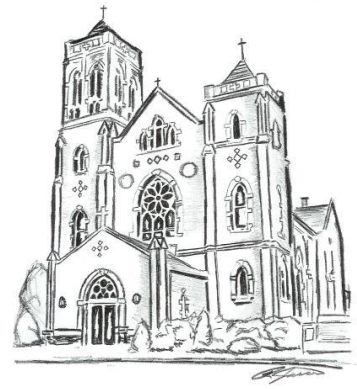




Fourth Sunday Of Lent

March 31st, 2019

God's Love: Bigger Than Your Past
Luke 15:11-32



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MASS SCHEDULE:

MONDAY, APRIL 1ST

8:30 am Mass @ St. Damian

For All Parents

TUESDAY, APRIL 2ND

8:30 am Mass @ St. Bernard

Dennis Gerling Family

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 3RD

7:45 am Mass @ St. Damian

Fr. Louis Koehr

THURSDAY, APRIL 4TH

7:45 am Mass @ St. Bernard

For All Memorial Donors

FRIDAY, APRIL 5TH

NO Mass or Prayer Service Scheduled

SATURDAY, APRIL 6TH

4:00 pm Mass @ St. Bernard

Edward, Henrietta & J. B. Broeckling

Hermina Kollmann

SUNDAY, APRIL 7TH

8:30 am Mass @ St. Damian

Victor & Rita Kalmer

Robert, Dorothy & Ken Kalmer

10:00 am Mass @ St. Bernard

For All Parishioners

11:00 am Mass @ St. Damian

Mass in Spanish

LITURGY OF THE WORD:

A new day has dawned in each Reading today. The Israelites have finally reached the Promised Land and can celebrate the Passover in their new home. Saint Paul tells that in Christ, we are a new creation. The prodigal son is welcomed home as someone who had been dead and is now alive again. Let us listen to the Readings and imagine we are there as each new day dawns.

HAPPENINGS/MEETINGS:

Sunday, March 31st

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

Hispanic Lenten Reconciliation Service

12:00 pm @ St. Damian Church

Monday, April 1st

Faith Formation Reconciliation Service

7:45 am @ St. Damian Church

Mass 8:30 am @ St. Damian Church

Lenten Bible Study 6:30 pm @ St. Bernard

RCIA 7:00 pm @ Breese

Tuesday, April 2nd

Faith Formation Reconciliation Service

7:45 am @ St. Bernard Church

Mass 8:30 am @ St. Bernard Church

St. Bernard Finance Council Mtg. 6:30 pm

St. Bernard Parish Council Mtg. 7:00 pm

St. Damian Adult Choir Practice

7:00 pm @ St. Damian Church

Wednesday, April 3rd

Eucharistic Adoration w/Benediction

7:00 pm @ St. Bernard Church

Thursday, April 4th

Communion to the Homebound

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

St. Bernard Choir Practice

7:30 pm @ St. Bernard Church

Saturday, April 6th

Mass 4:00 pm @ St. Bernard Church

Sunday, April 7th

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

Chicken Dinner 4:30-7:00 pm Albers Legion



Congratulations to Dana Lake, Golden Ladle winner at this year's *Annual Soup Supper*!

Thanks to all you made soup as well as those who attended!

"Taste and see the goodness of the Lord."

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.*
- **Faith Formation Reconciliation Services**
Monday, April 1st
7:45 am @ St. Damian
Tuesday, April 2nd
7:45 am @ St. Bernard
- **Mass Time Change**
Monday, April 1st
8:30 am @ St. Damian
Tuesday, April 2nd
8:30 am @ St. Bernard
- **Holy Week & Easter Liturgical Minister List**
Your assistance is needed! Please sign up as a *Minister of Communion, Lector, Server, or Usher/Greeter* for Holy Week & Easter at the main entrance of each church.
- **Way of the Cross**
Thursdays, April 4th
7:00 pm @ St. Damian Church
Thursdays, April 11th
7:00 pm @ St. Bernard Church
- **Bible Study: Every Monday** at 6:30 pm @ St. Bernard Rectory.

WE NEED YOU!

- ⇒ To volunteer for a **quick one-hour shift** on **Saturday, May 4th** @ the Albers 4-way intersection! *Western Clinton County Senior Center (WCCSS)* will be collecting from 12:00 noon – 4:00 pm to fund **Meals on Wheels**, serving local seniors. Please contact Brenda (villageofalbers@yahoo.com / 618-248-5154) to schedule. **Thank you for helping!**
- ⇒ **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) for more information!

ST. DAMIAN PARISH CONCERNS:

CHURCH SUPPORT: March 23rd/24th, 2019

Envelopes: \$1,918.00 + Loose: \$105.00

+ Mass in Spanish: \$417.00 = \$2,440.00

Budget for week: \$3,038.46

Fiscal year-to-date collected: \$112,590.59

Fiscal year-to-date budget: \$118,499.94

Over (under) year-to-date budget: **(\$ 5,909.35)**

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: \$5,420.00 (36) *Goal: \$5,950.00 (187)*

Thank you for your faithful and generous support!

ST. DAMIAN HOLY NAME:

Wurstmarkt on Sunday, March 31st 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 11th** at 6:00 pm. Many hands make light work!
Thanks!!

ST. DAMIAN MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Sunday, April 7th, 2019 @ 8:30 am

Communion Ministers — Rosann Horstmann, Deb Santel

Reader — Lauren Cleeton

Ushers — Gary Tonnies, Cole Horstmann

Servers — Grace & Reece Deiters, William Athmer

Organist — Geri Varel

Counters — Tina Tonnies, Mel Toennies, Sandy Kramer

Children's Liturgy — Jenni Albers, Julia Korte

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

ST. BERNARD PARISH CONCERNS:

CHURCH SUPPORT: March 24th, 2019

Envelopes: \$1,434.00 + Loose: \$129.00 = \$1,563.00

Budget for week: \$3,124.52

Fiscal year-to-date collected: \$112,142.00

Fiscal year-to-date budget: \$121,856.28

Over (under) year-to-date budget: **(\$ 9,714.28)**

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.)

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

Saturday, April 6th, 2019 @ 4:00 pm

Communion Ministers — Ken & Liz

Nussbaumer, Melissa Netemeyer

Reader — Nettie Broeckling

Ushers — Ed Broeckling, Brian Zurliene

Servers — Grant Winkeler, Haley Lucas, Tyler Robertson

Sunday, April 7th, 2019 @ 10:00 am

Communion Ministers — Roman Kloeckner,

Kati Schwierjohn, Cole Schomaker

Reader — Brent Rickhoff

Ushers — Ed & Sharon Wuebbels, Dave Wuebbels, Dave Langenhorst

Servers — Brooke & Reagan Rickhoff, Wyatt Jung

Counters — Pat Litteken, Keith Richter, Kris Anne Becker

Children's Liturgy — Stefanie Rickhoff

DAMIANSVILLE DEVELOPMENT CLUB:

- ❖ **Ham Raffle Tickets** are in the back of church.
- ❖ **Park Clean-Up** on **Saturday, April 13th** 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.

ALBERS/DAMIANSVILLE

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL 9768:

Annual Reverse Drawing will be held on

Saturday, April 27th @ Albers American Legion.

Doors open at 6:00 pm. Tickets are \$60 and

includes dinner for two. Contact any K of C

Member or Becky.gill70@gmail.com for tickets.

VOCATION CORNER:

I was born into a Catholic family, but it was not until the eighth grade, after I had received Confirmation, that the faith came alive for me... when (the) idea of priesthood first crossed my mind. During sophomore (year) at Franciscan University...I began a four-year wrestling match with God about my vocation. The moment of clarity came in prayer during a silent retreat. How could I resist it any longer?

Steven DiMassimo, seminarian, Diocese Raleigh; Columbia Feb. 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 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.**

COMMUNITY CONCERNS/EVENTS:

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 31st** 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.*

Damiansville Elementary PTO: *Texas Road House Night* on **Thursday, April 4th**. The Damiansville Elementary PTO will receive a percentage of sales throughout the day at Texas Road House in Fairview Heights. You will need to provide a coupon to the server in order for the school to receive the credit. Coupons will be available from students or in the school office as the date becomes closer. Please support the PTO and enjoy a delicious lunch or dinner out!

Albers American Legion: *Chicken Dinner* on **Sunday, April 7th** from 4:30 to 7:00 pm. All Bingo Players eat for \$7.00. Menu: Fried chicken, mash potatoes & gravy, green beans, corn, slaw, applesauce, cold macaroni salad and dessert. Carry outs available.

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: **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. Race day entry is \$25.00. For more information, call the school office at 248-5146.

HSHS St. Joseph's Hospital Highland will have a *State Health Insurance Program (SHIP)* counsellor onsite **every second Friday** of each month. Individuals on Medicare can meet with a SHIP counsellor for free to ask questions and learn more about their insurance coverage. Those interested will need to make an appointment by calling (618) 344-7788. Individuals will need to bring their driver's license, social security card, with any 1099 proof of income documents from Social Security, or other pensions along with them to their appointment.

CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES:

This weekend, March 30th/31st, 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.