



*Sixteenth Sunday
In Ordinary Time
July 23rd, 2017*



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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, JULY 24TH

8:00 am Prayer Service @ St. Damian
For Vacation Bible School

TUESDAY, JULY 25TH

8:00 am Mass @ St. Bernard
Cyril, Dorothy, & Marvin Foppe

WEDNESDAY, JULY 26TH

8:00 am Mass @ St. Damian
Rev. Charles Kribs

THURSDAY, JULY 27TH

8:00 am Prayer Service @ St. Bernard
For Favorable Weather

FRIDAY, JULY 28TH

NO Mass or Service Scheduled

SATURDAY, JULY 29TH

5:00 pm Mass @ St. Damian
For All Cancer Victims

SUNDAY, JULY 30TH

8:30 am Mass @ St. Damian
John, Alice, & Dean Luitjohan
Ralph Koopmann
Sam Schumacher

10:00 am Mass @ St. Bernard
For All Parishioners

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

LITURGY OF THE WORD:

Today's 1st Reading sets the context for the Gospel Reading by announcing that God judges with mercy and permits repentance for our sins. In the Gospel, we can see that our merciful God allows plenty of time for the weeds and wheat to grow together, so that the wheat is not pulled up accidentally. We are offered endless opportunities to hear and respond to God, but nothing matches God's efforts to claim us. **God chooses us, sends help on our behalf, and invites us into a reign of love and peace beyond all measure.** Let us listen for God's message of mercy.

"Lord, You are good and forgiving."

HAPPENINGS/MEETINGS:

Monday, July 24th

Prayer Service w/Communion

8:30 am @ St. Damian Church

Catechist Mtg. 7:00 pm @ St. Damian

Wednesday, July 26th

Bible Study

7:00 pm @ Deacon Glenn's Residence

Friday, July 28th

Communion to Homebound

Saturday, July 29th

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

Sunday, July 30th

Preparacion Escolar

1:00-3:00 pm @ St. Damian Gym

CATECHISTS MEETING:

Catechists Meeting on **Monday, July 24th** at 7:00 pm for St. Bernard. Catechists please plan to attend this meeting.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL (VBS):

VBS – God's Galaxy is scheduled to be held on **Sunday, August 6th** from 1:00-4:00 pm @ St. Damian Gym.

- *Pre-registration* will be held immediately following each Mass **the weekend of July 22/23 & July 29/30**. Pre-registration helps us plan the amount of materials needed!
- *Final Meeting* will be on **Monday, July 31st** at 6:30 pm at Netemeyer's Residence (3609 Court Road). Please contact Robbin if you have any questions at 618-772-9346.
- **Confirmation students** - VBS is an excellent project for your Confirmation requirements. Please contact Deacon Glenn if you are interested in helping! (You will need to attend the meeting on July 31st.)

MISSIONS INTERNATIONAL:

"Strengthening Sister Parish Relationships Conference" sponsored by *Missions International* for participating parishes of the Springfield and Belleville Dioceses. The conference will be held on **Thursday, August 3rd** from 11:00 am–3:00 pm @ Knights of Columbus Hall in Highland. Our hope is that parishes will be able to share both their successes and challenges resulting in opportunities to strengthen their existing relationships. We are asking for a representative from each parish wanting to learn more about the program to attend. Please contact Jeanne (618-979-5933) to be registered if you are interested in attending. They will be giving away \$500 air travel voucher per diocese to be used for a sister parish visit.

FROM THE DIOCESE...

INTO MY VINEYARD is for lay Catholic men and women who will help Pastors lead their Parishes and Partnerships. The once-a-month formation will begin in **September 2017 and continue for two years**. Parish Pastoral Councils should now be asking: *"Whom will we send?"* Interested adult Catholics should talk with their Pastors. More information -- a brochure, FAQs, the schedule, and an application form for *INTO MY VINEYARD* -- is at the diocesan website:

<http://www.diobelle.org/offices/into-my-vineyard>.

VOCATION CORNER:

"When I was in grade school, I used to help a priest prepare to celebrate Mass at a local hospital. I never could have imagined that my entry to the seminary would lead me from a remote town in the Philippines to Milwaukee. I came to learn the truth in the expression, *"God does not call the qualified, but qualifies those whom he calls."* I now dedicate my life to God by professing the vows of poverty, chastity and obedience, and embracing the special charism of my religious Order by serving the sick even with danger to my own life."

-- *Father Jojo Orosa, Order of St. Camillus, Milwaukee, WI, Columbia, "Keep the Faith Alive", June, 2016, pg. 34.*



ST. DAMIAN PARISH CONCERNS:

CHURCH SUPPORT: July 15th/16th, 2017

Envelopes: \$1,358.00 + ACH: \$525.00

+ Loose: \$45.00 + Mass in Spanish: \$166.00 =

\$2,094.00

Budget for week:

\$2,903.85

Fiscal year-to-date collected:

\$7,888.00

Fiscal year-to-date budget:

\$8,711.55

Over (under) year-to-date budget:

(\$ 823.55)

Fiscal year (7/16-6/17) budget:

\$151,000.00

(**Reminder:** The fiscal year budget **does not** include the \$55,500.00 transferred from: Savings, Building Fund, Cemetery & Picnic Checking Accounts, which is needed in order to balance the budget.)

SORRY: Error on the "Fiscal year-to-date" totals.

I forgot to begin the new fiscal year-to-date totals in July. *The total short for last fiscal year was \$2,771.07.*

Thanks for your faithful and generous support!

ST. BERNARD PARISH CONCERNS:

CHURCH SUPPORT: July 16th, 2017

Envelopes: \$1,426.00 + ACH: \$2,205.00

+ Loose: \$33.00 =

\$3,664.00

Budget for week:

\$3,012.02

Fiscal year-to-date collected:

\$8,780.00

Fiscal year-to-date budget:

\$9,036.06

Over (under) year-to-date budget:

(\$ 256.06)

Fiscal year (7/17-6/18) budget:

\$156,625.00

(**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.)

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ST. BERNARD MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Sunday, July 30th, 2017 @ 10:00 am

Ministers of Communion — *Cole Schomaker,*
Dan & Lee Love, Lynette Huegen

Reader — Meg Schiefer

Ushers — Tom & Mitchell Broeckling, John &
Linda Majchrzak

Servers — Jordyn & Erin Schiefer, Alaina Huegen

Counters — Pat Litteken, Keith Richter, John
Majchrzak

ST. DAMIAN MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Saturday, July 29th, 2017 @ 5:00 pm

Ministers of Communion — Chris & Beth

Brandmeyer, Elaine Williamson

Reader — Anita Rakers

Ushers — Marvin Rakers, Delmar Santel

Servers — Aidan Toennies, Reid Koch, Mason
Schrage

Organist — Geri Varel

Sunday, July 30th, 2017 @ 8:30 am

Ministers of Communion — Kevin Toennies, Kristie
Santel, **Ken Mank**

Reader — Denise Luitjohan

Ushers — Stan Heimann, Gary Tonnies

Servers — Ben & Jennifer Heimann, Claire Tonnies

Organist — Geri Varel

Collection Counters — Gwen Toennies, Mech
Toennies, Anita Rakers

"FEAST OF ST. BERNARD" RAFFLE:

TICKETS ARE HERE!! The price is \$100.00 each with a chance to win: **Grand Prize** of \$5,000 or **Three Prizes** of \$1,000 each. **Prizes will be awarded on August 20th.** You should have received tickets in the mail; please buy or try to sell the tickets and return **by August 1**. If you are unable to buy or sell the tickets, please return so they can be sold. The parish has a goal of selling 300 tickets and needs your assistance. We can make this a successful fundraiser if everyone helps out. For questions or additional tickets, please call a member of the parish council, finance council or Jeanne. If you did not receive a ticket and wish to purchase one, please mail your payment with name, address, and phone number to: St. Bernard Parish – 202 N. Broadway, PO Box 10, Albers, IL 62215. **Currently 60 tickets have been returned, which means we are still in need of 240 tickets to be returned to meet our goal. PLEASE RETURN YOUR TICKETS ASAP! THANK YOU** to those who have returned tickets.

OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE YOUR PARISH:

Opportunities exist to assist the parish as **Lectors, Ushers, Extraordinary Ministers of Communion, Servers, and Choir Members (Adult & Youth)**. If you haven't been active and wish to be more active, don't be afraid to step forward. New faces are always welcome to participate in these and more ministries in the parish. You are invited to think about how you can be involved in parish life and take a step in that direction by contacting the parish offices at St. Bernard (248-5112) or St. Damian (248-5134).



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THE VETERANS TRIBUTE @ KASKASKIA COLLEGE

Committee members are collecting *names of veterans and those currently in the military*, to be put on the three (3) additional walls that will be added late 2017/early 2018. If you or a relative are a veteran/currently in the military and your name is not on the first two (2) walls which were completed a few years ago, and you DO want your name added, we need the following information: **your legal first name, middle initial, last name and branch of service.** You may contact Jim Beasley, chairman of the committee, 618-292-4461; Dr. Dee Boswell 618-322-6214 or Agnes White @aggigw@yahoo.com or 618-495-2217.



COMMUNITY CONCERNS/EVENTS:

CALLING ALL PHOTOGRAPHERS! Clinton County is sponsoring a *Photo Contest* that will run from **NOW to September 30, 2017!** The photos will be used on tourism websites, county websites, and promotional material to showcase our area. These photos will also be made available to promote Albers and all the towns in Clinton County. The photography contest webpage is at www.clintoncountyphotocontest.com. Please contact Jay Donnelly, Clinton County GIS Coordinator, if you have any additional questions. Phone: 618-594-0171 / Website: gis@clintonco.illinois.gov.

St. Francis of Assisi Parish, Aviston:

- ⇒ ***Quilt Show*** on **Sunday July 23rd** from 11:00 am – 3:00 pm. The show will be at the Parish Center on 2nd & Clinton Streets. The show will feature beautiful quilts that will be awarded as bingo prizes for single bingo winners at the annual picnic on **Saturday, August 5th**. The Special Raffle quilt for the picnic and the bi-monthly quilt of the month quilts will also be on display and raffle tickets will be available for sale. Admission is \$3 which also includes refreshments. Attendance prizes for each day.
- ⇒ ***Annual Parish Picnic*** on **Saturday, August 5th** from 3:30 pm till 12 midnight. Come and enjoy a dinner of *Fried Chicken* served from 3:30-7:30 pm in the air conditioned hall. *Mass* at 4:00 pm. *Quilt Bingo* starts at 6:30 pm. Every game is played for a beautiful quilt. Other attractions are raffles, basket booths, margaritas and more. Additional information offered online at www.stfrancisav.org or call 618-228-7219.

St. Boniface Church, Germantown: ***Church Picnic*** on **Tuesday, July 25th** on the church grounds. *Fried Chicken & Roast Pork Dinner* starting at 3:30pm in air conditioned cafeteria with carry outs available. *Cash/Quilt Bingo* at 6:30 pm. *Inflatables, Games, Raffles, Canned Beer, Hamburgers*, and all the usual *Picnic Attractions!*

St. Mary Church, Trenton: ***Church Picnic*** on **Saturday, July 29th** from 6:00 pm to midnight (rain or shine). *Mass* at 4:00 pm. *Fried Chicken & Roast Pork Dinner* with all the trimmings; dine-in from 3:00-6:00 pm in the air conditioned hall and carry outs from 3:00-7:00 pm. Delivery available within city limits, call 224-9274. *Quilt/Cash Bingo* starts at 6:30 pm in the air conditioned hall with one quilt each series (BL-51720). *Inflatables* from 6:00-11:00 pm. *D.J. Music* 7:30-11:30 pm. *Games, Refreshments, & More.*

National Shrine of Our Lady of the Snows:

- ❖ ***Healing Day of Reflection with John Angotti*** on **Saturday, July 29th** from 3:00-5:00 pm in the Guild Center. John shares his own stories and those of others he has encountered as a music missionary and the way that sacred music brings people through moments of grief and pain to a place of healing and peace. Discover ways to sing and remain faith-filled through your own times of loss and pain. Cost is \$15. For more information, call 618-397-6700 ext. 6270 or www.snows.org/healing.
- ❖ ***74th Annual Healing & Hope Novena*** from **Saturday, July 29th to Sunday August 6th** at 7:30 pm. Each evening of the Novena includes Mass, special music, scripture reflections and prayers for finding healing and hope within life's difficulties. Each evening concludes with a candlelight rosary procession. The Novena is FREE. For more information, call 618-397-6700 ext. 6276 or www.snows.org/novena.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter (WWME): Just as a small mustard seed can become a large and elaborate bush, discover how a ***WWME Weekend*** can encourage your marriage to blossom and provide a lifetime of joy. **The next weekend is on August 4th – 6th, 2017.** To register or for more information call 314-649-7317 or go online to www.stl-wwme.org.