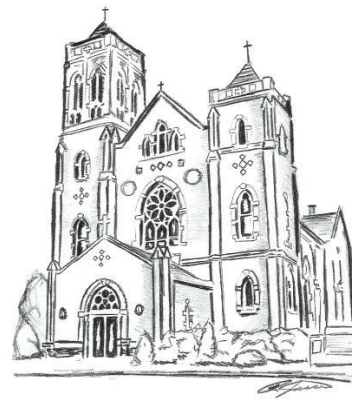


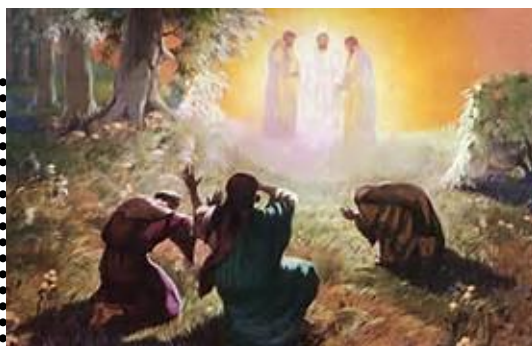


*Second Sunday  
Of Lent  
March 12<sup>th</sup>, 2017*



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*Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday*  
(9 am to 4 pm) @ CLC, New Baden;  
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**MASS SCHEDULE:**

**MONDAY, MARCH 13<sup>TH</sup>**

7:45 am Mass @ St. Damian  
Dan & Rose Mueth Family

**TUESDAY, MARCH 14<sup>TH</sup>**

7:45 am Mass @ St. Bernard  
August Rademacher & Family

**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 15<sup>TH</sup>**

7:45 am Mass @ St. Damian  
For All ALS Sufferers

**THURSDAY, MARCH 16<sup>TH</sup>**

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

**FRIDAY, MARCH 17<sup>TH</sup>**

*NO Mass or Prayer Service Scheduled*

**SATURDAY, MARCH 18<sup>TH</sup>**

5:00 pm Mass @ St. Damian  
Roger Haukap  
Vince & Marcella Ortmann

**SUNDAY, MARCH 19<sup>TH</sup>**

8:30 am Mass @ St. Damian  
For All Parishioners

10:00 am @ St. Bernard  
Irene Strieker

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

## LITURGY OF THE WORD:

As we begin the second week of Lent, we encounter Abraham moving to a new place, the disciples struggling to understand Jesus, and the early Christians trying to figure out how to live the Gospel. Just as God's promise to Abraham indicated the greatness to come, so too was Jesus' glory prefigured in His transfiguration. As St. Paul says, Christ Jesus "*destroyed death and brought life and immortality to light through the Gospel*". If our own understanding about who Jesus is remains a struggle with ongoing questions, let us not be discouraged. If our hearts are open and listen to Him, we can trust that there will be people and experiences to help us along the way.

### HAPPENINGS/MEETINGS:

**Sunday, March 12<sup>th</sup>**

*Daylight Savings – Spring Forward*

*Children's Liturgy of the Word*

8:30 am @ St. Damian

10:00 am @ St. Bernard

*St. Damian Youth Choir Practice*

9:30 am @ St. Damian Church

*Pre-School Sunday School Classes*

10:00 am @ Albers Elementary School

*Confirmation Class Tour of the Cathedral*

*Meet* 3:00 pm @ St. Bernard Church Parking Lot

*Private Tour* 3:45; *Mass* 5:00 pm @ Cathedral

*Dinner* 6:00 pm

**Tuesday, March 14<sup>th</sup>**

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

*Damiansville Chamber of Commerce Quarterly Mtg.*

7:00 pm @ Damiansville Village Hall

*Knights of Columbus Meeting*

7:30 pm @ Albers Jaycee Hall

**Wednesday, March 15<sup>th</sup>**

*Eucharistic Adoration*

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

1:00-2:00 @ St. Bernard

(Sign up in the back of church)

*Bible Study* 7:00 pm @ St. Damian Living Room

*St. Damian Initial Picnic Meeting*

7:00 pm @ St. Damian Meeting Room

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

**Thursday, March 16<sup>th</sup>**

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

**Friday, March 17<sup>th</sup>**

*St. Patrick's Day*

*Communion to Homebound*

*Hispanic Rosary* 5:30 pm @ St. Damian Church

**Saturday, March 18<sup>th</sup>**

*Reconciliation* 4:15-4:45 pm @ St. Damian

**Sunday, March 19<sup>th</sup>**

*Breakfast* 8:00-11:30 am @ St. Bernard Parish Center

*Children's Liturgy of the Word*

8:30 am @ St. Damian

10:00 am @ St. Bernard

*St. Damian Youth Choir Practice*

9:30 am @ St. Damian Church

*Grandparents/godparents Mass*

10:00 am @ St. Bernard Church

*Pre-School Sunday School Classes*

10:00 am @ Albers Elementary School

**"Lord, let Your mercy be on us,  
as we place our trust in 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, April 16<sup>th</sup>**. 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, March 16<sup>th</sup>, & 30<sup>th</sup>**

7:00 pm @ St. Damian Church

**Thursdays, March 23<sup>rd</sup>, & April 6<sup>th</sup>**

7:00 pm @ St. Bernard Church

*Anointing of the Sick*

**Sunday, March 19<sup>th</sup>**

11:00 am Mass in Spanish @ St. Damian

**Weekend of March 25<sup>th</sup>/26<sup>th</sup>**

During all Masses @ both parishes

*Faith Formation Reconciliation Services*

**Monday, March 27<sup>th</sup>** 7:45 am @ St. Damian

**Tuesday, March 28<sup>th</sup>** 7:45 am @ St. Bernard

*Lenten Reconciliation Service*

**Sunday, April 2<sup>nd</sup>**

1:00 pm @ St. Bernard Church

### VOCATION CORNER:

Fr. Pat York is the Dean of Students & Vice-Rector at Conception Seminary College. Fr. Pat recalls he considered the priesthood during his 8<sup>th</sup> 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.)



## SECOND COLLECTION:

The 2<sup>nd</sup> collection which will be taken **this weekend, March 11<sup>th</sup>/12<sup>th</sup>** will be used to assist the “Food for the Poor” organization. Please be as generous as possible. *Thank you.*

### ST. DAMIAN PARISH CONCERNS:

#### CHURCH SUPPORT: February 26<sup>th</sup>, 2017

Envelopes: \$2,934.00 + ACH: \$440.00

+ Loose: \$55.00 + Mass in Spanish: \$281.00 =

\$3,710.00

Budget for week: \$2,831.73

Fiscal year-to-date collected: \$99,613.68

Fiscal year-to-date budget: \$101,942.28

Over (under) year-to-date budget: **(\$ 2,328.60)**

Fiscal year (7/16-6/17) budget: \$147,250.00

**(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.)

#### **Catholic Service & Ministry Appeal (CSMA):**

Total Pledged: \$3,325.00 (16) Goal: \$5,950.00 (187)

*Thanks for your faithful and generous support!*

### ST. DAMIAN MINISTRY SCHEDULE

#### Saturday, March 18<sup>th</sup>, 2017 @ 5:00 pm

**Eucharist Ministers** — Brian Rogers, Mech Toennies, Elaine Williamson

**Reader** — Joseph Cleeton

**Ushers** — Delmar Santel, Marvin Rakers

**Servers** — Avery & Kenna Budde, Mason Schrage

**Organist** — Chris Brandmeyer

#### Sunday, March 19<sup>th</sup>, 2017 @ 8:30 am

**Eucharist Ministers** — Kevin Toennies, Ruth Jansen, *Kristie Santel*

**Reader** — Bob Innes

**Ushers** — Butch Toennies, Bud Jansen

**Servers** — Caleb Gonsalves, Meredith & Reid Innes

**Organist** — Chris Brandmeyer

**Collection Counters** — Kathleen Hodges, Kathy Gonsalves, Bob Innes

**Children's Liturgy** — Denise & Savanna Luitjohan

### PUMP ORGAN BIDS

Sealed bids are being accepted for an inoperable pump organ located in the parish house. If anyone is interested in submitting a bid (donation to the church) and hauling it away, please send replies to St. Damian Church (**Pump Organ Bid**), no later than **Sunday, March 12<sup>th</sup>**. The item can be seen at the parish house any time before March 12<sup>th</sup>. Contact 248-5134 or Geri at 248-5223 to view.

### ST. DAMIAN LADIES SODALITY & QUILT COMMITTEE:

- ⇒ **Huge Thank You** to all those who worked, participated, and donated items to sell to make the *Euchre Tournament* on Friday night a success. **Big Thank You** to *Dave & Cid Fuehne* for donating all the new playing cards this year.
- ⇒ **Update on the Quilt Situation in our Parish.** Don't know how many of you are aware of the desperate need for quilts for our picnic bingo. We are currently buying quilts because our surplus is very, very low. To date we only have six on hand. In the past, there was more than twice as many. If at all possible, please consider giving a quilt or the cash equivalent of the cost of a quilt which runs from \$225.00-\$275.00, or close to that as possible. A parishioner is willing to donate her quilt tops she has made, if we choose to put them together and quilt them in our parish. Please contact one of the officers with your thoughts on this. This parishioner does beautiful work and it would be a privilege to win one of her quilts. She just cannot do it anymore. Our parish will not survive without our picnic and the majority of the income comes in because of our quilt bingo. Please consider this request as we are reaching out to all of you as a church community. Damiansville has always been proud to display our quilts at our annual picnic. Thanking all of you.

-- The Committee and Officers

### ST. DAMIAN PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL:

- **Congratulations** to *Bill Innes, Al Varel & Tammy Schrage* on being elected to serve a 3-year term on the Parish Pastoral Council.
- **Thank you** to *Steve Horstmann, Garry Kalmer, Shannon Fuehne & Gwen Toennies* for graciously accepting the nomination.
- **Thank you** to *Dave Kassen, Virgil Jansen & Geri Varel* for their service the past years on the council.

### ST. DAMIAN 7<sup>TH</sup> & 8<sup>TH</sup> GRADE FAITH FORMATION CLASS:

**Thank you** to everyone who contributed to our bake sale in any way. We raised \$456.00 for “Food for the Poor”.

### UPCOMING EVENTS:

- ⇒ **Breakfast & Basket Raffle** sponsored by *St. Bernard Ladies Sodality* will be held on **Sunday, March 19<sup>th</sup>** from 8:00 to 11:30 am @ St. Bernard Parish Center. **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 Winkeler 789-1699 if you can help! **Baskets** are needed for the breakfast. If any family wishes to donate a basket or item for the basket raffle, please contact Janel Zurliene or Dana Lake. Please join us for a **Grandparents & Godparents Mass** celebrated at 10:00 am @ St. Bernard Church.
- ⇒ **Wurstmarkt** sponsored by *St. Damian Holy Name* is scheduled for **Sunday, March 26<sup>th</sup>** from 10:30 am till 5:30 pm @ St. Damian Gym. **Workers Lists & Flyers** are available for pick up at the entrances of church. **Donations** are being accepted to help off-set the cost. Please contact Dennis Fuehne or Elmer Loepker.

### ST. BERNARD PARISH CONCERNS:

#### CHURCH SUPPORT: March 5<sup>th</sup>, 2017

Envelopes: \$1,127.00 + ACH: \$1,525.00  
+ Loose: \$43.00 = \$2,695.00  
Budget for week: \$2,964.43  
Fiscal year-to-date collected: \$104,352.25  
Fiscal year-to-date budget: \$106,719.48  
Over (under) year-to-date budget: (\$ 2,367.23)  
Fiscal year (7/16-6/17) budget: \$154,150.00

(**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.)

#### **Catholic Service & Ministry Appeal (CSMA):**

Total Pledged: \$1,270.00 (7) Goal: \$7,700.00 (241)

**Ash Wednesday Collection** (St. Vincent de Paul – Germantown Food Pantry): \$121.00

*Thanks for your faithful and generous support!*

### COMMUNITY CONCERNS/EVENTS:

#### Albers & Damiansville Friends of the Cougars

**Athletics Group** will be sponsoring **Lent Fish Frys every Friday during Lent** with serving beginning at 4:30 pm @ Albers Legion. Each dinner comes with choice of cod, catfish, shrimp or chicken strips plus two sides and a FREE dessert. Dine in has an all you can eat option and the American Legion will have the bar room open. *Please come out and support our local schools and Legion.*

**Cub Scout Pack 255**, which is made up of Albers and Aviston boys, is having their annual Cub Scout **All You Can Eat Sausage Breakfast** on **Sunday, March 12<sup>th</sup>** from 8:00 until 11:30 am @ Aviston American Legion. Adults: \$8; Children (4-11): \$4; 3 and under: FREE

**St. George Church, New Baden: Chicken Dinner** on **Sunday, March 12<sup>th</sup>** from 11:00 am to 6:00 pm @ St. George Community Life Center (Hodapp Hall), 318 East Maple Street. Adults: \$10.00; 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!

### ST. BERNARD MINISTRY SCHEDULE

#### Sunday, March 19<sup>th</sup>, 2017 @ 10:00 am

**Eucharist Ministers** — *Robbin Netemeyer*, David & Charlie Gebke, Lynn Athmer

**Reader** — Meg Schiefer

**Ushers** — Kevin & Kristen Templin, Brian & Brooke Zurliene

**Servers** — Erin & Jordyn Schiefer, Eden Rolves

**Collection Counters** – Lynn Athmer, Kevin Templin, James Williams

**Children's Liturgy** – Stefanie & Brooke Rickhoff

**Sunday School Helpers** – Nolan Winkeler, Brooke Zurliene



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### CATHOLIC SERVICE & MINISTRY APPEAL (CSMA):

**Thank you** to those who have already pledged their financial support of CSMA. If you have not yet responded, please make every effort to do so. Totals are listed under **"Church Support"** for each parish.

### BLACK & INDIAN MISSIONS:

**This weekend, March 11<sup>th</sup>/12<sup>th</sup>**, our parishes will take up the **Black & Indian Missions Collection**. Your support to this collection helps build the Church in African American, Native American, and Alaska Native communities from coast to coast. Schools, parish religious education programs and diocesan ministries depend on your generosity to help them spread the Gospel of Jesus Christ! Envelopes are provided in your envelope packet. ***Please be as generous as possible.***

### CENTRAL COMMUNITY HIGH SCHOOL:

**Music Department** proudly presents its **2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Dinner Concert** on **Wednesday, March 15<sup>th</sup>**. Meals served starting at 6:00 pm and Music starting at 7:00 pm. Music will feature performances by the CCHS Symphonic Band, Chamber Choir and More! The meal will consist of soup, sandwich and dessert. There will be two portions available: a full portion for \$10 and a smaller portion for \$7. Seating is limited, so please pre-order your tickets by contacting Jill Varel at 526-4578.