



St. Damian Parish

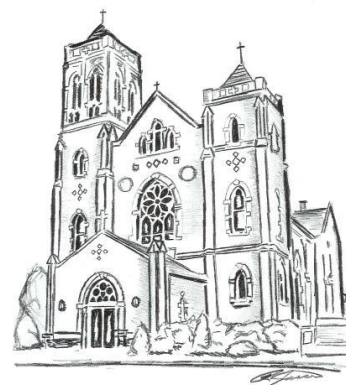
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**St. Bernard and St. Damian
Catholic Churches**

MASS SCHEDULE:

MONDAY, OCTOBER 23rd

7:45 AM @ St. Damian
Prayer Service

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 24th

7:45 AM @ St. Bernard
Prayer Service

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 25th

7:45 am Mass @ St. Damian
For the People

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 26th

7:45 am Mass @ St. Bernard
For The People

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 27th

NO MASS/SERVICE

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 28th

Mass in Church
4:00 PM @ St. Bernard
Living & Deceased of the Ed Schrage Family
Virginia Thuenemann

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 29th

Mass in Church
9:30 AM @ St. Damian
David, Marian & Dave Sudholt
Margaret Knipmann
Bob Innes & All ALS Sufferers
Florence Horstmann
Deceased Members of Robert Kalmer Family

Hispanic Mass in Church
11:00 AM @ St. Damian

LITURGY OF THE WORD:

Isaiah 45: 1, 4-6; 1Thesalonians 1: 1-5b; Matthew 22: 15-21

Both Isaiah and Jesus describe a feast in the readings we hear today, a feast given by God, a feast to which all are invited. Cyrus, the great Persian king, did not know God. But Isaiah maintains that God called him by name. The people of Thessalonica did not know Christ. But Paul asserts that the Holy Spirit brought him and the gospel to them. Jesus proposes that we should repay to God what belongs to God. Whether we are conscious of it or not, all we have been given—including our very life—comes ultimately from God. May God's word remind us that we too belong to God.

HAPPENINGS/MEETINGS:

Sunday, October 22nd

Children's Choir Practice

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 23rd

Prayer Service in Church

7:45 am @ St. Damian

Tuesday, October 24th

Prayer Service in Church

7:45 am @ St. Bernard

Eucharistic Adoration

7:00-8:00 @ St. Bernard

St. Damian Adult Choir Practice

7:00 pm @ St. Damian Church

Wednesday, October 25th

Mass in Church

7:45 am @ St. Damian

Thursday, October 26th

Mass in Church

7:45 am @ St. Bernard

Friday, October 27th

NO MASS/SERVICE

Saturday, October 28th

Thanksgiving Food Drive Bag Drop Off

8:00 am @ St. Bernard & St. Damian

Mass in Church – Candle Mass for All Souls Day

4:00 pm @ St. Bernard

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GIVE THE LORD GLORY AND HONOR!

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 Daystar program in Cairo. The bags will be dropped off **Saturday, October 28th** and picked up on **Saturday, Nov. 4th** 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 used to assist those in need. 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!*

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* at the following Masses:
4:00 pm @ St. Bernard on October 28th
9:30 am @ St. Damian on October 29th
honoring those parishioners who have passed to eternal life since last Nov. 1st.

ST. DAMIAN HISPANIC MINISTRY

MEXICAN SUNDAY, November 5 beginning at 11:00 am. Steak or Pork Tacos are 3 for \$10 and 3 tamales red or green for \$10 or \$10 a plate. \$2 soda or water. To order TO GO, call 618-708-1487.

ST. DAMIAN 5-8TH GRADE BAKE SALE

The St. Damian 5-8th grade students will host a bake sale on Sunday, October 29th, before and after the 9:30 Mass and at the Hispanic Mass at 11:00. Proceeds will be sent to Fr. Nicodemus from Kenya to help provide clean water for his people.

ST. DAMIAN PARISH CONCERNS:

CHURCH SUPPORT: October 15th

Loose: \$93.00+ Envelopes: (29) \$4,120.00
+ Mass in Spanish: \$600.00+ Paypal(\$20-1.09)\$18.91
+ ACH for October 16th:\$550.00 \$5,381.91
Budget for week: \$3,121.00
Fiscal year-to-date collected: \$46,223.10
Fiscal year-to-date budget: \$49,936.00
Over (under) year-to-date budget: **(\$3,712.90)**
Fiscal year (7/23-6/24) budget: \$162,300.00
(**Reminder:** The fiscal year budget **does not** include the **\$71,350.00** 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 29th

Euch. Ministers: Rosann Horstmann, Kevin Toennies, Kristy Richter
Ushers: Bud Jansen, Ron Horstmann
Servers: Brant & Paislyn Horstmann, 1 Volunteer
Lector: Beth Brandmeyer
Cantor: Jackie Toennies
Organist: Chris Brandmeyer
Collection Counters: Gwen Toennies, Anita Rakers
Thank you for being ministers of your parish!

ST. DAMIAN CHOIR INFORMATION:

The St. Damian Adult Choir will began practicing on Tuesday, October 10 at 7:00 pm. We are in need of volunteers to keep this musical ministry thriving in our parish. Anyone high school age or older is invited to join. If you have any questions, please contact Chris Brandmeyer at 618-792-2676.

WE'RE EXCITED! IT'S YOUTH CHOIR

TIME! Youth Choir practices will begin at church on Sunday Oct 15 at 8:30am. All youth in Grade 3-12 and college age students are welcome to participate and "Make a Joyful Noise! If kids or parents have any questions, please call Jackie at 618-335-9562 or Geri at 618-444-5073. Looking forward to seeing lots of smiling faces at the first practice on Sunday Oct 15 at 8:30am!

RESPECT LIFE CORNER "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."

ST. BERNARD PARISH CONCERNS:

CHURCH SUPPORT: October 14th

Loose: \$47.00+Envelopes: (34) \$1,899.00
+ ACH for October 16th: \$2,535.00 \$4,481.00
Budget for week: \$3,502.00
Fiscal year-to-date collected: \$47,750.22
Fiscal year-to-date budget: \$56,032.00
Over (under) year-to-date budget: **(\$8,281.78)**
Fiscal year (7/22-6/23) budget: \$182,100.00
(**Reminder:** The fiscal year budget **does not** include the **\$35,300.00** 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 28th

Euch. Minister: Ken & Liz Nussbaumer, Steve Schomaker
Reader: Kelly Jansen
Ushers: Nick & Kathy Friederich
Server: Trigg & Tucker Goesten Kors, Kyler Von Bokel
Coll. Counters: Sean Kennedy, Phyllis Albers, Janel Zurliene
Thank you for being ministers of your parish!

ST. BERNARD'S CHOIR INFORMATION! **SING!! MAKE A JOYFUL NOISE!!**

If you have ever thought of joining the choir, now is the time. We are looking for new members to join us in this important ministry for our church - come to rehearsal - give it a chance! Questions? Just contact Joni or any of the choir members for more information!

CHOIR DIRECTOR FOR ST. BERNARD. St. Bernard Parish is looking for a choir director. If you or someone you know is interested, please contact Joni Kloeckner or Deacon Glenn.

WURSTMARKT RESULTS:

2023 Income:	\$ 23,505.75
2023 Expenses:	- 8,760.68
2023 Net Profit:	\$ 14,745.07
2022 Net Profit:	\$13,637.39

Special thanks to everyone who helped, donated, or contributed in any way to make this event a success!

The Edge Program gatherings will be on the following dates: November 5th, 6-7pm, December 3, 6-7pm. All gatherings will be at the Edge Room in the St Damian's Rectory.

ADOPT-A-FAMILY CHRISTMAS PROGRAM, BCMW Community Services. Eligible Families May Sign-Up October 23-26, 2023. Please call BCMW at 618-526-7123 from 8a.m.-3p.m. ALL applications must be received by 4p.m. Thursday, October 26. Please bring the following for ALL HOUSEHOLD MEMBERS: 30 days proof of income, current Medicaid card, SSI cards

St. Dominic, Breese Rummage Sale, Thursday, Oct. 26 from 5-9, Friday from 9-8, Saturday 9-3, and Sunday 9-12.

Trick or treating in Albers will be held on Friday, October 27 from 6-8 pm. Damiansville Trick or Treat is on Sunday, October 29 from 4-6pm. Please turn your porch lights on for the trick or treaters.

Albers Legion Breakfast, Sunday, October 29, from 8-11:00 am. Sausage, ham, eggs, fried potatoes, biscuits & gravy.

The Breese Knights of Columbus invite you to a delicious pancake and sausage breakfast with trunk or treat on Sunday, October 29, 2023, at 480 Walnut St., Breese, IL. Serving: 8:00 A.M. to 11:00 A.M. Dine-in Tickets: Adults - \$10.00, Children - \$5.00, Children (12 & under) in Halloween costumes – FREE. ALL Carry-out Tickets: \$10.00. Includes: Scrambled Eggs, Pancakes, Sausage, Hashbrowns, Biscuits with gravy, Fruit, Orange Juice, Milk, Coffee.

St. Anthony's Church Rummage and Bake Sale is Nov. 2, 3, & 4th at St. Anthony 's Parish Center 451 West Third Street, Beckemeyer IL. **Hours are:** Thursday Nov. 2nd - 9am - 8pm (Full Price), Friday – Nov. 3rd - 9am – 8 pm (1/2 Price), Saturday –Nov.4th - 9am - 12pm (\$3 Bag).

Quest Retreat, Sacred Heart, DuQuoin, Nov.4-5: Come join Belleville Quest for a JOY filled experience. Spend the weekend learning about the faith with a series of fun activities and testimony from speakers. Quest is a 33-hour Christian experience designed for high school freshmen and sophomores, but older students and adult observers are welcome. It is a time to come together to find out about God, friendships, and self in a fun-filled, thoughtful, and carefree surrounding. A time to meet new people while praying, playing, singing, and sharing with them. Applications are available at bellevilletec.org/applications.

All Saint's Academy is holding their annual dinner auction themed 'Denim & Diamonds' on November 4, 2023 at the KC Hall in Breese. Check out All Saints Academy Facebook page for info, to purchase tickets or call 618-526-4323.

ST. DAMIAN HISPANIC MINISTRY MEXICAN SUNDAY, November 5 beginning at 11:00 am. Steak or Pork Tacos are 3/\$10 and 3 tamales red or green for \$10 or \$10 a plate. \$2 soda/water. To order TO GO, call 618-708-1487.

ST. CECILIA LADIES SODALITY FALL DRIVE-THRU CHICKEN DINNER, Sunday, November 5th, from 11-5:00 at Bartelso School. Half Chicken, Mashed Potatoes, Gravy, Dressing, Green Beans, Slaw & Cake.

ST. ROSE LADIES SODALITY FALL QUILT BINGO: Sunday, Nov. 5th at 6:30PM. Doors open at 5:00PM. Dinner & Drinks will be sold. Each winner will receive a Quilt. Tie Breakers will split a cash prize. 24 Games.

Mater Dei Open House (grades 5-8). Mater Dei will host an Open House on Sunday, November 5, from 12 p.m. to 2 p.m., for families with students in grades 5-8. Families may arrive at the time of their choice, visit the informational tables of their choice, and select the tour of their choice (12 p.m., 12:30 p.m., 1 p.m., 1:30 p.m.). Visit Mater Dei's website (www.materdeiknights.org, "Announcements") for detailed information and the tour registration link. (To ensure small tour groups, online registration, which includes selecting a tour time, is strongly encouraged.) Families who cannot attend may contact Assistant Principal Mrs. Maria Zurliene for an informational folder (mzurliene@materdeiknights.org).

Spaghetti Dinner at Albers Legion on Thursday, November 9, from 4-7 pm. Benefiting Metro-East Diaper Bank. Spaghetti (with or without meat), Salad, Applesauce, Breadsticks & Dessert. \$12 Adult, \$6 5-12, Under 5 Free. Dine-In, Carryout and Delivery available to Albers, Aviston, Damiansville, Fairview Heights, Germantown, Shiloh & New Baden.

National Shrine of Our Lady of the Snows Way of Lights Volunteer Request, Friday, November 17– Sunday, December 31. 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 17 through December 31. This is also a great opportunity for youth service hours. If interested, please email programs@snows.org, call 618-394-6281 or go to our website www.snows.org/wayoflights.

SEEK 2024, January 1-5, 2024 at America's Center in St. Louis. SEEK24 is put on by FOCUS, a Catholic outreach organization targeted towards college students and young adults. SEEK is a national conference with numerous universities as well as young adults from across the country attending. There will be keynote speakers such as Fr. Mike Schmitz, Mass, a concert, breakout sessions, adoration, confessions, vendors, and fellowship throughout the week. Age would be at minimum 18, 17-year-olds can attend but with a parent chaperone. Please see attached flyer for more information on this program. Contact Mark Loyet at Diocese of Belleville for more information mloyet@diobelle.org.