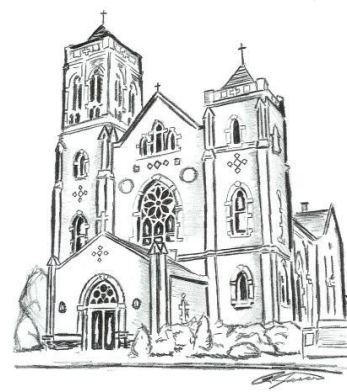




*Twenty-third Sunday
In Ordinary Time
September 8th, 2019*



St. Damian Parish

Founded 1861
One West Main Street
Damiansville, Illinois 62215
Phone: (618) 248-5134
Fax: (618) 248-5134

"...whoever does not
carry their cross and
follow me cannot be
my disciple."
~ Luke 14:27



WEBSITE:

www.stbernardandstdamian.org

St. Bernard Parish

Founded 1908
202 N. Broadway – Box 10
Albers, Illinois 62215
Phone: (618) 248-5112
Fax: (618) 248-5595

BISHOP OF BELLEVILLE:

The Most Rev. Edward K. Braxton, Ph.D., S.T.D.

ADMINISTRATOR:

Fr. Anthony Onyango

Email: utugo@yahoo.com

Cell Phone: 424-536-6906

Residence at St. Bernard

PASTORAL ASSOCIATE & DRE:

Deacon Glenn Netemeyer

Email: deaconglen36@gmail.com

Personal Email: gnetemeyer@msn.com

Cell Phone: 618-772-9343

Office at St. Damian

NC VICARIATE HISPANIC MINISTER:

Sister Ellen Orf, CPPS

Email: ellen_46@yahoo.com

Cell Phone: 636-293-8253

Office / Residence at St. Damian

PERMANENT DEACON:

Deacon Kevin Templin

Email: deaconkevin18@gmail.com

Cell Phone: 314-660-3976

SECRETARY:

Jeanne Langenhorst

Email: st.bernard@charter.net

Cell Phone: 618-979-5933

Monday & Friday @ St. Bernard or St. Damian

Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday

@ CLC, New Baden.

CATHOLIC YOUTH MINISTER:

Michelle "Shelly" Schuetz

Email: maschuetz@hotmail.com

Cell Phone: 618-401-6007

MASS SCHEDULE:

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 9TH

7:45 am Prayer Service @ St. Damian

For Those Suffering Difficulties

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 10TH

7:45 am Prayer Service @ St. Bernard

For Vocations

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 11TH

7:45 am Prayer Service @ St. Damian

For Elected Officials

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 12TH

7:45 am Prayer Service @ St. Bernard

For Our Communities

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 13TH

NO Mass/NO Prayer Service Scheduled

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 14TH

4:00 pm Mass @ St. Damian

Clarence & Rita Netemeyer

Ralph & Brian Brandmeyer

Blake Thole

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 15TH

8:30 am Mass @ St. Damian

Bill & Rosie Athmer

Lindy, Lynn & Irene Horstmann

Rose Kalmer

10:00 am Mass @ St. Bernard

For All Parishioners

11:00 am Mass @ St. Damian

Mass in Spanish



"Like & Share us on Facebook"

St. Bernard Catholic Church-Albers

LITURGY OF THE WORD:

Today's lessons are not easy. Wisdom acknowledges that God's ways cannot be understood through human thought. Jesus, explaining what it takes to follow Him, repeatedly frames the requirements as **"whoever does not...cannot be my disciple"**. But Paul is encouraging and positive, speaking of the conversion of someone who was once a slave, but is now a brother and partner. **Let us find hope in our mission as Christ's twenty-first century disciples.**

HAPPENINGS/MEETINGS:

Sunday, September 8th

Masses:

8:30 am @ St. Damian Church

10:00 am @ St. Bernard Church

Knights of Columbus Devotion to Our Lady of Guadalupe 10:30 am @ St. Damian Church

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

Chicken Dinner 4:30-7:00 pm @ Albers Legion

Monday, September 9th

NO Mass – Prayer Service w/Communion

7:45 am @ St. Damian Church

Fr. Anthony leaves on Convocation

Tuesday, September 10th

NO Mass – Prayer Service w/Communion

7:45 am @ St. Bernard Church

Wednesday, September 11th

NO Mass – Prayer Service w/Communion

7:45 am @ St. Damian Church

Eucharistic Adoration w/ Benediction

7:00 pm @ St. Damian Church

St. Bernard Choir Practice 7:00 pm @ Church

Thursday, September 12th

NO Mass – Prayer Service w/Communion

7:45 am @ St. Bernard Church

Fr. Anthony returns from Convocation

Friday, September 13th

Communion to the Homebound

Saturday, September 14th

Mass 4:00 pm @ St. Damian Church

Sunday, September 15th

Breakfast 8:00-11:00 am @ Albers Legion

Catechetical Sunday Masses:

8:30 am @ St. Damian Church

10:00 am @ St. Bernard Church

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

VOCATION CORNER:

"Whoever does not carry his own cross and come after me cannot be my disciple." (Luke 14:27) What a challenge Jesus has issued to us to follow our call. Our discipleship is based on our acting in accord with His will for our lives. Do we ever take a moment and reflect on our "call" in life and how we are fulfilling that call? Our crosses come in varied shapes and sizes. Some of us are to fulfill our selves in marriage; some in the single life; some in the religious life. Encourage and support each other in succeeding in carrying our individual crosses.

"In every age, O Lord, You have been our refuge."

FAITH FORMATION (FF) INFORMATION:

- † ***Catechetical Sunday*** will be celebrated on **Sunday, September 15th**. All *Faith Formation Catechists, Children's Liturgy Leaders/Shepherds, Sunday School Teachers, and Volunteers* please plan to attend Mass to be recognized for your service and receive a blessing. **St. Damian** 8:30 am Mass & **St. Bernard** 10:00 am Mass.
- † Sign up now to receive the ***Monthly Faith Formation (FF) Newsletter*** via email! The newsletter is a great way to find out what the FF students are learning in class, follow their extra activities, and learn about important dates and fundraisers. You will also get words of wisdom from Father Anthony, Deacon Glenn, Deacon Kevin, and Sister Ellen. If you would like to be added to the email distribution list, simply send your request via email to tammyiphone@charter.net NOTE: If you have a child enrolled in the FF program currently, you are already signed up to receive the newsletter. The FF Newsletters are also posted on the parish website at <http://www.stbernardandstdamian.org>. Go to Faith Education, Faith Formation, Faith Formation Newsletters.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION

RCIA – Do you know someone interested in becoming Catholic who is not baptized or was baptized in another Christian Church? Inquiry Sessions for RCIA will begin on **Monday, September 16th** at 7:00 pm @ St. Dominic Annex, Breese. To register or if you have any questions please contact Deacon Glenn Netemeyer (618) 772-9343 or (618) 248-5134; or email deaconglenn36@gmail.com OR Fr. Anthony Onyango (618) 248-5112 or (424) 536-6906; or email utugo@yahoo.com.

PARISHES NEEDY FUND COLLECTION:

The second collection taken **the weekend of Sept. 14th/15th** will be used for those less fortunate within our communities. This collection assists residents within Albers & Damiansville who need help paying rent, utility bills, and provides fuel/food for travelers. **Please be as generous as possible.**

ST. DAMIAN PARISH CONCERNS:

CHURCH SUPPORT: September 1st, 2019

Envelopes: \$1,275.00 + Loose: \$90.25

Mass in Spanish: \$369.16 = \$1,734.41

Budget for week: \$3,038.46

Fiscal year-to-date collected: \$23,493.93

Fiscal year-to-date budget: \$27,346.14

Over (under) year-to-date budget: (\$ 3,852.21)

Fiscal year (7/16-6/17) budget: \$158,000.00

(**Reminder:** The fiscal year budget **does not** include the \$59,675.00 transferred from: Savings, Building Fund, Cemetery & Picnic Checking Accounts, which is needed in order to balance the budget.)

Thank you for your faithful and generous support!

ST. DAMIAN PICNIC:

Two Men are needed to serve on *St. Damian Picnic Committee* with Cole Horstmann & Adam Fuehne. To make the picnic a success, we need people to step up, be willing to share your talents, and take charge. If you are interested in helping make decisions regarding the picnic, please contact Cole (618-210-6721) or Adam (618-520-3637). **Thank you.**

OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE IMAGE:

The Knights of Columbus & John Wieter will be bringing the *Missionary Image of Our Lady of Guadalupe* to St. Damian Church on **Sunday, Sept. 8th**. There will be a special service at 10:30 am before the Mass in Spanish. All are welcome to pray for the many Pro-Life needs.

ST. DAMIAN CELEBRATION:

St. Damian will gather for a *Bilingual Mass* (music and scriptures) on **Sunday, Sept. 22nd** at 11:00 am with a potluck celebrate with games to follow in St. Damian Gym. We are looking to form a committee and are asking for volunteers to help with planning the potluck, games or any other way of helping. If any parishioners are interested, please contact Sr. Ellen at 636-293-8253

VILLAGE OF DAMIANSVILLE:

Village-Wide Garage Sales on **Saturday, Oct. 12th** from 7:00 am-4:00 pm (sales may also be open on **Friday, Oct. 11th** for those who want to be open 2 days). All Residents are welcome to participate by setting up in their own garages and driveways. Contact Geri Varel 248-5223 if you would like your address included on a hand-out that will be available for distribution that weekend.

ST. DAMIAN MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Saturday, September 14th, 2019 @ 4:00 pm

Communion Ministers — Beth Brandmeyer, Diana Jansen

Reader — Kathleen Hodges

Ushers — Ed & Sandy Kramer

Servers — Avery & Kenna Budde

Organist — Geri Varel

Sunday, September 15th, 2019 @ 8:30 am

Communion Ministers — Kevin Toennies, Rosann Horstmann

Reader — Chris Kalmer

Ushers — Norm Horstmann, Steve Kalmer

Servers — Hunter Toennies, William & Anthony Athmer

Organist — Geri Varel

Counters — Mel Toennies, Kathy Gonsalves, Mech Toennies

Children's Liturgy — Jackie & CeCe Toennies

Just a reminder: Children's Liturgy is for students Pre-K age through 3rd grade.

ST. BERNARD PARISH CONCERNS:

CHURCH SUPPORT: August 31st/Sept. 1st, 2019

Envelopes: \$1,695.00 + Loose: \$475.00 = \$2,170.00

Budget for week: \$3,134.14

Fiscal year-to-date collected: \$22,026.00

Fiscal year-to-date budget: \$28,207.26

Over (under) year-to-date budget: (\$ 6,181.26)

Fiscal year (7/19-6/20) budget: \$162,975.00

(**Reminder:** The fiscal year budget **does not** include the \$41,250.00 transferred from: Men's Club, Ladies Sodality, & Fund Raiser Checking Accounts, which is needed in order to balance the budget.)

Thank you for your faithful and generous support!

ST. BERNARD MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Sunday, September 15th, 2019 @ 10:00 am

Communion Ministers — Ray Gill, Lynn Athmer, Cole Schomaker

Reader — Reagan Rickhoff

Ushers — Ken & Dana Lake, Ed & Sharon Wuebbels

Servers — Lydia & Chloe Engelmann, Brooke Rickhoff

Counters — Lynn Athmer, Dana Lake, James Williams

Children's Liturgy — Janel Zurliene



Congratulations to *Bradford Alan Farrar & Jacquelin Ann Peters* who were united in marriage on Sunday, Sept. 1st by Fr. Anthony Onyango. Best wishes on your new journey!!

ST. BERNARD WURSTMARKT:

- ❖ **Wurstmarkt** will be held on **Sunday, Sept. 29th** from 10:30 am-5:30 pm in the parish center.
- ❖ **Grandparent & godparent blessing** with **Bluegrass Music** at the 10:00 am Mass in St. Bernard Church.
- ❖ **Steer Raffle Tickets** have been delivered and can be returned by: ❶ dropping in the collection basket; ❷ mailing to the rectory; or ❸ bringing the day of the Wurstmarkt. If you did not receive tickets or need additional tickets, please contact Rich Albers at 248-6116.

FAITH FORMATION BASKET RAFFLE:

St. Bernard Faith Formation classes are putting together baskets, and we are asking for donated items to use on the basket or a monetary donation (suggestion of \$5.00 or more) to prepare the basket in conjunction with the **Wurstmarkt** on **Sunday, Sept. 29th**. Please send a donation to the Faith Formation class teacher for the class basket. **Additional baskets from families and friends are always welcome.** If you have any questions or a basket donation, please call Janel Zurliene at 248-5571 or bring your basket to Albers Elementary School. Mega tickets for the basket raffle will be available **now through the Wurstmarkt**. The MEGA ticket is \$20 and receives a chance on each basket.

PART TIME CHOIR DIRECTOR POSITION:

St. Bernard Parish is seeking a new **Choir Director**, for their established adult choir, to replace the outgoing choir director. The director will work with the organist and the liturgical committee to establish the choral needs for the parish throughout the year. He/She will also set the choir rehearsal schedule to accomplish those needs as they see fit. An Associate's Degree, equivalent or better, in Music is preferable but not a necessity; if the applicant has multiple years of experience in music performance and has well established leadership skills. Ability to play the piano or organ would be a plus but not required. This is a paid position and perfect for someone who is just starting out and looking for an opportunity to advance their music career or someone who is winding down a professional career in music. To inquire more about the position and/or apply please contact Fr. Anthony Onyango 424-536-6906 or utugo@yahoo.com. **This position is available for the fall of 2019 liturgical season so don't delay.**

HSHS ST. JOSEPH'S HOSPITAL, BREESE:

Pre-registration is open for the upcoming **Health Fair Screenings**. The screenings will take place on **Wednesday, Sept. 11th** from 6:00-10:00 am @ Breese KC Hall. The community is recommended to pre-register for the event. **On-site registration will only be available from 8:00-10:00 am.** For more info, contact Chris at 618-526-5351 or sjb.healthfair@hshs.org.

COMMUNITY CONCERNS/EVENTS:

Carlyle Healthcare Center: Annual Grandparent's Day Picnic on **Sunday, Sept. 8th** from 11:00 am to 3:00 pm located in the back of the facility. Day includes: Mass at 1:00 pm, live music, silent auction, vendor fair, raffles, rides, games, food & drinks. Ask Karen Isaak or Breann Loddeke for any questions.

Albers American Legion:

- ⇒ **Chicken Dinner** on **Sunday, Sept. 8th** from 4:30-7:00 pm @ the Legion. Fried chicken, mash potatoes & gravy, green beans, corn, slaw, applesauce, cold macaroni salad and dessert. All Bingo Players eat for \$7.00. *25% of proceeds will be donated to Albers & Damiansville Schools.*
- ⇒ **Queen of Hearts Drawing** held **every Sunday** at 7:00 pm @ the Legion.
- ⇒ **Breakfast** will be held on **Sunday, Sept. 15th** from 8:00-11:00 am @ the Legion. Sausage, ham, pancakes, eggs, fried potatoes and biscuits & gravy with carry outs available. *Proceeds for Legion Youth Programs.*

Mater Dei Class of 1969: 5th Class Reunion will be held on **Saturday, Sept. 14th**. For more information contact Jane Zurliene at 618-304-4250.

St. George Church, New Baden:

- **"Taste & See"** fundraiser on **Saturday, Sept. 14th** from 6:00-9:00 pm @ St. George Community Life Center (CLC). This fundraiser is to help finish the stained glass church window restoration project. Cost of \$40 per person at the door, or prior to the event, if tickets are purchased individually. Tickets are discounted to \$70 per couple or \$280 if purchased for tables of groups of 8. Seating is limited to a total of 200 people. No one under the age of 18 may attend; and no wine tasting is permitted for anyone under the age of 21. For additional details, donation & sponsorship information, please call Joyce Schomaker (618-588-7187), Jeff Bair (314-852-7311) or Fr. Gene Neff (618-588-4323).
- **Craft & Vendor Fair** sponsored by *St. George Family Life & Social Activities Committee* will be held on **Saturday, Sept. 21st** from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm @ St. George Community Life Center (CLC). Many vendors will be available.

Office of Worship & The Diocesan Liturgical

Commission: The **"Liturgical Lollapalooza"** is on **Saturday, Sept. 21st** from 8:30 am to 12:30 pm @ Sacred Heart Parish in DuQuoin. **The day is for cantors, choir members, piano and organ players and all musicians!** Please go to <https://secure.acceptiva.com/?cst=gKTWNt> to register. Contact the Office of Worship at 722-5038 or shuett@diobelle.org for more information.