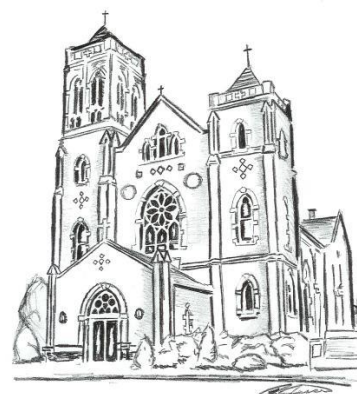




3rd Sunday of Easter
April 15th, 2018



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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 16TH

7:45 am Mass @ St. Damian

Frank, Minnie, Kim & Patty Heimann
 Bob Innes

TUESDAY, APRIL 17TH

7:45 am Mass @ St. Bernard

August Rademacher Family

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 18TH

7:45 am Mass @ St. Damian

Sydney Irizarry

7:00 pm Confirmation Mass @ St. Damian

For All Confirmation Students

THURSDAY, APRIL 19TH

7:45 am Mass @ St. Bernard

For All Memorial Donors

FRIDAY, APRIL 20TH

NO Mass/NO Service Scheduled

SATURDAY, APRIL 21ST

4:00 pm Mass @ St. Bernard

Edward, Henrietta & J.B. Broeckling
 Barney & Margie Pollmann
 Edward & Marie Eilering
 Marian Sudholt

SUNDAY, APRIL 22ND

8:30 am Mass @ St. Damian

For All Parishioners

10:00 am Mass @ St. Bernard

Linus Meier
 Florence Wolters
 Lawrence & Virginia Kalmer
11:00 am Mass @ St. Damian
 Mass in Spanish

LITURGY OF THE WORD:

Celebrating Easter is more than belief: **it involves action on our part.** The 1st Reading from the Acts of the Apostles is like a diary of the early church. We hear how the disciples, especially Saints Peter and Paul, taught, preached and expanded Christianity. Peter explained to his audience that what had been told by the prophets throughout the centuries came to be fulfilled in Jesus. **If we truly believe that Christ is risen and among us, it will be reflected tangibly in how we live.**

"Lord, let Your face shine on us."

HAPPENINGS/MEETINGS:

Sunday, April 15th

Children's Liturgy

8:30 am @ St. Damian Church

10:00 am @ St. Bernard Church

St. Damian Adult Youth Choir Practice

9:15 am @ St. Damian Church

1st Communion Mass

10:00 am @ St. Bernard Church

Tuesday, April 17th

St. Damian Finance Council Mtg.

6:30 pm @ St. Damian Meeting Room

St. Damian Parish Council Mtg.

7:00 pm @ St. Damian Meeting Room

St. Damian Adult Choir Practice

7:00 pm @ St. Damian Church

Wednesday, April 18th

Confirmation Mass 7:00 pm @ St. Damian Church

Thursday, April 19th

St. Bernard Choir Practice 7:30 pm @ Church

Friday, April 20th

Communion to the Homebound

Hispanic Rosario 6:30 pm @ St. Damian

Hispanic Bible Study 7:00 pm @ St. Damian

Sunday, April 22nd

Children's Liturgy

8:30 am @ St. Damian Church

10:00 am @ St. Bernard Church

UPCOMING MEETINGS:

Tuesday, April 17th

St. Damian Finance Council Mtg. 6:30 pm

St. Damian Parish Council Mtg. 7:00 pm

UPCOMING SACRAMENTS:

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.

Susan Lynch (314) 486-5542,

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Gwen Fuehne (618) 210-0259,

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Lori Toennies (618) 250-0854,

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Angie Jansen (618) 578-8552,

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Hispanic 1st Communion

Sunday, April 29th 11:00 am @ St. Damian

1st Communion

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

VOCATION CORNER:

"Leaving high school, I didn't know whether or not I was called to be a priest. But prayer and spiritual direction led me to a deeper discernment, and I entered seminary. I looked to stories of the saints and examples of my parents as reasons that led me to trust that God had a plan. I experienced falling in love with Christ and above all peace in my vocation. The most important lesson I've learned is to trust. The peace and direction I have in my life are a testament to that. Others trusted in me, which in turn allowed me to trust in Christ."

-- Josh Bathon, CSC, Congregation of Holy Cross,
Notre Dame, Ind. Columbia, March 2016.

MATER DEI HIGH SCHOOL INFORMATION:

- † **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 Band: *Spring Concert*** is **Sunday, May 6** at 7:00 pm @ MD main gym. Enjoy the music with your family.
- † **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.

SUCCESSFUL CLEAN-UP DAY!

Many "Thanks" to all residents of Damiansville, Albers and the surrounding communities who volunteered to clean up the interstate Exit 34 ramps, Dville/Albers Road, Monterey Road and Damiansville Road West. Also thanks to the businesses and individuals who advertised, organized, supplied the trash bags & yellow vests, the use of Ranger ATVs, food & drinks for the volunteers and to Albers & Clinton County Police officers who ensured it was a safe work environment. It's amazing what people can accomplish when they work together! *Thanks to everyone who made it a successful clean-up event!*

ST. DAMIAN PARISH CONCERNS:

CHURCH SUPPORT: April 8th, 2018

Envelopes: \$1,316.00 + Easter: \$515.00
+ ACH: \$1,165.00 + Loose: \$48.00
+ Mass in Spanish: \$348.00 = \$3,392.00
Budget for week: \$2,903.85
Fiscal year-to-date collected: \$114,722.61
Fiscal year-to-date budget: \$116,154.00
Over (under) year-to-date budget: (**\$ 1,431.39**)
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)*

Rice Bowl Collection: \$318.74

Thanks for your faithful and generous support!



ST. DAMIAN MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Sunday, April 22nd, 2018 @ 8:30 am

Ministers of Communion — Sharon Kalmer, Ruth Jansen, *Alice Toennies*

Reader — Mason Schrage

Ushers — Garry Kalmer, Steve Kalmer

Servers — Kaylee & Gavin Netemeyer, Chris Kalmer

Organist — Geri Varel

Collection Counters — Melvin Toennies, Bob Hitpas, Mech Toennies

Children's Liturgy — Shannon Fuehne, Sophie Thomas

PARISHES NEEDY FUND COLLECTION:

The second collection will be taken **this 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!!**

ST. DAMIAN CHOIR INFORMATION:

- ♪ **Youth Choir** will have one practice on **Sunday, April 15th** at 9:15 am for all youth who are available to sing for *Confirmation* on **Wednesday April 18th** at 7:00 pm. Contact Jackie or Geri if you have any questions.
- ♪ **Adult Choir** will 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!

ST. BERNARD PARISH CONCERNS:

CHURCH SUPPORT: April 7th/8th, 2018

Envelopes: \$1,363.00 + Easter: \$755.00
+ ACH: \$1,725.00 + Loose: \$123.00 = \$3,966.00
Budget for week: \$3,012.02
Fiscal year-to-date collected: \$120,009.28
Fiscal year-to-date budget: \$123,492.82
Over (under) year-to-date budget: (\$ 3,483.54)
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)

Rice Bowl Collection: \$391.65

Thanks for your faithful and generous support!

ST. BERNARD MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Saturday, April 21st, 2018 @ 4:00 pm

Ministers of Communion — Ken & Liz

Nussbaumer, Kathy Engelmann

Reader — Nettie Broeckling

Ushers — Ed Broeckling, **Volunteer**

Servers — Hayley Lucas, Elliott Rakers, Tyler Robertson

Sunday, April 22nd, 2018 @ 10:00 am

Ministers of Communion — *Kristen Templin*, Dan & Lee Love, Meg Schiefer

Reader — Kevin Templin

Ushers — Tom & Mitchell Broeckling, Brian & Brooke Zurliene

Servers — Erin & Jordyn Schiefer, Lydia Engelmann

Counters — Janel Zurliene, Kevin Templin, Keith Richter

Children's Liturgy — Brenda Richter, Tyler Robertson

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!!**

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS:

On **Sunday, April 22nd**, Catholics around the world will pray for vocations. In our diocese, this special prayer will take the form of a Holy Hour at 3:00 pm in 16 parishes. If you are able, please know all are welcome to join in prayer at the following parishes: **St. Bernard, Albers**; St. Mary, Anna; St. Mary, Belleville; St. Dominic, Breese; St. Mary, Carlyle; St. Stephen, Caseyville; St. Francis Xavier, Carbondale; St. Mary, Chester; St. Andrew, Christopher; Holy Trinity, Fairview Heights; St. Joseph, Freeburg; St. Augustine, Hecker; St. Mary, Mount Vernon; St. Ann, Nashville; St. Clare, O'Fallon and St. Rose of Lima, St. Rose. If you cannot attend at one of these parishes, you can pray in your homes at 3:00 pm to join your voice with others for this most important cause.

COMMUNITY CONCERNS/EVENTS:

St. Augustine Parish, Breese: *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.

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.*

HSBS 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@hsbs.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.