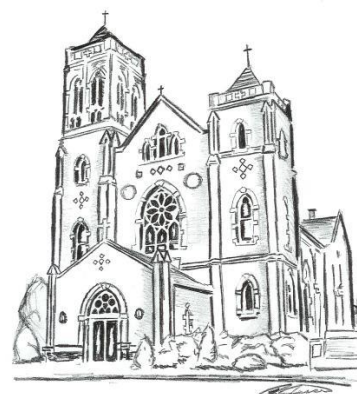


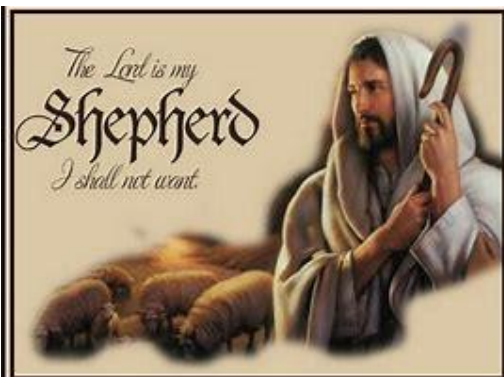


*4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter*  
*April 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2018*



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

**Tuesday & Wednesday**

(9:00 am – 4:00 pm) @ CLC, New Baden;

**Thursday & Friday:** (OFF) April 26<sup>th</sup> & 27<sup>th</sup>

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**MASS SCHEDULE:**

**MONDAY, APRIL 23<sup>RD</sup>**

7:45 am Mass @ St. Damian  
 For Vocations

**TUESDAY, APRIL 24<sup>TH</sup>**

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

**WEDNESDAY, APRIL 25<sup>TH</sup>**

7:45 am Mass @ St. Damian  
 Frank, Minnie, Kim & Patty Heimann  
 Bob Innes

**THURSDAY, APRIL 26<sup>TH</sup>**

7:45 am Mass @ St. Bernard  
 Dennis Gerling Family

**FRIDAY, APRIL 27<sup>TH</sup>**

**NO Mass/NO Service Scheduled**

**SATURDAY, APRIL 28<sup>TH</sup>**

4:00 pm Mass @ St. Bernard  
 Lawrence & Catherine Strieker  
 Gary Kohrmann

**SUNDAY, APRIL 29<sup>TH</sup>**

8:30 am Mass @ St. Damian  
 Frank Santel  
 Cliff Kolb

10:00 am Mass @ St. Bernard  
 For All Parishioner

11:00 am Mass @ St. Damian  
 Hispanic 1<sup>st</sup> Communion

## LITURGY OF THE WORD:

We may sometimes wonder where we *“belong”* in a world that seems so wrought by division. In the 1<sup>st</sup> Reading, we hear Peter preaching about Jesus again. He uses the line from *Psalms 118 “The stone rejected by the builders has become the cornerstone”* to describe Jesus. Then hear from John in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading and the Gospel, comforting us with the image of Jesus as the Good Shepherd and us as the children of God. Let us consider the richness of these images.

**"The stone rejected by the builders has become the cornerstone."**

### HAPPENINGS/MEETINGS:

**Sunday, April 22<sup>nd</sup>**

*Children's Liturgy*

8:30 am @ St. Damian Church

10:00 am @ St. Bernard Church

**Tuesday, April 24<sup>th</sup>**

*St. Damian Adult Choir Practice*

7:00 pm @ St. Damian Church

**Thursday, April 26<sup>th</sup>**

*St. Bernard Choir Practice* 7:30 pm @ Church

**Friday, April 27<sup>th</sup>**

*Communion to the Homebound*

*Hispanic Rosario* 6:30 pm @ St. Damian

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

**Sunday, April 29<sup>th</sup>**

*Children's Liturgy*

8:30 am @ St. Damian Church

10:00 am @ St. Bernard Church

*Hispanic 1<sup>st</sup> Communion Mass*

11:00 am @ St. Damian Church

### UPCOMING MEETINGS:

*St. Damian Picnic Meeting*

**Tuesday, May 1<sup>st</sup>** 7:00 pm @ St. Damian Parish meeting room. A representative from each stand is asked to be in attendance.

*St. Damian Ladies Sodality Meeting*

**Monday, May 7<sup>th</sup>** 7:00 pm @ St. Damian Parish meeting room. We hope to see you there!

*St. Bernard & St. Damian Finance Councils Meeting*

**Tuesday, May 15<sup>th</sup>** 6:30 pm @ St. Bernard Parish meeting room. All members and trustees please plan to attend.

### VOCATION CORNER:

Today we acknowledge the **World Day of Prayer for Vocations**. We implore our Blessed Mother to intercede for us, asking the Lord to grant us more men and women who answer the call to a religious vocation. To quote Pope Francis, *“Each one of us is called – whether to the lay life in marriage, to the priestly life in the ordained ministry, or to a life of special consecration – in order to become a witness of the Lord, here and now.”*

### UPCOMING SACRAMENTS:

**Hispanic 1<sup>st</sup> Communion**

**Sunday, April 29<sup>th</sup>** 11:00 am @ St. Damian

**1<sup>st</sup> Communion**

**Saturday, May 12<sup>th</sup>** 4:00 pm @ St. Damian

### FAITH FORMATION REGISTRATION:

*Registration forms* to enter your child/children in the Faith Formation Program have been email. If you did not receive the information, additional copies are at the entrances of church or contact the parish office.

- **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 2018-2019 (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 16<sup>th</sup> after the 7:45 am Mass.  
**St. Bernard** - Thursday, May 17<sup>th</sup> after the 7:45 am Mass.
- **Questions:** Contact Deacon Glenn by phone at 248-5134 or email [stdamians@wisperhome.com](mailto:stdamians@wisperhome.com).

### PRESCHOOL SUNDAY SCHOOL:

*Volunteers* are needed to assist at St. Bernard Preschool Sunday School Classes for the 2018-2019 school year. The classes are held at 10:00 am during Mass @ Albers Elementary. If you are able to assist, please contact Stacy Schroeder at 248-5457.

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

### **CHURCH SUPPORT: April 15<sup>th</sup>, 2018**

Envelopes: \$2,185.00 + Easter: \$275.00  
+ Loose: \$20.00 + Mass in Spanish: \$248.00 = \$2,728.00  
Budget for week: \$2,903.85  
Fiscal year-to-date collected: \$117,450.61  
Fiscal year-to-date budget: \$119,057.85  
Over (under) year-to-date budget: **(\$ 1,607.24)**  
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: \$5,608.00 (39) *Goal: \$5,950.00 (187)*  
**Needy Fund Collection: \$141.00**

*Thanks for your faithful and generous support!*



## **ST. DAMIAN MINISTRY SCHEDULE**

### **Sunday, April 29<sup>th</sup>, 2018 @ 8:30 am**

**Ministers of Communion** — Kristy Richter, Julie Langenhorst, *Erin Korte*  
**Reader** — Denise Luitjohan  
**Ushers** — Stan Heimann, Marvin Toennies  
**Servers** — Savanna Luitjohan, Trent & Julia Korte  
**Organist** — Chris Brandmeyer  
**Collection Counters** – Kristy Richter, Sandy Kramer, Dave Kassen  
**Children's Liturgy** – Sandy Kramer, Avery Budde

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

### **CHURCH SUPPORT: April 14<sup>th</sup>/15<sup>th</sup>, 2018**

Envelopes: \$1,192.00 + Easter: \$125.00  
+ Loose: \$474.00 = \$1,791.00  
Budget for week: \$3,012.02  
Fiscal year-to-date collected: \$121,800.28  
Fiscal year-to-date budget: \$126,504.84  
Over (under) year-to-date budget: **(\$ 4,704.56)**  
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: \$3,385.00 (27) *Goal: \$7,700.00 (80)*  
**Needy Fund Collection: \$385.25**  
*Thanks for your faithful and generous support!*

## **CONFIRMATION PROJECT:**

Confirmation families will be planting trees on **Sunday, April 22<sup>nd</sup>** where previous trees were removed. Dave Kassen will supervise this project.

## **ST. DAMIAN PICNIC COMMITTEE:**

**Meeting on Tuesday, May 1<sup>st</sup> 7:00 pm @ St. Damian Parish meeting room.** A representative from each stand is asked to be in attendance.

## **ST. DAMIAN LADIES SODALITY:**

**Meeting on Monday, May 7<sup>th</sup> 7:00 pm @ St. Damian Parish meeting room.** We hope to see you there!

## **ST. DAMIAN ADULT CHOIR:**

We will be singing at 1<sup>st</sup> Communion on **Saturday, May 12<sup>th</sup>** at 4:00 pm. Practices are held on **Tuesday evenings** at 7:00 pm. 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 QUILT COMMITTEE:**

- ⇒ **Quarterly Quilt Raffle Winner** – Deb Santel
  - ⇒ **Quilt/Cash Donation** are needed for fundraisers throughout the year. 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".**
  - ⇒ **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.
- Thanks for you donations through the years!**



## **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 28<sup>th</sup>, 2018 @ 4:00 pm**

**Ministers of Communion** — Melissa Netemeyer,  
Deb Schomaker, Nettie Broeckling

**Reader** — Steve Schomaker

**Ushers** — Nick & Kathy Friederich

**Servers** — Rylee Jansen, Kalie Wellen, Corina  
Hegger

### **Sunday, April 29<sup>th</sup>, 2018 @ 10:00 am**

**Ministers of Communion** — **Vicki Pittman**, Lynn  
Athmer, Michelle Kennedy, Devin Rensing

**Reader** — Sean Kennedy

**Ushers** — Kurt & Alison Rickhoff, Ken & Dana Lake

**Servers** — Carson Rickhoff, Jacob Kehder, Sophia  
Kennett

**Counters** — Lynn Athmer, Dana Lake, Sean Kennedy

**Children's Liturgy** — Karen Schroeder, Reagan  
Rickhoff

## **WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS:**

**TODAY, April 22<sup>nd</sup>**, 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.

## **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS:**

### **Monthly Drawing Winners – April**

\$400 – Ryan Wuebbels;

\$50 – Mike Gebke & Lehrter Park.

### **Reverse Drawing Early Bird Winner**

\$100 – Curt & Denise Haselhorst



**Congratulations to Aubree Marie Schroeder**, child of John Schroeder & Melanie Steuart, who received the saving waters of baptism on Sunday, April 8<sup>th</sup>. May God guide them in their journey of life.

## **CARDINAL BALLGAME:**

The Sisters in O'Fallon (Sr. Ellen) are sponsoring a *Cardinal Ballgame* on **Friday, June 1<sup>st</sup>**. If you would like to join the group the cost per ticket is \$50 for a seat in section 127-130. The give-away that night is the Yadi stainless steel tumbler.

**Please contact Sr. Ellen by May 1<sup>st</sup> for tickets.**

## **COMMUNITY CONCERNS/EVENTS:**

### **Breese Knights of Columbus:**

- ⇒ *"Thrill of the Grill"* event **Sunday, April 22<sup>nd</sup>** from 11:00 am thru 6:00 pm. Pork steaks, bratwurst, hamburgers and sides will be available in front of the Breese KC Hall.
- ⇒ **5<sup>th</sup> Sunday Breakfast** on **Sunday, April 29<sup>th</sup>** serving from 8:00-11:30 am @ Breese K of C Hall. Menus includes Pork Sausage, Biscuits & Gravy, Pancakes, Hash Browns and Eggs.

**Albers/Damiansville Community: Red Cross Blood Drive** on **Monday, April 23<sup>rd</sup>** from 2:00 to 6:00 pm @ Damiansville Elementary School Gym.

**St. Philip Alumni & Friends: "Windows to the Future" Final Phase Fundraiser** on **Saturday, April 28<sup>th</sup>** @ St. Luke's Parish Center. Doors open at 6:00 pm. \$15 per person and bring your own food. *Benefiting Sr. Thea Bowman Catholic School "St. Philip Parish Picnic"*. Call Patti O'Sullivan Bond for more info 363-4816.

**Albers American Legion: All You Can Eat Chicken Dinner** on **Sunday, April 29<sup>th</sup>** from 4:30 to 6:30 pm @ the legion. Fried chicken, mash potatoes & gravy, green beans, corn, slaw, cold macaroni salad, and dessert. Carry outs available.

## **CATHOLIC HOME MISSIONS APPEAL:**

**Next weekend, April 28<sup>th</sup>/29<sup>th</sup>**, we will take up the *Catholic Home Missions Appeal*. Right now, over 40 percent of dioceses in the United States are considered home missions because they are unable to fund essential pastoral work needed in their communities. This includes the Belleville Diocese. Your support of this appeal helps ease the struggles we face right here in Southern Illinois. Please prayerfully consider how you can support this appeal. Envelopes are included in your envelope packet. If you do not have an envelope and wish to donate to this appeal, please place in an envelope marked *"Catholic Home Missions Appeal"*. More information can be found at [www.usccb.org/home-missions](http://www.usccb.org/home-missions). **Thank you!**