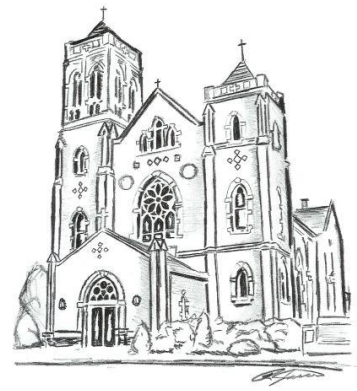




*Third Sunday
Of Lent
March 15, 2020*



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St. Bernard Catholic Church-Albers

MASS SCHEDULE:

MONDAY, MARCH 16TH

NO MASS/NO Prayer Service Scheduled

TUESDAY, MARCH 17TH

7:45 am Mass @ St. Bernard

† Dennis Gerling

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 18TH

7:45 am Mass @ St. Damian

† Dan & Rose Mueth

THURSDAY, MARCH 19TH

7:45 am Mass @ St. Bernard

For Protection from the Virus

FRIDAY, MARCH 20TH

7:45 am Mass @ St. Damian

† Rev. Richard Mohr

SATURDAY, MARCH 21ST

4:00 pm Mass @ St. Damian

† Dot Goestenkors

† Leo & Clara Schulte

† Ray Hermeling

SUNDAY, MARCH 22ND

8:30 am Mass @ St. Damian

† Cliff & Jane Kolb

10:00 am Mass @ St. Bernard

For All Parishioners

11:00 am Mass @ St. Damian

Mass in Spanish

LITURGY OF THE WORD:

Water takes center stage in Scripture today. The Chosen People grow thirsty in the desert and the LORD provides water from the rock in Horeb. The Psalmist recalls this event to urge us not to harden our hearts as they did. Paul suggest the image of water in stating that the love of GOD has been poured into our hearts. A thirsty Samaritan woman realizes that in JESUS she has received living water. **Let us quench our thirst with God's word.**

**"If today you hear His voice,
harden not your hearts."**

HAPPENINGS/MEETINGS:

Sunday, March 15th

Albers Legion Breakfast 8:00-11:00 am @ Legion

Sunday 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 @ Church

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

Hispanic Bible Study 12:30 pm @ St. Damian House

Lenten Reconciliation Service

1:00 pm @ St. Bernard Church

Lenten Video Study

6:00-8:00 pm @ St. Damian House

Monday, March 16th

RCIA 7:00 pm @ Breese

Tuesday, March 17th

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

Knights of Columbus 4th Degree Mtg.

7:00 pm @ Albers Jaycee Hall

North Central Vicariate Cancer Mass

7:00 pm @ St. Rose

Wednesday, March 18th

Eucharistic Adoration 7:00 pm @ St. Damian

St. Bernard Choir Practice 7:00 pm @ Church

Thursday, March 19th

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

Friday, March 20th

Communion to the Homebound

Cougar Fish Fry 4:30-7:00 pm @ Albers Legion

Saturday, March 21st

Mass w/Anointing of the Sick

4:00 pm @ St. Damian Church

Sunday, March 22nd

Sunday Mass w/Anointing of the Sick &

Children's Liturgy

8:30 am @ St. Damian Church

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LENTEN OPPORTUNITIES:

- **Operation Rice Bowl:** Containers are available in the entrances of both churches. Fill them with your spare change and return to church **no later than Easter Sunday**. Your donations will benefit *Catholic Relief Services*.
- **Lenten Collection:** Donations are being accepted to help our homeless neighbors served by St. Vincent de Paul (SVdP) East St. Louis and Daystar in Cairo. Donations are being accepted till **Sunday, March 28th** @ both parishes and Albers Village Hall. See list on the containers located at both churches.
- **Way of the Cross**
Thursdays, March 19th & April 2nd
7:00 pm @ St. Bernard Church
Thursdays, March 26th
7:00 pm @ St. Damian Church
- **Lenten Video Study:** *No Greater Love* video study program runs **every Sunday** ending on **April 5th** from 6:00-8:00 pm at St. Damian House.
- **Joint Parish Lenten Reconciliation Service** on **Sunday, March 15th** at 1:00 pm @ St. Bernard Church.
- **Anointing of the Sick** will be held the **weekend of March 21st/22nd** during all Masses @ both parishes.

HOMILIES:

Anyone wishing to receive the Homilies through email, please send an email to Fr. Anthony at utugo@yahoo.com. If Deacon Glenn or Deacon Kevin have the homily and you wish a copy, please email Deacon Glenn at deaconglen36@gmail.com and Deacon Kevin at deaconkevin18@gmail.com.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS:

March Monthly Drawing Winners:

\$400 – Leon Kuhl

\$50 each – Sharon Kalmer & Dennis Toennies



CATHOLIC YOUTH MINISTRY (HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS):

Find out about upcoming events, permission slips, sports paperwork, etc. and get the latest information at

<http://www.stbernardandstdamian.org/catholic-youth-ministry.html>.

ST. DAMIAN PARISH CONCERNS:

CHURCH SUPPORT: March 7th/8th, 2020

Envelopes: \$2,056.00 + ACH (2nd): \$1,025.00
+ Loose: \$69.00 + Mass in Spanish: \$330.00 =

\$3,480.00
Budget for week: \$3,038.46
Fiscal year-to-date collected: \$102,832.48
Fiscal year-to-date budget: \$109,384.56
Over (under) year-to-date budget: **(\$ 6,552.08)**
Fiscal year (7/16-6/17) budget: \$158,000.00

(**Reminder:** The fiscal year budget **does not** include the \$59,675.00 transferred from: Savings, Building Fund, Cemetery & Picnic Checking Accounts, which is needed in order to balance the budget.)

Catholic Service & Ministry Appeal (CSMA):

Total: \$4,095.00 (14) Goal: \$7,455.00 (190)

Thank you for your faithful and generous support!

ST. DAMIAN PARISH COUNCIL:

Do you want to find out more about St. Damian Parish and help guide the parish into the future? The terms of *Garry Kalmer, Gwen Toennies & Al Varel* will be expiring. We are currently seeking nominations to replace one man & one woman with one man coming from the Hispanic community. All parishioners, 18 years of age and older, are eligible to be members of the parish council. If you or someone you know is interested in filling these seats, please fill out a nomination sheet and put it in the box in the gathering space of church. **Nominations** will be accepted **this weekend, March 14th/15th**. All persons nominated will be contacted to see if they are willing to be on the ballot.

Elections will take place the **weekend of March 21st/22nd**. Parish Council meetings are held on the third Tuesday of Feb, April, June, Aug, Oct & Dec. Everyone is welcome to be involved with the parish by volunteering to serve a 3-year term on the parish council!

ST. DAMIAN HOLY NAME:

- ✓ **Wurstmarkt** on **Sunday, March 29th** from 10:30 am till 5:30 pm @ St. Damian Gym.
- ✓ **Workers list & flyers** are available in the entrances of church. Please help spread the word.
- ✓ **Donations** are being accepted the day of the event to help off-set the cost. Please contact Dennis Fuehne.

ST. DAMIAN CHOIR NEWS:

- **Youth Choir** will practice for the Easter Season on **Sundays** at 9:30 am for about 1 hour. Contact Jackie (335-9562) or Geri Varel (444-5073) if you have any questions or if a child needs a ride.
- **Adult Choir** will practice for the Easter Season on **Tuesdays** at 7:00 pm in the church. If you have any questions, please contact Chris Brandmeyer (792-2676).

ST. DAMIAN MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Saturday, March 21st, 2020 @ 4:00 pm

Communion Ministers — Chris Brandmeyer,
Mech Toennies

Reader — Anita Rakers

Ushers — 2 Volunteers

Servers — Ethan Korte, Aidan Toennies

Organist — Geri Varel

Sunday, March 22nd, 2020 @ 8:30 am

Communion Ministers — Arlene Korte,
Julie Langenhorst

Reader — Mason Schrage

Ushers — Pete Toennies, Dan Athmer

Servers — Ethan & Simon Toennies, Anthony
Athmer

Organist — Geri Varel

Counters — Mel Toennies, Tina Tonnies, Gwen
Toennies

Children's Liturgy — Sandy Kramer, Trent
Korte

SECOND COLLECTION: The second collection taken **this weekend, March 14th/15th** will be matched and split two ways: **St. Vincent de Paul (SVdP)** East St. Louis & **Daystar** in Cairo. Please be as generous as possible. **THANK YOU!!**

ST. BERNARD PARISH CONCERNS:

CHURCH SUPPORT: March 8th, 2020

Envelopes: \$1,045.00 + ACH (2nd): \$1,915.00
+ Loose: \$128.00 = \$3,088.00

Budget for week: \$3,134.14

Fiscal year-to-date collected: \$108,051.00

Fiscal year-to-date budget: \$112,829.04

Over (under) year-to-date budget: **(\$ 4,778.04)**

Fiscal year (7/19-6/20) budget: \$162,975.00

(**Reminder:** The fiscal year budget **does not** include the \$41,250.00 transferred from: Men's Club, Ladies Sodality, & Fund Raiser Checking Accounts, which is needed in order to balance the budget.)

Total Heating System: \$410.00

Catholic Service & Ministry Appeal (CSMA):

Total: \$1,200.00 (3) Goal: \$7,967.00 (241)

Thank you for your faithful and generous support!



CONGRATULATIONS:

Congratulations to Weston Michael Oliver, child of Wayne & Miranda (Scher) Oliver,

who received the saving waters of baptism on Sunday, March 8th @ St. Bernard by Deacon Glenn Netemeyer. **May God guide and protect them in their journey of life.**

ST. BERNARD MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Sunday, March 22nd, 2020 @ 10:00 am

Communion Ministers — Roman Kloeckner,

Lynn Athmer, Meg Schiefer

Reader — Lynette Huegen

Ushers — Brian & Nolan Winkeler, Ed & Sharon Wuebbels

Servers — Madi Wuebbels, Kayle Reinhardt, Connor Schomaker

Counters – Lynn Athmer, Dana Lake, James Williams

Children's Liturgy – Andra Goesten Kors

DAMIANSVILLE DEVELOPMENT CLUB:

Ham Raffle will be held **Sunday, April 5th** at 11:00 am @ Fuehne's Tavern. Many of you received your tickets in January. If you did not receive your tickets, they will be located in the back of church. There will also be extra unmarked envelopes with tickets in case you have misplaced yours. Ticket drop-off locations: **1)** During the quarterly meeting on Thursday, March 26th @ the park shelter starting at 7:00 pm; **2)** Fuehne's Tavern; **3)** At St. Damian Holy Name Wurstmart on Sunday, March 29th; or **4)** Brian/Jenni Albers' house at 207 W. Main in Damiansville.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- ⇒ **Albers American Legion** is holding a **Breakfast** on **Sunday, March 15th** from 8:00-11:00 am @ the legion.
- ⇒ **Friends of the Cougars Fish Fry** will be held **every Friday during Lent** from 4:30-7:00 pm @ Albers American Legion. All you can eat option available. *Proceeds benefit the Cougars Athletic Programs at Albers & Damiansville Elementary Schools.*
- ⇒ **Damiansville Elementary PTO** is hosting the **Annual Trivia Night** on **Friday, March 27th** @ St. Damian Gym. Doors open at 6:00 pm with Trivia beginning at 7:00 pm. Bring your own snacks and drinks. Cost of \$100 per table (8-10 players). Contact Lori Toennies at 618-250-0854 to reserve your table.
- ⇒ **St. Damian Holy Name** will host their **Annual Wurstmart** on **Sunday, March 29th** from 10:30 am-5:30 pm @ St. Damian Gym. Dine in or carry out available. Meat Sales and raffle.
- ⇒ **Albers Commercial Club** will be sponsoring the **Gulpepper & Merriweather Circus** on **Friday, April 17th** @ Lehrter/JC Park in Albers. There will be two shows: 5:00 pm & 7:30 pm. Tickets in advance are: Adults: \$12.00, Seniors & Child (2-12 years): \$7.00, Child under 2: Free. Tickets day of circus: Adults: \$15.00, Seniors & Child (2-12 years): \$8.00, Child under 2: Free. You can purchase tickets online at www.cmcircus.com or at Albers Village Hall, FCB Banks (Albers & New Baden), GTSB (Germantown & Breese), or First National Bank (Aviston).

VOCATION CORNER:

This week is the feast of St. Joseph. *"When Joseph awoke, he did as the angel of the Lord had commanded him."* (Matthew 1:24) "It was grace that moved Joseph to embrace his vocation as the guardian of Israel's Messiah. It's the same grace that empowers us to accept God's call and wisdom for our lives. Joseph's yes in faith changed the world. God also has a plan for your life. You don't know where your yes might lead and how God might use it. Ask Joseph to help. Then, like Joseph, go out in faith to be a *"doer of the word"* (James 1:2d)." (The Word Among Us)

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 April 1st.**

COMMUNITY CONCERNS/HAPPENINGS:

Aviston American Legion: **All-You-Can-Eat Pork Sausage & Roast Beef Dinner** will be held on **Sunday, March 15th** from 10:30 am till 6:00 pm. Carry outs available.

St. Barbara Church, Okawville: **Sunday Supper** on **Sunday, March 15th** beginning at 4:00 pm with Brunswick stew & tomato basil soup, homemade Artisans breads, desserts and drinks. Adults: \$8.00; Children 3-10: \$5.00; Under 2: Free. Dine-in and carry out (you can bring your own container to go).