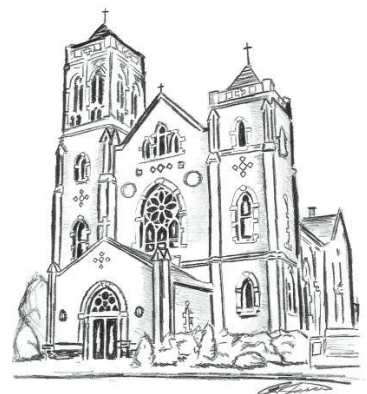




6th Sunday of Easter
May 6th, 2018



THIS IS MY
commandment
THAT YOU *Love*
ONE ANOTHER
as I have loved you
John 15:12

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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, MAY 7TH
7:45 am Mass @ St. Damian
Edwin & Mary Hitpas

TUESDAY, MAY 8TH
7:45 am Mass @ St. Bernard
Catherine Albers Family

WEDNESDAY, MAY 9TH
7:45 am Mass @ St. Damian
For All Teachers

THURSDAY, MAY 10TH
7:45 am Mass @ St. Bernard
Dot Timmermann

FRIDAY, MAY 11TH
NO Mass/NO Service Scheduled

SATURDAY, MAY 12TH
4:00 pm *1st Communion Mass @ St. Damian*
For All Parishioner

SUNDAY, MAY 13TH
8:30 am Mass @ St. Damian
Alvin Toennies
Robert, Dorothy & Ken Kalmer
Lindy, Irene & Lynn Horstmann
10:00 am Mass @ St. Bernard
Irene Strieker
Jim Norrenberns, Sr.
11:00 am Mass @ St. Damian
Mass in Spanish

LITURGY OF THE WORD:

Today the focus of the readings is on others. Peter preached to the Gentiles, people outside the Jewish community, and was surprised that the Holy Spirit came to them as well. John writes that we are to love one another as God loves us. In the Gospel, Jesus challenges His disciples to love one another as He loves them, with a self-sacrificing love. **This truly is the type of love that we are called to have for others.**

"The Lord has revealed to the nations His saving power."

HAPPENINGS/MEETINGS:

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

Monday, May 7th

St. Damian Ladies Sodality Mtg.

7:00 pm @ St. Damian Meeting Room

Tuesday, May 8th

St. Damian Adult Choir Practice

7:00 pm @ St. Damian Church

Knights of Columbus Mtg.

7:30 pm @ Albers Jaycee Hall

Thursday, May 10th

Balloon Rosary 7:45 am @ St. Damian

St. Bernard Choir Practice 7:30 pm @ Church

Friday, May 11th

Communion to the Homebound

Wedding Rehearsal 5:30 pm @ St. Damian Church

Saturday, May 12th

Hispanic Baptisms 11:30 am @ St. Damian Church

Allison Kalmer/Brian Schumacher Wedding

2:00 pm @ St. Damian Church

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

Sunday, May 13th

Happy Mother's Day

Children's Liturgy

8:30 am @ St. Damian Church

10:00 am @ St. Bernard Church

UPCOMING MEETINGS:

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.

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.

FAITH FORMATION REGISTRATION:

Registration forms 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.

GRADUATE RECOGNITION:

Graduate Recognition Masses will be celebrated on **Sunday, May 20th**. The *graduates of Gr. 8, high school* and *college* are invited to attend the **8:30 am Mass** @ St. Damian; the **10:00 am Mass** @ St. Bernard; or the **11:00 am Mass in Spanish** @ St. Damian to be recognized. If you know of any college student that will be graduating, please call the parish office with their name. Come and feel the support and blessing of your home parishes.

ST. DAMIAN PARISH CONCERNS:

CHURCH SUPPORT: April 29th, 2018

Envelopes: \$923.00 + Loose: \$56.00
 + Mass in Spanish: \$460.00 = \$1,439.00
 Budget for week: \$2,903.85
 Fiscal year-to-date collected: \$121,759.61
 Fiscal year-to-date budget: \$124,865.55
 Over (under) year-to-date budget: (\$ 3,105.94)
 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: \$5,748.00 (40) *Goal: \$5,950.00 (187)*

End of Month Totals:

Bldg./Maint. Collection: \$360.00 **Total: \$25,424.63**
 Sister Parish: \$95.00
 Holy Land Collection: \$470.38
 Catholic Home Missions Collection: \$65.00
 Operation Rice Bowl: \$318.74

Thanks for your faithful and generous support!

ST. DAMIAN MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Saturday, May 12th, 2018 @ 4:00 pm

Ministers of Communion — Deacon Glenn, Sharon Kalmer, Amanda Beer

Readers — Lyla Koch, Grace Deiter, Brant Horstmann

Ushers — TBA

Servers — Reid Koch, Reece Deiters, Genesis Contreras

Organist — Chris Brandmeyer

Sunday, May 13th, 2018 @ 8:30 am

Ministers of Communion — Kevin Toennies, Florence Jansen, *Kristy Richter*

Reader — Jackie Toennies

Ushers — Roger Toennies, Pete Toennies

Servers — Ethan Toennies, Sophie Thomas, Cole Arentsen

Organist — Geri Varel

Collection Counters — Kristy Richter, Pete Toennies, Gwen Toennies

Children's Liturgy — Gwen & Simon Toennies



Congratulations to *Easton Lane Solis*, child of Gerrad & Danielle (Kohler) Solis, who received the saving waters of

baptism on Saturday, April 28th @ St. Damian. May God guide them in their journey of life.

MEETINGS:

- ❖ *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.

BALLOON ROSARY:

Balloon Rosary will be held on **Thursday, May 10th** at 7:45 am behind Damiansville Elementary School. If raining, the rosary will be held in Damiansville Gym. We gather together to pray for our parish.

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. 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.

Happy Birthday Deacon Glenn Netemeyer!
Saturday, May 5th

ST. BERNARD PARISH CONCERNS:

CHURCH SUPPORT: April 28th/29th, 2018

Envelopes: \$1,273.00 + Loose: \$67.00 = \$1,340.00
 Budget for week: \$3,012.02
 Fiscal year-to-date collected: \$127,656.28
 Fiscal year-to-date budget: \$132,528.88
 Over (under) year-to-date budget: (\$ 4,872.60)
 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: \$4,885.00 (29) *Goal: \$7,700.00 (80)*

End of Month Totals:

Sister Parish: \$314.00
 Holy Land: \$406.00
 Seminarian Education: \$15.00
 Catholic Home Missions: \$173.00
 Operation Rice Bowl (CRS): \$391.68

Thanks for your faithful and generous support!

PARISHES NEEDY FUND COLLECTION: The second collection taken **next weekend May 12th/13th** 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. BERNARD MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Sunday, May 13th, 2018 @ 10:00 am

Ministers of Communion — *Alyssa Winkeler*,
Roman Kloeckner, Cole Schomaker, Robbin
Netemeyer

Reader — Meg Schiefer

Ushers — Ron & Geri Norrenberns, John & Linda
Majchrzak

Servers — Jake & Jillian Kloeckner, Eden Rolves

Counters – Pat Litteken, John Majchrzak, Kris Anne
Becker

Children's Liturgy – Stephanie Rickhoff

VOCATION CORNER:

In today's Gospel, Jesus is calling us His friends. But also He tells us that "*I chose you and appointed you to go and bear fruit that will remain*". This is our choice – accept what Jesus has chosen for us - Priesthood, Consecrated Life, Married Life or Single Life - and to live it to the best of our ability. We are to encourage each other in each of our respective calls to Holiness.

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 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 **between the dates of Monday, May 14th to Wednesday, May 16th** between the hours of 6:00-7:00 pm @ St. Bernard Parking Lot in Albers. The Ladies Sodality will receive a monetary donation based on the items collected and the weight.

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.

COMMUNITY CONCERNS/EVENTS:

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

St. Joseph's Hospital, Breese: *Kids Safety Fair Event* on **Saturday, May 12** from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm @ Breese Central Community High School. This event will provide various safety education topics for kids in preschool through eighth grade. For more information, please contact Serra at serra.morton@hshs.org or Ashley at ashley.white@hshs.org.

National Shrine of Our Lady of the Snows:

- ⇒ *Journey to Nicaea: Shapers of Christian Orthodoxy* presented by Mark Ethling, Ph.D. on **Saturdays, May 12, June 9, & July 7** from 10:00 am-12 noon in the Guild Center. In this series we will explore the lives and work of some of the major shapers of Christian Orthodoxy as articulated in the Nicene Creed. Cost is \$10 per session or \$30 for the series.
- ⇒ *Finding God in the "Mess"* presented by Fr. Salvador Gonzalez, OMI on **Saturday, May 19** from 10:00 am-12 noon in the Guild Center. Humanity has turned from God when we find ourselves in a mess—yet God is with us, providing what we need as we try to regather the pieces of our lives. We will discover blessings in the mess. We will move from "mess" to "bless". Cost is \$20.
- ⇒ For more information, call 618-394-6270. Register online at snows.org/programs.

Clinton County Citizens for Life: *Mother's Day Roses* will be available at ALL Masses **next weekend, May 12th/13th**. Live long stem red roses will be available for \$2.00 each. Vases for memorial roses will be placed on Mary's altar. The proceeds help fund transportation for many *Marchers for Life to Washington, D.C.* and students to pray at *Granit City's Hope (abortion) clinic*. These funds also provide education, and baby items and clothing etc. for area *Pregnancy Care Centers*. Thank you.