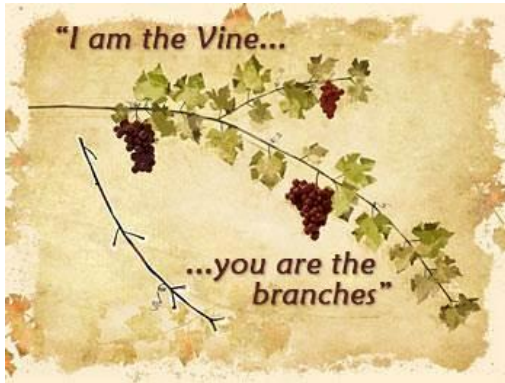
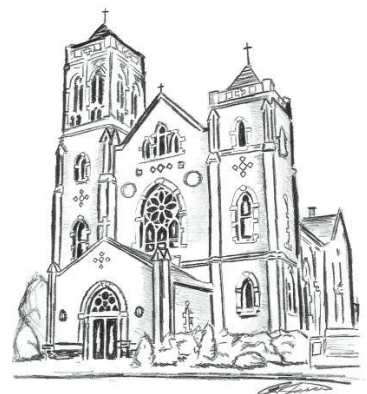




5th Sunday of Easter
April 29th, 2018



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Monday: (8 am-5 pm) @ St. Bernard or St. Damian;
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(9:00 am – 4:00 pm) @ CLC, New Baden;
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MASS SCHEDULE:

MONDAY, APRIL 30TH
7:45 am Mass @ St. Damian
For All Memorial Donors

TUESDAY, MAY 1ST
7:45 am Mass @ St. Bernard
For All Laborers

WEDNESDAY, MAY 2ND
7:45 am Mass @ St. Damian
For All Medical Professionals

THURSDAY, MAY 3RD
7:45 am Mass @ St. Bernard
Cyril, Dorothy & Marvin Foppe

FRIDAY, MAY 4TH
NO Mass/NO Service Scheduled

SATURDAY, MAY 5TH
4:00 pm Mass @ St. Damian
For All Parishioner

SUNDAY, MAY 6TH
8:30 am Mass @ St. Damian
Herman & Mildred Wegmann
David, Marian & Dave Sudholt
10:00 am Mass @ St. Bernard
Margaret Wilson
Pat Huegen
11:00 am Mass @ St. Damian
Mass in Spanish

LITURGY OF THE WORD:

Saint Paul makes his first appearance in Jerusalem since his conversion and many of the disciples are wary of him. But Paul shows that he is in Christ and Christ is in him. As we hear in the Gospel, this is what Jesus asked of his disciples. He promised that they would bear much fruit. He challenges the depth of our relationship to Christ, who calls Himself the vine and us, the branches. **Let us consider how we too are asked to remain in Jesus and how we can bear fruit.**

"I will praise You, Lord, in the assembly of Your people."

HAPPENINGS/MEETINGS:

Sunday, April 29th

Children's Liturgy

8:30 am @ St. Damian Church

10:00 am @ St. Bernard Church

Hispanic 1st Communion Mass

11:00 am @ St. Damian Church

Tuesday, May 1st

May Crowning Mass 9:40 am @ Mater Dei

North Central Vicariate Mtg.

3:00 pm @ St. Dominic, Breese

St. Damian Adult Choir Practice

7:00 pm @ St. Damian Church

St. Damian Picnic Mtg.

7:00 pm @ St. Damian Meeting Room.

Thursday, May 3rd

Communion to the Homebound

Baccalaureate Mass 9:30 am @ Cathedral

St. Bernard Choir Practice 7:30 pm @ Church

Friday, May 4th

Hispanic Rosario 6:30 pm @ St. Damian

Sunday, May 6th

Children's Liturgy

8:30 am @ St. Damian Church

10:00 am @ St. Bernard Church

Preschool Sunday School Graduation

11:00 am @ St. Bernard Parish Center

Youth Ministry Mtg.

6:00 pm @ Damiansville Gym

UPCOMING MEETINGS:

St. Damian Picnic Meeting – Tuesday, May 1st

7:00 pm @ St. Damian Parish meeting room. A representative from each stand is asked to be in attendance.

St. Bernard/St. Damian Youth Ministry Meeting

Sunday, May 6th 6:00 pm @ Damiansville Gym. Attendance prize will be drawn.

St. Damian Ladies Sodality Meeting – Monday,

May 7th 7:00 pm @ St. Damian Parish meeting room. We hope to see you there!

St. Damian Holy Name Meeting – Monday, May 14th

7:00 pm @ St. Damian Parish meeting room.

St. Bernard & St. Damian Finance Councils Meeting

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

UPCOMING SACRAMENTS:

Hispanic 1st Communion

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

1st Communion

Saturday, May 12th 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 16th** after the 7:45 am Mass.

St. Bernard - Thursday, May 17th after the 7:45 am Mass.

- **Questions:** Contact Deacon Glenn by phone at 248-5134 or email stdamians@wisperhome.com.

PRESCHOOL SUNDAY SCHOOL:

- ⇒ *Graduation Ceremony* will be held on **Sunday, May 6th** at 11:00 am @ St. Bernard Parish Center.

- ⇒ *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 618-402-0529.

Happy Deacon Glenn Netemeyer!!
Saturday, May 5th

CONGRATULATIONS & THANK YOU!!



Congratulations to our 1st Communicants who received *Jesus, the Bread of Life*, for the first time on Sunday, May 15th from St. Bernard: *Brynley Albers, Emree Athmer, Alejandra Avalos, Lilly Behrmann, Alexander Crosby, Trigg Goestenkors, Kellan Hubert, Adrienne Rakers, Gabrielle Rolves, Mason Schroeder, Kyler Von Bokel, Garratte Winkler, & Adelyn Wuebbels.*

Thank you to Angie Winkeler & Alyssa Winkeler, for guiding them in their religion classes, and all parents and godparents for being their very first teachers of the faith; **Joni Kloeckner, Mike Huelsmann & the Choir** for providing the music.



Congratulations to the following newly confirmed young people from St. Damian: *Stephanie Aparicio, Kevin Athmer, Anthony Athmer, Avery Budde, MaKenna Budde, Genesis Contreras, Reece Deiters, Evelyn Fuehne, Lance Goebel, Adam Heimann, Christabelle Jankowski, Aaron Juarez, Julia Korte, Janet Luevano, Kaylee Netemeyer, Sophie Thomas, Aidan Toennies, Ethan Toennies, Henry Toennies & Simon Toennies.* May they be open and assured of the presence of the Holy Spirit in their lives.

Thank you to Jackie Toennies & Kathleen Hodges for preparing our newly confirmed; **Geri Varel & the Youth Choir** for providing the music.

ST. DAMIAN PARISH CONCERNS:

CHURCH SUPPORT: April 22nd, 2018

Envelopes: \$1,680.00 + ACH: \$775.00
+ Loose: \$25.00 + Mass in Spanish: \$390.00 =
2,870.00
Budget for week: \$2,903.85
Fiscal year-to-date collected: \$120,320.61
Fiscal year-to-date budget: \$121,961.70
Over (under) year-to-date budget: (\$ 1,641.09)
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)*

Thanks for your faithful and generous support!



ST. DAMIAN MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Saturday, May 5th, 2018 @ 4:00 pm

Ministers of Communion — Chris & Beth Brandmeyer, Elaine Williamson

Reader — Mary Innes

Ushers — Jerry Innes, Marvin Rakers

Servers — Aidan & Kennedy Toennies, Abby Harpstrite

Organist — Jan Hitch

Sunday, May 6th, 2018 @ 8:30 am

Ministers of Communion — Deb Santel, Arlene Korte, *Diane Jansen*

Reader — Rosann Horstmann

Ushers — Dave Pingsterhaus, Bernard Heimann

Servers — Adam, Kevin & Jennifer Heimann

Organist — Jan Hitch

Collection Counters — Pete Toennies, Jan Hitch, Kathleen Hodges

Children's Liturgy — Jackie Toennies, Evelyn Fuehne

MEETINGS:

- ❖ **Picnic Meeting** on **Tuesday, May 1st** 7:00 pm @ St. Damian Parish meeting room. A representative from each stand is asked to be in attendance.
- ❖ **Ladies Sodality Meeting** on **Monday, May 7th** 7:00 pm @ St. Damian Parish meeting room. We hope to see you there!
- ❖ **Holy Name Meeting** on **Monday, May 14th** 7:00 pm @ St. Damian Parish meeting room.

ST. DAMIAN ADULT CHOIR:

We will be singing at *1st Communion* on **Saturday, May 12th** 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:

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.

ST. BERNARD PARISH CONCERNS:

CHURCH SUPPORT: April 21st/22nd, 2018

Envelopes: \$2,142.00 + ACH: \$2,215.00
+ Easter: \$50.00 + Loose: \$109.00 = \$4,516.00
Budget for week: \$3,012.02
Fiscal year-to-date collected: \$126,316.28
Fiscal year-to-date budget: \$129,516.86
Over (under) year-to-date budget: **(\$ 3,200.58)**
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)

Thanks for your faithful and generous support!

ST. BERNARD MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Sunday, May 6th, 2018 @ 10:00 am

Ministers of Communion — *Teresa Schomaker*,
Brenda Morris, Lynette Huegen, Ray Gill
Reader — Jackie Peters
Ushers — Ed & Sharon Wuebbels, Dave Wuebbels,
Dave Langenhorst
Servers — Kaleb & Trevor Jansen, Ashlyn Hodges
Counters – Tim Schroeder, Brenda Morris, Phyllis
Albers
Children's Liturgy – Meg & Erin Schiefer



Congratulations to *Aubree Marie Schroeder*, child of John Schroeder & Melanie Steuart, who received the

saving waters of baptism on Sunday, April 22nd. May God guide them in their journey of life.

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!!**

VOCATION CORNER:

"A priest of my diocese once told me that God speaks in whispers, not in loud clashes. From a young age, I hear a quiet whisper from God to consider becoming a priest. Throughout my years of discernment, that quiet whisper never disappeared. There are many young people in the world today searching for God. Do all you can to help them to listen to his quiet whisper, most especially through your prayers."

-- Fr. Alan M Guanella - Columbia April 2017 issue



CARDINAL BALLGAME:

The Sisters in O'Fallon (Sr. Ellen) are sponsoring a **Cardinal Ballgame** on **Friday, June 1st**. 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 1st for tickets.**

KEVIN TEMPLIN ORDINATION:

† **Ordination** is scheduled for **Saturday, May 19th** at 10:30 am @ the Cathedral in Belleville. A bus has been reserved, but there needs to be at least a total of 30 people wishing to attend for the bus. All interested in going to the ordination, please sign up in the back of St. Bernard or St. Damian Church.

† **Reception** will be held on **Sunday, May 20th** after the 10:00 am Mass @ St. Bernard Church. Please stop by to congratulate Kevin.

CATHOLIC HOME MISSIONS APPEAL:

Support the **Catholic Home Missions Appeal** this weekend, **April 28/29**. 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. Your support funds programs such as religious education, seminary formation and lay ministry training to build vibrant faith communities in the Belleville Diocese and dioceses throughout our country. Please be as generous as you are able. 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. **Thank you!**