



*Sixth Sunday
Of Easter
May 1st, 2016*



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

Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday

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

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

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MASS SCHEDULE:

MONDAY, MAY 2ND

Service of Word w/Communion

7:40 am @ St. Damian

For All Cancer Victims

TUESDAY, MAY 3RD

Service of Word w/Communion

7:40 am @ St. Bernard

Blessings for 2nd Grade 1st Communicants

WEDNESDAY, MAY 4TH

NO Mass or Service Scheduled

THURSDAY, MAY 5TH

Service of Word w/Communion

7:40 am @ St. Bernard

For All Mothers

FRIDAY, MAY 6TH

Service of Word w/Communion

7:40 am @ St. Damian

For 2nd Grade 1st Communicants

SATURDAY, MAY 7TH

4:00 pm 1st Communion Mass @ St. Damian

(Fr. Jim Allen, OMI)

For All Parishioners

SUNDAY, MAY 8TH

8:30 am Mass @ St. Damian

(Fr. Dennis Voss)

Herman & Mildred Wegmann

Fr. Jack Joyce

10:00 am Mass @ St. Bernard

(Fr. Dennis Voss)

Linus Meier

Rozanna Kennedy

Kevin Kehrer

11:00 am Mass @ St. Damian

Mass in Spanish

LITURGY OF THE WORD:

Our reading from the Acts of the Apostles shows us how the early church learned to listen to the Holy Spirit and work together to bring about peace of mind to the members of the community. It was not an easy transition, but they knew they were responsible for keeping His vision alive. They discerned, accommodated, made judgments and acted on the strength of their deep faith. **Let us listen for what God is telling us about how to be messengers of peace and unity within the Church and beyond.**

"O God, let all the nations praise You."

SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES:

8th Graders from Albers & Damiansville Elementary are eligible for the following:

- ❖ **Msgr. Don Knights of Columbus Scholarship:**
\$500 scholarship for one student from Albers Elementary & one student from Damiansville Elementary planning to attend Mater Dei High School. Applications must be returned to the Faith Formation Teacher **by Monday, May 2nd** at 8:30 am.

8th Graders from Albers Elementary ONLY are eligible for the following:

- ❖ **Rademacher-Foppe Scholarship:**
\$300 scholarship for each Albers Elementary student planning to attend Mater Dei High School. Applications must be returned to Deacon Glenn Netemeyer **by Sunday, May 1st**.
- ❖ **Ralph & Delores Netemeyer Scholarship:**
\$500 scholarship for an Albers Elementary student planning to attend Mater Dei High School. Applications must be returned to the principal **by Friday, May 6th** at 4:00 pm.

All scholarship forms are available at the school office or on the website @

www.stbernardandstdamian.org.

ALL ARE INVITED!!

- Please join us to celebrate the **Sacrament of 1st Communion** on **Sunday, May 1st** at 10:00 am @ St. Bernard Church and **Saturday, May 7th** at 4:00 pm (note time change) @ St. Damian Church. Twenty 2nd grade students, sixteen from St. Bernard & four from St. Damian will receive the Body & Blood of Christ for the first time.
- Please join us to commemorate the life of Fr. Jack Joyce at a **Memorial Mass** on **Tuesday, May 10th** at 7:00 pm @ St. Bernard Church.



HAPPENINGS/MEETINGS:

Sunday, May 1st

Children's Liturgy of the Word

8:30 am @ St. Damian Church

No Children's Liturgy @ St. Bernard Church

St. Damian Youth Choir Practice

9:30 am @ St. Damian Church

NO Pre-School Sunday School Classes

St. Bernard 1st Communion Mass

10:00 am @ St. Bernard Church

Catholic Youth Ministry Meeting & Recreation

6:30-8:30 pm @ St. Damian Gym

Tuesday, May 3rd

Mater Dei Mother's Day Mass

9:40 am @ Mater Dei High School

Albers Athletic Banquet

6:30 pm @ Albers American Legion

St. Damian Picnic Meeting

7:00 pm @ St. Damian Meeting Room

Thursday, May 5th

Baccalaureate Mass

10:00 am @ Cathedral, Belleville

North Central Vicariate Meeting

12 noon @ CLC Gym, New Baden

Friday, May 6th

Communion to Homebound

Saturday, May 7th

St. Damian 1st Communion Mass

4:00 pm @ St. Damian Church

Sunday, May 8th

Happy Mother's Day!!

Mother's Day Roses Sold

Children's Liturgy of the Word

8:30 am @ St. Damian Church

No Children's Liturgy @ St. Bernard Church

Pre-School Sunday School Classes

10:00 am @ Albers Elementary School

Hispanic Mother's Day Celebration

After 11:00 am Mass



Clinton County Citizens for Life: *Live Long Stem Red Roses* will be available on **Mother's Day Weekend, May 7th/8th** for a donation of \$2.00. Vases for Memorial roses will be placed on Mary's altar. The rose proceeds have provided baby beds, car seats, clothing, etc. for the Pregnancy Aid Hot Line and other area Pregnancy Care Centers. *Thank you for sharing this loving tribute to mothers and for your support.*

ST. DAMIAN PARISH CONCERNS:

CHURCH SUPPORT: April 24th, 2016

Envelopes: \$ 1,731.00 + Loose: \$88.00
+ Mass in Spanish: \$289.00 = \$2,108.00
Budget for week: \$2,755.77
Fiscal year-to-date collected: \$118,424.79
Fiscal year-to-date budget: \$118,498.11
Over (under) year-to-date budget: **(\$73.32)**
Fiscal year (7/15-6/16) budget: \$143,300.00

(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: \$7,075.40 (38) ☺ Goal: \$5,950.00 (59)

End of Month Totals:

Bldg./Maint. Collection: \$505.00 **Total: \$13,395.04**
Sister Parish: \$165.00
Good Friday (Holy Land) Collection: \$105.00
Catholic Home Missions Appeal: \$217.00

Thanks for your faithful and generous support!

ST. DAMIAN MEETINGS:

- ✓ **Picnic Meeting** on **Tuesday, May 3rd** at 7:00 pm @ St. Damian Parish House. A representative from each stand is asked to be in attendance.
- ✓ **Ladies Sodality Meeting** on **Thursday, May 12th** at 7:00 pm @ St. Damian Parish Meeting Room.
- ✓ **Holy Name Meeting** on **Tuesday, May 17th** at 7:00 pm @ St. Damian Parish Meeting Room.

LAST CALL!

If you would like to have a spare parish directory or know someone who might like to have a directory, please contact Geri Varel at 248-5223.
Cost is \$10 per book.

ST. DAMIAN MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Saturday, May 7th, 2016 @ 4:00 pm

Eucharist Ministers — TBA

Reader — TBA

Ushers — TBA

Servers — TBA

Sunday, May 8th, 2016 @ 8:30 am

Eucharist Ministers — Erin Korte, Laura Dulle, Diana Jansen

Reader — Susan Lynch

Ushers — Dave Pingsterhaus, Butch Toennies

Servers — Julia Korte, Abby Wegmann, Caleb Gonsalves

Organist — Geri Varel

Collection Counters — Geri Varel, Kathy Gonsalves, Dave Kassen

Children's Liturgy — Sandy Kramer, Hunter Jansen

ST. BERNARD PARISH CONCERNS:

CHURCH SUPPORT: April 23rd/24th, 2016

Envelopes: \$2,100.00 + Loose: \$460.00 = \$2,560.00
Budget for week: \$2,916.25
Fiscal year-to-date collected: \$126,020.04
Fiscal year-to-date budget: \$125,398.75
Over (under) year-to-date budget: \$621.29
Fiscal year (7/15-6/16) budget: \$151,645.00

(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: \$3,635.00 (25) Goal: \$7,700.00 (80)

End of Month Totals:

Sister Parish: \$322.00
Good Friday (Holy Land) Collection: \$5.00
Catholic Home Missions Collection: \$150.00

Thanks for your faithful and generous support!

ST. BERNARD MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Sunday, May 8th, 2016 @ 10:00 am

Eucharist Ministers — Teresa Schomaker, David & Charlie Gebke, Michelle Kennedy

Reader — Sean Kennedy

Ushers — John, Linda & Michael Majchrzak, Dale Holtmann

Servers — Abigail Crosby, Sophia Kennett, Kyle Holtmann

Collection Counters — Pat Litteken, Sean Kennedy, John Majchrzak

Children's Liturgy — NO SESSION

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CATHOLIC YOUTH MINISTRY:

- ❖ **Meeting & Recreation** on **Sunday, May 1st** from 6:30-8:30 pm @ St. Damian Gym.
- ❖ **Mother's Day Flower Pick-up** will be on **Saturday, May 7th** from 10 am-12 noon @ St. Bernard Church. Flowers may be delivered if requested. Please contact Brenda at 698-3804 with any questions. *Thank you for supporting our Youth Ministry!*

ALBERS GIRL SCOUT TROOP #8461:

The Girl Scouts are collection items to make a difference in our community to be donated to *Aviston Countryside Manor*. Donation items listed on the back of the calendar and posted on the St. Bernard Church bulletin board may be taken to Albers Elementary School or St. Bernard Church **by Friday, May 6th**. Thank you for your generosity!!

Catholic Communication Campaign will be taken **next weekend, May 7th/8th**. This collection communicates the Gospel through Catholic social media activities and enriches our faith through television, radio, social media, podcasts, and print media. Half of all proceeds remain in our diocese and support local needs. Please be as generous as possible to this collection. Envelopes are available in your envelope packet. *Thank you!*



COMMUNITY CONCERNS/EVENTS:

If you Fail to Plan, you Plan to Fail! You can't afford to miss this outstanding, once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to learn from the area's top advisors, Robert T. Bruegge, Matt Albers, Aaron Gebke & Xander Huelsmann. It's never too soon (or too late) to start planning for retirement, your estate, and even long-term care. Make the most of your 'entire' life by educating yourself and be prepared. This event will be held on **Tuesday, May 3rd** with complimentary appetizers & cocktails from 6:00-6:30 pm and presentation from 6:30-8:00 pm @ The Villas at St. James, Breese. If you plan to attend, RSVP by calling 618-526-0100 by Monday, May 2nd.

Breese Community Link's Buddy Walk Team is having a *Hardee's Booster Night* on **Wednesday, May 4th** from 5:00-8:00 pm @ Hardee's in Breese. 20% of sales go to *Community Link's Buddy Walk*.

"Cure for Cancer Prayer Day": St. Peregrine Devotions will be held on **Thursday, May 5th** beginning with *Mass & Devotion* at 8:00 am followed by Eucharistic Adoration until 1:00 pm @ Our Lady Queen of Peace Church at 5923 North Belt West in Belleville.

Mater Dei Catholic High School will induct five new members into the *Hall of Honor* on **Friday, May 6th** starting with Mass at 6:30 pm in the Chapel. Inductee's *Dorise Schulte, Peggy Hellige, Don Schmitz, Pete Schumacher, and Henry Hummert* will be honored and inducted. For more information or to attend please contact the MD office at 526-7216.

Volunteers Are Needed! *Senior Independence Day* is **Saturday, May 7th**. Volunteers are needed to collect donations in Albers (intersection of State Route 161 and Commercial Street) from 8:00 am-12noon. Please contact Brenda (248-5154 / villageofalbers@yahoo.com) to volunteer for a one-hour shift! Donations are being collected for *Western Clinton County Senior Services (WCSS)* to continue providing good nutrition and services to our senior citizens! **Thank you for volunteering!**

The American Cancer Society & the Clinton County Relay for Life organizers are asking everyone to purchase *luminary bags* in honor of those who have battled cancer. Bags are to be set out the evening of **Sunday, May 8th** showing "*Hope Lives Here*" and support efforts in finding a cure for cancer. Bags are available for \$10 each from Albers Elementary School and/or Albers Village Hall. All proceeds will go to the American Cancer Society. **Thank you for your generosity!**

Albers American Legion: Mother's Day Breakfast on **Sunday, May 8th** from 8:00-11:30 am @ the legion. Carry outs available. *Proceeds to benefit the legion youth programs.*

St. George High School Youth Group & Knights of Columbus, New Baden will be hosting the *Pinwheel Garden for Life* on **Saturday, May 14th** at 5:00 pm (immediately following the 4:00 pm Mass) @ the Outdoor Angel Grotto. Come and see our beautiful garden of pinwheels representing each of the over 3000 lives lost every day in the United States by abortion. A local speaker who will highlight the services provided to women by pregnancy help centers versus abortion clinics. Also local pregnancy help centers will be on-hand to tell you about their services. We are also inviting women in our community who are dealing with past abortions to come and find out about healing opportunities available to them. *St. George Knights of Columbus* will be collecting baby items donations for local pregnancy centers. *St. George High School Youth Group* will be kicking off the 2015 Baby Bottle Campaign to benefit *Mosaic Pregnancy & Health Centers*.