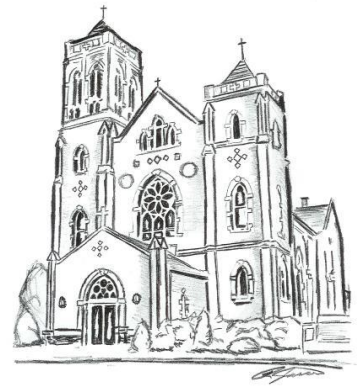
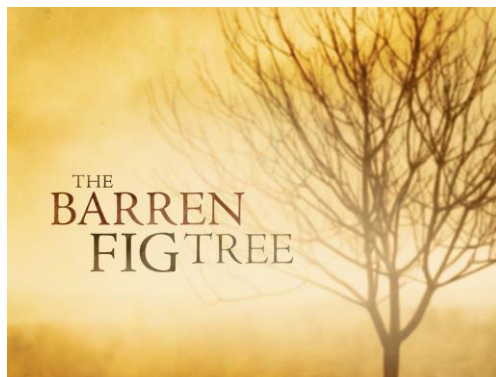




*Third Sunday  
Of Lent  
March 24<sup>th</sup>, 2019*



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**MASS SCHEDULE:**

**MONDAY, MARCH 25<sup>TH</sup>**

7:45 am Mass @ St. Damian  
Evan Beck

**TUESDAY, MARCH 26<sup>TH</sup>**

7:45 am Mass @ St. Bernard  
Fr. Louis Koehr

**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 27<sup>TH</sup>**

7:45 am Mass @ St. Damian  
For All High School Students

**THURSDAY, MARCH 28<sup>TH</sup>**

7:45 am Mass @ St. Bernard  
For All Elementary School Students

**FRIDAY, MARCH 29<sup>TH</sup>**

*NO Mass or Prayer Service Scheduled*

**SATURDAY, MARCH 30<sup>TH</sup>**

4:00 pm Mass @ St. Damian  
For All Parishioners

**SUNDAY, MARCH 31<sup>ST</sup>**

8:30 am Mass @ St. Damian  
Cletus, Rita, Donald & Heather Fuehne  
Duck Netemeyer

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

Doris Kloeckner  
Jack & Bernice Corbett  
George, Alvina & Donald Rickhoff

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

## LITURGY OF THE WORD:

We know not what tomorrow may bring. Moses did not expect to encounter God in the burning bush. Nor did the eighteen people at Siloam expect to be killed in a terrible accident. For that matter, either did the barren fig tree realize its days were numbered. Lent gives us an opportunity to repent of our sinful actions and renew our commitment to follow the Lord, to ready ourselves for whatever the future holds.

## HAPPENINGS/MEETINGS:

**Sunday, March 24<sup>th</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

*Joint Parish Lenten Reconciliation Service*

1:00 pm @ St. Bernard Church

*Hispanic Women's Retreat*

2:00-5:00 pm @ St. Damian Parish House

*St. Bernard/St. Damian Youth Ministry Soup Supper*

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

**Monday, March 25<sup>th</sup>**

*Lenten Bible Study* 7:00 pm @ St. Bernard

*Spanish Bible Study* 7:00 pm @ St. Damian

*RCIA* 7:00 pm @ Breese

**Tuesday, March 26<sup>th</sup>**

*St. Damian Adult Choir Practice*

7:00 pm @ St. Damian Church

**Wednesday, March 27<sup>th</sup>**

*Mater Dei Mass* 11:00 am @ Mater Dei High School

*Eucharistic Adoration w/Benediction*

7:00 pm @ St. Damian Church

**Thursday, March 28<sup>th</sup>**

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

*St. Bernard Choir Practice*

7:30 pm @ St. Bernard Church

**Friday, March 29<sup>th</sup>**

*Communion to the Homebound*

**Saturday, March 30<sup>th</sup>**

*Mass w/Anointing of the Sick*

4:00 pm @ St. Damian Church

**Sunday, March 31<sup>st</sup>**

*Mass w/ Children's Liturgy &*

*Anointing of the Sick*

8:30 am @ St. Damian Church

10:00 am @ St. Bernard Church

*St. Damian Youth Choir Practice*

9:30 am @ St. Damian Church

*St. Damian Holy Name Society Wurstmart*

10:30 am-5:30 pm @ St. Damian Gym

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

*Hispanic Lenten Reconciliation Service*

12:00 pm @ St. Damian Church

## "The Lord is kind and merciful."

## LENTEN OPPORTUNITIES:

- **Operation Rice Bowl:** Containers are available or deposit your spare change in the large metal bowls in the entrances of both churches. . *Your donations will benefit Catholic Relief Services.*
- **Way of the Cross**  
**Thursdays, March 28<sup>th</sup>, & April 11<sup>th</sup>**  
7:00 pm @ St. Damian Church  
**Thursdays, April 4<sup>th</sup>**  
7:00 pm @ St. Bernard Church
- **Bible Study: Every Monday** 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.

## UPCOMING EVENTS:

- ⇒ **St. Bernard & St. Damian Youth Ministry** will be hosting a **Soup Supper** on **Sunday, March 24<sup>th</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?**
- ⇒ **St. Damian Holy Name** will host their **Annual Wurstmart** 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.

## DAMIANSVILLE DEVELOPMENT CLUB:

- ❖ **Ham Raffle Tickets** are in the back of church.
- ❖ **Park Clean-Up** on **Saturday, April 13<sup>th</sup>** with the Holy Name clean-up on the same date.
- ❖ **Queen of Hearts Drawings** will be held on **Wednesdays** 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.



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

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

Envelopes: \$1,187.00 + ACH: \$775.00 + Loose: \$87.00  
+ Mass in Spanish: \$429.00 = \$2,478.00  
Budget for week: \$3,038.46  
Fiscal year-to-date collected: \$110,150.59  
Fiscal year-to-date budget: \$115,461.48  
Over (under) year-to-date budget: **(\$ 5,310.89)**  
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.)

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

Total Pledged: \$5,055.00 (30) *Goal: \$5,950.00 (187)*

*Thank you for your faithful and generous support!*

### **ST. DAMIAN HOLY NAME:**

**Wurstmarkt** on **Sunday, March 31<sup>st</sup>** 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 to help off-set the cost. Please contact Dennis Fuehne.

### **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.

### **ST. DAMIAN CHURCH CLEANING:**

**Church Cleaning** is scheduled for **Thursday, April 11<sup>th</sup>** at 6:00 pm. Many hands make light work!  
**Thanks!!**

## **ST. DAMIAN MINISTRY SCHEDULE**

### **Saturday, March 30<sup>th</sup>, 2019 @ 4:00 pm**

**Communion Ministers** — Monica Koch,

Elaine Williamson

**Reader** — Anita Rakers

**Ushers** — Marvin Rakers, Alfred Toennies

**Servers** — Reid & Lyla Koch

**Organist** — Chris Brandmeyer

### **Sunday, March 31<sup>st</sup>, 2019 @ 8:30 am**

**Communion Ministers** — Sharon Kalmer,

Florence Jansen

**Reader** — Lori Jansen

**Ushers** — Bill Jansen, Garry Kalmer

**Servers** — Jacob, Kevin & Anthony Athmer

**Organist** — Chris Brandmeyer

**Counters** — Mech Toennies, Kathy Gonsalves,

Kathleen Hodges

**Children's Liturgy** — Shannon Sanders,

Lauren Lynch

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

## **WE NEED YOU!**

**Are you looking for a fun -filled ministry opportunity?** We are looking for a **Vacation Bible School Coordinator/Director** for **Summer 2019**. This is a great opportunity to work with kids and share the gospel through story, song and activities! If you would be interested, please contact Deacon Glenn at (248-5134 or [stdamians@wisperhome.com](mailto:stdamians@wisperhome.com)) for more information!

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

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

Envelopes: \$1,610.00 + ACH: \$2,115.00

+ Loose: \$39.00 = \$3,764.00

Budget for week: \$3,124.52

Fiscal year-to-date collected: \$110,579.00

Fiscal year-to-date budget: \$118,731.76

Over (under) year-to-date budget: **(\$ 8,152.76)**

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**

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

Total: \$2,800.00 (24) *Goal: \$7,700.00 (80)*

*Thank you for your faithful and generous support!*

## **ST. BERNARD MINISTRY SCHEDULE**

### **Sunday, March 31<sup>st</sup>, 2019 @ 10:00 am**

**Communion Ministers** — Lynn Athmer,

Kristen Templin, Meg Schiefer

**Reader** — Ray Gill

**Ushers** — Ron & Geri Norrenberns, Kurt &

Allison Rickhoff

**Servers** — Elliott Raker, Madi & Avery

Wuebbels

**Counters** — Lynn Athmer, James Williams,

Phyllis Albers

**Children's Liturgy** — Janel Zurliene





### **VOCATION CORNER:**

“My father’s side of the family is Jewish Polish and my mother’s side is Filipino Catholic. Diversity of faith and culture is not a concept for me; it’s a reality of my life. The summer before my senior year of high school, I was torn between different life paths. At church with two friends, spending time in prayer, I decided to invite God into my discernment process. Priesthood was not one of my options, but was the answer God gave me. It took time to accept God’s call, but he was patient and always faithful, and he has walked every step of this journey with me.”  
*Fr. Chris Kanowitz, Diocese of Reno; Columbia June 2018*

**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 15<sup>th</sup> 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 1<sup>st</sup>.**

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

**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 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.

**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 13<sup>th</sup>** 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 27<sup>th</sup>**, are guaranteed shirts w/sizes; race day entry is \$25.00. For more information, call the school office at 248-5146.

**Damiansville Elementary School PTO:** *Trivia Night* on **Friday, March 29<sup>th</sup>** 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. Please mark your calendars!

**Chakota Therapeutic Riding Center:** Annual fundraiser “*The Mane Event*” dinner/dance/auction will be held **Saturday, March 30<sup>th</sup>** @ Albers American Legion Post 1026. Tickets are \$30 per person if purchased/ordered in advance or \$35 per person at the door. The ticket includes a happy hour from 4:30 to 6:30 and meal (with dessert) served from 5:00 to 7:00. Silent auction runs from 4:00 to 7:30 followed by oral auction and music/dancing. Purchase tickets on-line @ [chakota-trc.org](http://chakota-trc.org) or contact Jan Reinhardt at 618-604-6994 or [treasurer@chakota-trc.org](mailto:treasurer@chakota-trc.org) for tickets or to donate items for auction.

**Breese Knights of Columbus Council #2869** will host a *Pork Sausage Breakfast* with pork sausage, biscuits & gravy, pancakes, hash browns and eggs on **Sunday, March 31<sup>st</sup>** from 8:00-11:30 am @ Breese K of C Hall. Adults: \$8.00; Children (6-10): \$4.00; Under 5: Free. *Proceeds benefit council charities.*

### **CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES:**

**Next weekend, March 30<sup>th</sup>/31<sup>st</sup>,** our parishes will take up the *Catholic Relief Services Collection*. Funds from this collection provide food to the hungry, support displaced refugees, and bring Christ’s love and mercy to all people here and abroad. Envelopes are provided in your envelope packet. Please give as generously as possible to this collection, and “**help Jesus in disguise**”. Learn more about the collection at [www.usccb.org/catholic-relief](http://www.usccb.org/catholic-relief).