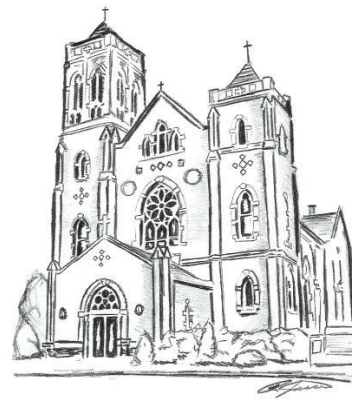




*Ascension  
Of the Lord  
May 28<sup>th</sup>, 2017*



**St. Damian Parish**

Founded 1861  
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I am  
with you  
always,  
to the end  
of the  
age.

Matthew 28:20

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*Monday (OFF) May 29<sup>th</sup>;*  
*Tuesday & Thursday*  
*(9 am to 4 pm) @ CLC, New Baden;*  
*Wed. (8 am to 5 pm) @ St. Bernard or St. Damian;*  
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**MASS SCHEDULE:**

**MONDAY, MAY 29<sup>TH</sup>**

*8:00 am Prayer Service @ St. Damian*  
*In Memory of All Veterans*

**TUESDAY, MAY 30<sup>TH</sup>**

*8:00 am Mass @ St. Bernard*  
*Rev. William Rensing*

**WEDNESDAY, MAY 31<sup>ST</sup>**

*8:00 am Mass @ St. Damian*  
*For All Memorial Donors*

**THURSDAY, JUNE 1<sup>ST</sup>**

*8:00 am Prayer Service @ St. Bernard*  
*For All Parents*

**FRIDAY, JUNE 2<sup>ND</sup>**

*NO Mass or Service Scheduled*

**SATURDAY, JUNE 3<sup>RD</sup>**

*5:00 pm Mass @ St. Bernard*  
*For All Parishioners*

**SUNDAY, JUNE 4<sup>TH</sup>**

*8:30 am Mass @ St. Damian*  
*For All ALS Sufferers*  
*John, Alice & Dean Luitjohan*  
*Bill & Rosie Athmer*

*10:00 am @ St. Bernard*  
*Antoinette Engelmann*

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



### LITURGY OF THE WORD:

*"Why are you standing there looking at the sky?"* asks the angel of the disciples who have just witnessed the Ascension. Today we hear a commandment and a reassurance from the ascending Christ: *"Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations"*, and *"I am with you always"*. We cannot do the first without the second. In ascending to heaven, it becomes possible for Jesus Christ to be with the Church always and everywhere, rather than in just one place and time. May our prayer be one of thanksgiving for this wonderful gift of His presence. Let us focus on God's invitation to continue Christ's mission in the world.

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

### HAPPENINGS/MEETINGS:

**Sunday, May 28<sup>th</sup>**

*NO Children's Liturgy of the Word*

During Summer @ St. Damian

*Children's Liturgy of the Word*

10:00 am @ St. Bernard

*NO Pre-School Sunday School Classes*

During Summer @ St. Bernard

*Angelica Cruz & Ernesto Escamilla Wedding*

11:00 am Mass in Spanish @ St. Damian

**Monday, May 29<sup>th</sup>**

*Memorial Day!!*

*NO Mass – Prayer Service w/Communion*

8:00 am @ St. Damian

**Tuesday, May 30<sup>th</sup>**

*Mass 8:00 pm @ St. Bernard Church*

**Wednesday, May 31<sup>st</sup>**

*Mass 8:00 pm @ St. Damian Church*

*Bible Study*

7:00 pm @ Deacon Glenn's Residence

**Thursday, June 1<sup>st</sup>**

*NO Mass – Prayer Service w/Communion*

8:00 am @ St. Bernard

*Communion to Homebound* by Fr. Anthony

*St. Bernard Choir Practice*

7:30 pm @ St. Bernard Church

**Saturday, June 3<sup>rd</sup>**

*Sacrament of Reconciliation*

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

**Sunday, June 4<sup>th</sup>**

*NO Children's Liturgy of the Word*

During Summer @ St. Damian & St. Bernard

*NO Pre-School Sunday School Classes*

During Summer @ St. Bernard

### SUMMER WEEKDAY SCHEDULE:

**NOTE:** weekday Masses & Prayer Services

w/Communion will begin at **8:00 am** instead of 8:30

am. *Masses* will be on **Tuesdays** @ St. Bernard &

**Wednesdays** @ St. Damian;

*Prayers Services w/Communion* will be **Monday** @

St. Damian & **Thursdays** @ St. Bernard.

### BIBLE STUDY:

The *Bible Study* that is on every **Wednesday night** at

**7:00 pm** will be held at Deacon Glenn Netemeyer's

house located @ 3609 Court Road in Germantown, IL

starting this Wednesday, May 31<sup>st</sup>.

### 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)

### TEACHERS NEEDED:

St. Bernard & St. Damian Faith Formation Programs

are in need of *one teacher per parish* for the

2017/2018 school year. If you are interested in

helping, please contact Deacon Glenn at 618-772-

9343.

### VOCATION CORNER:

This weekend we gratefully and prayerfully remember all those who sacrificed their lives serving our

community. This ultimate giving of oneself is the most selfless act of love we humans perform. That raises the

question: **are we that giving of our spiritual selves?**

Today provides an opportunity for us to take a moment

to reflect on how well we are fulfilling our vocation in

life – ordained, married, consecrated, or single. Perhaps

a prayer of recommitment is appropriate as we give

thanks for those who have sacrificed so much for us.

### CATHOLIC COMMUNICATION CAMPAIGN:

CCC will be taken **this weekend, May 27<sup>th</sup>/28<sup>th</sup>**.

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 the Belleville Diocese to support

local efforts. Be a part of this campaign to spread the

Gospel message and support the collection. To learn

more, visit [www.usccb.org/ccs](http://www.usccb.org/ccs). *Envelopes are*

*included in your envelope packet.*

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

### **CHURCH SUPPORT: May 20<sup>th</sup>/21<sup>st</sup>, 2017**

Envelopes: \$1,400.00 + ACH: \$415.00  
+ Loose: \$52.00 + Mass in Spanish: \$130.00 =  
\$1,997.00  
Budget for week: \$2,831.73  
Fiscal year-to-date collected: \$133,133.68  
Fiscal year-to-date budget: \$133,091.31  
Over (under) year-to-date budget: \$ 42.37  
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: \$6,819.40 (39) ☺

Goal: \$5,950.00 (187)

*Thanks for your faithful and generous support!*

## **ST. DAMIAN MINISTRY SCHEDULE**

### **Sunday, June 4<sup>th</sup>, 2017 @ 8:30 am**

**Ministers of Communion** — Alice Toennies, Laura Dulle, *Erin Korte*

**Reader** — Denise Luitjohan

**Ushers** — Dan Athmer, Melvin Toennies

**Servers** — Savanna Luitjohan, Trent & Julia Korte

**Organist** — Jan Hitch

**Collection Counters** — Jan Hitch, Melvin Toennies, Kathleen Hodges

**Children's Liturgy** — No Session during Summer

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

### **CHURCH SUPPORT: May 21<sup>st</sup>, 2017**

Envelopes: \$1,167.00 + ACH: \$2,205.00  
+ Easter: \$50.00 + Loose: \$75.00 = \$3,497.00  
Budget for week: \$2,964.43  
Fiscal year-to-date collected: \$138,511.92  
Fiscal year-to-date budget: \$139,328.21  
Over (under) year-to-date budget: (\$ 816.29)  
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: \$6,800.00 (41) Goal: \$7,700.00 (241)

*Thanks for your faithful and generous support!*

## **MEMORIAL DAY MESSAGE!**

With summer rolling in, it's easy to lose focus of the true meaning of *Memorial Day*....it commemorates & honors those who have paid the ultimate sacrifice in defense of our freedoms. **This Memorial Weekend, May 27<sup>th</sup>/28<sup>th</sup>**, you are invited to take a soldier from the basket in the gathering space @ St. Damian Church and place it somewhere to remind you to pray for those who made the ultimate sacrifice. Also pray for the brave men and women who are actively serving and those who have retired. *God Bless America!*

## **ST. DAMIAN PICNIC**

**Saturday, July 8<sup>th</sup>, 2017**

- **Meeting on Tuesday, June 6<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm @ St. Damian Parish House. All stand chairpersons please attend this meeting.**
- **Raffle Tickets & Flyers** are available for pick up in the main entrance of church. Tickets can be returned by: ❶ the collection basket, ❷ to the parish office, ❸ mail, or ❹ to one of the committee members. Please pass out the flyers to everyone you know.

## **QUILT COMMITTEE:**

- ❖ **April Bi-monthly Quilt Winner:** Clay Lynch.
- ❖ **Quilt Collecting** will be on **Sunday, June 11<sup>th</sup>**.
- ❖ **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.

## **ST. BERNARD MINISTRY SCHEDULE**

### **Saturday, June 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2017 @ 5:00 pm**

**Ministers of Communion** — Melissa Netemeyer, Nettie Broeckling, Liz Nussbaumer

**Reader** — Ken Nussbaumer

**Ushers** — Nick & Kathy Friederich

**Servers** — Kalie Wellen, Rylee Jansen, Tyler Robertson

### **Sunday, June 4<sup>th</sup>, 2017 @ 10:00 am**

**Ministers of Communion** — *Robbin Netemeyer*, Kathy Engelmann, Vicki Pittman, Teresa Schomaker

**Reader** — Lynne Huelsmann

**Ushers** — Kevin & Kristen Templin, Brian & Nolan Winkeler

**Servers** — Lydia Engelmann, Bradley & Mallory Strubhart

**Counters** — Pat Litteken, Kris Anne Becker, Vicki Pittman

**Children's Liturgy & Sunday School**  
No Session during Summer



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



### **CATHOLIC MINISTRY TO SICK & AGED (MSA)**

**Annual Diocesan Summer Outing for Residents of Long-term Care** will take place on **Wednesday, June 7<sup>th</sup>** @ the Diocesan Pastoral Grounds in Belleville. It is a day filled with fun and fellowship for the residents and staff who travel from long term care facilities in five counties. **Here is a chance for the parish youth to lend a helping hand to the senior citizens of our Diocese.** All volunteers should report to the gymnasium of the Education Building (Building #6) at the Diocesan Pastoral Center at 8:30 am on the morning of the event. Your day should conclude by 3:00 pm. You are asked to stay the entire day since your help is needed to clean the grounds following the departure of our guests. We will load the tables and chairs into the trucks. If we have many volunteers, we may finish earlier. Please go to <https://form.jotform.us/70186288953165> and let us know how many youth and adults will be helping out **no later than June 1<sup>st</sup>**. This is very important for the planners so enough food may be ordered.

### **HISPANIC YOUTH DAY:**

**Diocesan Hispanic Youth Day**, for Hispanic youth ages 10 to 20, will be held on **Saturday, June 17<sup>th</sup>** from 9:30 am to 4:30 pm @ the Diocesan Pastoral Center in Belleville. Mass will be held at 3:15 pm. The theme is "**Love Your Selfie 'Soy Una Creación Maravillosa' Salmo 139:14**". For further information or to register call the Office of Hispanic Ministry at 618-235-9601 extension 1322.

### **JOB OPPORTUNITIES:**

**St. Luke Catholic Church, Belleville** is currently accepting applications for the position of ***Maintenance Worker***. Duties include: lawn maintenance, some electrical work, upkeep and repair of equipment, schedule and supervise all required inspections, set up and clean-up of hall before and after events, and other duties as assigned. You must be available to work throughout the week AND on weekends. You must be available to be "On Call" for events, and emergencies. Prior experience is required. This is a Part Time position working approximately 25 hours per week. If interested in this position, please submit a resume along with cover letter and salary requirements to: [stluke301@aol.com](mailto:stluke301@aol.com).

**Diocese of Belleville** is seeking a part time (20 hours per week) ***Coordinator of Lay Ministry & Catechist Certification***. The Coordinator contributes to the ongoing effectiveness of the catechist certification programs and parish partnership training by assisting with course design and communication of the program as well as maintains records; provides clerical support and coordinates special projects, meetings and events. Applicant must be proficient in Microsoft Office. Applicant must have strong written and oral communication skills, be highly organized and flexible, able to work well with others, and must maintain confidentiality of church and professional issues.

Essential qualifications include a Bachelor's Degree; professional knowledge, training or certification needed plus 1 – 3 years' experience. Practicing Catholic preferred with thorough knowledge and understanding of Catholic teachings, practices and organizational structure.

To apply send cover letter with resume and preferred salary range to Human Resources, Diocese of Belleville, 222 S. 3rd St., Belleville, IL. 62220. FAX to 618-722-5020; email to [humanresources@diobelle.org](mailto:humanresources@diobelle.org).

**Application Deadline: June 9, 2017**

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

**Sisters of the Most Precious Blood:** Join the *Sisters of the Most Precious Blood* on **Friday, June 23<sup>rd</sup>** at **Busch Stadium for the Cardinals vs Pittsburgh Pirates game**. Game time is 7:15 pm in Sections 127, 128, 129, & 130 with a promotion of an adult Cardinal pullover. Tickets are \$50. Call Sr. Ellen 636-293-8253 or Leah or Marcia at 636-240-6010 **by June 5<sup>th</sup>**.

**International Student Needs Host Home:** A ***Volunteer Host Family*** is needed for 17 year old international student from China who will arrive in August to attend Mater Dei High School for the 2017/18 school year. She says she enjoys cooking and baking & getting good grades. A family with or without children is encouraged to offer their hospitality! Hosts provide room, board and cultural guidance. School ride share can be arranged. For more information contact the placement organization at: 1 (844) 528-1145, or e-mail: [levihart77@gmail.com](mailto:levihart77@gmail.com).

### **MEMORIAL DAY:**

**Don't forget to remember our fallen heros.  
They are the reason that we are free.**

