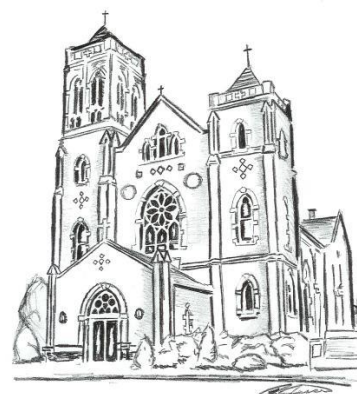




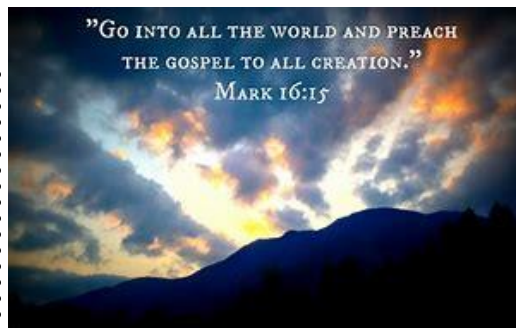
Ascension of the Lord

May 13th, 2018



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

Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday

(9:00 am – 4:00 pm) @ CLC, New Baden;

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

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MASS SCHEDULE:

MONDAY, MAY 14TH

7:45 am Mass @ St. Damian
Dorothy Richter

TUESDAY, MAY 15TH

7:45 am Mass @ St. Bernard
August Rademacher & Family

WEDNESDAY, MAY 16TH

7:45 am Mass @ St. Damian
Bob Innes
All ALS Sufferers

THURSDAY, MAY 17TH

7:45 am Mass @ St. Bernard
Delores Netemeyer

FRIDAY, MAY 18TH

NO Mass/NO Service Scheduled

SATURDAY, MAY 19TH

4:00 pm Mass @ St. Damian
For All Parishioner

SUNDAY, MAY 20TH

8:30 am Mass @ St. Damian
Bob Innes
Henry & Lucille Albers

10:00 am Mass @ St. Bernard

In Thanksgiving for
Kevin & Kristen Templin
& All New Deacons

Pat Huegen
Eileen Toennies

11:00 am Mass @ St. Damian
Mass in Spanish

LITURGY OF THE WORD:

Today we celebrate the day when Christ was raised in glory, returning to His Father in heaven. But in the readings the emphasis is on what His disciples are asked to do. In the 1st Reading, Jesus tells them to be His witnesses to the ends of the earth. The 2nd Reading, Paul talks about building up the body of Christ. In the Gospel, Mark writes that they are to proclaim the Gospel to the whole world. **Let us listen for the things that we can do to continue the mission of Jesus.**

"God mounts His throne to shouts of joy; a blare of trumpets for the Lord."

HAPPENINGS/MEETINGS:

Sunday, May 13th

Happy Mother's Day

Children's Liturgy

8:30 am @ St. Damian Church

10:00 am @ St. Bernard Church

Monday, May 14th

St. Damian Holy Name Mtg.

7:00 pm @ St. Damian Meeting Room

Savers Collection

6:00-7:00 pm @ St. Bernard Parking Lot

Tuesday, May 15th

Savers Collection

6:00-7:00 pm @ St. Bernard Parking Lot

St. Bernard & St. Damian Finance Councils Mtg.

6:30 pm @ St. Bernard Meeting Room

Wednesday, May 16th

Faith Formation Early Bird Drawing

7:45 am Mass @ St. Damian

Balloon Rosary 7:45 am @ St. Bernard Parking Lot

Savers Collection

6:00-7:00 pm @ St. Bernard Parking Lot

Damiansville Elementary Graduation 7:00 pm

Thursday, May 17th

Faith Formation Early Bird Drawing

7:45 am Mass @ St. Bernard

Last Day of Faith Formation @ St. Damian

Albers Elementary Graduation 7:00 pm

Friday, May 18th

Last Day of Faith Formation @ St. Bernard

Communion to the Homebound

Hispanic Rosario 6:30 pm @ St. Damian Church

Saturday, May 19th

Kevin Templin Ordination 10:30 am @ Cathedral

Mass 4:00 pm @ St. Damian Church

Knights of Columbus Reverse Drawing/Banquet

6:00 pm @ Albers Legion

Sunday, May 20th

Children's Liturgy

8:30 am @ St. Damian Church

10:00 am @ St. Bernard Church

Graduate Recognition

8:30 am @ St. Damian Church

10:00 am @ St. Bernard Church

11:00 am Hispanic Mass @ St. Damain Church

Reception for Kevin Templin

11:00 am @ St. Bernard Church Main Entrance

UPCOMING MEETINGS:

⇒ *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.*

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: May 5th/6th, 2018

Envelopes: \$1,714.00 + ACH: \$1,165.00
+ Loose: \$48.00 + Mass in Spanish: \$283.00 =
\$3,210.00
Budget for week: \$2,903.85
Fiscal year-to-date collected: \$124,969.61
Fiscal year-to-date budget: \$127,769.40
Over (under) year-to-date budget: **(\$ 2,799.79)**
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: \$6,173.00 ☺ (41) *Goal: \$5,950.00 (187)*

Thanks for your faithful and generous support!

THANK YOU ST. DAMIAN PARISHIONERS:

I write to express my personal gratitude to each of you for your outstanding support of the **2018 CSMA**. I also offer my warmest congratulations on exceeding your parish's financial goal. You have, indeed, accepted the challenge put forth by Our Holy Father Pope Francis to "share the blessings which God has provided us" and it is only through your Christian caring and generosity that our diocesan ministries and agencies are able to give hope to those in need throughout southern Illinois.

Thank you again so very much. God's richest blessings to each of you and your families; know that you are remembered always in my prayers.

-- Most Reverend Edward K. Braxton

ST. BERNARD PARISH CONCERNS:

CHURCH SUPPORT: May 6th, 2018

Envelopes: \$1,340.00 + Easter: \$25.00
+ ACH: \$1,735.00 + Loose: \$38.00 = \$3,138.00
Budget for week: \$3,012.02
Fiscal year-to-date collected: \$130,794.28
Fiscal year-to-date budget: \$135,540.90
Over (under) year-to-date budget: **(\$ 4,746.62)**
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)*

Thanks for your faithful and generous support!

ST. DAMIAN MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Saturday, May 19th, 2018 @ 4:00 pm

Ministers of Communion — Mech Toennies, Monica Koch, Elaine Williamson

Reader — Kathleen Hodges

Ushers — Ed & Sandy Kramer

Servers — Reid Koch, Ethan & Kaylee Korte

Organist — Chris Brandmeyer

Sunday, May 20th, 2018 @ 8:30 am

Ministers of Communion — Alice Toennies, Julie Langenhorst, **Ruth Jansen**

Reader — Beth Brandmeyer

Ushers — Dave Albers, Gary Tonnies

Servers — Meredith & Reid Innes, Claire Tonnies

Organist — Chris Brandmeyer

Collection Counters — Mel Toennies, Tina Tonnies, Sandy Kramer

Children's Liturgy — Gwen, Ethan & Simon Toennies

PARISHES NEEDY FUND COLLECTION:

The second collection taken **this 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!!**

QUILTS FOR SALE:

If anyone is interested in purchasing a quilt, please call 618-248-5500. **Thank you!**

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.
- ✓ **Bi-Monthly Quilt Winners:**
February — Pat Litteken
April — Marcie Hacker

BALLOON ROSARY:

Balloon Rosary will be held on **Wednesday, May 16th** at 7:45 am @ St. Bernard Parking Lot. We gather together to pray for our parish.

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 618-402-0529.

ST. BERNARD MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Sunday, May 20th, 2018 @ 10:00 am

Ministers of Communion — *Sharon Wuebbels*,

Dan & Lee Love, Lynn Athmer

Reader — Jensen Lake

Ushers — Ken & Dana Lake, Brian & Nolan

Winkeler

Servers — Makenna Lake, Alyssa Winkeler, Jacey

Wieter

Counters — Lynn Athmer, Dana Lake, James

Williams

Children's Liturgy — Janel & Brooke Zurliene

VOCATION CORNER:

Mothers' Day – what a wonderful commemoration of one of the greatest vocations there is. We are inspired by the example of Mary, the Mother of God, to live by the words from the Cana feast “*Do whatever He tells you*”. We pray for all our Mothers today and for the families they form, nurture and love. We also ponder our own “FIAT” – our surrendering to God's plan for us.

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.

SUCCESSFUL WORK DAY AT THE PARK!

- ❖ Many “**Thanks**” to all residents who came out on **Saturday, April 21st** to help clean up and beautify the *Development Club Park*. Also thanks to the businesses and individuals who allowed the use of their equipment. Without the proper equipment and volunteers, the clean-up would be a very difficult task. It's amazing what people can accomplish when they work together! **Thanks to everyone who pitched in to help.**
- ❖ **The Development Club Park pavilion & kitchen is available for rent.** Contact Al Varel at 618-973-8527 to check on available dates.

KNIGHT OF COLUMBUS:

- **May Raffle Winners:** \$400 – Craig Albers; \$50 – Blake Deimeke & Bob Hitpas
- **Reverse Drawing & Banquet** will be held **Saturday, May 19th** at 6:00 pm. For tickets or more information, call Ray (670-6968) or Jerry (604-2305).

COMMUNITY CONCERNS/EVENTS:

Albers American Legion: Mothers' Day Breakfast on **Sunday, May 13th** from 8:00 to 11:30 am with Sausage, Ham, Pancakes, Eggs, Fried Potatoes and Biscuits & gravy. Carry outs available. *Proceeds to benefit Legion Youth Programs.*

Clinton County Citizens for Life: Mother's Day Roses will be available at ALL Masses **this 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 *Granite City's Hope (abortion) Clinic*. These funds also provide education, and baby items and clothing etc. for area *Pregnancy Care Centers*. Thank you.

St. Joseph's Hospital, Breese: Memorial Butterflies will be released in honor or in memory of loved ones. The community and colleagues are invited to join us for this service signifying the transformation of the spirit. Reception to follow the service. Memorial Butterfly Release scheduled for:

- **Wednesday, May 23** at 6 pm @ HSHS St. Joseph's Hospital Breese, next to the main parking lot;
- **Wednesday, May 30** at 6 pm @ HSHS St. Joseph's Hospital Highland, at the Franciscan Healing Garden.

Butterflies are \$25 each. All proceeds from the Memorial Butterfly Release benefit HSHS Hospice Southern Illinois. If you are interested in reserving a butterfly or have any questions regarding the Butterfly release, please contact Ashley Dillingham, Outreach Representative with HSHS Home Care & Hospice Southern Illinois, at 217-994-3397 or Ashley.Dillingham@hshs.org.

CATHOLIC COMMUNICATION CAMPAIGN:

This weekend, May 12th/13th we are taking up the collection for the *Catholic Communication Campaign (CCC)*. Your support helps the CCC connect people to Christ, here and around the world, through the internet, television, radio and print media. Half of the funds we collect remain in our Belleville Diocese to support local efforts. Be a part of this campaign to spread the Gospel message and support the collection! Envelopes are in your packet of envelopes. If you do not have an envelope and wish to donate to this appeal, please place in an envelope marked “*Catholic Communication Campaign*”. To learn more, visit www.usccb.org/cc.

HAPPY MOTHERS DAY!!