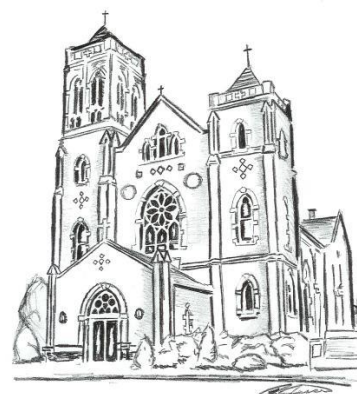




*2nd Sunday of Easter
(Divine Mercy)
April 8th, 2018*



St. Damian Parish

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Believe!
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John 20:19-31

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Monday: (8 am-5 pm) @ St. Bernard or St. Damian;

Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday:
(9:00 am – 4:00 pm) @ CLC, New Baden;

Friday: (8 am-1 pm) @ St. Bernard or St. Damian.

CATHOLIC YOUTH MINISTER:

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MASS SCHEDULE:

MONDAY, APRIL 9TH

7:45 am Mass @ St. Damian
For All the Sick

TUESDAY, APRIL 10TH

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

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 11TH

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

THURSDAY, APRIL 12TH

7:45 am Mass @ St. Bernard
Cyril, Dorothy & Marvin Foppe

FRIDAY, APRIL 13TH

NO Mass/NO Service Scheduled

SATURDAY, APRIL 14TH

4:00 pm Mass @ St. Bernard
Vince & Leona Eilering
Ruth Zimmermann

SUNDAY, APRIL 15TH

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

10:00 am 1st Communion Mass
@ St. Bernard
Aaron Crosby

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

LITURGY OF THE WORD:

"Peace be with you." Three times the newly risen Jesus greets the ones He loves with these words. It is both His greeting and His wish. Today we get a glimpse of the early church, the close-knit community who were **"of one heart and mind"**, sharing what they had so that no one was in need. Let us be on one heart and mind ourselves, merciful and generous, as we extend greetings and wishes to our neighbor: **"Peace be with you."**

"Give thanks to the Lord for He is good, His love is everlasting."

HAPPENINGS/MEETINGS:

Sunday, April 8th

Children's Liturgy

8:30 am @ St. Damian Church

10:00 am @ St. Bernard Church

Mexican Bingo & Desserts

12:30 pm @ St. Damian Gym

Tuesday, April 10th

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

Hispanic Committee Mtg.

7:00 pm @ St. Damian Meeting Room

Knights of Columbus Mtg.

7:30 pm @ Albers Jaycee Hall

Thursday, April 12th

St. Bernard Choir Practice 7:00 pm @ Church

Friday, April 13th

Communion to the Homebound

Hispanic Rosario 6:30 pm @ St. Damian

Hispanic Bible Study 7:00 pm @ St. Damian

Sunday, April 15th

Children's Liturgy

8:30 am @ St. Damian Church

10:00 am @ St. Bernard Church

1st Communion Mass

10:00 am @ St. Bernard Church

UPCOMING MEETINGS:

Tuesday, April 10th

Hispanic Committee Mtg. 7:00 pm

Knights of Columbus Mtg. 7:30 pm

Tuesday, April 17th

St. Damian Finance Council Mtg. 6:30 pm

St. Damian Parish Council Mtg. 7:00 pm

UPCOMING SACRAMENTS:

1st Communion

Sunday, April 15th 10:00 am @ St. Bernard

Saturday, May 12th 4:00 pm @ St. Damian

Confirmation

Wednesday, April 18th 7:00 pm @ St. Damian

This year the 6th, 7th, and 8th graders will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation. The Ladies Sodality will serve snacks/finger food following the celebration. If anyone is able to assist in making any snacks, please bring them to the gym before church on April 18th or make arrangements with any officer below for pick-up.

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Gwen Fuehne (618) 210-0259,

halfpint1@charter.net

Lori Toennies (618) 250-0854,

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MATER DEI HIGH SCHOOL INFORMATION:

† **Mater Dei Mothers & Friends: Dinner Auction**

is **Saturday, April 14th**. If you or someone you know would like to donate a basket or other item, have questions, need a donation form and/or need pickup/delivery, please contact Sandy Kramer (558-8224); Phyllis Kassen (806-7495); Judy Schomaker (541-8758) or Mindi Rickhoff (806-9920). **Your support is appreciated!**

† **Mater Dei Band: El Arado Day** in Breese on **Monday, April 16th**. A portion of the sales will go to the band. Bring the whole family for lunch or supper.

† **Mater Dei Summer Athletic Camps Brochure**, which includes detailed information for each camp and the registration form, is now available on the "Summer Athletic Camps 2018" page of the Mater Dei website ("Athletics" menu) and in the Mater Dei office.



VOCATION CORNER:

"I was born to a Catholic family that valued family prayer and the rosary. It was through an informational brochure that I first heard God's call. I took my final vows in 1997. My parents were supportive because they knew my vocation had truly come from God. I believe the words of Christ: **"Everyone who has given up houses or brothers or sisters or father or mother or children or lands for the sake of my name will receive a hundred times more"** (Matthew 19:29)."

-- Sister Jossy Jacob, Sisters of Mary Immaculate,
Leechburg, PA, Columbia Dec. 2015, pg. 34.

ST. DAMIAN PARISH CONCERNS:

CHURCH SUPPORT: March 31st/April 1st, 2018

Envelopes: \$424.00 + Easter: \$6,090.00

+ Loose: \$255.27 + Mass in Spanish: \$556.05 =

\$7,325.32

Budget for week: \$2,903.85

Fiscal year-to-date collected: \$111,330.61

Fiscal year-to-date budget: \$113,250.15

Over (under) year-to-date budget: **(\$ 1,919.54)**

Fiscal year (7/16-6/17) budget: \$151,000.00

(Reminder: The fiscal year budget **does not** include the \$55,850.00 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: \$5,583.00 (38) *Goal: \$5,950.00 (187)*

Holy Thursday (Needy Fund Collection): **\$266.00**

Thanks for your faithful and generous support!



ST. DAMIAN MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Sunday, April 15th, 2018 @ 8:30 am

Ministers of Communion — Ken Mank, Florence

Jansen, *Rosann Horstmann*

Reader — Lori Jansen

Ushers — Brad & Kristy Richter

Servers — Nolan & Lance Goebel, Reece Deiters

Organist — Jan Hitch

Collection Counters — Jan Hitch, Kristy Richter,
Anita Rakers

Children's Liturgy — Denise & Savanna Luitjohan

ST. BERNARD PARISH CONCERNS:

CHURCH SUPPORT: March 31st/April 1st, 2018

Envelopes: \$590.00 + Easter: \$4,200.00

+ Loose: \$170.00 = \$4,960.00

Budget for week: \$3,012.02

Fiscal year-to-date collected: \$116,043.28

Fiscal year-to-date budget: \$120,480.80

Over (under) year-to-date budget: **(\$ 4,437.52)**

Fiscal year (7/17-6/18) budget: \$156,625.00

(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: \$3,355.00 (26) *Goal: \$7,700.00 (80)*

Thanks for your faithful and generous support!

ST. DAMIAN ADULT CHOIR:

We'll be singing at 1st Communion on Saturday, May 12th at 4:00 pm. Practices will be held on Tuesday evenings at 7:00 pm beginning Tuesday, April 10th. If you have ever thought about joining the choir but could not fit it into your schedule, this may be a great opportunity to try it out for just a few weeks. Practices typically last one hour or less. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Chris Brandmeyer at 792-2676.

ST. DAMIAN LADIES SODALITY & QUILT COMMITTEE:

⇒ ***Quilt/Cash Donation Guideline*** has been developed for St. Damian Parish. This came as a request from several who were new to the parish or for some who had questions about various donations. Quilt or cash donations are needed for fundraisers throughout the year. The fundraisers include quilt raffles, a quilt bingo at the church picnic, and a picnic ticket raffle. 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, if possible. The quilt committee purchases quilts from the cash donations. **Please remember the quilts should measure 90" X 106"**. Families are asked to donate what they are able. This could range from one quilt/cash per family to no more than 2 families sharing a quilt donation.

⇒ ***Quilt/Cash Sign-up Sheets*** for the picnic are posted at both entrances of the church. Please mark if you intend to donate cash or a quilt **ASAP** so we know how many quilts need to be purchased.

⇒ ***'Que & Brew' Raffle*** held in October. A picture of the Cardinal quilt for the raffle is in the envelope along with the donation guideline and tickets. Please pick up your envelope in the back of church.

Thanks for you donations through the years!



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St. Bernard Catholic Church-Albers IL

ST. BERNARD CHURCH STEEPLE ROOF:

The church steeple roof is leaking and is in desperate need of replacement. A contract from Midwest Lifetime Roof System has been signed to replace the roof for an estimated amount of \$21,000. This is the same company that installed the main church roof. If anyone wishes to help offset the cost (which will be applied to your annual contribution statement), please put your donation in a separate envelope marked **"Church Steeple"**. **Thank you for supporting your parish!!**

ST. BERNARD MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Saturday, April 14th, 2018 @ 4:00 pm

Ministers of Communion — Nettie Broeckling,
Steve & Deb Schomaker

Reader — Janel Zurliene

Ushers — Ed Broeckling, Brian Zurliene

Servers — Grant Winkeler, Brooke & Rachel
Zurliene

Sunday, April 15th, 2018 @ 10:00 am

Ministers of Communion — *Ray Gill*, Melissa
Netemeyer, Alyssa Winkeler, Cole Schomaker

Reader — TBA

Ushers — TBA

Servers — TBA

Counters — Pat Litteken, James Williams, Kris Anne
Becker

Children's Liturgy — Amy Reynolds, Brooke
Rickhoff

COMMUNITY CONCERNS/EVENTS:

The Messenger Night: Reserve Your Seat for
“*Church Basement Ladies*” on **Thursday April 12th** at
7:00 pm @ Avon Theatre in Breese, IL (doors open at
6:00 pm). Tickets are only \$15.00. Come out for an
evening of fun and laughter, and support The
Messenger Newspaper! **Call The Messenger at
618-233-8670** to reserve your tickets for this
fundraising event. Tickets also available at the door.

The CIRCUS Is Coming on **Friday, April 13th** to
Albers Lehrter/JC Park! **Shows are at 5:00 pm and
7:30 pm!** Tickets are available @ FCB Banks in Albers
& New Baden, Albers Village Hall, First National Bank
in Aviston, Breese Super Valu or GTSB in
Germantown. Adults: \$10, Seniors (65+): \$7; Child
(2-12): \$7; Child (Under 2): FREE.
facebook.com/villageofalbers

St. Augustine Parish, Breese:

- **Rummage Sale** on **Thursday, April 12th** from 5:00-9:00 pm; **Friday, April 13th** from 9:00 am–1:00 pm, ½ price from 2:00-8:00 pm; **Saturday, April 14th** from 9:00-12:00 pm (\$3 Brown Bag All Day). **Bake Sale** on **Thursday, April 12th & Friday, April 13th**. Held at the parish center. Lunch & soda available.
- **Quilt/Cash Bingo** on **Sunday, April 15th** starting at 2:00 pm. 16 quilt games, 8 cash games, & 50/50 game, cash for doubles plus a quilt raffle. No one under 18 years can play. **Fried Chicken Luncheon** from 11:00 am to 1:00 pm. Adults: \$8.00; Children: \$4.00; Under 6: Free. Carry outs call 526-4341.

Carlyle Christian Church is hosting a **FREE Spring Cleaning Supply Basket Giveaway** on **Saturday, April 14th** from 8:00-11:00 am @ 1025 Lake Road, Carlyle. First come, first serve giveaway, one basket per family.

St. Anthony Parish, Beckemeyer: Special Anniversary Bunko & Dessert Party on **Monday, April 16th** at 1:00 pm in the parish center. Extra attendance prizes with 1st & last place for most bangers & bunkos. \$5.00 per person includes drink sausage & cheese, cake & ice cream. Must be 18 or older. *Benefits St. Anthony Cemetery Fund.*

HSHS St. Joseph's Hospital, Breese: Spring Health Fair on **Wednesday, April 18th** from 6:00-10:00 am @ Germantown American Legion. For more information contact Judy at 526-5351 or sjb.healthfair@hshs.org.

National Shrine of Our Lady of the Snows: Our Sacred Earth, Our Common Home: Reflection and Action on Laudato Si' on **Saturday, April 21st** from 9:00 am – 12:30 pm @ the Shrine Visitors Center. The keynote address will be delivered by Dr. Mary Evelyn Tucker, who collaborated for many years with eco-theologian and Earth scholar Fr. Thomas Berry. The participants will then take part in a series of “hands-on” break-out sessions. The morning will conclude with a feedback and takeaway session. This event devoted to the study and implementation of Pope Francis' encyclical *Laudato Si'* is intended for individuals and parish groups looking for practical ways to care for our common home, our sacred Earth. Cost is \$25 for adults, \$15 for students. Registration is required. For more information, call 618-394-6270 or go to www.snows.org/programs.



PARISHES NEEDY FUND COLLECTION:

The second collection will be taken **next weekend April 14th/15th**. This collection assists Albers & Damiansville residents who need assistance paying utility bills, and provides fuel/food for travelers.

Please be as generous as possible to assist those less fortunate. Thank you!!