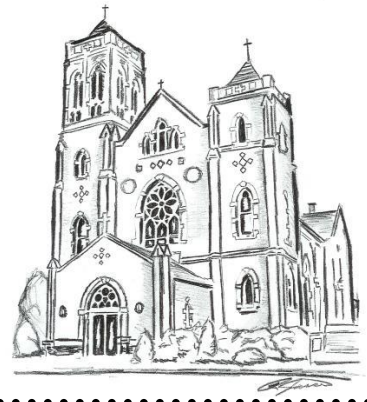




*1st Sunday
In Ordinary Time
July 24th, 2016*



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MASS SCHEDULE:

MONDAY, JULY 25TH

8:00 am Mass @ St. Damian
Fr. Jack Joyce

TUESDAY, JULY 26TH

Service of Word w/Communion
8:00 am @ St. Bernard
For All the Sick

WEDNESDAY, JULY 27TH

NO Mass or Service Scheduled

THURSDAY, JULY 28TH

8:00 am Mass @ St. Bernard
Msgr. Joseph Schwaegel

FRIDAY, JULY 29TH

Service of Word w/Communion
8:00 am @ St. Damian
For Pleasant Weather

SATURDAY, JULY 30TH

5:00 pm Mass @ St. Damian
For All Parishioners

SUNDAY, JULY 31ST

8:30 am Mass @ St. Damian
For All Cancer Victims
10:00 am @ St. Bernard
Francis Luitjohan
11:00 am Mass @ St. Damian
Mass in Spanish

LITURGY OF THE WORD:

Is there a limit to mercy, forgiveness, hope, intercession? Today's readings are about abundance and persistence, grounded in love. With God, there are no limits to mercy or promise. We don't fully understand God's mercy or the meaning or the efficiency of prayer, but we are urged to continue head-on. We are invited into a loving relationship with God and one another, where there are no bounds or limits.

"Lord, on the day I called for help, You answered me."

WELCOME FR. ANTHONY!!

A gathering to welcome Fr. Anthony will be held @ **St. Bernard** on Sunday, July 24th after the 10:00 am Mass in the main entrance of church and @ **St. Damian** on Saturday, July 30th after the 5:00 pm Mass in St. Damian Gym. Please come enjoy some refreshments and meet Fr. Anthony. **WELCOME!!**

CATECHIST MEETINGS:

A Catechist meeting for all Faith Formation Teachers, including Mater Dei Students, will be held on **Thursday, July 28th** at 6:00 pm @ St. Bernard Meeting Room & 7:30 pm @ Deacon Glenn's office at St. Damian.

MISSIONS INTERNATIONAL:

"Strengthening Sister Parish Relationships in the Year of Mercy" sponsored by *Missions International* for participating parishes of the Springfield and Belleville Dioceses. Bishop Cabrera of Jalapa from the Jalapa Diocese in Guatemala will be the guest speaker. The conference will be held on **Tuesday, August 9th** from 11:30 am – 3:30 pm @ St. Mary in Trenton. Our hope is that parishes will be able to share both their successes and challenges resulting in opportunities to strengthen their existing relationships. They will be giving away one round trip airline ticket per diocese to be used for a sister parish visit.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL (VBS)

This one-day event *"Surf Shack - Catch the Wave of God's Amazing Love"* is scheduled for **Sunday, August 14th** @ St. Damian Gym. St. Bernard students who will be working on Confirmation projects, this is a great way to start your Confirmation year!

HAPPENINGS/MEETINGS:

Sunday, July 24th

Welcome Fr. Anthony Gathering

After 10 am Mass in main entrance of church

Wednesday, July 27th

CYM Softball Games

Albers/D-ville I vs Albers/D-ville II @ Albers

Thursday, July 28th

Catechist Meetings

6:00 pm @ St. Bernard Meeting Room

7:30 pm @ Deacon Glenn's Office

Friday, July 29th

Communion to Homebound

Saturday, July 30th

Sacrament of Reconciliation

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

Welcome Fr. Anthony Gathering

After 5:00 pm Mass @ St. Damian Gym

Sunday, July 31st

St. Bernard Cantor Practice

After 10:00 am Mass in church

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:

Anyone wishing to receive the ***Sacrament of Reconciliation*** can do so on **Saturdays** between 4:15-4:45 pm. The sacrament will be held at the parish which is having the Mass that month.

WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE:

Beginning **Monday, August 1st**, the weekday Mass schedule will be as follows:

Monday & Wednesday 8:00 am @ St. Damian;

Tuesday & Thursday 8:00 am @ St. Bernard; &

Friday there will be NO Mass or Prayer Service.

Once the school year begins, the Mass time will be at 7:40 am instead of 8:00 am.

TEENS ENCOUNTER CHRIST (TEC) WEEKEND:

Belleville Diocesan TEC is a three day experience in Christian Living. It is designed for high school juniors through adults who are searching for goals, for acceptance, for meaning, for community, for values, for God. The next TEC weekend is **September 3rd-5th, 2016** @ St. Mary in Mt. Vernon. For an application, visit

www.bellevilletec.org.

ST. DAMIAN PARISH CONCERNS:

CHURCH SUPPORT: July 16th/17th, 2016

Envelopes: \$ 1,637.00 + Loose: \$128.00
+ Mass in Spanish: \$133.00 = \$1,898.00
Budget for week: \$2,831.73
Fiscal year-to-date collected: \$7,190.50
Fiscal year-to-date budget: \$8,495.19
Over (under) year-to-date budget: **(\$1,304.69)**
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.)

Thanks for your faithful and generous support!



CONGRATULATIONS!!

Congratulations to Abrielle Jade Horstmann, child of Jared & Tara (Koerkenmeier) Horstmann, who received the saving waters of baptism on Thursday, July 14th @ St. Damian Church. May God watch over and guide them in their journey of life.

ST. DAMIAN MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Saturday, July 30th, 2016 @ 5:00 pm

Eucharist Ministers — Chris & Beth Brandmeyer, Elaine Williamson
Reader — Anita Rakers
Ushers — Marvin Rakers, Ed Kramer
Servers — Gabby Kramer, Lance & Luke Goebel
Organist — Geri Varel

Sunday, July 31st, 2016 @ 8:30 am

Eucharist Ministers — Florence Jansen, Kevin Toennies, **Rosann Horstmann**
Reader — Bob Innes
Ushers — Bill Jansen, Butch Toennies
Servers — Caleb Gonsalves, Meredith Innes, Reece Deiters
Organist — Geri Varel
Collection Counters — Bob Innes, Kathy Gonsalves, Geri Varel

ST. BERNARD PARISH CONCERNS:

CHURCH SUPPORT: July 17th, 2016

Envelopes: \$1,521.00 + ACH: \$2,095.00
+ Loose: \$64.00 = \$3,680.00
Budget for week: \$2,964.43
Fiscal year-to-date collected: \$8,223.00
Fiscal year-to-date budget: \$8,893.29
Over (under) year-to-date budget: **(\$670.29)**
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.)

Thanks for your faithful and generous support!

"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 21st. **Currently 98 tickets have been sold and 202 still needs to be sold in order to reach our goal.** You should have received an envelope with two tickets; please try to sell both and return the money **by August 1**. If you are unable to sell the tickets, be sure to return them in the envelope provided so they can be sold. 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. *Thank you to those who have already purchased tickets!*

ST. BERNARD MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Sunday, July 31st, 2016 @ 10:00 am

Eucharist Ministers — **Meg Schiefer**, Kevin & Kristen Templin, Cole Schomaker
Reader — Lynette Huegen
Ushers — John, Linda & Michael Majchrzak, Kurt Rickhoff
Servers — Allison & Carson Rickhoff, Noah Broeckling
Collection Counters — Janel Zurliene, John Majchrzak, Kevin Templin

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OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE THE 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).

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR FRONT DESK RECEPTIONIST

CATHOLIC URBAN PROGRAMS

If you have considered volunteering your time for a very worthwhile cause, here's an excellent opportunity. Due to an ever-increasing number of clients to be served, Catholic Urban Programs is seeking volunteers to work as a receptionist at the front desk in their East St. Louis Office which is located at #7 Vieux Carre Drive (Loisel Village area immediately off Route 157). Office hours are 9 a.m.-12 Noon and 1:00p.m. – 4:00p.m., Monday through Friday. Volunteers are needed for half-days (approximately four (4) hours) on Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and/or Friday. Duties would include: answering phones; greeting people; assisting people with applications and directing people to proper staff.

No experience is required; however, you must enjoy working with the public and have good people skills. If you have a morning or afternoon or a day or two available to volunteer, please call Gerry Hasenstab at 618-398-5616, Ext. 203, for additional information. **Thank you so much.**



COMMUNITY CONCERNS/EVENTS:

St. Boniface, Germantown: *Parish Picnic* on **Tuesday, July 26th**. *Fried Chicken & Pork Roast Dinner* served in A/C Cafeteria from 3:00-7:00 pm; *Quilt & Cash Bingo* starting at 6:30 pm. Inflatables for the kids, games, raffles, cold beverages and food!

St. Mary, Belleville: *Disney Summer Fun for the Entire Family!* Join Ariel, Flounder, Sebastian and a host of colorful creatures (you might even find Dory) for a rollicking adventure "Under the Sea" as the Broadway Stage Musical "*The Little Mermaid*" is presented **July 28th, 29th & 30th** at 7:30 pm & **July 31st** at 2:00 pm @ the Belleville East Performing Arts Center – 2555 West Boulevard – Belleville. Enjoy the classic Disney tunes, a live orchestra, 50 performers who "swim" around in 200 fanciful costumes, and imaginative settings enhanced by animations! Special features include a costume contest for the kids (with prizes) all 4 dates, an opening night sing-a-long, and a Saturday pre-show VIP Party! Ticket prices only \$5-\$10. Children under 5 admitted free. For more information call 618-409-0015 or email ordertickets@charter.net.

St. Mary Church, Trenton: *Church Picnic* on **Saturday, July 30th** with *Mass* at 4:00 pm. *Craft & Vendor Fair* from 3:00-9:00 pm held in AC School Building – 313 S. Adams Street. *Fried Chicken & Roast Pork Dinner* served 3:00-6:00 pm (dine-in) & 3:00-7:00 pm (carry outs) in the AC Hall – 325 S. Jefferson. Delivery available within city limits, call 224-9274. *Cash/Quilt bingo* begins at 6:30 pm with one quilt each series in the AC Hall. *Music* by Country Road Cruisers from 7:30-11:30 pm. Kids blowups from 6:00-10:00 pm, cake wheel, basket stand, soda, beer, burgers, other beverages, and lots of food.

New Baden American Legion: *Black Light Rock-N-Roll Teen Dance* (ages 13-19) by *DM Audio DJ Event* on **Saturday, July 30th** from 8:00-11:30 pm at the Legion Dance Hall. Adult supervised with a \$5 entry fee. Refreshments and snacks available. Parents are invited to the downstairs bar to watch Cardinal Baseball or bowl.

National Shrine of Our Lady of the Snows:

- ❖ *Healing Day of Reflection: The Shadow Valley Journey: The Journey of Grief* on **Saturday, July 30th** from 9:00 am to 12 noon. Find helpful insights into healing as Rev. Mike Rayson, a native of Australia, shares his own story of loss. *How do you live your faith while dwelling in the shadows of grief?* Cost is \$20. For more information, call 618-397-6700 ext. 6270 or www.snows.org/healing.
- ❖ *73rd Annual Healing & Hope Novena* from **Saturday, July 30th to Sunday August 7th** 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. A candlelight rosary procession closes each evening. The Novena is FREE. For more information, call 618-397-6700 ext. 6276 or www.snows.org/novena.

Belleville TEC & Quest are hosting a *Fellowship Celebration* on **Sunday, July 31st** from 4:00-9:00 pm @ Holy Trinity in Fairview Heights. The evening will consist of *Mass* at 5:00 pm featuring *Oddwalk Ministries* leading the worship. Food will be available for purchase after Mass from a food truck and pizza sold by the slice from 7:00-9:00 pm with a concert by *Oddwalk Ministries*. Weather permitting, the concert will be held outside, so please bring lawn chairs. All are welcome. The concert is FREE. Donation boxes will be available if anyone wishes to give a free-will offering.