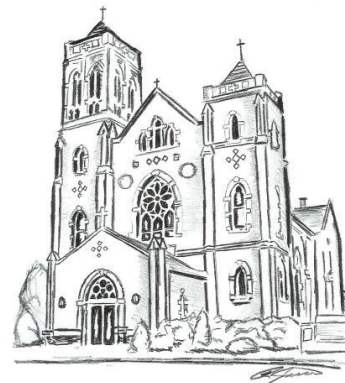




**TWENTY- NINTH SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME
WORLD MISSION SUNDAY
OCTOBER 20th, 2024**



For even the Son of man came not to be ministered unto, but to minister, and to give his life a ransom for many.

Mark 10:45



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St. Bernard and St. Damian

MASS SCHEDULE:

MONDAY, OCTOBER 21st

Prayer Service in Church

7:45 am @ St. Damian

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 22nd

Prayer Service in Church

7:45 am @ St. Bernard

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 23rd

Mass in Church

7:45 am @ St. Damian

Steve Mueth

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 24th

Mass in Church

7:45 am @ St. Bernard

For All Parishioners

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 25th

NO MASS/NO SERVICE

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 26th

Mass in Church-Candle Mass

4:00 PM @ St. Bernard

Darlene Billhartz

Herman & Hulda Kollmann

Delmond, Eleanor & Cynthia Huegen, Marcel Korte

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 27th

Mass in Church-Candle Mass

9:30 AM @ St. Damian

Edward & Marie Eilering

Hispanic Mass in Church

11:00 AM @ St. Damian

LITURGY OF THE WORD:

Isaiah 53: 10-11; Hebrews 4: 14-16; Mark 10: 35-45

The theme running through today's readings is service and our Lord's commitment to be the servant of all. Isaiah prophesies about a servant who will suffer and give his life as an offering for sin. The reading from Hebrews reminds us that Jesus was tested in every way, willing to become weak for our sake. In the Gospel, Jesus tells his disciples he came not to be served but to serve. Let today's readings inspire us to serve others as we live out our faith.

HAPPENINGS/MEETINGS:

Sunday, October 20th

Archibald Becker Baptism W/ Deacon Kevin

8:30 am @ St. Damian

Mass in Church

9:30 am @ St. Damian

Hispanic Mass in Church

11:00 am @ St. Damian Church

Monday, October 21st

Prayer Service in Church

7:45 am @ St. Damian

Tuesday, October 22nd

Prayer Service in Church

7:45 am @ St. Bernard

Eucharistic Adoration

7:00-8:00 pm @ St. Bernard

St. Damian Adult Choir Practice

7:00 pm @ St. Damian Church

Wednesday, October 23rd

Mass in Church

7:45 am @ St. Damian

St. Bernard Choir Practice

7:00 pm @ St. Bernard Church

Thursday, October 24th

Mass in Church

7:45 am @ St. Bernard

Friday, October 25th

NO MASS/NO SERVICE

Legion of Mary

5:00 in English @ St. Damian

5:00-8:00 Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

6:00 in Spanish @ St. Damian

Saturday, October 26th - Food Bags Delivered

Mass in Church-Candle Mass

4:00 pm @ St. Bernard

Sunday, October 27th - PSR Children singing @ Mass

Youth Choir Practice

8:30 am @ St. Damian

Mass in Church-Candle Mass

9:30 am @ St. Damian

Hispanic Mass in Church

11:00 am @ St. Damian Church

Mexican Food Sunday

11:00 am @ St. Damian Gym

**FILL US WITH YOUR LOVE, O LORD,
AND WE WILL SING FOR JOY!**

JOINT-PARISH DIRECTORY INFO: If there are any issues with the photos you received, please contact Universal Church Directories at 419-522-5011. Office hours are 8am - 4:30pm EST. If you have not yet received your photos from your directory photo session, please contact Emily at 618-978-5806 or Deb Schomaker at 618-806-5191. We will keep you posted regarding delivery of the new directory books!

Fr. Matthew's Official Installation as our Pastor

will be on Sunday, November 10, at the 9:30 am Mass at St. Bernard's. We thank Fr. Matthew for his continued leadership of our parishes!

RESPECT LIFE MONTH. "I would now like to say a special word to women who have had an abortion. The Church is aware of the many factors which may have influenced your decision, and she does not doubt that in many cases it was a painful and even shattering decision. The wound in your heart may not yet have healed. ...But do not give in to discouragement and do not lose hope. ...The Father of mercies is ready to give you his forgiveness and his peace in the Sacrament of Reconciliation."
-40 Days for Life, Now- Nov. 3rd, Fairview Heights

REMEMBERING OUR DECEASED:

With the feasts of *All Saints* and *All Souls* approaching on **Nov. 1st & 2nd** our parishes will be remembering the faithful who have gone before us: † **A BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE** is displayed in the entrances of church for anyone to write the names of deceased loved ones. **A CANDLE RITUAL** will be held for *All Souls Day* honoring those parishioners who have passed to eternal life since last Nov. 1st at the following Masses:

4:00 pm @ St. Bernard on October 26th
9:30 am @ St. Damian on October 27th
(PSR children will be singing at Mass)

ST. DAMIAN PARISH CONCERNS:

CHURCH SUPPORT: October 13th

Loose: \$202.00+ Envelopes: (22) \$+\$4,650.00
+ Mass in Spanish: \$1,239.00 \$6,091.00
Budget for week: \$3,212.00
Fiscal year-to-date collected: \$49,012.61
Fiscal year-to-date budget: \$48,180.00
Over (under) year-to-date budget: 832.61
Fiscal year (7/24-6/25) budget: \$167,000.00

(**Reminder:** The fiscal year budget **does not** include the **\$70,875.00** transferred from: Savings, Building Fund, & Picnic Checking Accounts, which is needed in order to balance the budget.)

Thank you for your faithful and generous support!

MINISTRY SCHEDULE – October 27th

Minister: Deb Santel, Ruth Jansen, Denise Luitjohan
Ushers: Bud Jansen, Brad Richter
Servers: Gracie Deiters, Tessa Siverly, Miranda Richter
Lector: Rosann Horstmann
Cantor: Kristy Richter
Organist: Geri Varel
Coll. Counters: Kathleen Hodges, Kristy Richter
Thank you for being ministers of your parish!

WE'RE EXCITED! IT'S ALMOST YOUTH CHOIR

TIME! The Christmas season is coming fast! The first Youth Choir practice, in preparation for Christmas Eve, will begin at church on Sunday Oct 27 at 8:30am. All youth in Grades 3-12 and college-age students are welcome to participate and "Make a Joyful Noise!" The Youth Choir will sing for Christmas Eve Mass at 4pm on Dec 24 (it's a Tuesday afternoon). If kids or parents have any questions, please call Jackie at 618-335-9562 or Geri at 618-444-5073. We are looking forward to seeing lots of smiling faces every Sunday at 8:30am beginning Sunday Oct 27!

The St. Damian Adult Choir will begin practices for Christmas on Tuesday, October 22 at 7:00 p.m. Practices will be held on most Tuesdays until Christmas. New members are always welcome. Even if you can make just a few of the practices, please consider joining us. If you have any questions, please contact Chris Brandmeyer at 618-792-2676.

VILLAGE BOARD ELECTIONS WILL BE April 1, 2025. Positions open for re-election are Mayor 4-year term and 3 trustee positions for a 4-year term and one trustee for a 2-year term. If you are interested or want more information, call Kristie Santel (618)973-9575 or village hall at 618-248-5111. Paperwork must be filed by November 2024. Would you like to register to vote but don't have the time to get to courthouse or DMV? Contact your Village clerk. They can get you registered.

ST. BERNARD PARISH CONCERNS:

CHURCH SUPPORT: October 12th

Loose: \$54.00+ Envelopes: (25) \$1,090.00
\$1,144.00
Budget for week: \$3,385.00
Fiscal year-to-date collected: \$41,716.75
Fiscal year-to-date budget: \$50,775.00
Over (under) year-to-date budget: **(\$9,058.25)**
Fiscal year (7/24-6/25) budget: \$176,000.00

(**Reminder:** The fiscal year budget **does not** include the **\$49,525.00** transferred from: Men's Club & Fund Raiser Checking Accounts, which is needed in order to balance the budget.)

Thank you for your faithful and generous support

MINISTRY SCHEDULE – October 26th

Ministers: Ken & Liz Nussbaumer, Steve Schomaker
Lector: Kelly Jansen
Ushers: Nick & Kathy Friederich
Servers: Kinley Barth, Emree & Asher Athmer
Coll. Counters: Sean Kennedy, Phyllis Albers, Lynn Athmer
Thank you for being ministers of your parish!

ST. BERNARD'S CHOIR PRACTICE will be held on Wednesdays at 7:00 pm at Church. New members are welcome to join us in making beautiful music for our parish.

THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE:

The *Annual Food Drive for St. Damian and St. Bernard* will be collecting non-perishable food items and household supplies for the food pantries. The bags will be dropped off **Saturday, October 26th** and picked up on **Saturday, Nov. 2nd beginning at 8:00 am. NO GLASS OR EXPIRED ITEMS PLEASE!** IF YOU HAVE A LONG LANE ROAD, WE ARE ASKING IF YOU COULD PLEASE SET THE BAGS AT THE END OF YOUR LANE ROAD FOR PICKUP. We would truly appreciate it. All items will be taken to St. Bernard Parish Center for sorting and will be taken to the Daystar Program in Cairo. Bags can be dropped off at St. Bernard's Church, St. Damian's Church or Albers Village Hall also. *Thank you very much for your generosity!*

ST. DAMIAN HISPANIC COMMUNITY

MEXICAN SUNDAY, October 27 @ 11:00 am in the St. Damian Gym. Tacos steak or pork, tamales red or green. \$15/plate.

ALBERS LEGION BREAKFAST, SUNDAY, OCTOBER 20 from 8-11. Sausage, ham, pancakes, fried potatoes, biscuits & gravy.

TRICK OR TREATING: VILLAGE OF ALBERS will be held on Friday, October 25, from 6-8 pm. Porchlights on to welcome.
VILLAGE OF DAMIANSVILLE will be held on Sunday, October 27, from 6-8.

ST. DAMIAN HISPANIC COMMUNITY MEXICAN SUNDAY, October 27 @ 11:00 am in the St. Damian Gym. Tacos steak or pork, tamales red or green. \$15/plate.

ST. CECILIA, BARTELSON, FRIED CHICKEN DINNER, Sunday, November 3 from 11-6 pm at Bartelso School Cafeteria. Dine-in from 11-1, drive-thru from 11-5 pm. ½ Chicken, mashed potatoes & gravy, green beans, dressing, cake. \$15.00

Albers American Legion Auxiliary Dressing Sale. We will be making dressing for your holiday dinners. Pickup date is Friday, November 22nd. Gallon is \$15.00, 1/2 gallon is \$8.00. Call Albers Legion at 248-5505 before November 10th to place your order.

Mater Dei Open House for Prospective Families: November 3. Mater Dei will host their annual Open House on Sunday, November 3, from 12 p.m. to 2 p.m. Families with students in grades 5 through 8 are invited to explore and to receive information related to the various aspects of Mater Dei, especially the Mater Dei difference. Visit Mater Dei's website for detailed information and the tour registration link: www.materdeiknights.org ("Announcements" section). Families who cannot attend may contact Assistant Principal Mrs. Maria Zurliene for an informational folder (mzurliene@materdeiknights.org).

Mater Dei Fall Play: November 1, 2, 3

Enjoy a performance of Mater Dei's fall play, the timeless *A Christmas Carol*, on November 1 or 2 at 7:00 p.m. or November 3 at 2:00 p.m. Tickets (\$6) will be available at the door.

National Shrine of Our Lady of the Snows Way of Lights Volunteer Request. Friday, November 22 – Tuesday, December 31, 2024. Looking for a special way to share the holiday spirit? Volunteer for a shift or two during the Way of Lights greeting visitors to the Christmas tree display at the Shrine of Our Lady of the Snows from November 22 through December 31. This is also a great opportunity for youth service hours, too. If interested, please email programs@snows.org, call 618-394-6281.

SUPPORT OUR SAINTS ~ S.O.S. RAFFLE: All Saints Academy is excited to begin its 10th annual fundraising campaign, the Support Our Saints – S.O.S. Raffle, beginning October 1. It is an online, email-based raffle that will provide one lucky winner with a Grand Prize of \$5,000, one \$1,000 prize, one \$500 prize, or one of ten \$100 prizes! A \$200 prize will be awarded as part of our "Early Bird" drawing, to be held on October 10, 2024. The "Early Bird" drawing will include all tickets purchased through October 9, 2024 (online ticket purchases by 11:59 pm and offline ticket purchases received in the ASA office by 3:00 pm). The "Early Bird" winner will be eligible for the remaining prizes. Tickets are \$25 or BUY 5, get 1 FREE. Purchases are limited to those 18 years of age and older. The raffle campaign will close on November 1, 2024 (online ticket purchases by 11:59 pm and offline ticket purchases received at the ASA office by 3:00 pm.) Winners will be chosen by a computerized drawing and will be announced Saturday, November 2. To purchase a ticket, use the link below, access a Printable Raffle Ticket on the ASA website, contact an ASA family, or Lynn Winkeler (618-789-3342 – klwinkeler1@gmail.com) <https://goraisedough.com/buy/2560/63218> – **will be active Oct 1 – Nov 1.**

FOR THE HOMELESS OR NEEDY

Fleece or flannel material needed to sew on the back of knit material. Will be donated to nursing homes and St. Vincent DePaul Drop-In Center. Made to order as long as supplies last. Adult bibs, lap buddies for wheelchairs, walker & wheelchair accessories, throws, baby blankets & pillows. All items will be made from donated materials. For further information, please text or call Patricia Brandmeyer at (618) 541-7772.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter presents weekend experiences for married couples to rekindle romance, enhance meaningful communications, and deepen and renew commitment. Below are listed our upcoming dates. Sign up now as space is limited. For more info, go to wwme.org or call Terry & Eric Engholm at 314-649-73171.
12/6-12/8, 1/31-2/2, 4/4-4/6 in St. Peters, Mo.

King's House at the National Shrine of Our Lady of the Snows – Visitors Center. An Advent Day of Prayer – The Three Comings of Christ. Presenter – Karen Seaborn. Saturday, December 7, 2024. 9:00-3:00

HURRICANE VICTIM RELIEF DONATIONS

The Needy Fund Collection that was taken up at Mass the weekend of October 12 & 13th will be donated to the Catholic Charities USA for the Hurricane Helene victims. We raised over \$700 between the two parishes. Thanks to all that donated to this worthy cause. All funding to Catholic Charities USA is being sent to local agencies and communities directly affected by Hurricane Helene. If anyone would like to help our brothers and sisters in need, I encourage you to make an online donation at www.catholiccharitiesusa.org.

CATHOLIC YOUTH MINISTRY (HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS): Find the latest information at
<http://www.stbernardandstdamian.org/catholic-youth-ministry.html>