



*Fourth Sunday  
Of Easter  
May 7<sup>th</sup>, 2017*



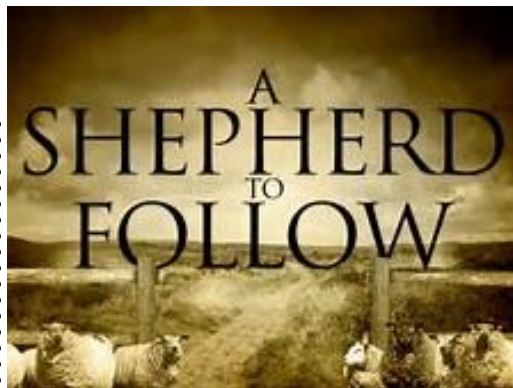
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*Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday*

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**MASS SCHEDULE:**

**MONDAY, MAY 8<sup>TH</sup>**

7:45 am Mass @ St. Damian

For All ALS Sufferers

**TUESDAY, MAY 9<sup>TH</sup>**

7:45 am Mass @ St. Bernard

August Rademacher Family

**WEDNESDAY, MAY 10<sup>TH</sup>**

7:45 am Mass @ St. Damian

Edwin & Mary Hitpas

**THURSDAY, MAY 11<sup>TH</sup>**

7:45 am Mass @ St. Bernard

Dot Timmermann

**FRIDAY, MAY 12<sup>TH</sup>**

*NO Mass or Service Scheduled*

**SATURDAY, MAY 13<sup>TH</sup>**

5:00 pm Mass @ St. Damian

For All Parishioners

**SUNDAY, MAY 14<sup>TH</sup>**

8:30 am Mass @ St. Damian

Roger Haukap

Henry, Lucille, Glennon & Allen Albers

*10:00 am @ St. Bernard*

Irene Strieker

Catherine Albers & Family

Estelle & William Trankle

*11:00 am Mass @ St. Damian*

Mass in Spanish

## LITURGY OF THE WORD:

In our 1<sup>st</sup> Reading today, Peter has clearly taken on the role of shepherd, encouraging conversion and faith among his listeners. As we hear all the readings today, let us listen for God's invitation to follow the Good Shepherd, Jesus Christ, and to emulate Him in leading others to growing faith as well. **Today is a good day to reflect on and be thankful for all the people who have been good shepherds in your faith life, and to pray for all leaders of the Church as well as for vocations for the future of our Church.**

**"The Lord is my Shepherd;  
there is nothing I shall want."**

### HAPPENINGS/MEETINGS:

**Sunday, May 7<sup>th</sup>**

*Children's Liturgy of the Word*

8:30 am @ St. Damian

10:00 am @ St. Bernard

*St. Bernard 1<sup>st</sup> Communion Mass*

10:00 am @ St. Bernard

*Pre-School Sunday School Classes*

10:00 am @ Albers Elementary School

**Tuesday, May 9<sup>th</sup>**

*Knights of Columbus Mtg.*

7:30 pm @ Albers Jaycee Hall

**Wednesday, May 10<sup>th</sup>**

*Faith Formation Early Bird Drawing*

After 7:45 am Mass @ St. Damian

*Bible Study*

7:00 pm @ St. Damian Parish Center

**Thursday, May 11<sup>th</sup>**

*Balloon Rosary 7:45 am @ St. Damian*

*Faith Formation Early Bird Drawing*

After 7:45 am Mass @ St. Bernard

*North Central Vicariate Catechists Mtg.*

10:30 am @ St. Damian Meeting Room

*St. Bernard Choir Practice*

7:30 pm @ St. Bernard Church

**Friday, May 12<sup>th</sup>**

*Communion to Homebound*

*Hispanic Bible Study 6:00 pm @ St. Damian*

**Saturday, May 13<sup>th</sup>**

*Sacrament of Reconciliation*

4:15-4:45 pm @ St. Damian

**Sunday, May 14<sup>th</sup>**

*Happy Mother's Day!!*

*Children's Liturgy of the Word*

8:30 am @ St. Damian

*NO Children's Liturgy of the Word &*

*NO Pre-School Sunday School Classes*

10:00 am @ St. Bernard

*Hispanic Mother's Day Celebration*

12:00-4:00 pm @ St. Damian Gym

### FAITH FORMATION REGISTRATION:

*Registration forms* to enter your child/children in the Faith Formation Program have been sent home.

- **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 2017-2018 (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 10<sup>th</sup>** after the 7:45 am Mass.  
**St. Bernard - Thursday, May 11<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).

### CLINTON COUNTY CITIZENS FOR LIFE:

*Live Long Stem Red Roses* will be available **Mother's Day Weekend, May 13<sup>th</sup>/14<sup>th</sup>** 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.*

### GRADUATE RECOGNITION:

*Graduate Recognition Masses* will be celebrated on **Sunday, May 21<sup>st</sup>**. The *graduates of Gr. 8, high school and college* are invited to attend the **8:30 am Mass @ St. Damian** or the **10:00 am Mass @ St. Bernard** to be recognized and prayed for by the congregation. 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. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY:**

**Bottled Water** and/or \$\$\$ is being collected for the homeless served by *St. Vincent de Paul Society*. Please bring your bottled water to St. Bernard Church, Albers or St. Damian Church, Damiansville through **Sunday, May 28<sup>th</sup>**. For \$\$\$ donations, put in an envelope marked "*St. Vincent de Paul Society*" and drop in the collection basket.

**Thank you for your generosity!**

**"Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for Me."**  
(Matthew 25:40)

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

#### **CHURCH SUPPORT: April 30<sup>th</sup>, 2017**

Envelopes: \$1,320.00 + Easter: \$45.00

+ Loose: \$69.00 + Mass in Spanish: \$218.00 =

\$1,652.00

Budget for week: \$2,831.73

Fiscal year-to-date collected: \$123,971.68

Fiscal year-to-date budget: \$124,596.12

Over (under) year-to-date budget: **(\$ 624.44)**

Fiscal year (7/16-6/17) budget: \$147,250.00

**(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 Pledged: \$6,769.40 (38) ☺

Goal: \$5,950.00 (187)

#### **End of Month Totals:**

Bldg./Maint. Collection: \$273.00 **Total: \$19,635.67**

Sister Parish: \$240.00

Operation Rice Bowl: \$350.18

Catholic Relief Services: \$5.00

Good Friday (Holy Land): \$326.00

Catholic Home Missions: \$57.00

**Thanks for your faithful and generous support!**

### **ST. DAMIAN MINISTRY SCHEDULE**

#### **Saturday, May 13<sup>th</sup>, 2017 @ 5:00 pm**

**Ministers of Communion** — Virgil & Marilyn

Jansen, Mech Toennies

**Reader** — Kathleen Hodges

**Ushers** — Alfred Toennies, Delmar Santel

**Servers** — Adam & Kevin Heimann, Reid Koch

**Organist** — Jan Hitch

#### **Sunday, May 14<sup>th</sup>, 2017 @ 8:30 am**

**Ministers of Communion** — Erin Korte, Julie

Langenhorst, **Laura Dulle**

**Reader** — Rosann Horstmann

**Ushers** — Dave Albers, Dan Athmer

**Servers** — William & Jacob Athmer, Mason Schrage

**Organist** — Jan Hitch

**Collection Counters** — Jan Hitch, Gwen Toennies,

Dave Kassen

**Children's Liturgy** — Gwen & Ethan Toennies

### **ST. DAMIAN FAITH FORMATION:**

**Balloon Rosary** will be held on **Thursday, May 11<sup>th</sup>** at 7:45 am (**note wrong date on calendar**). The intention of will be for "*All Cancer, ALS, & Alzheimer Sufferers*".

### **QUILT COMMITTEE:**

**Quilt/Cash Sign-Up Sheet** for the picnic is posted at both entrances of the church. Please mark if you intend to donate cash or a quilt for the picnic **ASAP** so we know how many quilts need to be purchased.

### **PARISHES NEEDY FUND COLLECTION:**

The second collection will be taken **next weekend May 13<sup>th</sup>/14<sup>th</sup>**. This collection assists Albers & Damiansville residents who need assistance paying utility bills, and provides fuel/food for travelers.

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

#### **CHURCH SUPPORT: April 29<sup>th</sup>/30<sup>th</sup>, 2017**

Envelopes: \$1,605.00 + Loose: \$69.00 = \$1,674.00

Budget for week: \$2,964.43

Fiscal year-to-date collected: \$128,828.25

Fiscal year-to-date budget: \$130,424.92

Over (under) year-to-date budget: **(\$ 1,606.67)**

Fiscal year (7/16-6/17) budget: \$154,150.00

**(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 Pledged: \$6,750.00 (40) **Goal: \$7,700.00 (241)**

#### **End of Month Totals:**

Sister Parish: \$311.00

Operation Rice Bowl: \$192.32

Catholic Relief Services: \$50.00

Holy Thursday (Parishes Needy Fund): \$171.00

Good Friday (Holy Land): \$343.00

Catholic Home Missions: \$155.00

**Thanks for your faithful and generous support!**



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**St. Bernard Catholic Church-Albers IL**



### **CATHOLIC HOLY FAMILY SOCIETY:**

St. Bernard is planning a **Diaper Drive Fund Raiser** for the *Pregnancy Care Center* located in Belleville near St. Elizabeth's hospital. The center serves new and expectant mothers. All services are free of charge: pregnancy tests, referrals for medical care, adoption, clothing supplies, etc. But one of the biggest and most in demand supplies needed are diapers for the babies and toddlers. So, drop off diapers, wipes and pull-ups anytime from **now until May 16<sup>th</sup>** in the gathering area @ St. Bernard Church. CHFS will match donations and there will be lots and lots of happy babies. **Thank you for your generous support!**

### **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 at specific locations in Albers **between the dates of May 16<sup>th</sup> – May 20<sup>th</sup>**. Items will be delivered to **Savers** in Fairview Heights on **Saturday, May 20<sup>th</sup>**. The Ladies Sodality will receive a monetary donation based on the items collected and the weight. We will have a flyer with more info at a later date. We are also looking for a few enclosed trailers & drivers to use on May 20<sup>th</sup>.

### **ST. BERNARD MINISTRY SCHEDULE**

#### **Sunday, May 14<sup>th</sup>, 2017 @ 10:00 am**

**Ministers of Communion** — *Lynn Athmer*, Roman

Kloeckner, Michelle Kennedy, Cole Schomaker

**Reader** — Sean Kennedy

**Ushers** — John, Linda, & Michael Majchrzak, Dave Wuebbels

**Servers** — Justin Huelsmann, Abigail & Andrew Crosby

**Counters** — Lynn Athmer, Sean Kennedy, John Majchrzak

**Children's Liturgy** – NO Session

**Sunday School Helpers** – NO Session

### **VOCATION CORNER:**

Today, May 7<sup>th</sup>, is **World Day of Prayer for Vocations**. The purpose of the **World Day of Prayer for Vocations** is to publically fulfill the Lord's instruction to, "*Pray the Lord of the harvest to send laborers into His harvest*" (Mt 9:38; Lk 10:2). As a climax to a prayer that is continually offered throughout the Church, it affirms the primacy of faith and grace in all that concerns vocations to the priesthood and to the consecrated life. While appreciating all vocations, the Church concentrates its attention this day on vocations to the *ordained ministries* (priesthood and diaconate), to the *Religious life* in all its forms (male and female, contemplative and apostolic), to *societies of apostolic life*, to *secular institutes* in their diversity of services and membership, and to the missionary life, in the particular sense of *mission "ad gentes*".  
(From the USCCB website)

### **JOB OPPORTUNITY:**

**St. Mary Parish, Carlyle, IL is seeking an administrative assistant.** The Administrative Assistant will perform secretarial duties for the Pastor. Responsibilities include creating weekly bulletin, maintaining and updating parish website, entering information into Servant Keeper and offertory envelope database and preparing sacramental records, and bookkeeping knowledge. Must maintain confidentiality. Requires previous secretarial experience. Will be required to perform other duties as assigned by the pastor. Weekly hours will be limited to 28hrs. Retirement benefits. **You would begin work July 1<sup>st</sup> for a couple of days a week and then regular hours on August 1<sup>st</sup>.** Send resume including two references to: St. Mary Parish, Attn: Personnel Committee, PO Box 179, Carlyle, IL 62231 **before May 25<sup>th</sup>.**

### **COMMUNITY CONCERNS/EVENTS:**

**Albers American Legion: Mother's Day Breakfast** on Sunday, May 14<sup>th</sup> from 8:00 to 11:30 am @ the Legion. Sausage, Ham, Pancakes, Eggs, Fried Potatoes and Biscuits & gravy with carry outs available. *Proceeds for Legion Youth Programs.*

**Village of Damiansville: Spring Clean-Up** will be held the weekend of May 19<sup>th</sup>/20<sup>th</sup>. *Roll-Off Dumpster* will be located west of town by maintenance shed. **PLEASE NO TIRES!** *Electronics Drop Off* will be at the Village Hall **Saturday May 20<sup>th</sup>** from 8:00 am till 12 noon. **NO TV'S PLEASE!** Check the Village Hall Door for more information.

**Slugger Slam XI, a 4-Person Scramble Golf Tournament** held for the benefit of *All Saints Academy*, will be held on **Saturday, May 20<sup>th</sup>** @ Bent Oak Golf Course in Breese. Shotgun starts are available at 8:00 am and 1:00 pm. The cost is \$90 per player, which includes 18 holes of golf, a cart, one mulligan, six drink tickets, food during and after play, and a chance to win a Chevy vehicle with a hole-in-one. Optional special events include a skins competition, par 3 poker run, clubhouse dice, and "get it on the green" bet. Registration forms and donation forms are available on the ASA website ([www.asasaints.com](http://www.asasaints.com)) or by contacting Curt Zurliene (618-541-9800).