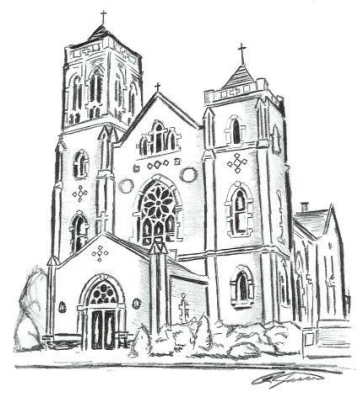




*Eighth Sunday  
In Ordinary Time  
March 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2019*

"A disciple is not above his  
teacher, but everyone when he is  
fully trained will be like his  
teacher."  
Luke 6:40



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**MASS SCHEDULE:**

**MONDAY, MARCH 4<sup>TH</sup>**

*NO Mass @ St. Damian*  
8:00 am Prayer Service @ St. Damian  
For St. Damian Students

**TUESDAY, MARCH 5<sup>TH</sup>**

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

**WED., MARCH 6<sup>TH</sup> – Ash Wednesday**

7:45 am Mass @ St. Damian  
For a Prayerful Lenten Season  
7:45 am Prayer Service @ St. Bernard  
For St. Bernard Students

**7:00 pm Mass @ St. Bernard**

For All Parishioners

**7:00 pm Hispanic Service @ St. Damian**

**THURSDAY, MARCH 7<sup>TH</sup>**

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

**FRIDAY, MARCH 8<sup>TH</sup>**

*NO Mass or Prayer Service Scheduled*

**SATURDAY, MARCH 9<sup>TH</sup>**

4:00 pm Mass @ St. Damian  
Bob Innes & All ALS Sufferers  
Ralph & Brian Brandmeyer  
Blake Thole

**SUNDAY, MARCH 10<sup>TH</sup>**

8:30 am Mass @ St. Damian  
Henry & Lucille Albers  
Cliff Kolb

David "Pinky" Pingsterhaus

**10:00 am Mass @ St. Bernard**

For All Parishioners

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

Mass in Spanish

## LITURGY OF THE WORD:

On this Sunday before Lent, the readings challenge us to be mindful of our thoughts, words and deeds. They call us to first judge ourselves before we judge others. May God shake us from our sins of apathy and judgment, so as to provide a path to enter more deeply into the Lenten journey before us.

## HAPPENINGS/MEETINGS:

**Sunday, March 3<sup>rd</sup>**

*Mass w/ 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

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

*Cosgrove's Casseroles Assembly/Preparation*

11:00 am @ St. Bernard Parish Center

*Catholic Youth Ministry Soup Supper*

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

**Monday, March 4<sup>th</sup> – Casmir Polaski Day**

**NO School & NO Mass**

*Prayer Service* 8:00 am @ St. Damian Church

*North Central Vicariate Women's Conference Mtg.*

12:30 pm @ St. Bernard Parish Center

*RCIA* 7:00 pm @ Breese

**Tuesday, March 5<sup>th</sup>**

*St. Damian Adult Choir Practice*

7:00 pm @ St. Damian Church

**Wednesday, March 6<sup>th</sup> – Ash Wednesday**

*Mass* 7:45 am @ St. Damian Church

*Prayer Service* 7:45 am @ St. Bernard Church

*Mass* 7:00 pm @ St. Bernard Church

*Hispanic Prayer Service* 7:00 pm @ St. Damian

**Thursday, March 7<sup>th</sup>**

*Communion to the Homebound*

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

**Saturday, March 9<sup>th</sup>**

*Mass* 4:00 pm @ St. Damian Church

**Sunday, March 10<sup>th</sup>**

*Mass w/ Children's Liturgy*

8:30 am @ St. Damian Church

10:00 am @ St. Bernard Church

*RCIA Rite of Sending* 8:30 am @ St. Damian Church

*St. Damian Youth Choir Practice*

9:30 am @ St. Damian Church

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

*RCIA Rite of Election*

2:00 pm @ the Cathedral, Belleville

**"Lord, it is good to give thanks to You."**

## LENTEN OPPORTUNITIES:

- **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**. Your donations will benefit *Catholic Relief Services*. If you didn'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, March 7<sup>th</sup>, 21<sup>st</sup>, & April 4<sup>th</sup>**  
7:00 pm @ St. Bernard Church  
**Thursdays, March 14<sup>th</sup>, 28<sup>th</sup>, & April 11<sup>th</sup>**  
7:00 pm @ St. Damian Church
- **Video Series: Altaration: The Mystery of the Mass Revealed**, which features powerful cinematography, inspiring presenters and practical information that you can take with you to every Mass. We will meet **every Sunday beginning March 10<sup>th</sup> and continuing through April 7<sup>th</sup>** at 6:00 pm @ the home of Kevin & Kristen Templin – 305 Susan Drive in Albers. For more information or to register (just need a head count), call or text Kristen at 314-651-8310 or email her at [kmtemplin@gmail.com](mailto:kmtemplin@gmail.com). *Do something different this year for Lent!*
- **Bible Study: Every Monday beginning Monday, March 18<sup>th</sup>** at 7:00 pm @ St. Bernard Rectory.
- **Joint Parish Lenten Reconciliation Service on Sunday, March 24<sup>th</sup>** at 1:00 pm @ St. Bernard Church.
- **Anointing of the Sick** will be held the **weekend of March 30<sup>th</sup>/31<sup>st</sup>** during all Masses @ both parishes.

## VOCATION CORNER:

After discerning my vocation to enter the Dominican Sisters of Mary, Mother of the Eucharist, at age 18, I wrestled with the unknowns about my future. I found myself gazing up at the sky, walking an unknown path. I trusted that God was calling me to love and serve him as his bride. Since professing...there are still plenty of unknowns in my life. But I learned to trust that as long as I am faithful to his call, God will always be there to guide me.

-- *Sister Marie Jeannette Lewis, O.P.* *Columbia Magazine* Nov. 2017

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

### **CHURCH SUPPORT: February 24<sup>th</sup>, 2019**

Envelopes: \$1,964.00 + Loose: \$45.00  
+ Mass in Spanish: \$341.00 = \$2,350.00  
Budget for week: \$3,038.46  
Fiscal year-to-date collected: \$101,501.89  
Fiscal year-to-date budget: \$106,346.10  
Over (under) year-to-date budget: (\$ 4,844.21)  
Fiscal year (7/16-6/17) budget: \$158,000.00

(**Reminder:** The fiscal year budget **does not** include the \$56,550.00 transferred from: Savings, Building Fund, Cemetery & Picnic Checking Accounts, which is needed in order to balance the budget.)

### **End of Month Totals:**

Bldg./Maint. Collection: \$216.00 **Total: \$29,611.71**  
Sister Parish: \$45.00  
Mater Dei Foundation: \$705.00

*Thank you for your faithful and generous support!*

## **ST. DAMIAN MINISTRY SCHEDULE**

### **Saturday, March 9<sup>th</sup>, 2019 @ 4:00 pm**

**Communion Ministers** — Diana Jansen, Elaine Williamson

**Reader** — Anita Rakers

**Ushers** — Marvin Rakers, Delmar Santel

**Servers** — Ethan Korte, Reid Innes

**Organist** — Chris Brandmeyer

### **Sunday, March 10<sup>th</sup>, 2019 @ 8:30 am**

**Communion Ministers** — Alice Toennies, Ken Mank

**Reader** — Mason Schrage

**Ushers** — Dave Albers, Mel Toennies

**Servers** — Nolan & Lance Goebel, Hunter Toennies

**Organist** — Chris Brandmeyer

**Counters** — Mel Toennies, Kathleen Hodges, Tina Tonnies

**Children's Liturgy** — Jackie & CeCe Toennies

**Just a reminder:** Children's Liturgy is for students Pre-K age through 3<sup>rd</sup> grade.

## **PARISHES NEEDY FUND COLLECTION:**

The second collection taken **next weekend March 9<sup>th</sup>/10<sup>th</sup>** will be used for those less fortunate within our communities. This collection assists residents within Albers & Damiansville who need help paying rent, utility bills, and provides fuel/food for travelers. **Please be as generous as possible.**

## **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS:**

**Congratulations** to the winners of the **2019 Spelling Bee** hosted by the K of C on Sunday, February 24<sup>th</sup>!  
**1<sup>st</sup> Place** - Sophia Kennett, **2<sup>nd</sup> Place** - Jacob Kehder, **3<sup>rd</sup> Place** - Shelby Peters. **Thank you to all our participants!**

## **ST. DAMIAN CHOIR NEWS!**

- ❖ **Youth Choir** practices on **Sunday mornings** at 9:30 am. All boys & girls in grades 4-12 and young adults are invited to participate. We practice about an hour on Sunday mornings. 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.
- ❖ **Adult Choir** practices are **Tuesday evenings** at 7:00 pm. Practices usually last one hour (or less) each week, and you are not obligated to attend every practice. If you can spare a few nights during Lent, you are most welcome to join us! For any questions, please contact Chris Brandmeyer at 792-2676.

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

### **CHURCH SUPPORT: February 16<sup>th</sup>/17<sup>th</sup>, 2019**

Envelopes: \$1,417.00 + Loose: \$147.00 = \$1,564.00  
Budget for week: \$3,124.52  
Fiscal year-to-date collected: \$102,062.00  
Fiscal year-to-date budget: \$109,358.20  
Over (under) year-to-date budget: (\$ 7,296.20)  
Fiscal year (7/17-6/18) budget: \$162,475.00

(**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.)

**Total Church Steeple Repairs:** \$8,320.00

### **End of Month Totals:**

Sister Parish: \$210.00

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## **ST. BERNARD MINISTRY SCHEDULE**

### **Ash Wednesday, March 6<sup>th</sup>, 2019 @ 7:00 pm**

**Communion Ministers** — Kristen Templin, Nettie Broeckling, Deb Schomaker

**Reader** — Steve Schomaker

**Ushers** — Tim & Elizabeth Schroeder

**Servers** — Matthew & Tessa Schroeder, Connor Schomaker

### **Sunday, March 10<sup>th</sup>, 2019 @ 10:00 am**

**Communion Ministers** — Roman Kloeckner, Kati Schwierjohn, Meg Schiefer

**Reader** — Lynette Huegen

**Ushers** — Ken & Dana Lake, Tom & Mitchell Broeckling

**Servers** — Carson & Kellen Richter, Alaina Huegen

**Counters** — Pat Litteken, Dana Lake, Keith Richter

**Children's Liturgy** — Brenda Richter



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### **ST. BERNARD & ST. DAMIAN UPCOMING EVENTS:**

- ⇒ **Cosgrove's Casseroles** – Many of you may have heard, new regulations now prevent individuals from preparing the casseroles in our personal homes. We will be gathering on **Sunday, March 3<sup>rd</sup>** at 11:00 am @ St. Bernard Parish Center to assemble and prepare the casseroles. Please bring your can openers. If you are unable to attend, you can still contribute to the cause by donating \$10 or more for the purchase of ingredients/supplies. Donations can be placed in the collection basket at either parish in an envelope labeled "Cosgrove Casseroles". Please see flyer on the back of the March calendar for additional details and who to contact if you have further questions.
- ⇒ **St. Bernard & St. Damian Youth Ministry** will be hosting a *Soup Supper* on **Sunday, March 3<sup>rd</sup>** from 3:30-6:30 pm @ St. Bernard Parish Center. **DINE-IN ONLY/NO CARRY OUTS**. Cost is: \$5.00 adults; \$2.50 for children. 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?**
- ⇒ **North Central Vicariate Women's Conference Meeting** to be hosted by St. Bernard on **Monday, March 4<sup>th</sup>** at 12:30 pm @ St. Bernard Parish Center. We ask that representatives from each parish attend the meeting since we will be planning and preparing for the Diocesan Convention next October at St. Anthony, Beckemeyer.
- ⇒ **St. Damian Holy Name** will host their *Annual Wurstmarkt* on **Sunday, March 31<sup>st</sup>** from 10:30 am-5:30 pm @ St. Damian Gym. Dine in or carry out available. Adults: \$10.00; Children (6-10): \$4.00; Under 6: Free. Meat Sales and raffle.

### **CATHOLIC SERVICE & MINISTRY APPEAL:**

**This weekend, March 2<sup>nd</sup>/3<sup>rd</sup>** our parishes, along with all other parishes in the diocese, will conduct the *Catholic Service & Ministry Appeal (CSMA)*. The CSMA provides a convenient way for all of us, no matter what our time limitations, to take an active role in the mission of our Diocesan Church. No gift is too great or too small. If you did not receive a pledge card in the mail or forget to bring it, please use one of the envelopes that are available in the entrances of both churches. **Please be as generous as you are able. Thank you!**

### **COMMUNITY CONCERNS/EVENTS:**

- **Breese Lions Club: Annual Chicken Dinner** on **Sunday, March 3<sup>rd</sup>** serving 11:00 am-6:00 pm @ Breese American Legion. Carry outs available. Adults: \$10.00; Children 6-12: \$8.00; Under 6: Free. Advanced tickets for adults are \$9.50 from any Breese Lions Club Member. Deliveries in Breese, call 526-4265. *Proceeds to benefit Sight & Hearing Impaired.*
- **Albers/Aviston Cub Scouts Pack 255** is holding a fundraiser on **Monday, March 4<sup>th</sup>**. Eat out at *Shorty's Tavern* from 4:00-8:00 pm and 20% of all food sales will be donated to the pack. *Please support a local business and your local Cub Scouts.*
- **Friends of the Cougars: Fish Fry** will be held on **Ash Wednesday, March 6<sup>th</sup>** and 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 Cougars Athletic Programs at Albers & Damiansville Elementary Schools.*
- **HSHS St. Joseph's Hospital Breese: Pre-registration for the 2019 Spring Health Fair is now open!** It's a great time to keep your health in check with lab tests and health screenings. Health Fairs are on the following Wednesdays from 6:00 – 10:00 am: **March 13<sup>th</sup>** @ Breese KC Hall; **March 27<sup>th</sup>** @ Carlyle KC Hall; **April 10<sup>th</sup>** @ Trenton First United Methodist Church; and **April 24<sup>th</sup>** @ Germantown Legion. Forms are available at the hospital's front desk, the HealthPlex, local doctors' offices, local libraries and on the hospital's website: [www.stjoebreese.com/healthfairs](http://www.stjoebreese.com/healthfairs). For more information contact Judy at 618-526-5351.
- **Beckemeyer Sons of the Legion: Euchre Tournament** on **Saturday, March 9<sup>th</sup>** @ Beckemeyer American Legion. Sign up begins at 6:00 pm; games begin at 7:00 pm. Cost is \$10.00 per person. *Proceeds to Benefit "Rally for Rae".*
- **St. Mary Parish, Carlyle: Reverse Raffle** on **Saturday, March 9<sup>th</sup>** @ Carlyle Knights of Columbus Hall. **1<sup>st</sup> prize** - \$2,000 (\$2,500 if present); **2<sup>nd</sup> prize** - \$500, **3<sup>rd</sup> prize** - \$150. Doors open 6:00 pm; Free Chicken dinner 7:00 pm. Tickets are \$20.