

LITURGY OF THE WORD:

Today, on the 1st Sunday of Lent, we hear Jesus rely on His Father as He battles the devil. It is Jesus' faith that allows Him to resist temptation, both now and later. In the Readings, Moses expresses the faith of the people in God while Saint Paul preaches that all who have faith will be saved.

HAPPENINGS/MEETINGS:	"Be with me, Lord, when I am in trouble."
Sunday, March 10 th	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
 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 Monday, March 11th Mass 7:45 am @ St. Damian Church Spanish Bible Study 7:00 pm @ St. Damian RCIA 7:00 pm @ Breese Tuesday, March 12th Mass 7:45 am @ St. Bernard Church St. Damian Adult Choir Practice 7:00 pm @ St. Damian Church Knights of Columbus Mtg. 7:30 pm @ Albers Jaycee Hall Wednesday, March 13th Mass 7:45 am @ St. Damian Church 1st Communion Parent Mtg. 6:00 pm @ St. Bernard Church Eucharistic Adoration w/Benediction 7:00 pm @ St. Damian Church 	 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. 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. Your donations will benefit Catholic Relief Services. Way of the Cross Thursdays, March 14th, 28th, & April 11th 7:00 pm @ St. Damian Church Thursdays, March 21st, & April 4th 7:00 pm @ St. Bernard Church Bible Study: Every Monday beginning Monday, March 18th at 7:00 pm @ St. Bernard Church Joint Parish Lenten Reconciliation Service on Sunday, March 24th at 1:00 pm @ St. Bernard Church. Anointing of the Sick will be held the weekend of March 30th/31st during all Masses @ both parishes.
Thursday, March 14 th Way of the Cross 7:00 pm @ St. Damian Church	UPCOMING EVENTS:
 Damiansville Development Club Mtg. 7:00 pm @ Damiansville Village Hall Friday, March 15th Communion to the Homebound Saturday, March 16th Mass 4:00 pm @ St. Damian Church Sunday, March 17th Albers Legion Breakfast 8:00 -11:30 am @ Albers Legion 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 Confirmation Tour 4:00 pm @ the Cathedral 	 ⇒ Albers American Legion Breakfast on Sunday, March 17th from 8:00 to 11:30 am @ the Legion. Sausage, Ham, Pancakes, Eggs, Fried Potatoes and Biscuits & gravy. Carry outs available. 25% of the profits will be donated to "Rally for Rae". ⇒ El Arado Mexican Restaurant, Breese is hosting a fundraiser for "Rally for Rae" on Monday, March 18th. ⇒ St. Damian Holy Name will host their Annual Wurstmarkt on Sunday, March 31st 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:

Thank you to those who turned in their *Catholic Service & Ministry Appeal (CSMA)* contribution. 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 and return as soon as possible. Please be as generous as you are able. Thank you!

ST. DAMIAN PARISH CONCERNS:

CHURCH SUPPORT: March 2nd/3rd, 2019

Envelopes: \$2,269.00 + ACH: \$1,165.00
+ Loose: \$139.00 + Mass in Spanish: Cancelled =
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	\$5,575.00
Budget for week:	\$3,038.46
Fiscal year-to-date collected:	\$105,074.89
Fiscal year-to-date budget:	\$109,384.56
Over (under) year-to-date budget:	(\$ 4,309.67)
Fiscal year (7/16-6/17) budget:	\$158,000.00

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

Catholic Service & Ministry Appeal (CSMA): Total Pledged: \$3,750.00 (22) *Goal:* \$5,950.00 (187)

Thank you for your faithful and generous support!

ST. DAMIAN MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Saturday, March 16th, 2019 @ 4:00 pm

Communion Ministers — Mech Toennies, Monica Koch Reader — Kathleen Hodges Ushers — Alfred Toennies, Jerry Innes

Servers — Reid & Lyla Koch

Organist — Geri Varel

Sunday, March 17th, 2019 @ 8:30 am

Communion Ministers — Erin Korte, Kristy Richter

Reader — Rosann Horstmann

Ushers — Norm Horstmann, Jared Horstmann

Servers — Trent & Julia Korte, Brant Horstmann

Organist — Geri Varel

Counters – Kristy Richter, Gwen Toennies,

Pete Toennies

Children's Liturgy – Denise & Savanna Luithjohan

THANK YOU...

- To *everyone* that came out to make the *Mexican Fish Fry* a success! We grossed just under \$12,000 overall, with our total revenue for the night at \$8,160.
- To *Cid Fuehne* for donating her 50/50 winnings back, we were able to contribute an even \$1,500 to *"Rally for Rae"*. Please continue to keep Rae in your prayers.
- A special thank you to the families of *El Arado Mexican Restaurant, Breese* for the food prep and donations of the rice, beans, chips, pico and tamales!
- To *Dave Albers* for organizing all of the '*fry guys*'! We couldn't have done this without all of us coming together!

ST. DAMIAN CHOIR NEWS!

- Youth Choir practices on Sunday mornings at 9:30 am. 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. For any questions, please contact Chris Brandmeyer at 792-2676.

HAPPY 80TH BIRTHDAY PAT BRANDMEYER!! March 7th

ST. BERNARD PARISH CONCERNS:

CHURCH SUPPORT: March 3rd, 2019

Envelopes: \$940.00 + ACH: \$1,7	735.00	
+ Loose: \$110.00 =	\$2,785.00	
Budget for week:	\$3,124.52	
Fiscal year-to-date collected:	\$104,847.00	
Fiscal year-to-date budget:	\$112,482.72	
Over (under) year-to-date budget	: (\$ 7,635.72)	
Fiscal year (7/17-6/18) budget:	\$162,475.00	
(Reminder : The fiscal year budget <u>does not</u> 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	
Catholic Service & Ministry Appeal (CSMA):		
Total: $$450.00(6)$	G_{oal} , \$7,700,00 (80)	

Total: \$450.00 (6) Goal: \$7,700.00 (80)

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ST. BERNARD MINISTRY SCHEDULE

<u>Sunday, March 17th, 2019 @ 10:00 am</u>

Communion Ministers — Sharon Wuebbels, Vicki Pittman, Cole Schomaker

Reader — Lynne Huelsmann

- Ushers Tim & Matthew Schroeder, John & Linda Majchrzak
- Servers Elizabeth & Tess Schroeder, Landon Schroeder
- Counters Tim Schroeder, John Majchrzak, Vicki Pittman
- Children's Liturgy Karen Schroeder

THANK YOU...

• To *Rex Schomaker & Mike Kuhl* for their time and talent at repairing & patching St. Bernard Church floor after the HVAC System was reworked.

PARISHES NEEDY FUND COLLECTION: This weekend, March 9th/10th.

VOCATION CORNER:

"Father Pat York recalls he considered the priesthood during his eighth grade year. He credits his parents as having the biggest influence on his priestly vocation. They encouraged their children to be open to God's call as a priest or religious in the Church. The seed of his vocation took root in his family and grew from there. He would ask his parishioners, "Pray for the priests of our diocese. Support your parish priests. Pray fervently to the Lord for more religious vocations." Fr. Pat also encourages parents to set an example for their children in practicing their faith, "do not treat it as a burden or obligation, but as a gift that is enriching."

(The Tower Topics, by Fr. Paul Sheller, O.S.B.)

DAMIANSVILLE DEVELOPMENT CLUB NEWS:

- *Meeting* will be held on **Thursday, March 14th** at 7:00 pm @ Village Hall. *
- *Interstate Clean-Up* on Saturday, March 23rd (Weather permitting) If it is too wet, we will reschedule.
 Park Clean-Up on Saturday, April 13th with the Holy Name clean-up on the same date.
- * *Ham Raffle Tickets* are in the back of church.
- ✤ Queen of Hearts Drawings will be held on Wednesdays starting March 13th at 8:00pm @ Fuehne's Tavern. The money raised will offset costs of projects to update and maintain the park. There will also be a 50/50 drawing.

COMMUNITY CONCERNS/EVENTS:

Friends of the Cougars: Fish Fry held every Friday during Lent from 4:30-7:00 pm @ Albers American Legion. Proceeds benefit the Cougars Athletic Programs at Albers & Damiansville Elementary Schools.

Aviston & Albers Cub Scouts: All You Can Eat Breakfast on Sunday, March 10th from 8:00 am to 1:00 pm @ the Aviston American Legion. Adults: \$8.00; Children (4-11): \$4.00; Under 3: Free.

St. George Church, New Baden: Chicken Dinner on Sunday, March 10th from 11:00 am to 6:00 pm @ St. George Community Life Center (Hodapp Hall), 318 East Maple Street. Adults: \$11.00; Children 5-12: \$5.00; Under 5: Free. (Bring a donation for the food pantry and receive a \$.50 discount.) Carry Outs Available - All Are Welcome!

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 13th @ Breese KC Hall; March 27th @ Carlyle KC Hall; April 10th @ Trenton First United Methodist Church; and April 24th @ 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. For more information contact Judy at 618-526-5351.

Albers Elementary School Booster Club: Paws to Pavement with 1M/Fun Run check-in from 4:00-4:45 pm; 5K Walk/Run check –in from 4:00-5:30 pm. Event is to be held on **Saturday**, April 13th and will take place regardless of weather. However in event of severe weather conditions, which may cause personal injury, the event may be cancelled. Pre-registration cost of \$20.00, received by Wednesday, March 27th, are guaranteed shirts w/sizes; race day entry is \$25.00. For more information, call the school office at 248-5146.

Damiansville Elementary PTO: Trivia Night on Friday, March 29th in Damiansville Elementary gym. Doors will open at 6:00 pm with trivia beginning at 7:00 pm. Trivia Riot will once again lead the night's events. Teams of 10 people will be accepted at \$100 per team. Information regarding donations for the silent auction and team registration will be coming soon. Please mark your calendars!

Albers American Legion & the Legion Auxiliary are awarding two \$750 scholarships to HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS accepted to a college, trade school or technical school with enrollment verification no later than August 15th and maintaining at least a C average. Overall qualities of the student, such as academic work, leadership, extracurricular activities, relationship with peers and teachers, etc. will be taken into consideration. Applicant must be a son, daughter, grandson, or granddaughter whose father, mother, grandfather, grandmother or legal guardian (living or deceased) is or was a member of Stukenberg-Eilermann Post 1026 or Post 1026 Vet Club. Selection of the winner will be the decision of the Scholarship Committee. Applications may be picked up at the Legion (Tuesday-Thursday from 9:00 am -12:00 noon or call 248-5505), or by contacting Scholarship Chairman Bud Jansen at 248-5359. Submit completed applications to the Legion or Scholarship Chairman by May 1st. TIME CHANGE: Spring Forward - This Sunday, March 10th