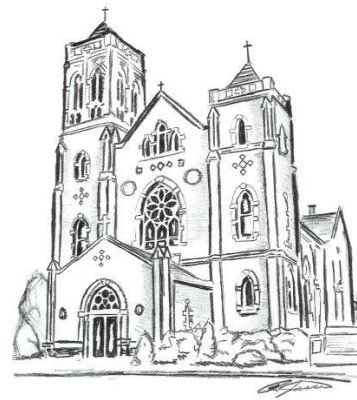




*Palm Sunday
Of the Lord's Passion
April 9th, 2017*



St. Damian Parish

Founded 1861

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(9 am to 4 pm) @ CLC, New Baden;

Friday (OFF) on April 14th.

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MASS SCHEDULE:

MONDAY, APRIL 10TH

7:45 am Mass @ St. Damian

For All Memorial Donors

TUESDAY, APRIL 11TH

7:45 am Mass @ St. Bernard

August Rademacher & Family

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 12TH

7:45 am Mass @ St. Damian

Mark & Randy Toennies

HOLY THURSDAY, APRIL 13TH

7:00 pm Bilingual Mass @ St. Bernard

For All Parishioners

GOOD FRIDAY, APRIL 14TH

2:00 pm Service @ St. Damian

7:00 pm Service @ St. Bernard

7:00 pm Hispanic Service @ St. Damian

HOLY SATURDAY, APRIL 15TH

7:00 pm Easter Vigil Mass @ St. Damian

Dennis Gerling Family

EASTER SUNDAY, APRIL 16TH

8:30 am Mass @ St. Damian

For All Parishioners

10:00 am @ St. Bernard

Irene Strieker

Paul & Dorothy Rensing

11:00 am Mass @ St. Damian

Mass in Spanish

LITURGY OF THE WORD:

The glorious entrance into Jerusalem that we experienced in our procession finds an echo in the centurion's word near the end of our Passion proclamation today: **"Truly, this was the Son of God!"** In between, we will hear proclaimed Isaiah's prophetic description of the Suffering Servant, Saint Paul's great hymn of praise, and the dramatic unfolding of the Passion according to Saint Matthew. Let us take time to absorb it all, reflecting on the very great love of God for us, revealed in the man who was truly the Son of God.

**"My God, my God,
why have you abandoned me?"**



HAPPENINGS/MEETINGS:

Sunday, April 9th

Children's Liturgy of the Word

8:30 am @ St. Damian

St. Damian Youth Choir Practice

9:30 am @ St. Damian Church

Pre-School Sunday School Classes

10:00 am @ Albers Elementary School

Tuesday, April 11th

Chrism Mass 11:30 am @ the Cathedral

St. Damian Parish Council Meeting

7:00 pm @ St. Damian Meeting Room

Knights of Columbus Meeting

7:30 pm @ Albers Jaycee Hall

Wednesday, April 12th

St. Bernard Faith Formation Way of the Cross

7:45 am @ St. Bernard

Eucharistic Adoration

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

1:00-2:00 pm @ St. Bernard

NO Bible Study

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

St. Bernard Choir Practice 7:30 pm @ Church

Holy Thursday, April 13th

Communion to Homebound

Bilingual Mass of the Lord's Supper

7:00 pm @ St. Bernard

Good Friday, April 14th

Lord's Passion Service 2:00 pm @ St. Damian

Lord's Passion Service 7:00 pm @ St. Bernard

Hispanic Service 7:00 pm @ St. Damian

Holy Saturday, April 15th

Easter Vigil Mass 7:00 pm @ St. Damian

Easter Sunday, April 16th

Resurrection of the Lord Mass

8:30 am @ St. Damian

Resurrection of the Lord Mass

10:00 am @ St. Bernard

Hispanic Resurrection of the Lord Mass

11:00 am @ St. Damian



FAITH FORMATION REGISTRATION:

Registration forms to enter your child/children in the Faith Formation Program have been sent home.

- **Students already in the Faith Formation program:** parents/guardians & students are asked to read the policy handbook and sign the ***Commitment Form*** (red heart border sheet). Parents/guardians and students must sign the form. Signing the commitment form will ensure that your child/children is/are enrolled in Faith Formation for 2017-2018 (one form per family).
- **New families, or students** please fill out the ***New Student Registration Form***, (one form per student).
- **Send** payment along with the registration form. If you have more than one child in the program, you may send one check.
- **Return** the commitment/registration form and payment to your child's catechist or the parish office before the ***early bird drawing*** which is: **St. Damian** - Wednesday, May 10th after the 7:45 am Mass.
St. Bernard - Thursday, May 11th after the 7:45 am Mass.
- **Questions:** Contact Deacon Glenn by phone at 248-5134 or email stdamians@wisperhome.com.

PARISHES NEEDY FUND COLLECTION:

The second collection will be taken **this weekend April 8th/9th**. This collection assists Albers & Damiansville residents who need assistance paying utility bills, and provides fuel/food for travelers.

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: April 2nd, 2017

Envelopes: \$875.00 + ACH: \$509.00 + Loose: \$31.00
+ Mass in Spanish: \$204.00 = \$1,619.00
Budget for week: \$2,831.73
Fiscal year-to-date collected: \$109,629.68
Fiscal year-to-date budget: \$113,269.20
Over (under) year-to-date budget: (\$ 3,639.52)
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: \$6,669.40 (37) ☺ *Goal: \$5,950.00 (187)*

Thanks for your faithful and generous support!

ST. DAMIAN ADULT CHOIR:

Practice will be held on **Wednesday, April 12th** rather than Tuesday, April 11th. **Please note date change.**

ST. DAMIAN LADIES SODALITY & QUILT COMMITTEE:

- ⇒ **Quilt/Cash Sign-Up Sheet** for the picnic is posted at both entrances of the church. Please mark if you intend to donate cash or a quilt for the picnic **ASAP** so we know how many quilts need to be purchased.
- ⇒ **Collecting Quilts & Cash Donation** will take place for the first time on **Sunday, April 30th** after the 8:30 am Mass.
- ⇒ **Quilt Situation in our Parish.** We are currently buying quilts because our surplus is very, very low. To date we only have six on hand. In the past, there were 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.
Please remember the quilts should measure 90" X 108". 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 MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Good Friday, April 14th, 2017 @ 2:00 pm

Ministers of Communion — Deacon Glenn

Readers — Anita Rakers, Mary Innes

Ushers — Jerry Innes, **Volunteer**

Servers — Hunter Jansen, Chase Jansen, **Volunteer**

Organist — Geri Vare

Holy Saturday, April 15th, 2017 @ 7:00 pm

Ministers of Communion — Deacon Glenn, Arlene Korte, Erin Korte, Diana Jansen, **Volunteer**

Readers — Kathleen Hodges, **Hispanic Volunteer, Volunteer**

Ushers — **2 Volunteers**

Servers — Hunter Jansen, Trent Korte, Reece Deiters, **Volunteer**

Organist — Geri Vare

Easter Sunday, April 16th, 2017 @ 8:30 am

Ministers of Communion — Deacon Glenn, Arlene Korte, Ange Wobbe, Sharon Kalmer, Mech Toennies, **2 Volunteers**

Reader — Denise Luitjohan

Ushers — Mel Toennies, **3 Volunteers**

Servers — Ethan & Simon Toennies, Nolan Goebel, Reid Innes

Organist — Chris Brandmeyer

Collection Counters — Mel Toennies, Anita Rakers, **1 or 2 Volunteers**

Children's Liturgy — NO Session

Please email me at st.bernard@charter.net if you are able to volunteer. Thank you!



ST. BERNARD PARISH CONCERNS:

CHURCH SUPPORT: April 1st/2nd, 2017

Envelopes: \$1,970.00 + Easter: \$100.00

+ ACH: \$1,525.00 + Loose: \$150.00 = \$3,745.00

Budget for week: \$2,964.43

Fiscal year-to-date collected: \$115,707.25

Fiscal year-to-date budget: \$118,577.20

Over (under) year-to-date budget: (\$ 2,869.95)

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: \$5,400.00 (36) *Goal: \$7,700.00 (241)*

Thanks for your faithful and generous support!

ST. BERNARD MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Holy Thursday, April 13th, 2017 @ 7:00 pm

Ministers of Communion — Deacon Glenn, Nettie Broeckling, **3 Volunteers**

Readers — Alejandra de Onyate, **Volunteer**

Ushers — Tom & Mitchell Broeckling, Brenda Morris, Erin Schiefer

Servers — Mallory Toennies, Olivia Winkeler, Elizabeth Schroeder, Noah Broeckling

Good Friday, April 14th, 2017 @ 7:00 pm

Ministers of Communion — Deacon Glenn

Readers — Lynne Huelsmann, Nettie Broeckling

Ushers — Ed Broeckling, **Volunteer**

Servers — **3 Volunteers**

Easter Sunday, April 16th, 2017 @ 10:00 am

Ministers of Communion — Deacon Glenn, Steve, Deb & Cole Schomaker, Lynn Athmer, **2 Volunteers**

Reader — Jackie Peters

Ushers — Ed & Sharon Wuebbels, **2 Volunteers**

Servers — Brian Zurliene, **3 Volunteers**

Collection Counters – **3 or 4 Volunteers**

Children's Liturgy – NO Session

Sunday School Helpers – NO Session

Please email me at st.bernard@charter.net if you are able to volunteer. Thank you!

PRAYER BLANKETS:

Prayer Blankets are available for anyone needing healing and comfort during difficult times or illness. The blankets are made by parishioners and have been blessed. They are a reminder of God's presence, a gift from our Christian community and a prayerful way to touch those in need. Please contact Deacon Glenn or Brenda Morris (618-698-3804) if you or someone you know may need a *Prayer Blanket*.

Thank you to those who lovingly donated their time and talent in making the Prayer Blankets!!

ST. BERNARD LADIES SODALITY:

We are in at Savers! The Ladies Sodality is sponsoring a *Donation Drive* similar to the rummage sale. Donate your items to a trailer at specific locations in Albers **between the dates of May 16th – May 20th**. Items will be delivered to *Savers* in Fairview Heights on **Saturday, May 20th**. The Ladies Sodality will receive a monetary donation based on the items collected and the weight. We will have a flyer with more info at a later date. We are also looking for a few enclosed trailers & drivers to use on May 20th.



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ATTENTION LADIES OF ST. BERNARD & ST. DAMIAN PARISHES:

St. George Quilting Group is hosting an *Old-Fashioned Quilting Bee* @ St. George Community Life Center @ 317 E. Maple in New Baden on **Monday, April 17th from 1– 9 pm** with dinner and good conversation served at 5:00 pm, & **Tuesday, March 18th from 6 -9 pm** with refreshments & desserts served. If you are unable to quilt, here is your chance to learn. Come when you are able and stay as long as you wish! Quilts will be used at the Quilt & Cash Bingo for St. George Picnic in August.

COMMUNITY CONCERNS/EVENTS:

Damiansville Chamber of Commerce: *Ham Raffle Drawing* will be held **Sunday morning, April 9th** at 11:00 am @ Fuehne's. Please return all sold and unsold tickets. If you need tickets please contact Steve Horstmann at 407-6081.

Albers American Legion: *All You Can Eat Chicken Dinner* on **Sunday, April 9th** from 4:30 - 6:30 pm @ the legion. Fried chicken, mash potatoes & gravy, green beans, corn, slaw, cold mac salad, applesauce and dessert. Carry outs available.

National Shrine of Our Lady of the Snows: *We Were There* will be held on **Tuesday, April 11th** at 7:30 pm. Experience the Way of the Cross in a unique way through this inspiring scriptural presentation. Find yourself immersed in the Passion story through prayer, stirring music, and emotional portrayals of first-hand accounts from those who were intimately involved with the Crucifixion. Free with donations accepted. For more information, call 618-397-6700 ext. 6276 or www.snows.org/holyweek.

GOOD FRIDAY (HOLY LAND) COLLECTION:

Pope Francis has asked our parishes to support the *Good Friday Collection*, which helps Christians in the Holy Land. Your support helps the church minister in parishes, provide Catholic schools and offer religious education. The collection also helps to preserve the sacred shrines. The wars, unrest and instability have been especially hard on Christians. When you contribute to the collection, you become an instrument of peace and join with Catholics around the world in solidarity with the Church in the Holy Land. Envelopes are provided in your packet. **Please be as generous as possible.**